



## Ministry among the IDPs



The Diocese of Peshawar has established a Relief Camp for Internally Displaced Christian Families (IDPs) from Swat, at Christian Vocational Training Centre (CVTC), Mardan. Initially, there were 46 families at the Camp, now 20 more Christian families have arrived. The number of IDPs at the Camp is gradually increasing, but by the Grace of God, Peshawar Diocese is managing to take good care of these unfortunate families.

The IDPs are provided shelter, food, clothes, medical aid and other necessity of the daily life. Sports and leisure facilities have also been provided by the Diocesan Development and Relief Staff. A medical team from Mission Hospital Peshawar is looking after their health needs. Two serious patients suffering from paralysis have been brought to the Mission Hospital, Peshawar for proper treatment. Pregnant women and other women with small children are being looked after and treated with special care. Three women recently gave birth to babies in the camp.

The Diocesan Health Secretary, Prof. Naveed Attaullah, the Officiating Diocesan Secretary Mr. Pervaiz Ghouri, the Asstt. Director Development Mr. Asher Dean and development staff, regularly pay visit to the Camp (CVTC, Mardan), they supervise and oversee the services extended by the Diocese. Rev. Yousaf Patras, our Priest In-charge for Mardan parish is responsible for the Pastoral Care.

In addition, the Diocesan Youth Coordinator Mr. Insar Gohar also pays visits to the camp to console and counsel the youth of the IDPs, by taking their Bible Study. The Women desk officers also pay visit and always take gifts for the women and children. They also take some counseling sessions with the women.

The IDPs are not only provided with food, shelter and basic necessities, but their religious and spiritual needs are also taken care of.

## DoP arranged Marriages for IDPs



Two families of Mingora, Swat who are staying at the Diocesan Relief Camp for IDP(s) at CVTC, Mardan, have been helped in a unique manner by the Peshawar Diocese.

Usually it's a big task for parents to get their daughters married with full pomp and show, as its very expensive, and if they fail to do so, then the social approval is almost non-existent. Sonia Rasheed and Sheila were engaged and were due to get married this month, but the war against Taliban broke-out and their families had to leave Swat in a hurry. They were lucky enough to reach the Diocesan Camp alive, but with nothing in hand. Their parents informed the management about their problem, and within weeks the Peshawar Diocese took the responsibility and arranged proper wedding ceremonies with all the cultural rituals.

Both the girls have also been given gifts for their wedding according to the local customs. A big feast was arranged for the guests, i.e. around 400 people. Sonia Rasheed's (**Barat**) the grooms family and friends came from Peshawar, whereas, Sheila's Barat came from Mardan. Everything went smoothly as planned.

All the Diocesan Officers also participated in the Weddings and greeted both the families. Print and Electronic media was there as well, which made headlines in the news same night. A local government minister also participated in the wedding.

This kind, but unique gesture of care for the IDP(s) by the Diocese, was highly appreciated not only by the families but by the government and civic society as well.



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## Thanksgiving & Prayer Requests



Diocese of Peshawar is grateful to God for His blessings and Mercies and also to the Donors for their financial and prayer support.

### Please Pray for;

1. Now a days, suicide bombers are striking every day and everywhere in Pakista, especially NWFP, as a reaction to the ongoing operation against Taliban. Kindly pray for the life and security of the people.
2. We need your prayer support for those who are living in hostile areas of NWFP, especially the Pakistani Christians and their institutions.
3. Pray for the people of Swat/Malakand, as they are suffering because of the ongoing military operation. Especially for the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) of the Frontier.
4. The Diocesan Relief Work among the Christian IDPs of Swat/Malakand in CVTC, Mardan and the Earthquake victims in Pateka, Balakot. May God help the Diocese to work more effectively and takes care the affected people.

