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Building Foundations Update

From Kerry Walker, Superintendent, Traders Point Christian Academy (TPCA)

We are excited to announce that the TPCA leadership team has created the *Building Foundations* fund. This fund will provide the ongoing, sustaining financial resources to enhance academic achievements and foster spiritual growth.

This *Building Foundations* fund makes up the difference between the actual cost of educating TPCA students and tuition income. The *Building Foundations* need for the 2010-2011 academic year is at least \$400,000 and helps in funding:

1. Tuition Assistance (\$250,000) - We believe that every student should have the opportunity to be challenged within a biblical worldview, both academically and spiritually
2. Technology (\$100,000) - Office software, technology and computer upgrades
3. Professional Development (\$25,000) - Equipping faculty and staff with on-going training in educational best practices
4. Security and Safety (\$25,000) - Surveillance and upgraded entrance security features

TPCA already has an impressive track record of academic and spiritual achievement that includes:

1. An overall pass rate of 97% for the 2009 ISTEP+ End-of-Course assessments. 100% of the 8th graders taking Algebra I passed the exam, and among the high school students, 94% passed the Algebra I exam and 91% passed the English 10 exam (includes ESL students).
2. Bible and Spanish classes are offered to all full time K-12 TPCA students.
3. Every grade from Early Childhood through Middle School has adopted a child to financially and spiritually support through Compassion International.
4. Our high school mission trips have successfully fostered an ongoing relationship with students and staff of The Rey Solomon (King Solomon) School in Nicaragua. This sister Christian school is part of the Nicaragua Resource Network, a strategic partner of Traders Point Christian Church.

People, with a passion for Christian education and with a belief in TPCA's mission and ministry, provide gifts to *Building Foundations*. We have currently received approximately \$82,000 in gifts to this fund. The recent PTF auction contributed to the majority of this gift income. Additionally, Traders Point Christian Church has committed \$100,000 to this fund.

If you have any questions regarding the *Building Foundations* fund, please do not hesitate to contact Dave Gatman, Director of Finance and Operations, or Kerry Walker, Superintendent.