

**Grace Bible Church Pakistan
Ministry Newsletter
January 2012**

Grace Bible Church Arifwala

A BRAND NEW YEAR!



Lord said, “Do this in remembrance of Me” Luke 22:19b



Grace Bible Church School

New Students

Praise and glory and honor always for our God and Savior, The Lord Jesus Christ. We welcome several new children attending our school for general education and Bible teaching. Praise God as one family came to the saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ; they decided to send their four kids to our school so they can be more equipped in academics and reading skills. I'm also very blessed and grateful for these new children as they are learning every day about our loving Jesus Christ in their Bible classes.



Four of the children come from a Christian home,
and three come from a Muslim home.

**Pro 9:9 Give instruction to a wise man and he will be still wiser,
Teach a righteous man and he will increase his learning.**

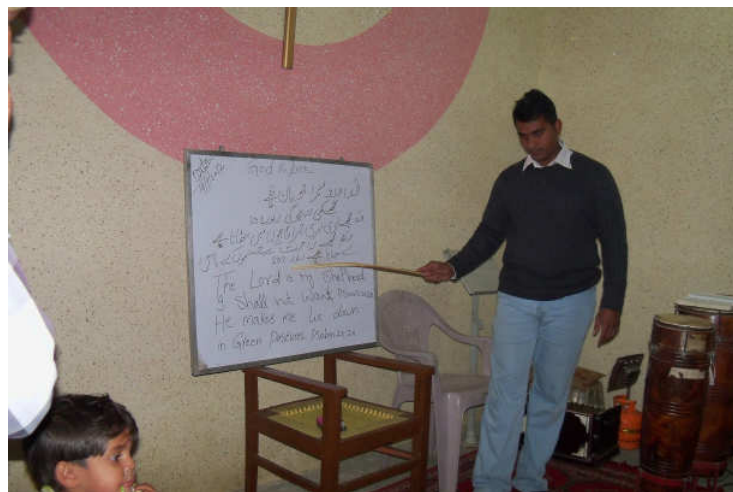
Thank you for everything you do for His glory,
He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

His own,
Pastor Faisal John

January Academic Testing



All the children passed their preliminary exams with average or higher grades and they are now ready to continue forward with the final phase of their educational curriculum, which will close out this next semester. We are so proud of our teachers who work very hard despite the circumstance of missing a teacher. The kids are resilient too and have gained some social skills.



Pastor Faisal is teaching the children the wonderful history and mysteries of **Psalm 23**. They are memorizing the whole Psalm in Urdu and English!

GBCP Church/School Needs & Fulfillments

Needs Fulfilled	Current Needs
We continue to be blessed by your gifts to support this ministry. As GBCP continues growing rapidly, we look for those who will commit to giving a <u>monthly gift</u> for at least a year; any gift will help us with our bottom line.	\$ 2400..... Mission 2011/2012 approx. \$ 1500..... Carrie's Airfare (immediate need) \$ 900..... Various fees for 501c3 reg. \$ 300..... Carpet for church/school \$ 500..... Projector \$ 200..... Livestock for villagers

Please mail Gifts/Donations to:

**Grace Bible Church Pakistan
Attn: Mark Clark - Treasurer
870 Campus Drive, Apt. # 217
Daly City, CA 94015**

Your decisions to partner with us in thought (PRAYER), word (PRAISES), or deed (GIVING) are greatly appreciated!

For the entire galleries of pictures go to **GBC Pakistan's Facebook** page:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Grace-Bible-Church-Pakistan/217474891599558>

Ministry News from the USA

We give praise and thanks to God, our Father and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as He continues to pour blessings out on Grace Bible Church Pakistan until our cup overflows. We are finalizing all of the steps required to register the ministry as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with the State of Arizona and the United States government, and expect this to be completed by the middle of the year. This leads to certain financial needs and disclosures that I would like to share with you now.

First, there are approximately \$900 in various fees to be paid during the 501(c)(3) registration, including a \$750 fee to the federal government.