### Special Prayer requests;

1. Please remember Pakistan, and especially N.W.F.P, that peace and stability may prevail in our region. The country is passing through a very difficult period, because of Suicide Bombings and Terrorist Attacks.
2. Also please remember Pakistan and especially the minorities as they are facing the daily scarcity of flour and other food commodities; the prices have gone extremely high.

## The Frontier News

### (The National Scenario) Peshawar tense after suicide attack, two gunmen killed

(Courtesy GEO News Pakistan)

Peshawar (IANS): Pakistani security forces have shot dead two gunmen in overnight clashes in northwestern Peshawar city, close on the heels of a suicide bomb attack in which three people were killed and 13 policemen injured, as the city remained tense midst fears of more unrest.

Two gunmen were killed in a shootout that lasted for an hour on the Ring road on Thursday night, the Geo TV said on Friday, adding that seven of their accomplices have been captured. The gunmen were trying to forcibly enter the house of a security official when the shootout took place, the report said, citing unnamed sources. After the blast on the Ring road in Peshawar on Thursday, incidents of gunfire have been reported on the G.T. road of the city. Authorities have beefed up security after the incidents. The Ring road in Peshawar, capital of North West Frontier Province (NWFP), is considered a sensitive area. Though the firing has stopped, Peshawar residents were still in a state of panic, the report said.

The district administration has said that the situation was under control. Meanwhile, heavy contingents of police have cordoned off the areas where the firing incidents were reported. Authorities said two motorcycle-borne riders first hurled a hand grenade at the police stationed on the Ring Road and then a suicide bomber blew himself up at the site, killing three people and injuring 13 policemen. The injured were rushed to hospitals. Prime Minister Yusuf Raza Gilani has ordered an inquiry into the attack.

### Terrorists strike at Peshawar PC Hotel

(Courtesy The News Int'l Pakistan)

#### 11 killed, over 50 hurt in firing, blast; president, PM, others condemn attack

Peshawar: At least 11 persons, including foreigners, were killed and over 50 others injured when a huge blast ripped through the lone five-star hotel, Pearl Continental Hotel – adjoining the residence of the Corps Commander Peshawar – after exchange of heavy fire between the terrorists and security personnel on Tuesday night.

A senior police official did not confirm whether it was a suicide attack or the shahzor mini-truck was already parked in the parking lot.

Those sustaining injuries including ANP's Provincial Minister Zarshed Khan, Senators Nabi Bangash, women, UN officials, three foreigners and an airline' crew.

Heavy firing took place between the security staff of the hotel and the attackers at the

entrance before the latter succeeded to enter one of the two cars the towards the mosque I parking lot of the lone five-star hotel in the city.

### 44 Taliban killed in Swat, Bannu operations

(Courtesy GEO News Pakistan)

\* 34 Taliban killed, three held in Bannu  
\* 10 Taliban killed, 6 held in Peochar  
ISLAMABAD: At least 44 Taliban and four soldiers were killed in the military operation in Malakand division and Frontier Region (FR) Bannu on Thursday.

"During the search operation at Sara Bangal in FR Bannu, 34 terrorists were killed while three were apprehended," the ISPR said.

Troops have taken control of Kotka Saifullah and Sara Bangal, it said, and an operation to secure Zindi Khan is under way. Taliban fired two rockets at Bannu city, killing a civilian and injuring two. In Swat, troops killed 10 Taliban and arrested six in a clash in Peochar. One soldier was injured. Security forces commenced a search and destroy operation at Ashro Kanda, Arkot Qilla, Shakardarra, Matta triangle, Sakhra, Khararai and Sarai on the west of Martung. One soldier was injured in a clash as troops secured Sijban on Runial-Chuprial route. "Security forces are consolidating their positions in Kabal, while the operation in remaining area is in progress," the ISPR said. Three soldiers were injured in a clash in Kabal.

A soldier died when the Taliban attacked the Zohaib Post near Lal Qilla in Dir. The local tribal lashkar continued the siege of Shatkas and Ghazigae villages and destroyed three hideouts, bunkers and an ammunition dump. At least 14 people were killed and 13 injured when jet aircraft bombed a religious seminary and other targets in Hangu.

