Within the last three years, the persecution of Christians in India has rapidly increased. Many Christian outreach organizations have been forced to leave the country. New Harvest Ministries International (NHMI) has felt the effect. Due to government redistricting, orphans have been removed from NHMI orphanages and placed in facilities in their home districts. New “regulations” make it more difficult for Christian orphanages to stay in operation. Violence is used to convince Christian communities revert to the government instituted religion. Churches are pressured to close their doors.

Pastor John Varghese and his wife Simi oversee the girls’ orphanage at Mekkamandapam. They pastor a church in that village, as well as one in Colechel. The police have stopped their services in Colechel on multiple occasions. Please pray for their church, their orphan children, their safety, and their persecutors.

Pastor John, his wife Simi, and two of their three children.
**Cuba:** Pastors Rene and Neicy have been very busy working for the Kingdom. More than 1,100 new students are enrolled in their Bible college to be trained in full-time ministry! Praise God for bringing more workers for the harvest! Each week their church gains 3-4 new members. They recently baptized 18 new believers. These blessings of ministry as well as family events have forced them to post-pone their trip to the United States. We will let you know when they are able to reschedule. Please pray for God’s strength to fill them as they handle the demands of their many ministries and daily life. Also pray for Neicy’s continuing health struggles. If you would like to provide for their new home, please contact NHMI.

**Tanzania:**

Your support allows Pastor Laban to purchase and plant trees to harvest for timber. The trees that they recently planted are growing quickly. Pastor Laban provided the picture on the right to show the progress. Profits will support the ministry of NHMI Tanzania, which includes church planting and pastoring, open-air evangelistic meetings, and seven (7) New Harvest Bible College branches.

Tree seedbeds in June.

Tree seedbeds in August.
Pastor Geoffrey and NHMI of Zambia held 25 open air meetings in twelve locations, resulting in 919 souls coming to the saving knowledge of Christ! They also spent time witnessing one-on-one, bringing 208 more into the Kingdom! They plan to return to some of these locations for baptisms as soon as they complete a scheduled crusade. They anticipate more than 100 people participating in the baptisms. Please consider supporting this life-giving ministry.

**Fall Harvest Happenings:**

Mark your calendars! The NHMI Fall Harvest Happenings will be on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at City on a Hill Ministries, 100 Pine Street, Zeeland, MI 49464. We will be sharing all of the latest stories of God’s greatness. Invite your friends! RSVP to newharvestministriesintl@gmail.com or (616) 748-8888. We will see you there!

Yours For The Harvest,

Dale & Jeanne Scholten

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**India**

New Harvest Ministries is providing for the care of widows, orphans at 3 facilities and a day school
Over 90 churches have been established
Over 100 wells have been drilled in remote villages bringing fresh water to over 100,000 people
Over 1,200 graduates from New Harvest Bible College

**Tanzania**

7 branches of New Harvest Bible College with over 1,000 graduates
Over 100 churches have been established throughout Tanzania, Burundi, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, and Democratic Republic of Congo

**Zambia**

Open air meetings and church revivals reach remote villages with thousands saved, healed and delivered

**Cuba**

Pastors seminars and church services continue to encourage and inspire pastors and leaders

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Muthu Raj is responsible for sweeping the corridor and watering the plants at the orphanage in Tamil Nadu, India. He turns 9 years old on November 13. He enjoys playing Kabaddi, tag, and one-legged play. Many of the children raised in the orphanage go to college and return to help their villages and orphanage family. Thank you for giving Muthu this opportunity.

“...to look after widows and orphans...” James 1:27