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PROGRAM
PEPE

Annual
Report of 2020





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Word of the general co-ordination of International PEPE

The missionary mobilization theme proposed by World Missions Board for 2020 was "Transform the world with the happiness of Jesus".

In the middle of a scenario of struggles and uncertainties we are very happy because of the achievements of God intervening in situations and sending us provision to his work on Earth.

In the month of March 2020, the world was surprised by coronavirus, which spread rapidly last year and still does up to now around many places through various infected people who were affected by COVID-19. Leaders from different countries carried out actions to prevent, combat and deal with the pandemic, ordering restrictions as social isolation, for the purpose of diminishing the circulation of people and consequently the virus.

PEPE, in the 31 countries where it acts, followed guidelines from local leaders and suspended its face-to-face activities to pro-

tect children and their families. However, we did not stop our work, but adapted to this new reality. As the leaders authorized the resumption of many activities, the units of each country started to prepare to meet the requirements of biosafety. It has been a big challenge, because most of the maintainer churches of PEPE are in contexts of poverty, needing help to meet the demands.

With the dedication of everyone who cooperates with PEPE at a local level, with prayers and partners and adopters support to this work, we could overcome numberless obstacles and keep sending hope to the heart of children, their families and their communities.

Our hope renews in this new year that invites us to live the transforming power of the gospel in life and in the context of children and their families.

We will continue trusting that our God is ahead of us and will help us to overcome challenges, because "For God did not give

us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of equilibrium" (2Timothy 1.7)

With faith we can say: Live the power to change!

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International PEPE

Our mission:

Grant assistance to PEPE's children providing a Prep education which stimulates their holistical development.

Our focus:

The integral development of children.

Our goal:

Contribute for the access to childhood education of preschool aged children in high social vulnerability communities in order to decrease the discrepancy in their integral development and draw them to know Jesus' love.

Our values:

The values that sustain our mission and our goal are:

- **Respect for children:** we value children as a developing human being, subject to rights, created by the image of God, with the same value as an adult.
- **Child Protection:** we value child protection against any type of violence, abuse or exploitation.
- **Holistical care:** we value the care for children considering all dimensions: the physical, the emotional, the psychological, the spiritual and the social.
- **Quality education:** we value the quality teaching that allows the child to continue her studies achieving a proper formation.
- **Teamwork:** we value teamwork that allows everyone to share their abilities, experiences and knowledge for a better collective result.
- **Biblical faith:** we value and practice biblical faith, demonstrating the love of God through words and actions for children and the families from local communities.



