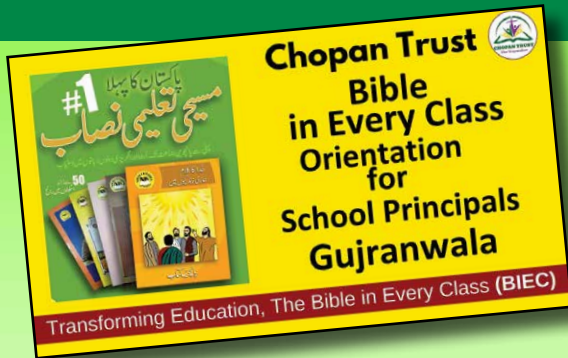




The Chopan Trust

The occasional newsletter from Anser & Kashi Javed
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Equipping teachers to teach the Bible in Every Class

The launch of a one-year project to promote Bible lessons in 500 classes

The Chopan plan to promote Bible teaching in every class has begun. The project will run through the rest of 2026. Anser is inviting 20 school Principals in five cities (Gujranwala, Karachi, Multan, Faisalabad and Lahore) to attend a launch promotion of the Bible Curriculum programme.

"The launch programme is to tell principals about the books, the teacher guides and the history books. By the end of April we will have a list of those who will commit to our plan for training. We will request details of all the classes in each school and we will then provide them with books for every student. Students can then begin study before the start of the summer vacation."



Bible in Every Class



Project launch: Gujranwala

The Bible in Every Class project was launched in Gujranwala on 23rd March. 18 school Principals attended — of whom only two already knew about the Bible Curriculum books.

Anser and Kashi and three members of the Chopan staff presented the books and invited participants to sign up to a programme of engagement. Each school that signs up will receive the Bible curriculum textbooks for their students. Kashi will hold a one-day training for teachers in each of the 5 cities (a total of about 60 teachers) in May. This will be followed by further training and monitoring by Chopan staff.

Nirali Kitaben



The Bible Curriculum books, written by Mike Wakely, are produced by Nirali Kitaben in Lahore in English and Urdu. Chopan Trust is working closely with Nirali Kitaben for the Bible in Every Class project.

Today, I am deeply thankful to Chopan Trust for taking this bold step through the 'Bible in Every Class' project. This is more than a program, it is a restoration of our faith in education. I truly believe it will shape our children to grow strong in both their studies and their walk with God."

Pastor Hamid Iqbal, Principal
Christ School in Lahore.

The Bible in Every Class Project is fully funded for 2026, but we need further funding to provide Bible Curriculum books to many schools.

We would like to give the history book to every Christian Class 10 student in Pakistan.

Kingdom first

The Chopan Adult Literacy Plan

EROS School are committed to teach the mothers of their school community to read, using passages from the Psalms to the Gospels.

Here is a lady who, at the age of 65, joined the Chopan Adult Literacy Class. For the first time in her life she is reading John 1:29-34.

She can now read her Bible, her grocery and utility bills — and do a little maths to help her grandchildren studying at home.



Teachers' Bible Study

Open Theological Seminary

Our Appeal for their future



A set of essential textbooks for the coming academic year costs £7 / USD \$9
We still need: £16,000 / \$21,000

An investment in the future of 3,000 Pakistani Christian children — their hope for the future.

Hope for all

Raising school standards

Anser wrote recently:

Sana, Principal of EROS School, shared something that really stayed with me. She said some mothers came to her with tears, saying, *"We want to send our children to school, but after paying rent and utility bills, we simply can't afford books and uniforms."*

This is the reality many families are facing. A small support can make the difference between a child staying home or stepping into a classroom with hope.



“Faith is not a job requirement.”

On 7th March the Pakistani Daily newspaper, the Express Tribune, published an article by a Muslim journalist, Mohsin Saleem Ullah, denouncing the “deeply troubling practice” of recruiting only Christians to work as “sweepers and sanitary workers”. Anser Javed, the Director of the Chopan Trust, responded with great appreciation.

“It hit home because, for 25 years, I’ve fought to prove exactly that. For 25 years, my life’s mission in service through education has been driven by one reality: When our community is denied equal opportunity, we are left with the most marginalized jobs. We aren’t born for the sanitation department; we are forced into it by a lack of choice.

I am the proud son of a sweeper from Karachi. My mother’s dream wasn’t just to see me survive, but to see me thrive outside the sanitation department. During my 25 years of ministry, I’ve seen hundreds of our children trade the “untouchable” label for roles in medicine, IT, finance, engineering and many other areas of life.

When we educate a Christian child in Pakistan, we aren’t just giving them a degree—we are giving them their dignity back. We are ensuring they are seen for their skills, not their caste.

Let us keep striving together to ensure no child is forced into a life of “minimal” labour simply because they lacked a classroom. Education is the only bridge to dignity. It is how we change the narrative of our entire community.”



Chopan Trust: A Shared Foundation



Chopan Trust was formally incorporated as a Trust to serve the most underserving Christian communities in Pakistan. From the beginning, the calling has been simple: to stand where the need is greatest, especially among children and schools that are struggling to survive. Through 3Es training we aim to make both Chopan Trust and the schools sustainable.

- ❖ Our journey began with the **3Es Teacher Training Programme** (June 2024), followed by the **Adult Literacy Plan** (February 2025). Both are fully funded for two years and are showing encouraging progress.
- ❖ We also initiated the **Model School Initiative** to demonstrate quality, sustainability, and holistic development within partner schools.
- ❖ **Scholarship Awards** (September 2025) have opened doors for young people into technical education.
- ❖ The Chopan **Action Against Poverty** provide material help to Christian in dire need, whether providing housing or rations due to extreme poverty.
- ❖ A new step, The **Bible in Every Class Project**, aims to strengthen spiritual formation in schools.

Alongside these, we have implemented seasonal and need-based initiatives like textbook distribution, Career Counselling and Christmas support programs.



Every need is an opportunity

As we report this month, some of our most pressing needs are funded by your generosity. We are truly grateful. Thousands will be blessed. Any further generosity will be much appreciated:

- ❖ Textbooks for the new year
- ❖ Bible Curriculum & history books
- ❖ 2026 Career Festival for Matric graduates
- ❖ Action against poverty

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To support the Chopan Trust in Pakistan please go to:

<https://stewardship.org.uk/partners/20028744>

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All payments must be clearly stated as being **for Chopan Trust**.



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