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BRINGING OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOLS AND PROMOTING PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AMONG DIVERSE FAITH CHILDREN (SDG 16,4)

WPTGF COLLABORATION WITH TVO



WPTGF is privileged to partner with the Trust for Voluntary Organizations (TVO), a semi-government organization, to support the enrolment of children studying at the WPTGF Non-Formal Education Centre (NFEC) into mainstream schools. The partnership agreement is being received by the Federal Minister of PA&SS Syed Imran Ahmed Shah. Through this collaboration, WPTGF and TVO have successfully enrolled 35 Muslim and Christian children into mainstream education. Since 2023, WPTGF has been providing these children with accelerated learning as well as peaceful coexistence education to promote harmony and social cohesion.

To support their education, WPTGF has provided school uniforms, books, stationery, and school fees for one year. In addition, the project aims to equip parents with vocational skills so they can start or expand small businesses and improve their livelihoods. This initiative reflects a strong commitment to peacebuilding, education, and community development.

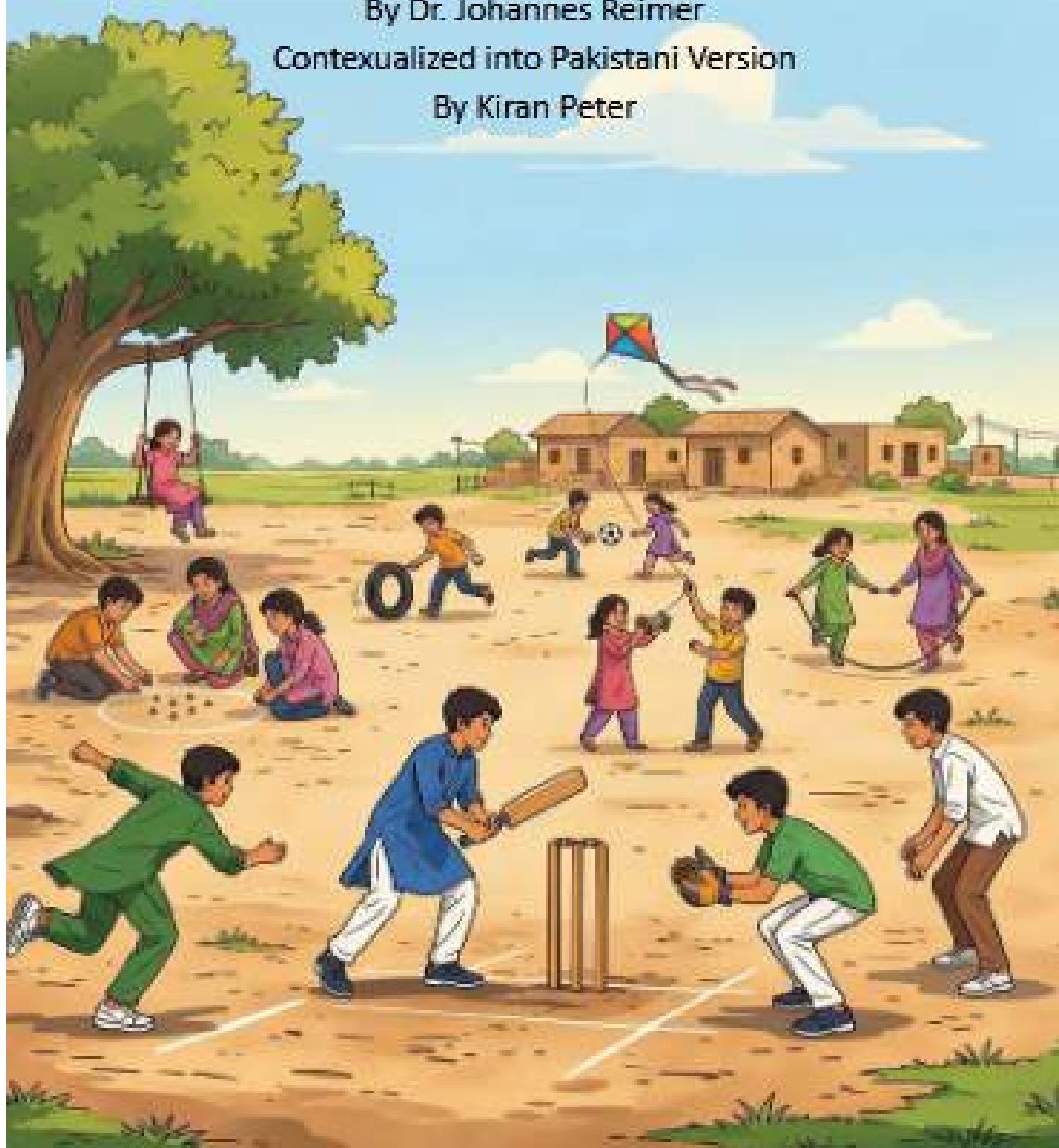




Stories for Children

Promoting Peaceful Coexistence among Diverse Faith Children in Pakistan

By Dr. Johannes Reimer
Contextualized into Pakistani Version
By Kiran Peter



We are deeply thankful to Peace and Reconciliation Network (PRN) and Giving Hearts Foundation Foundation Inc for collaborating with Weaving People to Grow Foundation to contextualize the original stories of Dr. Johaness Reimer to Pakistani Context. Stories have the power to shape hearts, open minds, and bring people together. This storybook has been created especially for children in Pakistan to help them understand important values such as kindness, honesty, forgiveness, respect, and peaceful coexistence. Each story in this book reflects real-life situations that children may experience or observe in their communities. The characters come from different parts of Pakistan—cities, villages, mountains, plains—showing that values like love, compassion, and respect for others belong to everyone.

SOIL TO SOLIDARITY: AN INITIATIVE OF HIVE PAKISTAN AND WPTGF TO FOSTER PEACE AND RECONCILIATION AT COMMUNITY LEVEL THROUGH KITCHEN GARDENING PEACEBUILDING COOPERATIVE (SDG 16,13)



WPTGF in collaboration with HIVE Pakistan under the project Soil to Solidarity conducted a community meeting on peaceful coexistence and kitchen gardening with women from the Peacebuilding Kitchen Gardening Cooperative based in Rawalpindi on April 10, 2026. A total of 10 participants attended the meeting. During the meeting the participants shared their progress and experiences in promoting peace within their communities, highlighting how collective efforts and sustainable practices like kitchen gardening are contributing to harmony and cooperation at the grassroots level.



The women shared that to promote peace outside we need to make ourselves peaceful from inside. Peace begins in our minds and transitions to our home and family. They articulated that they have held sessions with their family members after attending the peacebuilding training organized by WPTGF and HIVE Pakistan in January 2026.