2020 Impact

Benefited children:18.359

Missionary-educators:.....1333

Coordinators:..... 90

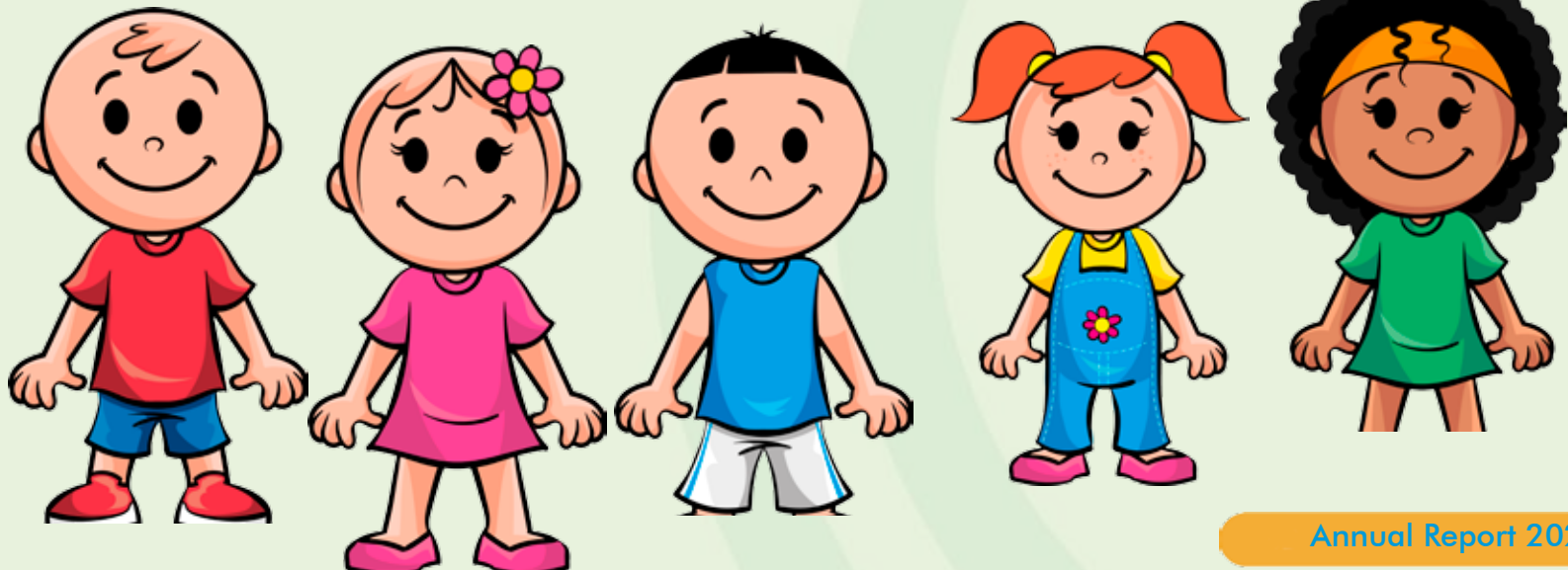
Countries:.....31

Units (projects in communities):..... 679

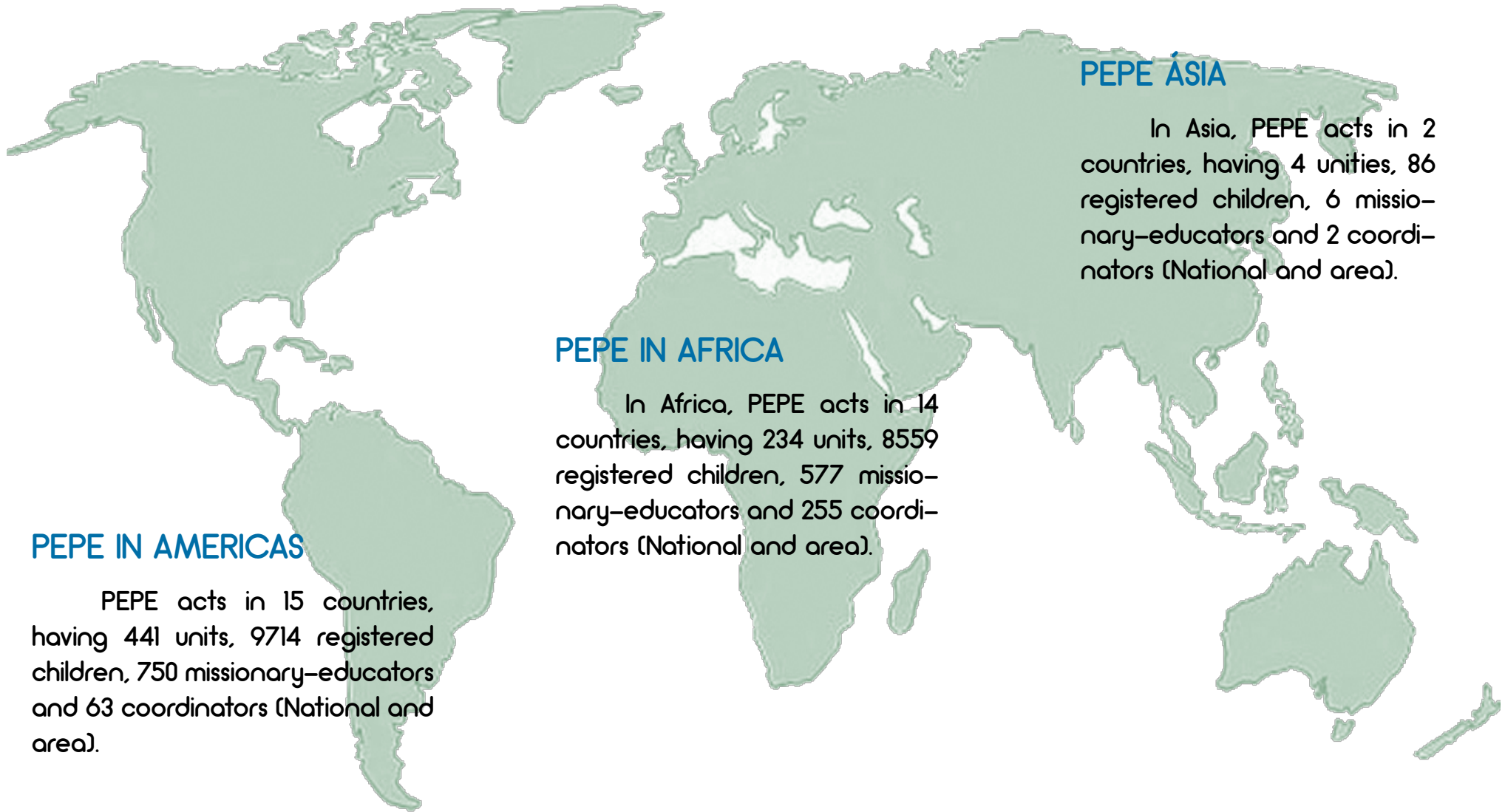
States/provinces of countries:..... 225

Assisted families:.....18.354

Number of decisions for Christ:.....13.466



Partner Organizations:



PEPE IN AMERICAS

PEPE acts in 15 countries, having 441 units, 9714 registered children, 750 missionary-educators and 63 coordinators (National and area).

PEPE IN AFRICA

In Africa, PEPE acts in 14 countries, having 234 units, 8559 registered children, 577 missionary-educators and 255 coordinators (National and area).

PEPE ÁSIA

In Asia, PEPE acts in 2 countries, having 4 unities, 86 registered children, 6 missionary-educators and 2 coordinators (National and area).

QUANTITATIVE DATA – 3rd Quarter of 2020

Country	Units	Benefited Children	M.E.	National coordination	Area Coordination	Trained leaders of churches	Assisted Families	Registered decisions for Christ: Children	Registered decisions for Christ: Adults
South Africa	6	50	10	1	1	0	0	0	0
Angola	63	2000	106	1	2	13	43	20	15
