



# FREE to FLOURISH

Building the Foundation for Forman's Future

FORMAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, LAHORE, PAKISTAN

A new lighthouse  
of HOPE is being  
erected upon the  
solid foundation  
laid more than  
150 years ago in  
Lahore, Pakistan.

## **FREE TO FLOURISH:** *Building the Foundation for Forman's Future*



**T**he changes at Forman Christian College over the past 14 years—since its return to Church ownership—are nothing short of miraculous. Thanks to strong administrative leadership and financial support from Friends of Forman, the campus has come back to life: New buildings have opened, and enrollment is strong. To truly flourish, however, Forman Christian College needs partnership and investment from the West.

This is why we are launching *Free to Flourish: Building the Foundation for Forman's Future*. This \$20-million

effort will allow Forman Christian College to take the next step forward in growth and capacity—to become a fully modern 21st-century university. It will provide the financial footing to attract talented faculty, build better facilities, offer more scholarships, and create more opportunities for students to learn, thrive, and become leaders for a future peaceful Pakistan.

Your support of *Free to Flourish* will strengthen this remarkable institution, ensuring that Forman Christian College thrives for the next generation.

Gratefully,

**DR. JAMES TEBBE**

Rector, Forman Christian College



\$10 million

# Awakening Hearts & Minds

Those in the West recognize that some of the most formative learning in college takes place outside of the classroom. This holds true at Forman Christian College.

In fact, one of the most valuable experiences we provide is the opportunity for students of different faiths, ethnicities, and regions to interact. It is a challenge to foster this outside of the classroom, however, because of limited space. The 4,000 students in our university program have one dining hall that holds 450. When the weather is mild, students are able to gather outside on the athletic fields. During the rainy season and in the heat, students crowd into classroom buildings' corridors, where they sit on the floor to talk, work on group projects, and conduct club meetings. Hallway floors are not conducive to any of these activities; furthermore, busy, noisy hallways can be disruptive to the learning happening inside classrooms.

By supporting *Free to Flourish*, you will help alleviate these issues, allowing us to construct a modern university Campus Center. Envisioned as a “campus living room and dining room,” it will be a first-of-its-kind facility in Pakistan. The new air-conditioned Campus Center will house:

- A ground floor digital library with a Wi-Fi network that will make the library's resources available throughout the building. Both the library and Wi-Fi will vastly expand space for study and group projects.
- An additional cafeteria that seats 600 and a coffee shop that holds 300—nearly tripling our dining hall capacity.
- Lounge space on four floors that will accommodate 2,000 people, including separate areas for male and female students—important for women who wear hijab and want an opportunity to take off their head scarves and relax.

## ADEEL RIAZ '09

Forman Christian College is an exceptional place. One of the oldest institutions in the region, it is also one of the only liberal arts colleges in Pakistan. Unlike other universities in my country, students have the opportunity to take on leadership roles in clubs and societies. This allows them to polish skills that will help later in life.

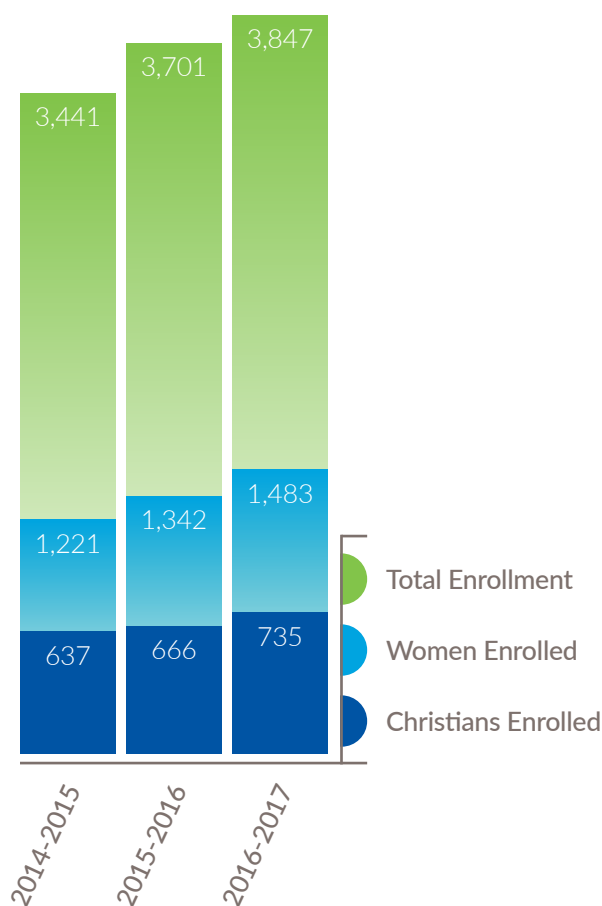
A Campus Center will make a huge difference to students of this generation. It will be a place to relax, to talk to each other, and meet people you wouldn't otherwise meet. It will allow staff to have better interaction with students, provide more leadership opportunities and training, as well as culturally appropriate spaces for students to mingle. I wish we had such a facility when I was a student!



