

# ANNUAL REPORT

2015



FRIENDS *of* PEB

**The new face of FOPEB...  
new logo, new image, same vision!**

A tree is a symbol of immense and enduring strength. It symbolizes nurturing ambition, good fortune, stability and security. For everything this tree represents, we hope and pray for the children of Pakistan.

"He is like a tree planted by a stream of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers"

Psalm 1:3 ESV

*Changing the world  
through education...our  
vision is that every child  
of Pakistan has access  
to an education that pre-  
pares them to be citizen-  
leaders*

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# A Message from FOPEB Executive Director



**Margy Trimble**  
Executive Director

“Your  
encouragement,  
prayers and  
financial support  
are helping PEB to  
bring hope and a  
bright future to  
children in  
Pakistan!”

As I began my tenure as Executive Director in July 2015, I was quite aware that I had very big shoes to fill! Ed Morgan's leadership, as a board member for 5 years, and more recently as Executive Director for 2 years, has been instrumental in transforming Friends of PEB's (FOPEB) financial and structural stability and helping to significantly raise the level of support for PEB here in the U.S. Through the strong efforts of Ed, the Board of Directors, Veda Gill and Lynn Miller, FOPEB has become a professional and effective 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, raising over \$1,000,000 in 2015. These funds are helping to transform the schools and students at the PEB schools.

There is much to celebrate in 2015! Students are studying in new classrooms in Martinpur. Construction has begun for a desperately needed new dormitory for the Christian girls from remote villages studying in Sargodha. Funds were given to complete the entire infrastructure of Sangla Hill Girls School. A record number of scholarships were provided.

Still I am overwhelmed by the needs each time I visit Pakistan. The quality of education offered by the government is abysmal. Extreme poverty prevents most parents from the ability to afford private education. Many more scholarships are desperately needed for PEB to fulfill their commitment for ALL students to have the opportunity for a high quality education. Several 100-year-old crumbling buildings still need to be replaced to provide a safe learning environment.

I am optimistic that FOPEB will continue to build on our strong foundation to help support and grow the important ministry of PEB. I welcome our new Director of Communications, Jamie Williams who will be helping FOPEB communicate with you in fresh new ways via print, internet, and social media. I also welcome two new Board members, Stuart Baskin and Tim Roach who both bring extensive non-profit experience, and expand our reach to the southwest and northwest areas of the U.S.

I want to thank YOU – our new and old friends – for being important partners in PEB's ministry. Your encouragement, prayers and financial support are helping PEB to bring hope and a bright future to children in Pakistan!

Serving with you for Christ's glory,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margy".

# A Message of Thanks from Veda and PEB

As I recall 7 years since our partnership began (which seems like only yesterday), I am thankful to God for so many great favors and blessings that have happened in PEB through our partnership with FOPEB.

- \* I truly give thanks to God for providing vision, dedication and commitment to all the board members. It was only yesterday when I was alone in USA with very few supporting arms. I am thankful to God for the visionaries in PEB board in Pakistan who saw and endorsed the need of a support group and thus the FOPEB board in USA came in existence.
- \* I truly give thanks to God for the leadership of the first Executive Director of FOPEB, Rev. Dr. Ed Morgan, who being a visionary took the board to a new level. The hard work, commitment and zeal of Lynn Miller, the administrative assistant, was without parallel.
- \* I truly give thanks for the new leadership being so ably provided by the new Executive Director, Margy Trimble, and the team that she is forming to continue essential operations of FOPEB.
- \* Our journey over the years could not have been possible without support from FOPEB. We are now sharing the PEB story with hundreds of churches -- a huge step forward from the few churches that partnered with us in the early days. With your support we have had many transcendent moments of "Awe" in the life of PEB, and this has changed us forever.
- \* Our most valuable asset at PEB in Pakistan is the gift of your partnership. You have rewarded us with love, understanding, support, joy and faith. Your support has been a source of strength and courage which has encouraged us at PEB in Pakistan to move with persistence and perseverance.

Now, with a deep sense of gratitude, I offer my sincere thanks to Almighty for the gift of love and support from each and every one of you. Thank you indeed for believing in the cause. You all have definitely rekindled our inner spirit. With your partnership, we in Pakistan experience nothing less than heaven on earth.

*May God bless you all,*

Veda



Veda Gill  
PEB Executive Director

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# Building a Better Tomorrow

## PEB construction is a bargain!

Reviewing PEB's proposed construction plans provided to me illustrates the bargain that those schools are. Similar quality new construction in affluent Johnson County, Kansas costs more than fifteen times as much.