### 4 killed, 92 hurt in Nowshera mosque blast

(Courtesy GEO News Pakistan)



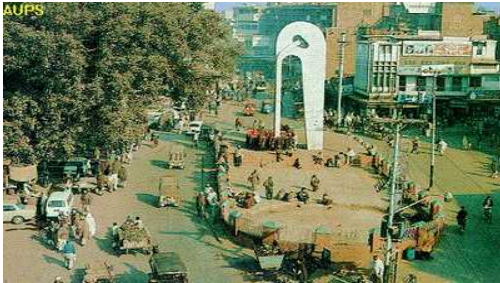
Updated at: 1521 PST, Friday, June 12, 2009  
NOWSHERA: Four persons have been killed and 92 hurt in a suicide blast in Nowshera supply depot mosque.

According to reports, a suicide bomber rammed his explosive-laden car into the mosque during juma prayers. More than 100 people were present in the mosque at the time of blast. The roof of the mosque has been collapsed in the blast that formed a big crater at the site.

The blast has damaged the nearby houses and vehicles parked in the area. The dead bodies and injured were shifted to CMH. Police have cordoned off the area.

**'Welcome to Peshawar'****Oliver Caleb**

Wednesday, June 3, 2009:



It was the first time, I understood the meaning of the 'high security alert' in the real sense of the word, both in letter and spirit.

I was on my way to the Diocesan Communication Desk Office, since there was no bus in sight I decided to take an autorikshaw, instead. As I passed through various part of the town I realized the provincial capital was literally sealed. Police and the Commandos were checking every single vehicle entering the urban areas, and the low flight of the military helicopters was further adding to the fright of the locals. I stopped the rikshaw and asked a Police Officer about this unusual checking, first he gave me a dirty look, as if he was measuring me-up and then said, "there is a terror threat". I further noticed there were very few shops open and very thin number of people on the streets, that looked a bit awkward as well, as the Saddar Bazar is always crowded.

Last week/month the government announced closure of all the government and private sector educational institutions in Peshawar and neighbouring towns till further orders, so there were early summer vacations.

Today, offices and shops, and hundreds of outlets were closed. There were very limited numbers of cars on roads, and Peshawar looked deserted.

Taliban had their fair chance, they managed to break a deal with government to have their wishes granted and to implement the Sharia law. But they blew it, as they kept terrorizing the people, flogging innocent girls, gang rapes, beheadings and forced fully taking away peoples business and properties, forced the government and the general public to dismiss the deal and to go after them, as they (Talibans) have been completely exposed by now. It's evident that they don't have any agenda or programme,

apart from terrorizing innocent people and grabbing power to indulge in their barbarian, rather insane activities.

Now, for the first time they are at the receiving end, both the military and the political leadership is united to finish this evil for good. Many of them fled after shaving their beards, in the garb of IDPs. Recently they have started terrorizing the locals in Peshawar, asking people to observe certain 'dress codes', threatening women to wear hijab, and terrorizing doctors, nurses and people from all other walks of life. They have made the life of Peshawarities a living hell, as every day there are bomb explosions, or rumours of bomb explosions, people immediately evacuate buildings and then later on they realize it was just a rumour, (and not a joke,) as it could actually happen, but this is their 'war tacticts'. There are video clips available in the markets (not openly), showing Taliban beheading people and soldiers.

All of a sudden a few tall men, with their faces covered, show-up in bazaar and beat the hell out of women 'who don't wear hijab' and they suddenly disappear. They also carry poisonous syringes to kill those who (men) wear western dresses. But at the moment, they seem to be at loose, hopefully this will end soon, as people are really fed-up some are even against the provincial government as crime rate is increasing, smuggling, rape, murder, kidnapping for ransome seems to be normal order of the day. Minorities in the Tribal Areas have been asked/rather ordered to pay 'Jazia' a tax collected from the minorities in early days of Islam.

