Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't. Worship is ultimate, not missions, because God is ultimate, not man.... It [missions] is a temporary necessity....Worship, therefore, is the fuel and goal of missions.

(John Piper)



Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. (Matt. 28:19-20)

# church planting

"Missionaries reach their prime on the mission field after about 20 years; but after 20 years there are few missionaries left. For the least-reached to be reached it takes learning the language, putting our roots down, loving people, giving of ourselves to reach them & going for the long haul." (Bruce Nichols)



# Christar

Christar exists to glorify God by establishing churches among leastreached Buddhist, Hindu, Muslim and Asian communities worldwide.

The vision of Christar is to cultivate Christ honoring transformation in communities where He is yet to be worshiped.

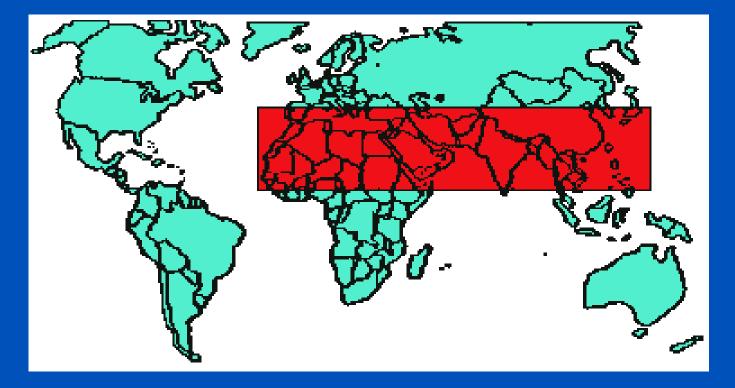


#### least reached peoples...

- 1.57 billion least reached Muslims
- 1 billion least reached Hindus
- 400 million least reached Buddhists



#### the ten-forty window



Of the 55 least evangelized countries, 97% of their population lives, or originates from within the tenforty window.

#### **North America Affinity Group**



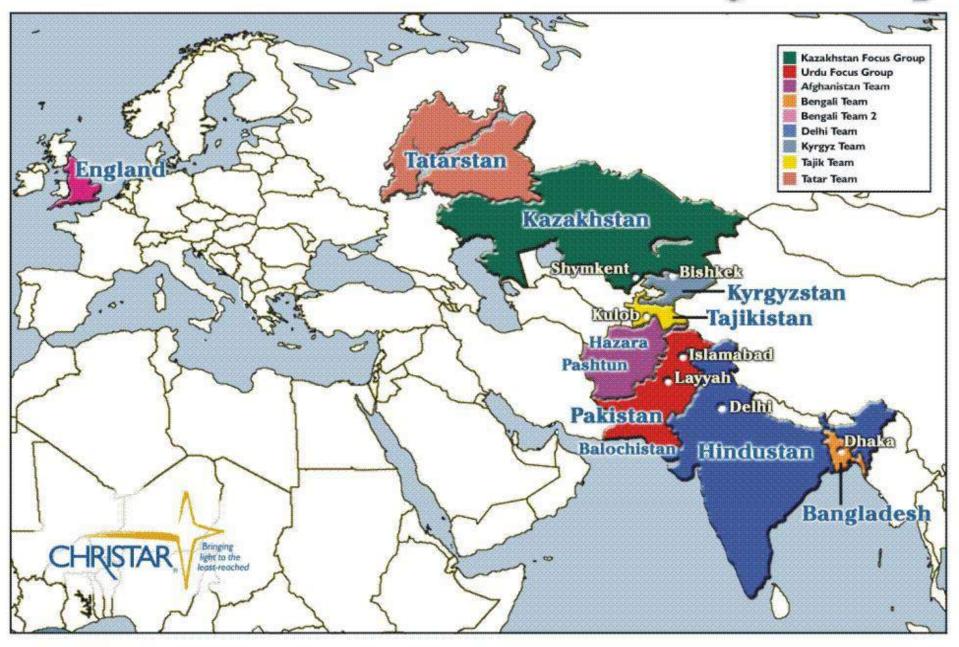
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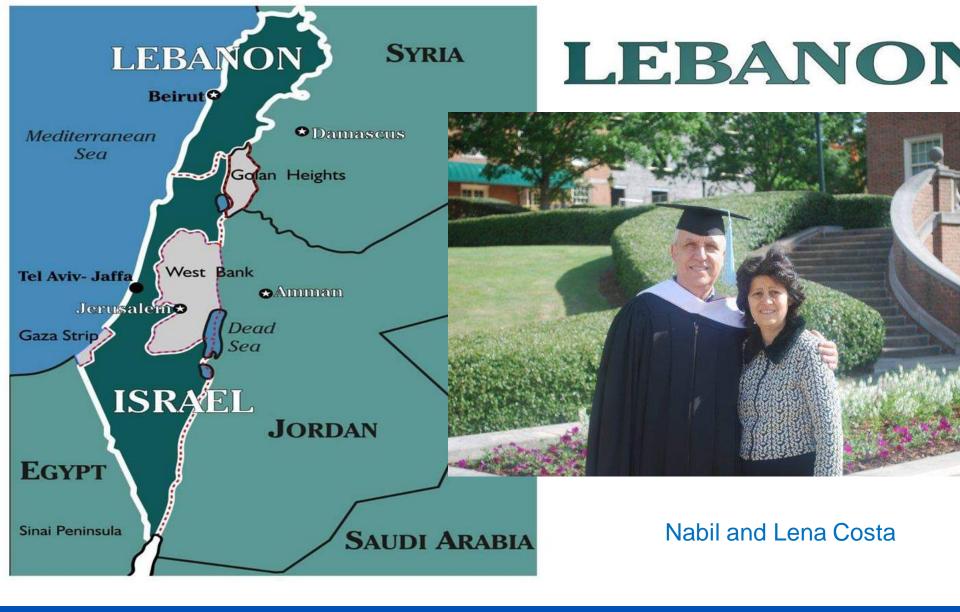


