

### Catholic Mass

Mass in English is held every other week from 15:00 at the Catholic Matsuyama Church at Sanbancho 4-5-5. The time for Christmas mass was not announced at the time of this update.  
Tel. 089-921-1849

### Worship at the Fukuin Center

Dec. 3, 10, 17 9:00-10:45 Regular Sunday Service  
Dec. 22 (Fri.) 18:30-21:00 Worship in English and Christmas party  
Dec. 24 (Sun.) 9:00-10:45 Christmas Sunday Service

Dec. 31 13:30-14:45 Sunday Service  
Matsuyama Fukuin Center, Heiwa-dori 1-6-6  
Tel: 089-925-1008 <http://bit.ly/2UaePBV>  
You are most welcome!  
Please check our website.



### Matsuyama Islamic Culture Center

Prayers are held 5 times every day and Islamic *dakwah* activities such as daily reading Hadist, weekly Qur'an Recitation for Adults (*Usroh*) and weekly recitation for kids (Kids Program), also Halal meat, and an Islamic book library are available.

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### Why don't you come to "Getting to know each other"! event by Matsuyama Indonesian-Islamic Cultural Exchange Meeting ?

The Matsuyama Islamic Cultural Centre and the Chiba Islamic Cultural Centre will hold an Indonesian-Islamic cultural exchange event "Getting to know each other" on the following dates.

The event will introduce Indonesian culture and provide an opportunity to learn about Islam in a simple and easy-to-understand way. If you wish to attend, please register directly with the Matsuyama Islamic Cultural Centre via the URL or button below.

- ◆Date: 23 Dec (Sat) 11:00-14:00
- ◆Conditions for Participation: Anyone interested in Indonesian and Islamic culture.
- ◆Venue: Conference Room 5, 5F, COMS  
(6-4-20 Sanban-cho, Matsuyama City, Ehime Zip code 790-0003)

- ◆Admission: Free
- ◆Capacity: 60 people

◆To register, please visit the following URL, button or QR code.  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdatOevFoPHRI\\_xc-NiWYwnt\\_0c4SoJ\\_LiWpEcutN90NWSg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdatOevFoPHRI_xc-NiWYwnt_0c4SoJ_LiWpEcutN90NWSg/viewform)



### Japan Association of Language Teachers (JALT)

JALT holds meetings in English on a wide range of topics related to language teaching.

<Part 1>

### Investigating the Use of Action Logging in a University General English Course

Speaker: Ian Downer, Assistant Professor

Ehime University English Education Center This presentation reports on a study which investigated the contribution of action logs – writing forms used to record student feedback – toward first-year students learning at a Japanese university. The study used questionnaire data, short answer responses and student comments to investigate the effectiveness of this technique for a group of 136 first year students. The results of the study revealed that a majority of the students perceived action logs as beneficial to their learning. Furthermore, the findings showed that the use of action logs was providing this group of students with a method of content review, a useful tool for vocabulary acquisition, and a technique for managing their learning. There will be time available at the end of the presentation for questions and discussion.



<Part 2>

### Integrating Creative Writing into Existing EFL Courses

Speaker: Nathan David Crocker, Adjunct Lecturer at Matsuyama University and Okayama University of Science, Imabari Campus.

Creative writing is beneficial to EFL students in significant ways. Perhaps most importantly, increasing student confidence in manipulating language, leading to an increase in student motivation. Previously, many articles on creative writing as a language teaching tool have focused on how to set up a creative writing course. However, the majority of EFL educators are not in the position to implement a full course. One viable option for these teachers to incorporate creative writing into their teaching is to add a creative writing element to their existing English courses. This presentation provides ideas about creative writing activities teachers can use in their existing courses as well as looking at some of the difficulties in setting up such activities within a limited time.

Sunday, December 10, 2023. 14:00-16:00

M215 Muse Bldg., Ehime University Johoku Campus

<https://www.ehime-u.ac.jp/overview/access/johoku/>

JALT members: free

One-day members: ¥1000

JALT website: <https://sites.google.com/view/matsuyamaialt/>

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Endorsements: Matsuyama City; Matsuyama City Board of Education

### Matsuyama Toastmasters Club

Matsuyama Toastmasters Club is a non-profit, international organization for improving communication and leadership skills. We practice public speaking in English and Japanese. Visit us 3 times for free to see if Toastmasters is for you.

[www.matsuyama.toastmastersclubs.org](http://www.matsuyama.toastmastersclubs.org)

Dec. 10 (Sun.) 13:30-15:00 at COMS

Dec. 23 (Sat.) 19:00-20:30 on Zoom

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/4156790322>

### Wondering Who and How to Help ?

With the many wars and disasters that have occurred even in the past few months, it may be difficult to choose who and how to help. One idea is Doctors Without Borders. A contribution goes almost entirely to funding the activities of the medical staff and they respond to need all over the world. Check this website for more information on how you may contribute.  
<https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/get-involved/ways-to-give>

The Red Cross is also a world-wide organization. Information for making a donation to the Red Cross is here:  
<https://www.redcross.org/donations/ways-to-donate.html>

If you have other suggestions, please let us know.