- Dave Ege  
Second Presbyterian Church  
Kansas City, MO



Sargodha Christian Girls Dormitory Phase 1 construction  
began October 2015

## Currently raising funds for:

**Sargodha Christian Girls Dormitory, Phase 2 (\$115,000 still needed)**

**Sargodha Boys High School, Phase 1B (\$130,000 still needed)**

**PEB Office/ Multipurpose Building, Phase 1 (\$53,000 still needed)**



**NEW! Martinpur girls classroom block**

Since FOPEB was incorporated in 2009, funds have been raised for numerous construction and renovation projects to improve facilities that were neglected during the 26 years that the schools were under the control of the Pakistani government. When asking a major contributor, "Why do you support PEB?," he said he had researched other organizations doing similar work in developing countries, and concluded that his gifts to PEB would do the most good.



# Student Scholarships



## *A Donor Makes a Simple Decision...*

When my husband and I learned of PEB, it was a simple decision to sponsor a child - one little girl entering the first grade. Learning that her parents prayed for her to receive a good education, but lacked the resources, also made this small gift of tuition, books and a school uniform the right thing for us to do. We made a personal commitment to quietly see her all the way through her school years. Shortly afterwards, we learned she has an older brother and sister in the same plight. So we welcomed them to our PEB gift plan as well.

That was three years ago, and our commitment only grows stronger. The more we know about PEB, the more convinced we are that this is a meaningful and direct way to bring a good education to children in an impoverished situation. Education will further their talents, give them skills, and change their world and ours for the better. —Ellen Davis

Charleston, SC



## **A Dollar A Day!**

**\$1/day= \$365 per year for 1 day student**

**\$2/day= \$730 per year for 1 residential student**

**Donation provides full tuition, books, uniforms, supplies  
(plus room and board for residential students)**

## *...and a mother now sees a bright future for her children*

The mother of the 3 children that Ellen and Tommy Davis support at the PEB schools in Martinpur was recently interviewed. She shared that their family situation is critical because her husband has no regular source of income. Without scholarships her children would have never been educated, and she could not envision any future for them. Now, with scholarship assistance, the children have been able to go to school and have hope for a bright future. Her dream is to see her children become doctors and engineers. She is really thankful to the donors for their support.



# 348

**students received  
scholarships in  
2015**



# Endowment Giving- Providing for the Future



## *A Legacy Rekindled...*

The story of my great-grandparents and their missionary life was almost a legend in my family. The "big picture" is that my ancestors, The Rev. Dr. Samuel and Lydia Martin preached and worked as Presbyterian missionaries to convert residents of Punjab to Christianity. A Christian village was established in 1898 and named for them - Martinpur (village of Martin in Urdu). That's about all we knew growing up.

In the last couple years, through Veda Gill of PEB, we learned that yes, there is indeed a village named Martinpur and that PEB administers two schools there. This started a conversation within my extended family (a total of 11 cousins) which led to establishing an endowed scholarship fund for students of the Martinpur schools. The Samuel & Lydia Martin Memorial Scholarship Fund at the Presbyterian Foundation currently funds 4 annual student scholarships with the funds flowing through Friends of PEB to Pakistan. Our goal is to grow this fund so more scholarships are available over time.

I had the opportunity to personally visit Martinpur this past November. I was so impressed with how much the schools accomplish both academically and with extracurricular activities. I also saw how poor the village is and came away more convinced than ever of the value of the endowed scholarships. What my family is doing now is nothing compared to the accomplishments of our great-grandparents but it is our contribution to keeping their mission and vision alive.

—Sam Martin



Sam Martin (right ) and Imran Julian (left), Principal of Christian Boys School Martinpur

FOPEB is receiving an increasing number of endowment gifts. These gifts are a tremendous blessing as they help to sustain the PEB schools and scholarships for needy students for years to come. To learn more about endowment giving, contact [margy.trimble@friendsofpeb.org](mailto:margy.trimble@friendsofpeb.org) or call 320-493-6243.

# Travel and Learn-

## Exploration Trips to Pakistan

Nine individuals from across the United States traveled with FOPEB to Lahore, Pakistan in November 2015. The group was warmly greeted at PEB schools, where they met students and teachers and viewed the facilities. Here are reflections and highlights from some of the travelers:



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friends have joined  
FOPEB for Exploration  
Trips since 2009

One of my charges as a pastor is to equip the saints for the work of the ministry. PEB does that every day in how they serve and guide the students along a path that changes their future.

