

Building Momentum for National Prayer Movement

The big picture that PPI has envisioned requires concerted action and prayer, so the nationalized prayer movement is an important part of PPI's outreach. Prayer mobilization is gaining momentum across the country. Regional prayer working groups are leading more than 500 intercessory groups at local level and are making deliberate efforts for multiplication of the entire prayer movement.

Strategic collaboration with prayer ministries like LAMP fellowship, Kingdom of God Churches Network, Assemblies of God Church - KPK and Youth with A Mission are being developed. Local groups have been mobilized in Abbottabad, Charsadda, Rasalpur, Nowshera, Kamra, Wah Cantt, Rawalpindi regions. Prayer partners across the country remained engaged in offering their prayers and supplications to the Lord for the wellbeing of our country. In general, the Pakistani Church while holistically serving our land stayed on its knees for Pakistan and its prosperity.



Partnership Beyond Projects

CATCH project is being implemented by Four consortium partners, partnering with 40 local churches in Rawalpindi/Islamabad region. Apart from the implementation of Church and Community Transformation process, the partner churches and the local partners are coming together in faith and prayer. CATCH partners (churches + para church organizations) organized a joint prayer event in Islamabad. The joint prayer has become a regular feature of the partnership as the partners have started holding it on a monthly basis and the coordination is being enhanced with similar networks and prayer ministries operating in the RWP/ISB region.

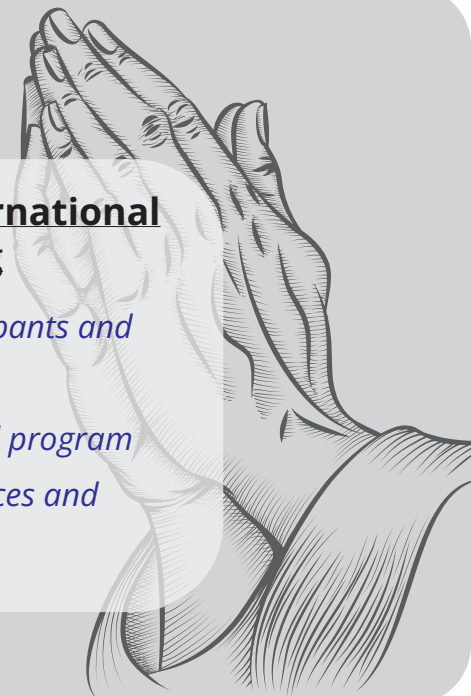
Prayer Request

For Pakistan

- *Pray for economic & political stability in the country*
- *Pray for the law and order situation in the country*
- *Pray for wisdom and strength for leadership*

PPI's International Gathering

- *For participants and co-hosts*
- *For Overall program*
- *For resources and program*



We are a collective endeavor and our vision cannot be translated into reality in isolation or on our own. We believe in an interdependent society promoting harmony and sharing of resources for collective benefit. Therefore, our constant efforts towards strengthening our capacity to serve through collaborations and partnerships keep bringing in new friends and partners. This quarter, we have more memberships and partnerships on board and we are glad with the expansion of our circle.

Membership with PaRD

Pakistan Partnership Initiative is now a member of International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development (PaRD). It is one of the largest global networks of organizations/government bodies working together on Religion and Development. It is an opportunity for PPI, its partners and other stakeholders to engage with other development actors and increase their potential, capacity, quality and reach to serve communities in better ways.

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Standing with Minorities in Partnership with PCCI

PPI signed an MoU with Pakistan Christian Council International (PCCI) to work on legislation to strengthen Minorities and unity of Christian Leadership in Pakistan. We began with joining PCCI for getting Christians registered in the national database and also are holding consultations on Child Marriage Act (CMA) for Christians in Pakistan. First consultation was held in February and a bill was discussed with legal experts, social activities and PCCI members. Implementation Minority Rights Forum - IMRF played a key role in this discussion along with Mr. Naveed Amir Jeeva – Member National Assembly who also took part in the consultation.



