

PRAYING FOR HOPE

Spring 2024



What a huge blessing!

Hope Gardens celebrates a record harvest! Our yield of 15,624kg (252 bags of rice) is the most we've ever collected. This harvest will be used to feed our staff, students, after-school programmes, and the local community. We'll also use some proceeds to support Hope Gardens financially. Praise God for this provision.



Pastor Titus

In February, Pastor Titus accepted the role of pastor at our church in Theni. Hope Gardens established a presence in this village by employing a tutor, Mrs Rani, who has been providing an after school club for children with great success. We now want to extend our ministry to the whole community, run services and give pastoral care. This is a very tricky ministry so please pray for Titus



Praise God for Debral

Debral works in a village where 90% of adults are illiterate and girls traditionally don't go to school after puberty. She is educating parents, encouraging girls to stay in school and thrilled with the progress her children are making. Each day she teaches 40 children and ensures they get the educational support they desperately need. She welcomes children of any faith or caste.



New church plants

At the moment we have 15 churches but it is very exciting as we are just starting a new church plant 4km outside of Cumbum. This is a rural village and Archbishop Samuel has felt a calling to start a new church here. We are running a home group and providing practical and medical support for the families struggling in this community.



Pastor Daniel's ministry

Pastor Daniel joined Hope Gardens last year and is working in a community where the previous vicar was driven out by the youth putting snakes in his church. Pray for God's protection of Daniel and his family and for perseverance. Praise God for his positive attitude as he works alongside the youth, runs his after school clubs and conducts his sunday services.



safe spaces

Vocational skills and This picture may just look like a teacher and her student, but it represents so much more. Tutor Jeya welcomes ladies of any faith into her sewing institute. This lady pictured here, like many of her fellow students, can now earn her own money by running a small shop with the clothes she has made and support her family. Many women are married young, are not able to finish school, and have troubled home lives. Praise God for this safe space where Jeya can comfort, restore self-esteems, and give ladies a real vocational skill