The Taliban seem to have adopted various new tactics, but military and the people know they just want another deal, to regroup again.

Meanwhile, the civilians have become vulnerable and soft targets for Taliban. But the government is determined to fight this menace till its completely finished, it might take a long time but it's necessary, Pakistan is in a state of horrible war.

Peshawar once a city of peace, hospitality and fun, and was famous for small restaurants, where people used to sit in the evenings, in open air along the road side, drinking green tea (Qawa) [traditional Peshawari drink], Peshawar has now become a city under siege, in the line of fire and bombs. A place everybody knows where it is, but nobody wants to go there, **'Welcome to Peshawar' --- ??**

**The Youth Ministry****Insar Gohar**

Youth of the North West Frontier Province (NWFP) is facing a number of new challenges because of the current war-like situation in the province. The war on terrorism and the suicidal bombing has badly affected the law and order situation. In most of the Northern and Southern districts of the province American Drone attacks, Sectarian Violence and worsening law and order situation has compelled local communities to move to safer areas, and has created a havoc in the society. Internally, displaced youth has to face a number of unexpected challenges like discrimination, drugs, discontinuation of education, security problems, lack of awareness in new areas, climate/culture changes. As a result destructive behaviours and revengeful attitude is developing in the youth of NWFP. And majority of them are trying to make an escape to other countries by hook or by crook. But thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ, and ever living Word, which gives us strength and hope for a better future in God.

***"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go". (Joshua 1:9).*** The Youth Desk of the Peshawar Diocese is encouraging the Christian Youth in NWFP, helping and supporting them to live with courage and hope in our Lord Jesus, as He promised that He will be with us forever.

**We intend to establish a Youth Centre to restore faith and hope for the Bright Future of the Christian youth in the NWFP. Any ideas are welcome!**

(Mission & Ministry)

**Pentecost Day Celebrated**

To keep up with the tradition, this year also the Ascension Day and Pentecost Day were celebrated with full religious zeal, although the situation is very tense in our region, even then we are thankful to almighty God that these two important Christian festivals were celebrated nicely. Almost all our parishes organized special Worship Services in their respective parishes and other activities like Seminars, Conventions, Competitions and Bible Quiz programmes.

St. John's Cathedral, Peshawar arranged a four-day celebration programme from 31 May to 3 June 2009.

On Sunday, 31 May 2009, special worship service was held in the St. John's Cathedral and a large number of people attended the service. Rev. Joseph John, the Priest In-charge shared a message on the Importance of Pentecost Day and the Holy Spirit in our personal, family and church life. He said, "we should be filled-up with Holy Spirit every passing day".

On Monday, 1 June 2009, the Cathedral Youth Group organized a Special Seminar, in which they also invited the youth of the All Saints Church Peshawar and youth from the other denominations/churches in Peshawar. The youth group organized a special choir and sung special hymns related to the Pentecost Day.



Mr. Naeem Nazir, the Chief Coordinator, Busharti Tehrik Peshawar was the speaker at this occasion, he shared the word of God, quoting Acts 2:1-4; and explained the Pentecost Feast in four points, giving background of it relating to Israelites feasts, and how it has been converted to a Christian festival.

On Tuesday, 2 June 2009, the Sunday School arranged special activities for children in the Cathedral. The Sunday school teachers taught the children to

present special worship songs, Bible verses, Tableaus and short dramas related to the Pentecost Day. Mr. Mehboob from Campus Crusade for Christ gave an activity-based message to the children, in which he asked questions from the children and distributed gifts among them, which was enjoyed by the children as well as their teachers.