Visits of our friends and partners are not only a source of encouragement for us but also an opportunity for us to learn from each other, find out ways on how we can come together to give our respective share in the vision that we collectively share. These are also a gesture of accountability and transparency that we are open to share our work and practices with others to find common grounds and ensure quality and fairness in all the work that we do. In this quarter, we welcomed the following friends.

Mr. Joe Berg - *Joe's visit was mainly in relation to the flood response work by PPI partners. He also helped partners learn more about effective response strategies through a training workshop working on flood response in partnership with PPI.*

Mr. Andy Weigal and Mr. John Douglas - *Among the pioneers of PPI and have been supporting the collective vision of strengthening the Church in Pakistan. Meeting with staff, board, partners and discussing areas of mutual interest are some of the highlights of this visit along with a great time of fellowship and prayer.*

Mr. Bandip Kumar - *Cordaid Representative met with flood response partners and our team engaged in the process. Mainly Mr. Bandip conducted an external audit of PPI and its implementing partners of the flood response and it remained satisfactory at both ends.*

Mr. Andre Van Eymeren - *Managing Director, Centre for Building Better Community, Australia visited PPI and its partners in Islamabad. He facilitated a three-day training on Flourishing Communities sharing CREATE model where Church, Business and NGO work together work for community development & transformation.*



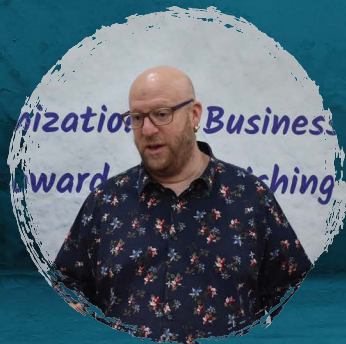
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PPI Journey so Far - Consultative Gathering

The PPI Journey started in 2017-18 and what a journey it has been so far, so much has been achieved. If we were to describe it in one word, it would definitely be COLLABORATION. It has been amazing to see that over the past few years how different Church groups and Organisations have started to work together for a common vision of a "Transformed Church" in Pakistan.

We started to build a new narrative - a narrative of sharing instead of holding on to the assets/resources, a narrative of complementing instead of competing, a narrative of working together rather operating in isolation, a narrative to have strong, transparent and credible local Christian institutions, a narrative of part of a big picture instead being the only changemaker, a narrative where second line leadership is being invested in and is fully engaged in the process of development and a narrative where Church would come out of misconception that their service is limited to the spiritual growth of the community but, it's holistic ministry which makes a Church fully effective.



The consultative gathering in January 18-21, 2023 with our friends and partners who remained a part of this journey was an attempt to recall and encourage ourselves how God has been leading us this far. Besides recalling the journey's highlights, we reflected on how we have been doing, have we created the intended impact, do you need to continue in the same direction or make some adjustments, do we need to narrow down our focus? Are we doing enough for collaboration/networking/movement? What is the collective big picture that we want to see in the coming years? We reviewed and revised our 5 year strategic plan in the light of discussions and affirmed to continue to work to strengthen unity and collaboration, build partner capacity, strengthen resource base and promote wholistic development as per the collective vision to have a prosperous Pakistan.

Featured Highlights of the Quarter

Our partnership with Pakistan Christian Council International - PCCI and Life for Guardians Foundation- LGF has enabled us to take some significant initiatives towards women empowerment and children development other than just community level. We have been able to take the government and some relevant ministries on board to take further steps of empowerment. Following, we consider some featured initiatives of this quarter.

Recognition of 12 Women Leaders

A delegation of 12 Christian women leaders was formed as an outcome of a Christian Women Leadership Conference. LGF, while taking the lead role has taken the responsibility of connecting these passionate and committed leaders with parliamentary ministries and facilitating them in their capacity development to help them serve better. This conference was organized in commemoration of International Women's Day. More than 100 participants including public representatives, civil society representatives and women leaders attended the conference. The services and efforts of these 12 Christian women leaders were recognized and acknowledged through award distribution ceremony while using a positive gesture for women development. Each of these 12 leaders will be mentoring and coaching a further two emerging leaders.