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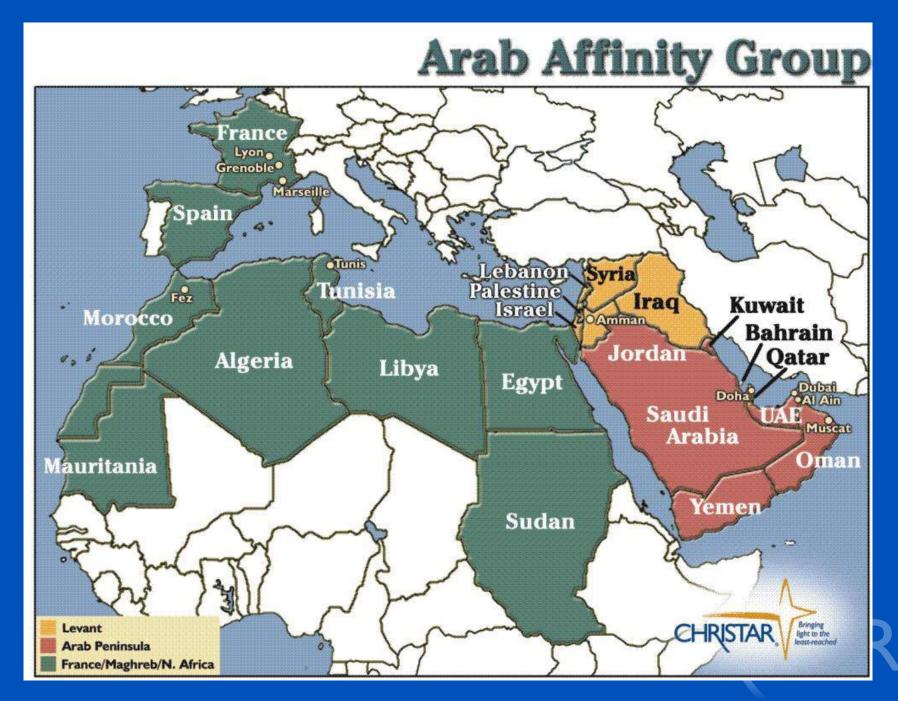


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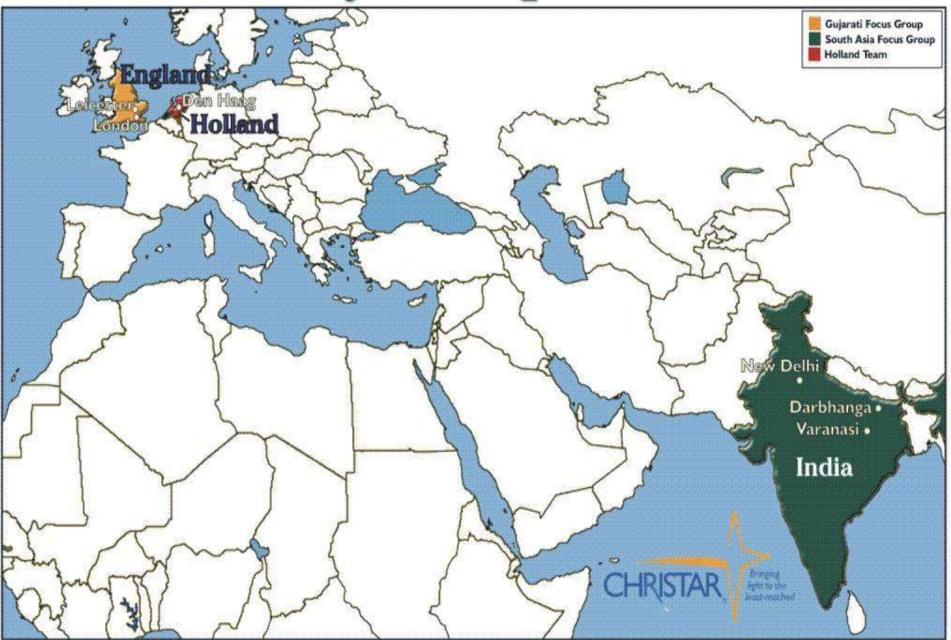


