



A LETTER FROM
BRIAN ORME
PRESIDENT AND CEO

Your prayerful, compassionate gift will help release Pakistani families from debt bondage and equip them with skills to thrive in their new life of freedom.



A Blueprint for Freedom
You can help Pakistani Christians find freedom from slavery

Modern-day slavery still exists in Pakistan. Many impoverished brothers and sisters are facing a lifetime of cruel, dangerous work because of exploitive loans they can never hope to repay on their own. For most families, the debt is just \$800–\$1,000—yet it’s enough to keep them trapped for years, even generations. Today, you can help free 100 Christian families from debt bondage in the brick kilns through our Blueprint for Freedom—a **clear, proven 3-step process**:

1. FREEDOM AND DEBT RELIEF:

Immediate relief by clearing debts, releasing families from the burden of exploitative loans.

2. INCOME GENERATION PROJECTS:

Tailored livelihood projects matched specifically to each family, ensuring sustainable financial stability without further borrowing.

3. FINANCIAL TRAINING AND SUPPORT:

Comprehensive business training and financial literacy programs equip families to manage their resources effectively, ensuring lasting freedom.

Together we can liberate 100 families from debt bondage so they can be the light of Christ in their community. You can help equip these brothers and sisters with financial skills and livelihood opportunities that will permanently break the cycle of exploitation.



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Raheel and Ruth’s Path to Freedom

For over 25 years, Raheel and Ruth were trapped in bonded labor at a Pakistani brick kiln. Their ordeal began when Ruth injured her leg and they needed money for treatment. What they thought would be a temporary arrangement became a multi-generational sentence of debt bondage.

Each day meant making 2,000 bricks under the scorching sun.

Their home, built from the same bricks they were forced to make, consisted of a small courtyard and a couple of rooms—one unusable due to a collapsed roof. Six family members slept in a single room, with kitchen and washroom facilities outside.

Despite these hardships, faith remained their cornerstone. Neither Raheel nor Ruth can read, yet they cherished their Bible—carefully wrapped

in layers of protection and revealed with deep reverence. Ruth could recite John 3:16 from memory, while Raheel found strength in the promise: “Ask and you shall receive, knock and the door will be open.” As church elders, they encouraged others in their community even while enduring their own struggles.

The turning point came when Global Christian Relief supporters paid off their debt. “We are very thankful, and we are very happy, and we thank God that he has listened to our prayers,” Raheel said, overcome with emotion. Before this moment, when asked if he had hope of ever leaving the kilns, his answer had been a devastating “No.”

Beyond debt relief, the family received a donkey and cart—tools for building a new life. Raheel now uses

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Your support gives hope to Pakistani families both inside and outside the brick kilns.



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it to transport bricks efficiently and, later in the day, to gather and sell vegetables in the market. This simple resource changed even their daily sustenance, allowing them to pay for fresh food instead of going without or buying on credit.

Freedom has enabled their four children—Amina (18), Hassan (17), Tariq (15), and Zara (10)—to dream of becoming a tailor, barber, motorcycle mechanic, and police officer, respectively. **Plans that once seemed impossible now feel within reach.**

Azeeb's Family Transformation

When debt bondage ended for Azeeb and his wife, Zubaydah, doors of opportunity swung open for their entire family. During a joyful reunion visit with a team from GCR, Azeeb proudly displayed newfound treasures—a ceiling fan purchased by his son and family photos prominently displayed on the wall.

The most significant change came for their son Ashir, who secured a government job paying 37,000 rupees monthly (\$434 USD)—something impossible while under debt. “This is one of the greatest achievements,” Azeeb explained through a translator, “and this is all because of you.”

The family is now preparing for daughter Vincha's upcoming wedding, carefully saving each week to assemble her dowry. Their home radiates hope and possibility where despair once lived.

During prayer, the team thanked God for answering the family's prayers for debt relief and asked for blessings on their future, including education for the youngest children and future spouses for daughters Rimsha and Aman. The profound connection between Christians across continents was palpable—a testament to faith transcending borders.



Your generous gifts make a life-changing difference for families like Azeeb's who now see a brighter future for their children.



FREEDOM'S FIRST PRAYER: KHALID AND HIS FAMILY'S STORY

For 15 years, Khalid and his family were bound to a Pakistani brick kiln through debt bondage. What began as a small loan of about \$300 to pay for his sisters' weddings spiraled into an insurmountable debt of 245,000 rupees (approximately \$875). The cycle was relentless: low wages, interest payments, and new loans during rainy seasons when brick-making was impossible.

On the brick field, Khalid worked tirelessly alongside his children—Bilal (13), Farhan (11), and Adeel (9)—turning and shaping endless rows of clay bricks under the baking sun. The family lived in a single room, with little hope of escape or education for the children.

When Global Christian Relief supporters paid off their debt, the transformation was immediate and profound. “He's very happy, overjoyed,” the

interpreter explained. “He feels new energy has come in his body.” **Khalid had been so excited the night before that he couldn't sleep, just thinking about the moment freedom would become real.**

Though Khalid plans to continue working at the kiln initially, everything has changed. Now he receives his full wages without debt deductions—about 200 more rupees (\$2.35 USD) per day that he can save. The family's dreams have suddenly become possible: education for the children, eventual financial independence, and a better future.

Most touching was Khalid's response when asked what he would pray for next. Instead of focusing first on his own family's needs, his immediate thought was for others: “We will pray to the Lord that He will also help all those people who are under debt, so they can also be released.”

The children now dare to dream. Farhan wants to own a business, Bilal aspires to become a police officer, and young Adeel wants to have a business “to help the poor.” **These aren't just daydreams anymore—they're attainable goals,** made possible by freedom and the caring support of believers around the world.



NOTES FROM THE FIELD

Shared Faith, Different Worlds

By Tony Johnson

I met Farhan at a Pakistani brick kiln. He's 11—the same age as my oldest son. They have similar hairstyles, energetic younger brothers, and a love for Jesus. But there's a stark difference.

My son goes to school and plays soccer. Farhan wakes before sunrise to make bricks with his father—the only life he's known. He's never attended school.

We were at the kiln that day to pay his family's debt—\$875 that had bound them for 15 years and would have passed to Farhan without intervention. His father, Khalid, hadn't slept the night before, overwhelmed by the prospect of freedom.

When we asked about his dreams, Farhan answered with a smirk: “I want to be the boss.” His younger brother hopes to help the poor. Their father simply asked for prayer for other families still waiting for rescue. I was humbled by their response.

\$875 seems small to many Americans, especially when we come together. For this family, **it means hope, a future, a chance to write a new story away from the kilns.**

I hope someday to return and find Farhan living his dream. Maybe I could be his assistant for a day. Until then, I carry his story with me.



**WATCH A BRICK KILN WORKER'S
HEARTBREAKING STORY!**