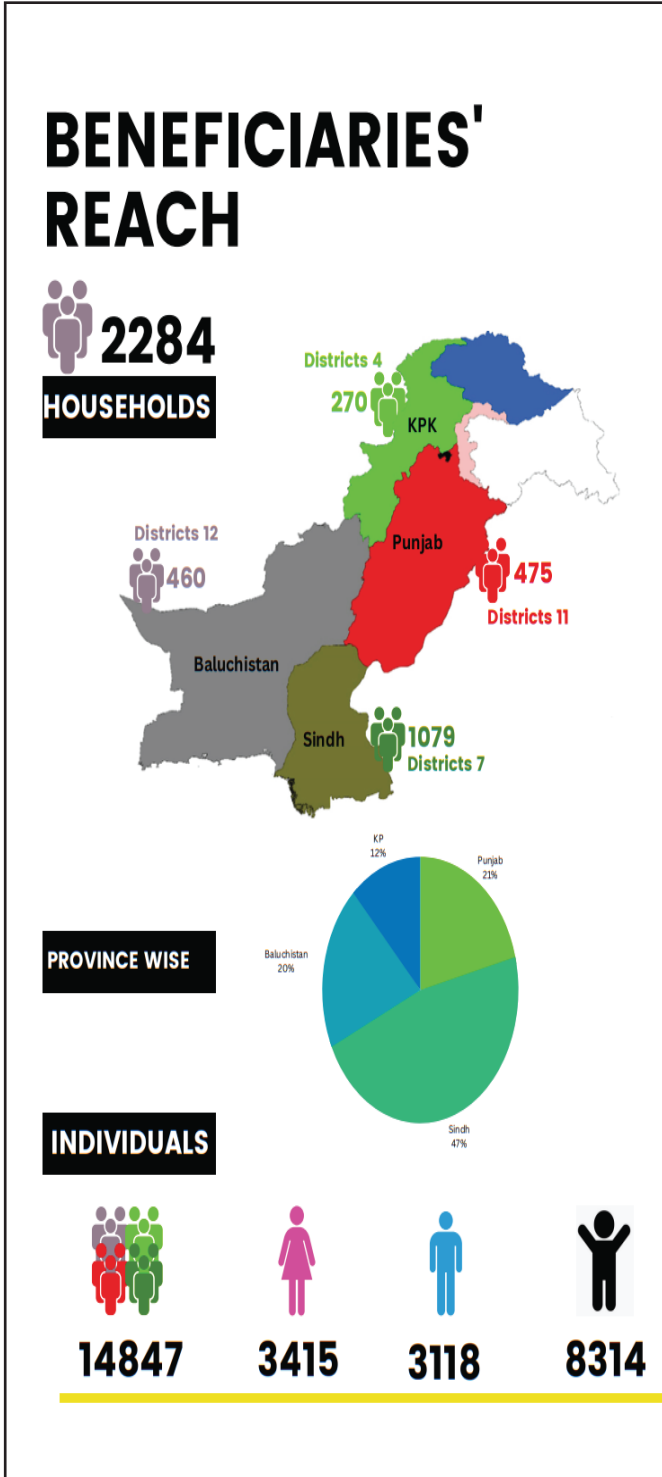
"Today, we have opened the doors for our historical Durbar Hall- Governor's House Lahore for minority women in honor of their demonstrated leadership and commitment towards women empowerment", said Mr. Baligh-ur-Rehman, Governor Punjab during his speech at the event.

Charter of Demand by a Delegation of Minority Children - A Historical Milestone



While making an effort toward child rights, PPI and PCCI collaboratively under the project of Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety - PASS took an initiative towards the well-being of minority children. A delegation of 12 children representing all provinces including Gilgit-Baltistan presented the charter to Raja Pervaiz Ashraf, honorable speaker of National Assembly Pakistan and Chairman Senate, Mr. Sadiq Sanjrani. PPI appreciates the support and significant efforts of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights, particularly Chairperson Mehnaz Akbar Aziz and Mr. Naveed Amir Jeeva for making this happen. We believe this is among the initial steps and we will continue to work together to build on it further for our children as they are the future of our nation.

