

- David Eades-

Why We Give to PEB...

The Eades Foundation provides support every year to Christian Girls’ Higher Secondary School in Sangla Hill. On the campus, there is an elementary and secondary boarding school for girls from remote villages. Most of the money is used for scholarships to help boarding girls from families that otherwise could not afford the cost. Eades Foundation chose to direct funds toward education in Pakistan because it is an area of unrest and we believe that education is the long-term solution to bringing peace. Friendly interaction among Muslim and Christian students dissolves feelings of alienation between the groups. Education also helps prevent poverty and overpopulation.

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The Education Board and staff worked with local communities to provide improved facilities and expanded educational experiences. As the story of this new challenge and success in Pakistan was shared with churches in the US, generous gifts were received, initially to provide the very basics: desks, books, teaching aids, drinking water and sanitary facilities. One gift provided the first-ever field trip for village children who had never been to a city; others provided balls and simple athletic equipment for children who had never had any sports opportunities.

The extent of the transformation was expressed by students at Kasur Christian Girls’ School in 2001, shortly after that school was returned to the Presbyterian Education Board. Guests visiting from the US had observed the freshly painted buildings, usable toilets, attractive garden, and repaired furniture – AND alert students in bright, cheerful classrooms. Then they were treated to a skit developed by the students who wanted to contrast their former experience with the new education. The first scene portrayed disorderly students being ordered to run errands for the teacher (who was not teaching!). Scene II showed disciplined students sitting respectfully. One student said, “I no longer need a tutor (to be able to pass government exams) for I learn all I need at school. My parents are so happy they don’t have to pay for a tutor.” Each year, support of friends and churches has increased. Starting with Elaine Markuson’s volunteer service at Christian Girls’ High School, Pasrur in 1999, many volunteers have provided leadership in teacher training and various other capacities. Each year, as Veda travels to dozens of churches to tell the PEB story, generous gifts are offered to support the schools and outreach programs. With great faith, vision and perseverance, the leadership of PEB has been able to enlist friends around the world to be partners in this extraordinary mission. Thank you for your help.

- Jenny Stoner
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