Argentina	22	450	40	1	1	160	82	75	60
Benin	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bolivia	6	92	8	1	3	18	162	9	3
Cape Verde	5	178	26	1	0	0	36	30	2
Chile	29	1390	98	1	4	540	1400	740	110
Colombia	83	1660	83	1	6	3	72	57	35
El Salvador	23	434	43	1	5	217	349	8	20
Ecuador	16	154	40	1	3	108	307	221	182
Gambia	1	15	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Guatemala	19	455	26	1	3	0	364	235	44
Guinea Bissau	16	352	32	1	2	0	72	3	0
Guinea Conakry	1	50	3	1	0	3	0	0	0
Haiti	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honduras	6	135	8	1	0	15	167	36	15
India	1	17	2	1	0	0	2	0	0
Mali	5	144	12	1	0	2	50	0	0
Mexico	7	86	21	1	1	153	195	5	10
Mozambique	99	4339	286	1	4	63	34	23	26
Nicaragua	17	476	49	1	2	0	139	75	40
Panama	2	81	5	1	0	0	8	4	8
Paraguay	56	2106	92	1	4	405	1133	1294	641
Peru	65	681	70	1	2	11	279	106	48
Dominican Republic	8	184	26	1	3	56	332	29	22
São Tomé and Príncipe	6	250	22	1	0	10	95	46	33
Senegal	20	782	46	1	2	0	0	0	0
Sierra Leone	11	362	29	1	1	4	221	28	9
East Timor	3	69	4	1	0	0	128	22	2
Togo	2	37	4	1	0	5	38	0	0
Venezuela	82	1330	141	1	11	496	1223	690	800
TOTAL: 31	679	18.359	1.333	30	60	2.282	6.931	3.756	2.125