The floods-2022 had devastating effects on millions of people. To help flood-affected families, PPI, launched two projects – having eight resource partners and four local lead implementing partners on board. Regular coordination meetings with line departments and UN agencies ensured the multiplicity of assistance to affected families. Feedback and Complaint Response Mechanism was established in compliance with Quality and Accountability standards. The project reached communities with cash grants, food, shelter, and awareness raising campaigns. In total 2,284 families were assisted, the chart below gives an overview of our response.



Partners in Action



Partners in Back-end Support



Walking Alongside in Enhancing Local Capacities

Our partnership and collaboration are all about developing and supporting each other for the purpose to serve collectively and more effectively than being merely on our own. Our capacity building program continued working with our local partners to help develop their organizational capacity in strengthening systems, management and process as well being more impactful in community development. In total, six training workshops were held on key areas identified by the partners during this quarter.

Climate Change and Adaptability

One of the core national, in-fact global challenges and the need to adapt accordingly. A two-day training that was attended by 30 participants from different organizations. PPI's Networking Advisor, Mr. Joe Berg and Mr. Asher Shahzad, Capacity Building Coordinator, facilitated the training.



Essentials of Humanitarian Practices

A key area while responding to the immediate needs of disaster/crisis affected communities. 22 participants from across the country remained actively engaged in the 3-day workshop. It was developing the capacity of partner organizations to respond effectively and efficiently in any humanitarian crisis according to the Quality and Accountability standards (Sphere and CHS). Furthermore, the coaching and mentoring sessions built upon maintaining standard, so as to assist partner organizations to respond to the humanitarian crisis in a dignified manner.



21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership

PPI in collaboration with "The International Leadership Training Institute" organized a 03-day training course as part of our leadership training series that helped cultivate the most desired attitude and understanding to live our call as effective Leaders in Pakistan. Overall, 23 participants from the Senior and Emerging leaders took part in this training course.



Community Mobilization Training – Khanewal

PPI organized two comprehensively designed workshops on Community Mobilization in Khanewal and Quetta. This scenario-based training was held in a village imparting first-hand experience, knowledge and skills on PRA tools and community mobilization approaches, to the 46 participants, who actively took part in the learning process.



Create Community Training

PPI in collaboration with World Evangelical Alliance – (WEA) and Centre for Building Better Community arranged a 3-day training course in Islamabad. The purpose of this training was to break down the traditional silos of faith, business, and community development, creating space for people in these places to come forward, to dream, and create the type of community they want to call home. Furthermore, it emphasized on collaboration of NGO, Business and Church working together to create flourishing communities. The total number of participants were 24 with active participation.



Donor Xperience Management, Fund-Raising

A 3-day online training was run by DXM, a US based entity that has rich experience in fund raising. The online training richly informed the participants on practical and updated fund-raising strategies. The content of the training was experience and research-based and was immensely addressing the needs of a broad and wider community engaged in donor-management practices. With 37 participants, it received representation of 25 local organizations who learnt new insights into this significant area. An outcome of the training was to develop a fundraising experience enriched strategy for the coming years.

Apart from developing and equipping partners through training, the strategy involves supporting partner organizations with certification, strategies and policy documents with the help of sectoral and thematic experts for strengthening their operational excellence and professional outlook. The key areas included:

- Supporting Five local partners in PCP certification
- Strengthening humanitarian capacities through training and coaching of 07 local organizations by developing their code of conduct and complaint response mechanisms in collaboration with the CHS focal point in Pakistan i.e. Community World Service-Asia
- Developing community mobilization strategies of 10 partner organizations
- Strengthening internal controls of 10 partner organizations by developing and strengthening their Financial Management System, HR, Information management and communication and operational manuals.

