

# HARVESTINDIA

CARRYING CHRIST'S COMPASSION TO EVERY VILLAGE IN INDIA



## OUR MISSION

Is to carry Christ's compassion to every village in India.

The 4 key ways we carry out our mission at Harvest India:

 MERCY MINISTRIES

 EDUCATION

 ORPHAN CARE

 SHARING THE GOSPEL

## A Word From Suresh...

Dear Faithful Partners and Friends,

I am praising God for the opportunity to share some things from my heart with you, we are so thankful for your faithful prayers and support to this ministry that helps us to reach many with the love and HOPE of Jesus.

As we look forward to celebrating Easter throughout the world, the message of HOPE that this special time of year brings is especially important to the Dalit people of India.



Without the Good News that Jesus brings, their lives seem hopeless and futile, but then the Cross changes everything for them, for all of us. Everyday throughout the year we bring the Easter message to those we meet, that is our mission at Harvest India.

**We have seen hundreds hear the story of HOPE and see their lives be touched this winter through our village outreach ministries and crusades.**

We have been watching the same message impacting the lives of our orphan children, elderly people, AIDS patients, friends with leprosy, and the down trodden as they experience the true love of Christ for the first time.

**We know that their lives will never be the same again.**

In this newsletter, we hope that you will find these stories from India encouraging and exciting like we do. God is at work friends, and we are grateful for the price He paid on the Cross thousands of years ago that daily reminds us that He loves, cares for, and heals each one of us. We wish you and your family a Happy Easter.

May God Bless You!

Suresh Kumar  
President, Harvest India



“Let us not love with words or tongue, but with actions and in truth.”  
1 John 3:18

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## Did You Know...

**The man who is the Program Director of our Children's Homes was miraculously healed?**

On Dec. 9, 2012, Ravi was in a tragic motorcycle accident and admitted immediately to ICU for several days with very slim chances of recovery due to a traumatic head injury. When he finally awoke, his first words were "Praise the Lord." Through many prayers and a miracle healing of God, Ravi is back at home with his Harvest India family! He and his wife have been dedicated to running Harvest India's largest Children's Home for the past several years. They are true servants and loving parents to hundreds of children.



## Please Pray for:

**EASTER:** For HOPE to penetrate the hearts of those who hear it for the first time.

**GRADUATIONS:** For the Harvest India staff & team as we prepare for graduations.

**OPPOSITION:** For our Pastors who face opposition working in unreached villages.

**SUMMER TRIP:** For Suresh & Christina's plans to visit the USA this Summer.

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## HOPE :: Found in You

By Brian Wurzell

In 2012, I had the privilege of being with Harvest India for the second time. One of the most impactful stops on my trip was to an Elderly Home. This home exists to take in women that have been pushed out by their families, because of their age or health. It's a sad cultural injustice, but Harvest India is committed to this population. These women have become prayer warriors for the ministry.



Through a series of events in 2011, the property owner that Harvest India was leasing from would not renew the lease, because of the people living there. Suresh and his team began working to try and locate another home for these women. The journey was disheartening, every landlord shut the door for the same reason as the previous one.

Although Harvest India had a basic plot of land where they planned to build an Elderly Home in years to come, there was only one structure already built with cinder block walls, cement floor, and a sheet metal roof. With NO running water and NO power, the conditions were deplorable.

had the chance to see the brand new facility and the joy radiating from the faces of our elderly friends. They have HOPE, and it is a powerful thing that is changing the world one prayer at a time.

**DOWNLOAD THE SONG:** [www.foundinyou.com](http://www.foundinyou.com)

In 2012, our team went to visit this new location where our friends were living and our hearts were broken by the conditions we found them in. We wept thinking about this being our parents, grandparents or ANYONE for that matter. We had to do something for these women. Our team rallied through personal donations and various fundraising tactics to get this space built out and finished asap.

One of the fundraisers birthed out of a song that I wrote while we were on that trip called: Found in You. Through the song, we were able to tell the story and donate all the proceeds to this project. Within 30 days of our trip, the money was raised and construction began. Our 2013 team just returned from India and



## Daniel Sudakar: One Man a Shining Example

Husband, father, pastor, translator, Vice-President of Harvest India's bible colleges and house parent of the Vemuru Children's Home these are just a few of the responsibilities shouldered every day by Daniel Sudakar.

In 2004, Suresh and the Harvest India team went to Vemuru, Daniel's home village, with a team and he observed a man serving food and caring for the villagers with a posture that seemed out of the ordinary. Suresh immediately requested a meeting with Daniel and later that day offered him a position with the ministry on the spot. Since that day, Daniel and his wife have been faithfully serving with Harvest India reaching out to the people of India.

When asked what he enjoys about his work with Harvest India, he stated, "I love to work with foreign teams translating the Word of God, it brings me much joy. I also love to bring people to Jesus. And I like to comfort Hindus and Muslims whenever they are struggling in our community." Daniel shared that the biggest challenge of being a pastor in India is

the societal opposition encountered from Hindus and Muslims, as well as the financial limitations in a society where persecution and lack of resources are the norm. Despite the resistance and many roles that Daniel carries he does it all with great joy.

He is a shining example of the servant's heart, sacrifice and dedication demonstrated by Christian men and women working on the ground in India every day.

Join us in praying for Daniel and all the other faithful pastors who share the Gospel and the tangible love of Christ each day in their communities.



## · SNAPSHOTS :: A Day in the Life of Our Kids



TOP: Playing games and having fun after a day of school



RIGHT: Children praying and worshipping in the morning



LEFT: Two young students working on classwork



## Hungry to Learn

By Angela Rogers

In many western cultures students complain about long days and homework, roll their eyes when they dislike or disagree with their teachers, and often find excuses not to attend school. Meanwhile an education in India is a privilege and something that students look forward to. They love coming to class, are eager to complete their work, and appreciate their teachers. At home in the United States as a teacher, I struggled daily to make the learning fun, relevant and entertaining enough. Here in India, all we have is a chalkboard and plain white chalk; no technology, no manipulatives or cool art supplies, but yet the students are captivated with learning.

**Naga Swaroopa Rani** (pictured to the right) is a perfect example of an Indian student eager for an education. She and her sister have been a part of the Harvest India family since she was 10 years old due to her family not being able to provide for them. Today she is a student at KSK Junior College and will graduate on March 16, 2013, becoming the first to do so in her family. Despite her background, she has persevered and now has her sights set on getting her Bachelor's degree so that she can teach at the Harvest India Quarry School. I watch the youth of India and they are hungry to learn. There are many stories like Swaroopa's throughout Harvest India Children's Homes. Harvest India is truly coming alongside of students even with the most limited resources and giving them an opportunity to fulfill their dreams.