—Darin Seaman, Pastor  
First Presbyterian Church, St. Cloud, MN

Every detail of my trip was handled by FOPEB. All I needed to do was open my eyes to the wonder and needs of the children of Pakistan.

—Lynn Grady, First Presbyterian Church, Lakeland, FL

### *Pakistan is more...*

It is more colorful, intense, developed, friendly, passionate. It is more delicious, devoted, disciplined, deeper and intelligent than I ever expected. I left with the belief that our community has wisely chosen to support the mission of PEB schools and the future of the children of Pakistan. I left having made friends and feeling connected. I am blessed to have had this experience and am motivated to continue sharing my story with my community and beyond.

— Jimmy McCarty, Minister of Youth and Mission  
Second Presbyterian Church, Kansas City, MO



# 2015 donors-

## People who make things happen

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**"I thank my God every time I remember you.**

**In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy**

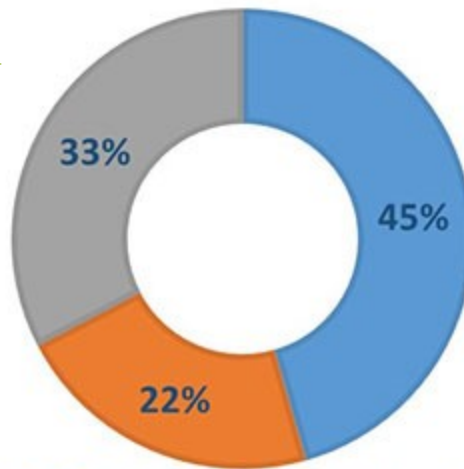
**because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. "**

***(Philippians 1:3-5, NIV)***

# 2015 Financials

**\$1,007,787**  
in total  
revenue!

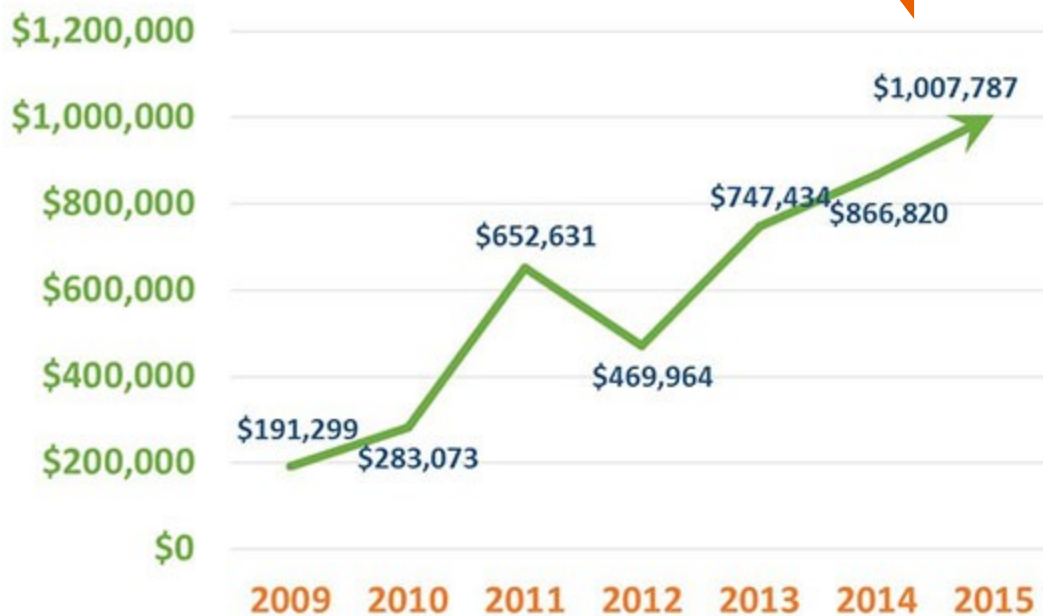
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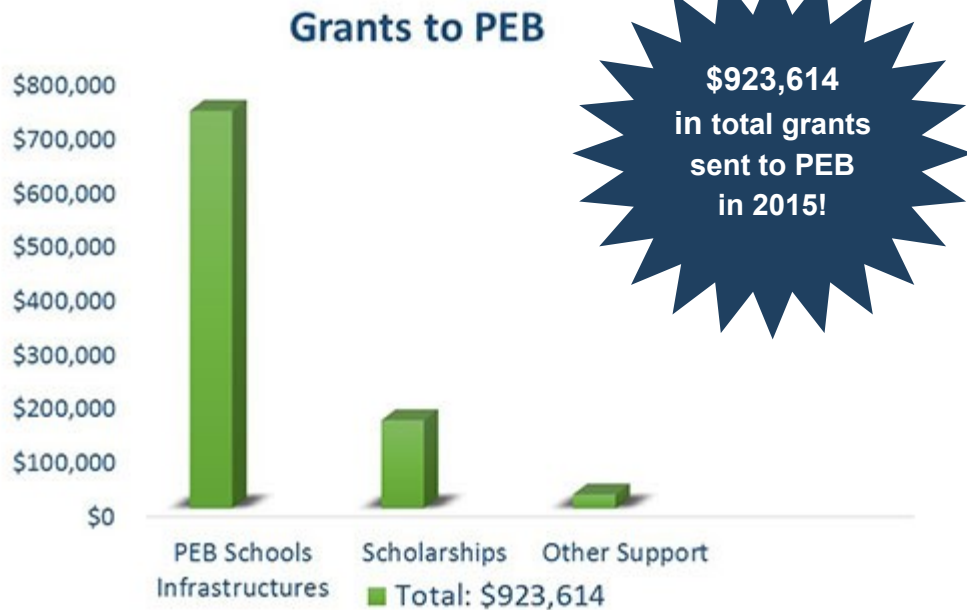
■ Individuals (\$458,887) ■ Churches (\$220,436) ■ Foundations/Endowments (\$328,464)