They shared we have experienced that kitchen gardening further supports peaceful coexistence by teaching responsibility, patience, teamwork, and care for the environment. We should also move towards community gardens as they can become safe spaces for interaction, learning, and relationship-building among diverse groups. Ms. Kiran Peter articulated in marginalized communities, such initiatives help address poverty and inequality, which are often root causes of conflict. Overall, kitchen gardening is not only a tool for nutrition and livelihood improvement but also an effective grassroots approach to building stronger, more peaceful, and resilient communities. Kitchen gardening is a good business for women staying at homes all day.

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The second meeting was conducted on April 16 in G-8, Islamabad, where women participants shared their efforts to promote peaceful coexistence within their homes, communities, and among youth in Islamabad. Alongside the women involved in the Kitchen Gardening Cooperative project, other women sensitized on the concepts of kitchen gardening and peaceful coexistence also attended the meeting. The participants highly appreciated the efforts of WPTGF and HIVE Pakistan in promoting community development and social harmony.

WPTGF has actively engaged women from diverse faith backgrounds in this initiative. During the discussions, a major challenge identified was that some women are not permitted to leave their homes due to strict family control, which negatively affects their confidence, participation, and mental well-being. Overall, the initiative demonstrates that practical activities such as kitchen gardening can serve as effective tools for food security, income generation, and improving women's mental health. However, sustainable peacebuilding requires more consistent and long-term efforts. The discussions also highlighted that women who have some level of education and social freedom are better positioned to promote peace, tolerance, and positive relationships within their families and surrounding communities.



YOUTH MENTORSHIP - SIGNIFICANCE FOR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH YOUTH (SDG 8)



Weaving People to Grow Foundation conducted two orientation sessions focused on helping youth progress toward their professional goals through mentorship. The sessions engaged 55 students from schools, colleges, and universities. As a result, 16 youth (8 females and 7 males) registered on the Next Qadam application.

Ms. Kiran Peter, Executive Director of WPTGF, provided an orientation on the Next Qadam application and highlighted how HIVE Pakistan aims to empower youth in achieving their goals and aspirations through the Next Qadam mentorship program. During the sessions, participants discussed the importance of mentorship and recognized that mentors provide guidance, direction, and support to help them achieve their goals more effectively and efficiently.

Additionally, WPTGF facilitated the registration of five mentors on the Next Qadam application and shared their CVs with the HIVE Pakistan representative for the program. These mentors are senior-level professionals from the fields of journalism, NGOs, and the IT sector.