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CARRIED OUT ACTIVITIES IN 2020:

Pre-school education

SEMI-PRESENTIAL PEPE

In the beginning of the year of 2020, all the units of PEPE started their activities and prepared to receive the registered children. In the month of March, during pandemic, the activities needed to be suspended. Throughout the year, the units were gradually resuming activities according to the government authorization of the respective countries where they act.



Americas

In some countries, as Paraguay, Nicaragua and Ecuador, for example, PEPE worked semi-presential. Gradually and alternately, children started returning to PEPE. The ones who did not come back to the face-to-face activities, did them from home.

Africa

In most of the countries the government did not authorize the resumption of activities to the pre-school education. During the school year of 2020, the activities of PEPE only returned in three countries: Togo, Angola and São Tomé and Príncipe.

During the months of social distancing, the missionary-educators kept in touch with the families, but online, by computers or phones, to spiritually support the children and their families and send some activities. All the team of PEPE was in frequent touch to pray, to give guidance to the families and also for meetings.



South of Asia

In East Timor, according to the government orientations the activities for children started over on June 22. Basic sanitary cares were taken, but it was hard for the units to get thermometers. Everyone is wearing mask.

In India, the activities of its single unit, which started in March, is with their activities suspended yet, because of the serious government restrictions. The missionary-educators and the local coordinator continue the online training and make good use of the time praying and preparing the activities to when the resumption be authorized. Lockdowns have been successively applied.



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PEPE FROM HOME

In all units the missionary-educators were told to look for ways to keep in touch with children and verify the possibility to continue all the work remotely. In many countries, especially in Americas and some in Africa, we have done PEPE FROM HOME, with online activities or sending homework to the house of children.

VIRTUAL PEPE-GOES



Since during pandemic it was not possible to visit children and their families, we had to adapt and make a big effort to keep in touch virtually, be by computer, by phone or another way by technology. In many countries the pastors of the maintainer churches of PEPE sent messages by phone to the families and prayed with them. It had a very positive impact and brought together the family and the church. Pray for the continuity of the virtual contact and the fruits of this work..





EXPANSION TO NEW FIELDS

In the month of March 2020, the first unit of PEPE in India was opened, Southern Asia, with 17 registered children. Other two churches showed interest for the project and booked the training of more than 9 leaders. However, the activities were suspended because of the pandemic and the training postponed. (9- photo)

In Americas new units were opened in El Salvador, Mexico, Argentina, Paraguay and Venezuela. In Africa, new units were opened in Angola, Mozambique and Senegal.

About the new fields, contact was made to Trinidad Tobago, Belize, Costa Rican, Cuba, Burkina Faso and Chad. We are in the phase of perform a diagnosis to understand the main information about these countries.

Complementary Programs

POPE: Preventive and Educative Odontology Program

While the units worked face-to-face, the Preventive and Educative Odontology Program (POPE) worked too, as a complementary project of the unit. The Goal of POPE is making children to understand how important is to take care of their dental health, through activities and practices of hygiene and with the distribution of toothbrush kits. The children have been improving a lot when it is about taking care of their dental hygiene.



NUTRITION AND HEALTH

Nutrition and Health pilot-projects were started in West Africa, in Guinea Bissau, Cape Verde and Senegal. The nutritional status of many children started to be evaluated in different contexts and until this moment it was observed that most of them have severe or moderate malnutrition. As a way of intervening it, educative actions were done through basic training health courses to the missionary-educators. In addition, the donations of multivitamins and food were made through partnerships. We are joyful in the initiative of the pilot-projects implementation in West Africa, that benefited more than 500 children in the units of PEPE.





