

Endowment for Higher Education in Asia



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Dear Friends,

We were delighted with the attendance at the Taste of Asia Dinner on June 8 and hope that everyone present enjoyed the cuisine, the company and the program. The excellent turnout in support of the Endowment for Higher Education in Asia helped to make our second fundraising effort a success. Besides the show of moral support for this Asia initiative, we received over \$11,000 in donations and an additional \$4,000 in pledges. We are very grateful for your donation of \$100. Thank you. A copy of this letter will be mailed to you for your records.

Scholarships funded by the endowment have two hallmarks: they are designated for women and are designed to be interfaith. In Pakistan the funds are equally distributed to Christian and Muslim women in need. With the growth of the endowment, we will be able to provide additional scholarships. Fourteen women students (seven Christians and seven Muslims) received Bradley Hills Scholarships during the 2012-2013 academic year at Forman Christian College (FCC) in Lahore, Pakistan. See page 2 for the photos of all 14 women, taken on two separate occasions. We have direct contact with these recipients. One, for example, is a junior studying economics who lost her father five years ago. She wrote to us last semester to say how happy she was to receive the scholarship: “My mother is just a housewife. She is not able to pay my fee and I cannot afford the expenses of FC College. This scholarship helps me a lot to continue my study. This scholarship helps me to become a good citizen in society. From the bottom of the heart, I am thankful to Bradley Hills Church who has sponsored my studies at FCC.”

We also received a note from a woman student who lives a long distance from Lahore. She is able to attend FCC by staying in a hostel on campus thanks to her Bradley Hills Scholarship: “I feel so thankful to Bradley Hills Church for this scholarship. . . . Last year I was going through a hard time due to financial instability but after [receiving] this scholarship I am able to continue with my studies. And now because of this help I can think of further studies after graduation since I’ll be able to do a job which will assist my education and my family as well. Thank you for your help.”

For these women students at FCC, the Bradley Hills scholarships make it possible to stay in school. We are very pleased to report that one of our first scholarship recipients at FCC, Sumara Mubarik, graduated this spring with a double major in Sociology and Education. See page 2 for the photo showing her with her proud mother at graduation. On her left are Leslye and George Johnson, members of Bradley Hills who have been serving as professors at FCC for the last three years. On Sumara’s right are Susan Sylvan, who taught Sumara to read English, and Grace Clark, Head of the Sociology Department.

Please let us know by email (endowment.he@gmail.com) how you would like to receive updates about endowment scholarship recipients: (1) email notices annually, (2) hard copy

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letters with photographs, (3) regular updates through the web site, or (4) gatherings. We appreciate knowing your preferences.

Sincerely yours,

Gina Kim Perry and Bonnie K. Holcomb
Co-Chairs, Endowment for Higher Education in Asia



George and Leslye Johnson with six of the fourteen 2012-2013 Bradley Hills scholarship students and the FCC Financial Aid Officer



George and Leslye Johnson with eight of the fourteen 2012-2013 Bradley Hills scholarship students and the FCC Financial Aid Officer