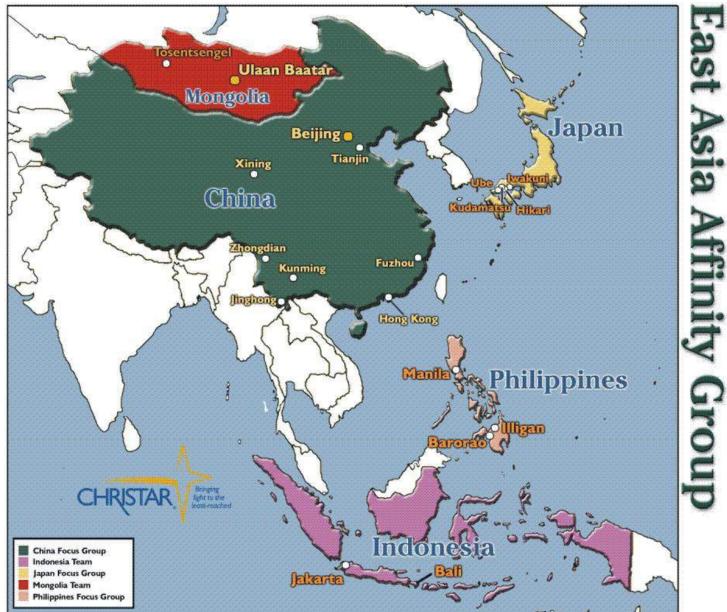


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# **Hindu Affinity Group**





# NETHERLANDS

#### in The Netherlands



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### Keukenhof







## The Netherlands – a multireligious society

- Unaffiliated 47%
- Roman Catholic 26%
- Protestant 16%
- Islam 5%
- Hindu .6%
- Buddhism .4%
- Other 5%

Schmeets, Hans (September 2014). "De religieuze kaart van Nederland, 2010-2013" (PDF). Bevolkingstrends 2014 (Statistics Netherlands).



#### The Netherlands - beliefs

- Agnosticism 31%
- letsism 27%
- Theism 17%
- Atheism 25%

• van Beek, Marije (16 January 2015). <u>"Ongelovigen halen de</u> gelovigen in". *Dossier Relige* (der Verdieping Trouw).

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### Atheism expressed in song - John Lennon and "Imagine"

 Imagine there's no heaven It's easy if you try No hell below us Above us only sky Imagine all the people Living for today...

Imagine there's no countries It isn't hard to do Nothing to kill or die for And no religion too Imagine all the people Living life in peace...

You may say I'm a dreamer But I'm not the only one I hope someday you'll join us And the world will be as one





# Holland is home to 300,000 Hindu immigrants





## Hindu Theology

- god
- Brahman Impersonal, unknowable, unreachable, indescribable and passionless
- Pantheism- All is god
- Panentheism All is in god
- Dualism The world and god are not the same.
- Polytheism Belief in many gods.



## Hindu Theology

- Man
- Atman (soul) is identical with god.
- Some Hindus believe that man is part of god
- Some Hindus believe that man and god are distinct
- Judgment
- Karma- means deeds or actions. One's present life is the result of past actions.
- Afterlife
- Samsara- reincarnation The soul takes on new forms of existence after each death.

## Hindu Theology

- Salvation
- Moksha
- The soul merges into god
- Some forms of Hinduism allow for a conscious existence in the presence of god.



# Will the beautiful old Dutch churches reach them?



Unlikely, their own membership is in decline, their message is not culturally relevant.

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#### Meet our team

#### Mike, John and Marilyn



#### Rich and Sandy work with Muslims in the Den Haag area.





# De ONtM eting Welk M



## Market Evangelism





Mindus in Den Maag and





"the gospel is never communicated until the message is understood."

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## Henk Koning





## Discipleship



### Lando and Wanita



## Men's group



### Baptism 2015



### Baptism in the Ocean



## New Life Bible Institute (Germany)



#### **Tyndale Seminary**



# Seeing people come to Christ and forming cell churches is the focus of all our activities.















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