Donations to FOPEB

Over 7 years

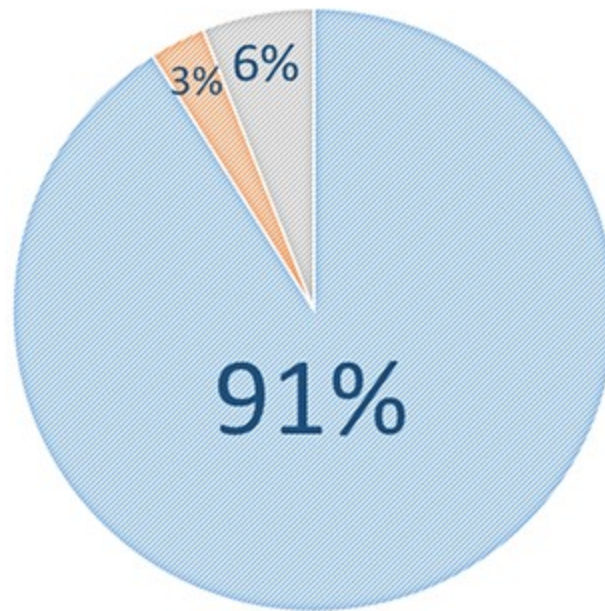


# Let's look at the numbers



## EXPENDITURES

■ Programs ■ Management ■ Fundraising



**\*Disclaimer\*** Friends of PEB 's financial information is reported for the 2015 calendar year. The 2015 audit is in process. Full audited financial reports can be viewed on our website, [www.friendsofpeb.org](http://www.friendsofpeb.org)

# On a Personal Note

When people find out I've been to Pakistan, they often react with astonishment. Why Pakistan? Sometimes I ask myself the same question. The quick answer is, "Because someone invited me, and I said Yes." The "someone" in my case is actually three someones.

The first is my friend, Renee Neff-Clark. Renee, a member of my church who first caught the vision of PEB, invited me into a helping role when the Friends of PEB was in its formative stages. I was, in a sense, an innocent bystander. Renee introduced me to Mrs. Veda Gill and other PEB supporters. While learning about the schools and the many organizations and individuals already committed to them, I found myself moving along a new path in my life without really knowing where it would lead.

The second "someone" is Mrs. Veda Gill herself. To know Veda is to fall in love (that's the only way I can describe it) with her and with her unrelenting vision. She exemplifies the meaning of commitment and service, energy, and hard work. Her faith in the goodness and providence of God is a shining light.

The third "someone" is God. I know beyond a doubt that God has invited me or called me into a relationship with God's children in Pakistan. Clearly there are many—even endless—ways to serve in the world. I simply trust that this is the one that has been given to me by God, and I try to stay focused. I just keep on saying **YES** day by day.



**Barbara Loots**  
*Board President FOPEB*

***"I just keep  
saying YES day  
by day"***

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## Three Ways to Give!



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