

Welcome to JALSA, Ignace and Laura. We met at Serika's ceremony last Friday. Take a look at our photo to refresh your memory. Unfortunately, I have a communication class for patients with ALS at a college today. Students practice how to communicate with me. If not, I would definitely join the party.

On behalf of patients with ALS and their families in Japan, let me thank you for what you have done. It must have been a tough journey. But your bicycling has certainly given hopes to many people suffering from ALS. Various promising studies are ongoing around the world including your friend's research at Stanford. I believe the day is coming closer when we finally overcome ALS. Until that day, we at JALSA are determined to do whatever we can to alleviate the suffer ALS brings to us.

Have a safe trip back to Belgium. See you again someday.

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Shigeyuki Shimamori  
President JALSA