On Wednesday, 3 June 2009, the Women Fellowship of the Cathedral organized a seminar on the topic of "The Pentecost and Women". Mrs. Joseph John conducted the seminar and Mrs. Reena Patrick, the Diocesan Women Coordinator was the guest speaker at this occasion. She encouraged the women to be bold enough to share the witness of Jesus Christ among others. She said the message of Pentecost is "Courage & Boldness", as God sent His Spirit of Courage to His people on the Pentecost Day.

Special Fellowship meals were also enjoyed by the participants during these activities/programmes.

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**Conference at Mansehra "Peace and harmony"**



On May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Seminar on Peace and harmony was held at Kara Kurram Hotel Mansehra, There were about 120 participants from different communities in the seminar from local Northern areas of Pakistan. This seminar was conducted in very tense situation when army operations were going on in Swat, which is adjacent to Mansehra. New community of Bhai Religion also participated in Mansehra seminar; their children presented a song on peace which was appreciated by all participants. Rev. Joseph John presided the seminar.

Most of the speakers were from local areas. Special security was provided by DSP/SSP of Mansehra police for the speakers as well as for the seminar.

**Faith Friends on a Social Move**



The leaders of the Faith Friends, belonging to all religious communities visited the Relief Camps of the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) at Mardan. They distributed the necessary items among the IDPs in the relief camps. They visited a huge IDP's Camp, called 'Yar Hussain Camp' at Swabi and another relief camp at 'Panja Sahib', the holiest place of Sikhs at Hassanabdal, where the Sikh Community is taking care of 450 IDP families.

They also visited the Diocesan Relief Camp at the Christian Vocational Training Centre (CVTC), Mardan for Christian and Hindu IDPs. The Faith Friends donated an Electric Water Cooler to this Relief Camp, a blessing in this hot season. The Chief Coordinator of Faith Friends, Qari Ruhullah, in his speech said, "we are with you at this difficult time and all the religious communities will be looked after equally and we will try our best to fulfill your needs, we can understand your problems and will try to solve them. The Faith Friends is a platform where all the religious communities work together for peace and harmony." Professor Naveed Attahullah, the Vice President of the Diocese, Mr. Safdar Massey, the Secretary Mission and Ministry and Rev. Joseph John were present on this occasion as the representatives of the Diocese.

Mr. Asher Dean, the Asstt. Director Development of the Diocese gave a briefing to all the guests regarding the relief programme of the Diocese of IDPs.



## Mental Health Centre (Lost and Found)

Mental Health Centre, Peshawar is one of the many facilities run by the Peshawar Diocese, but it bears a unique identity ever since late 70's.

It's a Training and Resource Base in the field of Special Education for the Mentally and Multiply handicapped persons, and community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) for the persons with disabilities, their families and communities. Its services are utilized by the Provincial and Federal governments of Pakistan, apart from NGO's throughout the country. Students from Khyber Medial College and the University of Peshawar come to the centre for internship, and UNDP, UNICEF, WHO are in its correspondence list. Publication and advocacy services go beyond the N.W.F.P.

In the past Mental Health Centre purchased a piece of Land, i.e. 7.59 Canal, in the posh area of Peshawar, to build a bigger building to develop and promote facilities in this field to reach the masses. Since the Centre didn't have enough funds, so couldn't erect a building as desired. A year ago the land mafia, with the help of some local government officials managed to get the allotment cancelled. As the location (Hayatabad) is a status symbol and they had other plans, since the price of the land could be worth millions in rupees.

It was a bad news, a property worth millions was lost, so Bishop Mano, along with Mr. Humphrey Peters (Diocesan Secretary) and Prof. Naveed Attaullah (Secretary Health) tirelessly kept visiting the higher-ups in the Government set-up and kept pressuring the people concerned, and eventually they (Govt.) gave-in, and returned the land to Mental Health Centre, a couple of months ago, but with tough conditions, and lots of strings attached. They have drafted out very harsh terms, such as, that the Peshawar Diocese should complete the construction within one year otherwise the allotment will be cancelled for ever.