Second, the board of directors has approved a stipend of \$1000 per month to Pastor Faisal to support him financially as the spiritual leader of the ministry. We would like to have started with more, as one who works hard in the work of the Lord is worthy of double honor, but the current budget just does not allow it.

Third, Carrie will be joining Pastor Faisal in Pakistan for the last seven weeks of his 2011-2012 missions, to edify the women and children and bring comfort into their lives. The airplane tickets alone for her trip costs about \$1500.

Fourth and finally, donations made to this ministry can be directed toward specific needs by writing in the memo line of the check or money order. If a specific need has already been fulfilled, then the donation will instead go into the ministry's general fund.

There is one exception. We are very careful to avoid jealousy or conflict between new Christians and children in Pakistan. Therefore, donations made in the name of any one child or family will instead be put into a general fund used for all the children or families there so as not to incite division among young Christians in a culture where the Gospel message of Christ is already quite repressed. If you have any questions about this, please let us know.

When you send donations, please be sure that your address is somewhere on the check or envelope. Once our 501(c)(3) registration is complete, we want to send out acknowledgments to those who support this ministry at the end of each year for tax purposes.

As this ministry opens a new chapter in its service, I was thinking about when Israel began a new chapter of their own history. In Exodus 35, The Lord describes His tabernacle. First in v.1-3 He commanded the Jews to obey the Sabbath, which was not optional. Then beginning in v.4, something different happens. The Lord calls on any who were willing to offer up and contribute. What a stark contrast especially in the Mosaic Law: commanding obedient service (v.1-3) but requesting voluntary support (v.4-29). A half-dozen times in v.20-29 the KJV translates this as being "willing"; the NASV as "stirred"; and the NIV as "moved".

Obedience to God is commanded of His people but support of His ministry on earth is only requested. If your heart is willing, stirred, or moved to support the finances of Grace Bible Church Pakistan, please send a check or money order to:

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GBCP Treasurer
870 Campus Dr #217
Daly City, CA 94015

All donations of prayer, thanks, and joy should be addressed to:
God Most High
Sovereign and Creator of the Universe
Throne Room, Heaven

Thank you for promoting the mission of this ministry: to bring the saving knowledge of Christ to a lost and dying world especially those in Pakistan.

Mark Clark
GBCP Treasurer
www.gbcpakistan.org

Praises & Prayer Requests

Praises: 12 youth believe in the Lord Jesus Christ at bible study



For weeks, every night in January Pastor Faisal has been pouring out his heart and the word of God into a group of on average 18 young boys and young men ranging in ages from 9 to 23 years. One night in mid-January, a few of them began to ask more personal questions. Faisal, responding to the call, revealed God's grace and salvation in a very simple manner explaining to them that no one is ever born Christian, and that we all have to make a decision to believe in Jesus Christ. After playing the following video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WXX4tbWSEe4>, Faisal gave the gospel and 12 of the boys believed this wonderful love story and are now our Lord God's children. Then, to remember their new birth they wrote in their bibles, **"These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may KNOW that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:13**

God alone can do this, ALLELUIA!

Prayer Requests:

- ◇ Prayers continue for Pastor Faisal as he completes proof reading *The Basics* book. The goal is to have this completed by the end of February, so the books can be printed and ready to hand out for the Pastors Conference. Projected date for the conference is now late March/ early April.
- ◇ We still need one more teacher for our school. We have a volunteer teacher who is currently filling in.
- ◇ In Village #57, please pray for a widow who has one daughter and needs a hand, water pump.
- ◇ Continue praying for Pastor Youcef in Iran who remains alive and in prison. News reports state that Iranian officials are pressuring Youcef to renounce his faith in Christ. Pastor Youcef continues to refuse.
- ◇ Continue praying for Asia Bibi, who was convicted of blaspheming, sentenced to death, and remains in prison. She recently reported that she has forgiven those who have put her and her family in this situation.

Pray also for Tahir as he is getting married February 12th. Pray God provides abundantly for this once in a lifetime event.

**Thank you again for all your continued prayers and support.
It's an honor and privilege to be in this battle by your sides.**