LAUNCH OF A RESEARCH STUDY ON INCLUSIVE EDUCATION FOR UNITED AND HARMONIOUS PAKISTAN

PROJECT: PARENTING MATTERS FOR INTERFAITH HARMONY (SDG 16)



Webinar on Inclusive Education for United and Harmonious Pakistan

Launch of Brief Research and Policy Statement to Inculcate Interfaith Harmony in the Punjab Curriculum at the Primary Level

Thorough Analysis of Discriminatory Content in Punjab Primary Level

A joint research brief is compiled by Action for Impact (AFI) and Weaving People to Grow Foundation (WPTGF)



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April 30, 2026

11:00 AM- 12:45 PM



Online/Zoom Meeting ID: 830 3319 249
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Action for Impact (AFI) in collaboration with Weaving People to Grow Foundation (WPTGF) launched the research conducted on Punjab Primary level Curriculum by WPTGF and AFI to highlight discriminatory content in the text creating divide in the society. We were honoured to host Sardar Ramesh Singh Arora the Minister for Minority Affairs, Ms. Shakeela Jalik the in charge of Rawalpindi Press Club, Mr. Amjad Nazeer the Executive Director of IDRAC and Ms. Samina the Executive Director of PODA. Ms. Zartasha Niazi hosted the event while Ms. Kiran Peter presented the study to the participants. The Minister for Minority Affairs and all other panelists and participants appreciated our efforts and assured us to further work on it with Government of Pakistan.

CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND PEACEBUILDING SESSION WITH YOUTH (SDG 16)



WPTG Foundation in collaboration with Action for Impact successfully organized a youth awareness session titled "Conflict Resolution and Interfaith Harmony for Youth" under the project "Parenting Matters for Interfaith Harmony" March 7, 2026. A total of 28 youth participated in the event. The project aims to promote peaceful coexistence and mutual respect among diverse religious communities by engaging parents, youth, and community leaders in dialogue, awareness sessions, and capacity-building activities. The event was held at the foundation's premises in Lalkurti, Rawalpindi and brought together young volunteers and community members to promote peaceful coexistence and dialogue among different faith communities.

The session began with the registration of participants followed by an interfaith prayer, representing Muslim and Christian traditions, reflecting the spirit of harmony and mutual respect among diverse communities. The session was moderated by Mr. Aaron Rowan Bob, who facilitated the opening segments of the program. Ms. Kiran Peter, Executive Director of WPTG Foundation, welcomed the participants and introduced the objectives of the gathering, emphasizing the important role youth can play in promoting tolerance, peaceful dialogue, and understanding among different religious communities.

Ms. Rozeena Naseem, also reflected on the importance of resolving conflicts as conflicts are inevitable and it happens when diverse thoughts or opinions are exchanged but it depends on the parties in conflict how they deal with the conflict either positively or negatively. A key highlight of the session was an interactive youth dialogue, moderated by Ms. Muskan Jamal, where youth volunteers shared their perspectives on conflict resolution, interfaith respect, and the role of young people in building a peaceful society. The discussion encouraged open dialogue and the exchange of ideas on how youth can actively contribute to social harmony. The youth shared that religion is important for everyone but we all need to connect with each other socially and on the basis of humanity. A total of five youth presented their thoughts about peaceful coexistence and living in harmony with each other.

The event ended with word of thanks by Ms. Kiran Peter followed by tea and refreshments, providing participants an opportunity to continue informal discussions and networking.

A SESSION ON CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND INTERFAITH HARMONY WITH PARENTS (SDG 16)



The WPTG Foundation organized a session on Conflict Resolution and Interfaith Harmony under the project titled “Parenting Matters for Interfaith Harmony” at its premises in Lalkurti, Rawalpindi. The event brought together parents, community members, and experts to promote conflict resolution and strengthen interfaith understanding at the family level. A total of 27 participants attended the event.

The session commenced with participant registration, followed by a unique interfaith prayer led by Ms. Muskan Jamal, where Muslim, Hindu, and Christian prayers were offered—symbolizing unity and mutual respect among diverse faith communities. In her welcome address, Kiran Peter, Executive Director of WPTG Foundation, highlighted the critical role parents play in nurturing values of tolerance, empathy, and peaceful coexistence among children. She also introduced the broader vision of the project aimed at building interfaith harmony through parenting.

A key session on conflict resolution was delivered by Zartasha Niazi, who provided practical insights into managing and transforming conflicts in both internal (family) and external (community) settings. Her presentation emphasized communication, understanding, and proactive engagement as essential tools for peacebuilding.

Adding further depth, Imrana Sagar shared her reflections, encouraging parents to actively practice inclusivity and compassion in their daily interactions.