Well, that's a big task, rather a big ask, as one needs to raise 30 million rupees in twelve months, only. A very steep and slippery climb for the Diocese and a very tricky deal by the government. Anyhow, the Diocese hasn't given-up and is trying to find means to raise funds and to complete the construction as per schedule – but will it be able to, depends on the generosity of the donors, as it's a highly noble cause. We still believe God's help is only a prayer away, and miracles do happen.

## Punja Sahab IDPs visit by Faith Friends NWFP

Reported by Muzzam, Admin. 'Faith Friends'

On our way back we went to **Punja Sahab** to meet the IDP(s), who were staying at Punja Sahab at Hassan Abdal. There were about 450 families, i.e. 3,150 individual being accommodated in that Gurdwara. One of the Sikh elders Surna Singh and Suvant Singh, told the members of Faith Friends that they have no problem in taking care of these IDP(s).

The members were impressed to see that all the female IDP(s), were doing the cooking, washing and cleaning, everything was so neat and clean, it looked as if there was no one in the Gurdwara. The elderly and sick people were lying in the verandas.

We visited their clinic also, the doctor present told us that daily there are 200 to 250 patients. Most of the patients come with the complaint of Diarrhea. Some of them were also the war victims. The doctor requested for the medicines, as they didn't have enough medicines to fulfill the need of the patients.

The Gurdwara committee member Dr. Surna Singh, then took us to different rooms in the basement which were allocated to the families; it was so nice to see that everything was organized, each room had the numbers.

We also had a chance to talk to some of the IDP(s), it was good to see that they were in their high spirits, and had no complains about their stay in the Gurdwara Punja Sahab, in fact they were thankful to the Administration of Punja Sahab who have provided them with Food and Shelter and also providing them with the health facilities.

They were grateful for everything; which have been provided in the time of their troubles. The only thing which they complained about was their bank accounts which have become a real problem for them. Despite of all the facilities being provided by the Administration of Gurdwara, they still need cash to carry on with their daily expenses. They requested the Faith Friends members to help them out so that their accounts to be activated soon.

We met some of the IDP(s) who were well off businessmen.

After the visit we were served with tea, we left Punja Sahab with the feelings that even in the time of such catastrophe, **hope** is the only thing which keeps us going and when we consider ourselves united with each other the pain seems lessened.

## Ministry among the Earthquake Victims 2005

**New Light Public School, Pateka:** This school was established for the Earthquake victims 2005. This is the only English Medium School in the area, and is providing quality education, thus the emphasis on character building of the students, as well. This year the pupils showed 100% result in the Secondary School Examination (SSC), NWFP. The local community and both students and teachers need a big applause for this success.



The number of students is increasing day by day. Now a days, the school is closed for summer vocation, and will reopen in August 2009.

\* **Shawal Health Clinic:** The Shawal Health Clinic established by the Diocese is providing excellent medical services to the people of the areas. The staff lives far away from their families in the tents within the local community vicinity so usually they also help them in emergencies, and at the odd hours as well, even the weather is quite hot there now a days.

\* **Sewing Centre:** The Diocesan Sewing Centre provides training to the Women of the Earthquake victims and the training they are able to earn for their household, and become productive citizens.

\* **CBO:** The Community Based Organisation (CBO) and Advisory Committee of Pateka villages look after and monitor all the projects run by the Diocese for Earthquake victims, as the Diocesan Development and relief staff visits them time to time and hold/conduct a monthly meetings with them, and look after other arising needs also.

Due to the present situation, i.e. operation against the militants in the NWFP, all the business and other social activities are being closed, but we thank God that the Diocesan Projects in the Earthquake affected areas are still delivering and showing good progress. Kindly, pray for all the development projects run by the DP in the Earthquake affected areas.

