

# edify COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN

***“...for such a time as this.” (Esther 4:14)***

In January 2020, Edify celebrated our first 10 years and our mission of improving and expanding sustainable Christ-centered education globally. Given the current state of the world, it presents us with an opportunity to keep our over 6,000 partner schools in operation. Many schools are threatened with permanent closure due to a lack of fees from students not being in school and uncertainty if and when they will return. Edify is continuing to walk beside our school owners as they face challenges they have never met before.

In May, a survey was assigned to over 388 schools (roughly 35 per country) across our countries of operation to gain a better understanding of how they have been affected during this tumultuous season. We were pleased to find that about 78% of total schools have been able to offer educational content to their students remotely. However, only 23% were able to pay teachers during this time.

**Listed below are the three main concerns of school owners for reopening their schools, which came from our survey results. Based on the data we collected, we have created the following COVID-19 Recovery Plan to come alongside schools:**

## **Health and Safety of Students and Staff**

Help school owners create safety protocols to reopen and ensure a safe environment for students according to government regulations through a blend of online and in-person trainings.

## **Financial Stability**

Provide school owners with small loans to help them pay teachers and keep their schools open. We will continue to work alongside our lending partners to defer payments until schools have adequate cash flow.

## **Student Learning**

Train school owners and teachers on how to use technology solutions more effectively to prevent student learning loss and increase learning outcomes. We will continue to secure clear communication pathways for schools through mobile messaging apps to connect them to Edify, their teachers, and parents.

## **TOTAL FUNDS NEEDED: \$2M**

- Partner with schools through training, capital, and technology to help them reopen and regain sustainability
- Maintain Edify's ongoing operations
- This project will be funded through December 31, 2020

***“...and my God will meet all of your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 4:19)***