The interactive Q&A session allowed participants to engage directly with speakers, including Sofia Garstin, fostering dialogue and shared learning. Parents also reflected on their takeaways, expressing a renewed commitment to promoting harmony within their homes and communities.

The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Sofia Garstin, followed by tea and refreshments, providing an opportunity for informal networking and continued discussion. This initiative underscores WPTG Foundation’s commitment to building peaceful, inclusive societies by empowering families as agents of change. Through such programs, the organization continues to address social divisions and promote unity in Pakistan.

INTERFAITH HARMONY AWARENESS SESSION WITH DIVERSE FAITH CHILDREN (SDG 5)



It was a great privilege for Ms. Kiran Peter, the Executive Director of Weaving People to Grow Foundation, to collaborate with the Catholic Women's Organization as a speaker to educate young girls at St. Teresa's High School, Rawalpindi, on the prevention of Gender-Based Violence. Gender-based violence continues to be a serious issue in Pakistan and around the world, threatening the safety, dignity, and fundamental rights of many women and girls. Addressing this challenge requires collective efforts from families, communities, institutions, and government authorities. By promoting respect, equality, awareness, and stronger legal protections, we can help create a society where women and girls can live free from fear and violence. Let us work together to raise awareness, support survivors, and build a safer and more just Pakistan for everyone.

WPTGF INTRODUCED 10 WOMEN BUSINESSES TO SIA SUMMIT AT MOVENPICK (SDG 8)



WPTGF developed a network of 10 women-led businesses and facilitated their participation in the SIA Summit held at Mövenpick Hotel Centaurus Islamabad on April 28, 2026. The entrepreneurs were introduced to key stakeholders and provided with opportunities to expand their market reach. As part of the initiative, these businesses will be supported in selling their products online and scaling up their operations. It was encouraging to witness equal representation of Christian and Muslim women-led enterprises at the summit, reflecting a strong commitment to inclusivity and social cohesion. The showcased businesses received high appreciation from NGOs, public officials, diplomats, and INGOs, highlighting the impact and potential of women-led initiatives in fostering economic growth and peacebuilding. WPTGF is thankful to Pakistan Poverty Alleviation Fund for their great collaboration with us in this regard.

WPTGF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR EDUCATION (SDG 4)



Ms. Anaya Aqeel
Class 8th, St. Catherine's Girls
High School, RWP



Ms. Angel Shahid
Class 6th, St. Catherine's Girls
High School, RWP



Ms. Sharon Ariel Bob
Class 6th, Presentation
Convent Girls High School,
RWP



Ms. Rahib Asif
BS- Finance & IT and
Management Studies, 7th
Semester, NUML University,
RWP



Mr. Aaron Rowan Bob
BS-Leadership & and
Management Studies, 3rd
Semester, National Defence
University, RWP



Ms. Muskan Jamal
ICOM- 2nd Year, MCCS College,
RWP



Mr. Yubab Pervaiz
Completed his F.Sc, RWP

We are deeply grateful to our individual and institutional donors for supporting WPTGF Scholarship program. The scholarship holders are working hard in their studies to score excellent credentials. Along with getting scholarships WPTGF provide mentorship to them to decide the profession they want to adopt.

WPTGF YOUTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (SDG 8)



Ms. Jennifer Tony-
Program Intern
BS Education



Mr. Aaron Rowan Bob
Admin and Finance Intern
BS-Leadership and Management Studies



Ms. Jalisha Naseem:
Communication Intern
BS Graphic Designing



Ms. Muskan Jamal: I.Com



Ms. Sara Azeem: Program Intern
BS International Relations

WPTGF Sewing Centre for Women and Girls (SDG 8)



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Simple Suit: PKR 1200, Designing Suit: PKR 1500

Sewing Classes: Monday-Friday, 10a.m. -12p.m.

WPTGF Office - Lalkurti, Rawalpindi
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<https://wptgfoundation.org/>

WPTGF is running a Sewing Centre for underprivileged women and girls to enable them to learn sewing and stitching by attending a 6-months course. A fashion designer with 25 years of experience in this field has been hired. The classes are held from Monday to Friday from 11a.m. to 1p.m. We are training 10 women in the sewing and stitching skills at present, they feel happy to come to the centre, meet, talk and learn.

Currently, the admissions are open for the sewing centre. Please contact +923325929598 for admissions.

We also stitch women and girls suits and sarees in low prices, please contact us if you would want to get your suits or Sarees stitched.

Besides, learning the skills the girls also get peace education and learn how to resolve conflicts at household level and community level. We believe women are important because they have very close connection with their children as birth givers and bringing them up. Women can transform the mindsets of their family members and children to promote peace in their surroundings.

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APPEAL FOR DONATIONS AND FUNDS! (SDG4)



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