With the purpose to develop partners in grant management, 13 small grants have been rolled out and partners were engaged through three consortiums contributing together under the umbrella of one project in the main areas of Leadership Development. Specific areas include - Youth Development, Women Empowerment, Church Leadership Development and Community Empowerment. Partnerships and Collaborations, Prayer Mobilization, Organizational Capacity Development and Church Engagement are taken as cross-cutting themes.

Project Implementation Strategy

A 2-day exercise in March 28-29, 2023 in Multan with 13 partner organizations, helped partners understand their role in the project and were able to develop detailed implementation plans for their respective organization. The most encouraging part was to see the second-line leadership taking up the steering role and their commitment was vividly seen through their level of engagement while working on the project's implementation strategy. It has been a pleasant sign of shift and change that is underway. Years ago, when we started, we always had senior leadership present in project planning but this time, we could see second-line leadership given with ownership and leading roles.



CATCH - IV – A Journey towards Transformation, Contextualization and Adaptability

The CATCH Consortium Project-I started in September 2018 with the aim to lead local churches to significant mobilization for church vision which in turn would lead to community transformation in Islamabad and Rawalpindi. Later, the CATCH Consortium Project II was launched which was more focused on Umoja with emphasis on leadership and a Self-help Approach. The project aimed to equip 40 churches for holistic development in Pakistan. UMOJA was the driving force behind all holistic development. Through resource mobilization the Community Development Fund was established, and the funds were utilized for church and community development initiatives planned and designed by CCM structures for their own communities. Moreover, the project empowered youth of target churches and communities to prepare them for leadership roles through motivation, awareness, and career counseling. Building further on the success, CATCH Consortium Phase III was developed and was more inclined towards youth development along church and community envisioning, equipping, and building capacity of the partner churches.

"The model has remained a success since its initiation and has served uniquely to the needs of local church engagement in its community development. Year after year, this model has achieved significant milestones and now entered into its Phase IV. Again, using the same Church and Community Mobilization approach, it is intervening in communities to help address not only their local challenges but to contribute into national and global development agenda as well. Women Empowerment, Climate change are two key areas of focus along with prayer mobilization and youth development."

The Kingsway School as VFK's Initiative

PPI and its Partners would like to congratulate VFK (Vision for Kingdom) on the opening of "The Kingsway School" in Hari camp Kotri, Sindh. The purpose of the school is to transform the lives of children through Education who live in the Hari camp Kotri. We wish them all the best in this endeavor.

JECUP Celebrates 10th Anniversary

We are standing together with JECUP in their celebration and commitment to community service and completing 10 years. Coming to women empowerment, they have made great contributions through business skill training and small business set-ups. They presented PPI, a shield of honor for its support.

REEDS Initiative on Protection and Facilitation of Vulnerable Groups

REEDS formed a partnership with the District Police Office for protection and facilitation of vulnerable groups - transgenders, People with Disability, elderly people. A unique initiative while having its main focus on Livelihood, Education and Health draws appreciation.

Research Studies on Laws, Policies and Religious Minorities

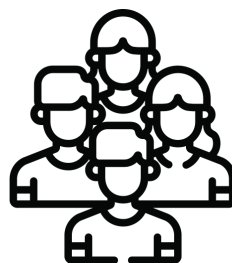
Resilient Women's Network in collaboration with ForBLN has taken this initiative and are carrying out pre-launch consultations. We believe this will serve in the greater interest of Pakistan.

Opportunity for Young People to Learn Essentials of Media Production

PAK7 is offering Media School, a 10 week residential program with the deadline of April 15, 2023. This program is making a huge impact in the lives of the young generation, preparing confident and competent people for the marketplace. For details, their website can be visited.

Socio-Spiritual Empowerment of Women

Society for Relief and Development inaugurated a vocational and training center for females in collaboration with the local church. The objective to socio-spiritually empower Christian women living in marginalized communities.



“We are grateful to all our PPI family that all friends and partners make and remind us that it's never about an individual or an organization. It is about the Big Picture and we each are a small yet significant part of it - Let's keep working in harmony while recognizing and acknowledging the central existence, that it is God and His love for the entire humanity.”

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