"THERE IS HUNGER IN THE WORLD" PROGRAM

WMB, knowing that the severe malnutrition situation affects millions of people in Venezuela, has implemented the program THERE IS HUNGER IN THE WORLD. The goal is to contribute to the food safety for children from PEPE Venezuela and their families. A form of intervention that has been used was the Enriched Flour (EF) production and distributions.

At first 23 units of PEPE were served, in the cities Acarigua and Araure, totalizing 495 children. Moreover, offerings were sent to buy inputs, corn seeds, sesame, spinach for the enriched flour production.

God has been greatly blessing the implementation of this program in a partnership with our Venezuelan brothers, who serve voluntarily and with commitment. By the end of the year, we could see the health improvement impact in so many children.





Emergency Aid

BIOSECURITY MEASURES

In the midst of a pandemic in all countries, PEPE watched over for the fulfillment of the biosafety measures in the view of protecting children. Even in the neediest contexts, children received hygiene kits and masks. Our resumption protocol for the activities of the units was shared.





BASIC SUPPLIES DONATION

In most of PEPE units the biggest concern was children well-being. There was a time of many concerns, because suspending the face-to-face activities many children would not receive the snack or the meal in PEPE. It was necessary a big mobilization in the search for partners and offering-donators of food and lunch supply for children. We are very happy, because in all countries the children received food help in the form of a meal distributed by the churches or in delivered food and basic baskets. We praise God for his provision and pray for the continuity of the good security of all children.

Child protection

AWARENESS AND MOBILIZATION ACTIONS

The units of PEPE worked in child promotion, right defense and protection.

In Americas we highlight Paraguay, where the coordinators and missionary-educators had a training to prevent child abuse during pandemic. In Paraguay we had a Child Rights Campaign in the units of PEPE and the parents exposed allusive posters to that theme in the community. In Venezuela posts were made in social media, with advertising posters about the child protection rights and cares.

In Africa, in Mozambique, missionary-educators formation meetings about child protection, focusing in the home, were performed through a partnership with the government and the organization "Terra dos Homens" (Land of Men).





Collaborators training

TAKING CARE OF THE ONES WHO CARE

In PEPE there is a big team compound of more than 1400 missionary-educators (from local churches) and coordinators. God organized a beautiful prayer movement around us. A monthly prayer day in International PEPE was established and prayer meetings in

virtual rooms happen by region. These meetings happen in divided linguistic groups (Portuguese, Spanish, English and French) with the purpose of sharing the challenges and praying. It was a precious time of shepherding and visiting of God.

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Participants  40

Chat  4

Share Screen 

Record 

Breakout Rooms 

Portuguese 

Reactions 

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ON-LINE TRAINING

In some American countries, especially Argentina, Honduras, El Salvador, Bolivia and Chile, the national coordinators carried out on-line training with the missionary-educators. It was the first distance training. Impelled by the need and the

presential limitations of the moment, the coordinators tried to move resources and conditions to its viability.



FIRST PEPE NETWORK GLOBAL CONGRESS

"The Lord has done great things for us: because of which we are glad" (Psalm 126:3)."

"—There is something that impacted me a lot during the Congress, it was when a group of African Christian fellows was praising God in another language. Despite I could not understand what they were singing, I could feel the glory of God in my home. I have conviction that the work which International PEPE is doing is something from God. Looking at all this work I feel much more committed to continue our PEPEs. God bless you!"

That was the emotive statement of one of the missionary-educators from one PEPE's unit, after the execution of the first PEPE Global Congress on November 20 and 21, 2020. This was a congress 100% on-line that represented an enormous challenge for everyone from PEPE network and everyone from World Missions Board.