- An auditorium that can be subdivided, with appropriate spaces for lectures and performances.
- Rooms where the university's 33 student clubs and organizations can meet.
- Offices for all of our dynamic and expanding student affairs staff.
- Rehearsal space for music and drama groups.
- A bookstore.
- A project center for student groups and class projects, with supplies available for purchase.
- Banking facilities.

The Campus Center will be a true headquarters for student life. It will be a place where students hone soft skills, such as working on teams, coordinating meetings and events, and resolving conflicts. This new facility will serve as a crossroads where students of all faiths, along with faculty and staff, interact throughout the day. It will help students build relationships with peers that will last a lifetime.

### FCC UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT TRENDS







\$9 million

# Advancing the Mission

Every year of this campaign, Friends of Forman will continue to raise the more than \$2 million needed for the 1,500 students on scholarship; salaries for college leadership, such as our Rector Dr. Tebbe and Chief of Student Affairs Ms. Cheryl Burke; and numerous capital projects, including housing, medical care, and the Light of Hope elementary school for our workers. Additional funds will be sought to upgrade technology in classrooms and around campus, with up-to-date servers and a mobile computing cloud. Increased access to modern technology will sharpen our students' skills, preparing them for careers in global companies as well as leadership roles in society. Funds will also cover the fund-raising efforts of Friends of Forman over the course of *Free to Flourish*.







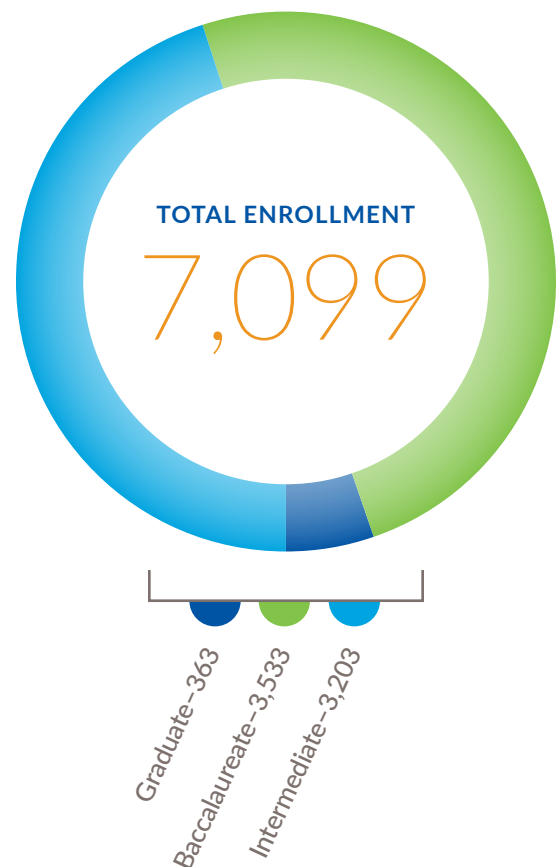


\$1 million

# Attracting Talented Teachers

Forman Christian College is known for its talented and supportive faculty. The majority of faculty members hold doctorate degrees from universities outside of Pakistan; they are scholars, teachers, and mentors who are committed to their students' success. The College currently offers limited on-campus faculty housing, which is in demand because campus is safe and has reliable electricity; the proximity also allows faculty to be more available to students. However, the vast majority of these units were constructed in the 1940s and need updating. Support through *Free to Flourish* will allow the College to renovate faculty units, strengthening Forman Christian College's ability to attract and retain the very best teachers.

## 2016-2017 ENROLLMENT BY PROGRAM





## AROONA ARTHUR '15

As a Christian, I face discrimination in the outside world. On campus at Forman Christian College, I always walked so proudly because we were all equal. I could be friends with Muslims. This is not common other places, and is only one of the extraordinary things that the College provides.

The atmosphere on campus gave me the confidence to explore different opportunities. I was involved with a number of clubs and even had a job on campus—something else that isn't common in Pakistan—which enhanced my skills and expanded my horizons.

Education like this changes lives, and it will change my country. Forman Christian College must flourish if we are going to realize a better future for Pakistan.



## JOIN US IN *Free to Flourish*



### DEAR FRIENDS,

**Y**ou may wonder why you would want to support a Christian college, halfway around the world in Pakistan. I can tell you emphatically that your gift to Forman Christian College will work wonders. For example, your gift will help:

**Weaken terrorism:** Extremism flourishes in ignorance; it is rooted out through education. At Forman Christian College, students from the country's different ethnic groups study, work, and socialize together, forming bonds to resist extremes in their own culture.

**Empower women:** As a coeducational institution, the College is graduating the next generation of female teachers, community leaders and scientists who will, in turn, improve circumstances in Pakistan for all women.

**Spread the Christian gospel of love:** The College's motto is "by love, serve one another." Those of us in the Western world are blessed in the eyes of many. Through *Free to Flourish*, we can share our blessings and give those who are disadvantaged a life-changing education. Supporting the College is also a tangible way to help a Christian community that has few freedoms and opportunities. Our gifts will empower those who share our faith yet live in a challenging context.

For all of these reasons, I urge you to join me now at this critical juncture to strengthen this unique institution, one that is a wellspring of interfaith harmony in Pakistan and a beacon of hope for the world.

Gratefully yours,

**REV. SAMUEL A. SCHREINER III**

Executive Director, Friends of Forman







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