(Education Sector)

**Distinction****Top 5 positions secured by,  
Pennell High School Students**

June 14, 2009. The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) exams result was announced today, and to everybody's surprise, the top five positions and among the top 10 of the NWFP, distinction holders belong to the Diocesan run 'Pennell High School, Bannu', informed the Principal of the School, Mr. Fredrick Dass.



Nevertheless, the top most two positions have also been secured by the Pennell School students.

Miss Saleha Javaid obtained 983 marks out of 1100, similarly Miss Palwasha Shahab secured 965 marks. Whereas, Miss Mah Noor Fatima obtained 947 marks for the fourth position, Miss Sidra Tul Munathaha and Mr. Tehrim Khan secured 947 and 925, respectively for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> position.

The Diocesan Secretary Mr. Humphrey Peters showed his satisfaction and congratulated the students and staff of the school for this great academic achievement.

The other schools run by the Diocese of Peshawar have also shown 100% result, details will be give in the next issue of the Frontier News.

This is one of the reasons that the Muslim majority in Pakistan trusts the Church run Education Institutions and always prefer them for quality education, in Pakistan.

**Mother's Day Celebrations**

Mothers Day was celebrated in different parishes and at the Educational Institutions of the Diocese of Peshawar. Sunday Schools and the Youth Groups of all our parishes also organized special events on the Mother's Day and the children presented gifts, and greeting cards to their mothers and expressed their love and affection towards their mothers.

The students of the Edwardes College School (ECS) [Wing II] along with their teachers crafted Greeting Cards and Posters, expressing their emotions on Mother's Day. The Staff and students of Elizabeth Girls High School visited the decorated classroom and appreciated the combine efforts of the students and of the staff of ECS [Wing- II].

**Education Programme among IDPs**

Ms. Lubna Younas, the Previous President of the Diocesan Youth Council, is taking Tuition and Coaching classes of the students among the IDPs. She is taking the English language class and also teaching the academic syllabus of the NWFP Education Board.

She is also taking the Sunday School of the children in which she teach the Bible through stories and activities. The Diocesan Youth Desk has organized a Bible study programme for the youth, which is led by Mr. Kamran Younas, the Faith Awareness Convener of Youth Council.

**Youth Seminar:**

A Youth Seminar was organized by the Diocesan Youth Desk for IDPs. About 30 young people participated the Seminar.

Deacon Shahid led the first session, and taught the basic concepts of Christian faith.

In second session, Mr. Insar Gohar taught on; "Our Role as Christians, while living as minority".

**Teacher's Training Workshop**

March 27, 2009, a training workshop was organised for the Section and the Institution Heads of the Diocese of Peshawar. The theme was "**Excellence in Performance**". The participants were welcomed by the Directorate of Education Staff and briefed about the importance and objectives of the workshop.

Workshop started with the opening prayer by Mr. Anwar Ghulam and thought sharing by Mrs. Naseem Das.

The workshop formally started with the welcome note by Mr. Humphrey Peters. He also explained the purpose of organizing the workshop and explaining the importance of Team work and how to plan an event.

After their introduction, participants were divided into four groups, and each group was assigned to watch a video, i.e.

Classic Dance video

Olympics Video

Jai Ho (Oscar video)

One minute painting (world record)

Two hours time was given to each group, and the groups discussed various aspects of the video and noted down the points of planning an event. Later, each group presented their report, hence they shared their ideas about effectiveness of teamwork, and how to make an event successful, and discussed all the pros and cons, and focused on positive planning.

Special mark of this programme was that the Section and the Head of Institution of the New Light Public School, Patteka, (for Earthquake victims) also participated in this workshop, and the workshop equipped them with skills to further develop of their Institution for the earthquake victims.

In the end, Mr. Humphrey Peters in his speech thanked all the participants and motivated them to enhance teamwork in their respective institutions and try to organize events via, team work. Bishop Mano also graced the occasion by his presence in the last session. He also encouraged the participants to work hard to develop their skills in institutions. The workshop ended with a prayer & grace shared by the Bishop Mano.