



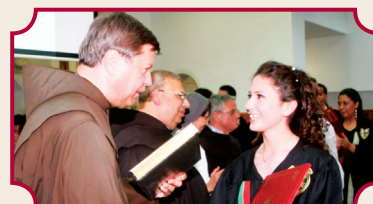
FRANCISCAN FOUNDATION  
FOR THE HOLY LAND  
Program Summaries

# EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Custos, Fr. Pierbattista Pizzaballa, has set religious education as one of the highest priorities in order to preserve the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

FFHL has given full scholarships to over a 261 university students with strong academic talent, paying for all 4 years of college at a cost of \$6,000/student/year. Hence, through the generosity of Christians in the U.S., the FFHL is holding the “educational doors of opportunity” open for the Christian community in the Holy Land.



## CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Due to economic stressors, the FFHL established a child sponsorship program to assist families who are no longer able to pay their children’s tuitions to Franciscan schools. The Foundation has paired hundreds of children with sponsors for the remainder of their elementary school years, and some through their secondary education. The program encourages individuals to assist with the cost of tuition, books, and uniforms. Yearly sponsorship of \$500/child is an investment in the future of Christianity in the Holy Land. For those who make this commitment, we ask that you sponsor each child for a seven year period whenever possible.

## MAGNIFICAT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Magnificat Institute in the Holy City of Jerusalem has as its goal the promoting of knowledge about music with particular attention to the cultural heritage of various local communities in the Holy Land. The target goals at the heart of the Magnificat are to prepare teachers capable of teaching and transmitting love for music in schools in the Holy Land; to sing and play in the shrines and parishes of the Holy Land; to create opportunities, both choral and instrumental, to break down the cultural, religious and linguistic barriers and promote peace in the Holy Land between children of different backgrounds.



## VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Based on the success of the University Scholarship Program, it was felt that there should be other educational opportunities for those who prefer vocational school over college. Here young Christian adults learn the trades of electricians, carpenters, mechanics, plumbers, telecommunicators or even chefs. That dream is becoming a reality. Each school offers a two year study program. Upon graduation, students receive a diploma attesting to their skills and expertise in their respective fields.

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