

2015 Nakamura Factory Tour in Tokyo, Japan



Wednesday, October 21st



Participant of 2015 Tour

James Hagen Jr.

President / American Dental, Minneapolis, MN

Aboard NEX (Narita Express) Train

Welcome to Japan, James !!

The hotel we stayed this year
Hotel Metropolitan, Ikebukuro, Tokyo



Entrance



Building



Neighborhood



The very 1st meal in Japan at "Hakata Ippudo Noodle House"

"One of the best noodles I have ever had"
by James



Thursday, October 22nd



A cowboy on a Tokyo commuter train



@ a well-known tourist spot "Kaminari (Thunder) Gate"
Asakusa Senso-Ji Temple



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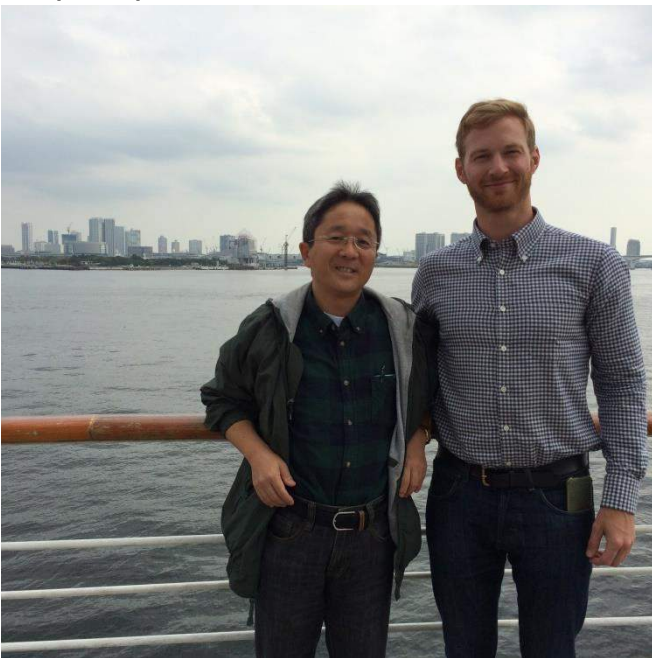
After the factory visit, we went to a Sushi bar. It is a small local restaurant, but all the food there are very fresh.



After Sushi dinner, we went out to enjoy night-life in Tokyo.
Some of the photos can't be really posted here ☺.

Friday, October 23rd

Tokyo Bay Cruise



With cruise attendant
It's quite obvious in which photo he looks happier.

Tokyo Water Front



The 2nd Night Dinner @ an Authentic Japanese Restaurant



It is important to not only taste good, but also appear well, in Japanese cuisine.

But you don't have to be nervous. Just enjoy the food.

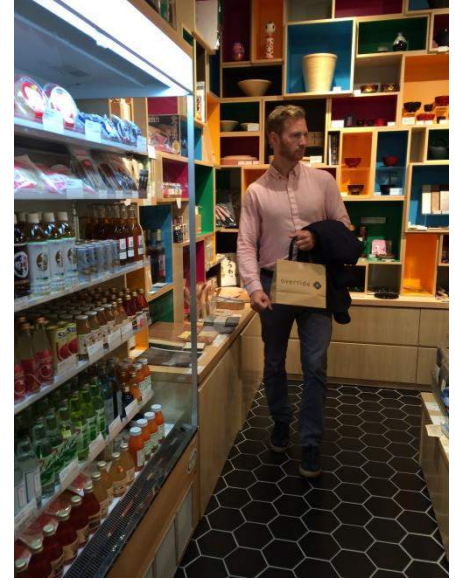


Saturday, October 24th



Breakfast at a fast food restaurant. James is eating Japanese curry over rice, my favorite dish. We also ordered beef bowl. Regrettably, the 2 rice dishes for breakfast was too much.

We went to morning shopping in Shinjuku, one of the busiest area in Tokyo.



It is still early in the morning, and the street looks empty. The city starts coming to life around 11:00am.

Have you found anything good?

Our has come to end at noon time. James stays in Japan for his personal trip to Kyoto for another few days, and I fly back to LA in the evening.

Thank you, James, for participating 2015 Japan Tour. We hope to have you in Japan again.

Post-Tour Comment



Konnichiwa Ito San,

I can't thank you enough for the wonderful experience. I already miss Japan and it will always hold a special place in my heart. More to come, but here are my post-tour comments.

First off, a special thank you to Charlie (Ito San) and Nakamura San. They were generous hosts and made my stay a memorable one. My initial impression of Tokyo was the high level of quality and detail ubiquitous within the culture, from the local sushi chef to the local store owner. There's a tremendous amount pride and warmth within the people that left me feeling inspired. Visiting the Nakamura factory was no different. I appreciated learning about their manufacturing and R&D process, and understanding how Nakamura maintains its high level of quality. Nakamura is an impressive operation and it was a pleasure to meet the individuals behind it.

Arigato gozaimasu,

James

It looks that James picked up a few Japanese languages during his short stay in Japan!!