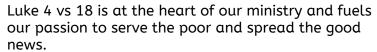


PRAYING FOR HOPE

Autumn 2023



This is God's time to shine



God's Spirit is on me; he's chosen me to preach the Message of good news to the poor, Sent me to announce pardon to prisoners and recovery of sight to the blind, To set the burdened and battered free, to announce, "This is God's time to shine!"

Our pastors

As Luke 4 states our pastors have been chosen to spread the good news to the poor and preach. Please pray for all our pastors as they navigate the various challenges that their communities bring to them. We lift up Rev Ruby and her female congregation who face challenges just getting into the front door of their church due to harassment, please pray for them.



Praise God for Koodakovi

The building work and toilet block on Pastor Thomas church is complete which means that we can expand our children's ministry in this village. Pray for our new after school club which is running daily as more and more children start to come to use this facility. Praise God for this wonderful provision and the opportunity to minister to families in the area.



Praise God for Uppokottai

We have energised our ministry in Uppokottai with a new pastor and his wife who have taken on the church, set up an after school club and launched a new sewing institute. This is a very challenging community with a lot of tension making it a stressful place to minister so please pray for perseverance for the Hope Gardens team here



and Judah

Praise God for Iresha Let us pray specifically for two of our students, brother and sister Iresha & Judah who came to Hope Gardens last year. They had significant disruption to their education not finishing school due to Covid and their fathers job situation. A local pastor introduced these two excellent students to us and they have now finished their school education and started their diploma.



Who are Hope Gardens

Hope Gardens is a small Christian charity run by Archbishop Samuel Gnanaprahasam based out in Cumbum and focuses on lifting communities in Southern India primarily Tamil Nadu and Kerala out of poverty. Education is paramount to this. We believe in equality and prospects for all. Our investment in a SEND School, child sponsorship programme and vocational courses for woman echoes this. Our network of churches and social welfare programmes enable us to give children and families better life prospects.