In the congress we had a celebration time, a worship moment where we shared our histories about the care of the ones who take care of children, about professional education during and after pandemic and a message to make us strong in our mission and vocation. Beyond this time, we also had the execution of workshops about important themes for the ministry and the participant's capacitation, as follows: sustainability and fund raising training, inclusive education, new curricular perspectives and child protection.

More than 1400 people were subscribed to the congress, from 33 different countries, and there were more than 100 involved volunteers that served us producing and reviewing texts, translating, editing videos and websites, technically supporting in the zoom rooms, etc.

Really big things the Lord has done for us, that is why we are glad.

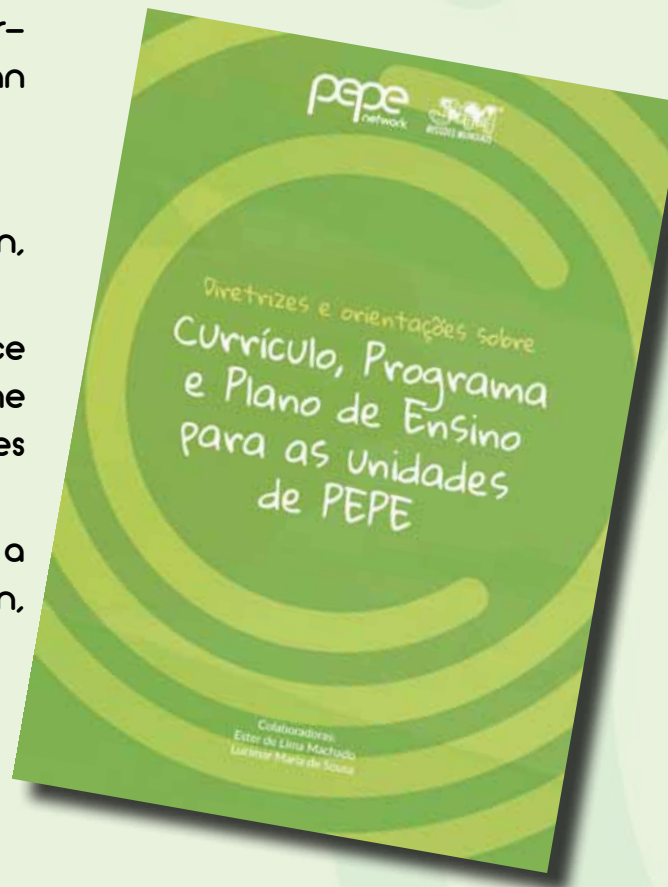


Pedagogical material production

NEW MANUALS AND MATERIALS

In 2020 all the executive team was involved in the manual and pedagogical materials production of PEPE. The new concluded manuals were as follows:

- Directives and guidelines about curriculum, teaching program and plan Manual, in Portuguese.
- Booklet PEPE-GOES.
- Activity notebooks to PEPE's children, to be posted on the website.
- Teaching and didactics resource spreadsheet programs (PPTs) for the initial and continued training courses for the missionary-educators.
- In a country level in El Salvador a devotional was created for children, being called PEPE DEVO KIDS.



PEPE in social media

WEBSITE UPDATES AND INTRANET

A new layout was built for the website and all information was updated. The PEPE collaborators access was created (a type of intern network for the missionary-educators and coordinators communication), there will be posted works related to children's activities, songs, manuals, teaching plans, proposal for development. We understand that this is going to be a useful resource to all the team: www.pepe-network.org.

PEPITO'S GROUP AND THE NEW CHARACTERS

Pepito

and friends



Fruits that impacts

Graduation of children





Future perspectives

STRATEGIC PLAN NEW EDITION: 2021–2023

The strategic plan is a very important action when it comes to directing and reaching the proposed goals by the Pre-Scholar Education Program (PEPE) ministry. The strategic plan first formal edition was for the period from 2017 until 2020. In 2020 we continued it preparing the second edition for 2021–2023.

This new edition of the strategic plan of International PEPE has as its main goals:

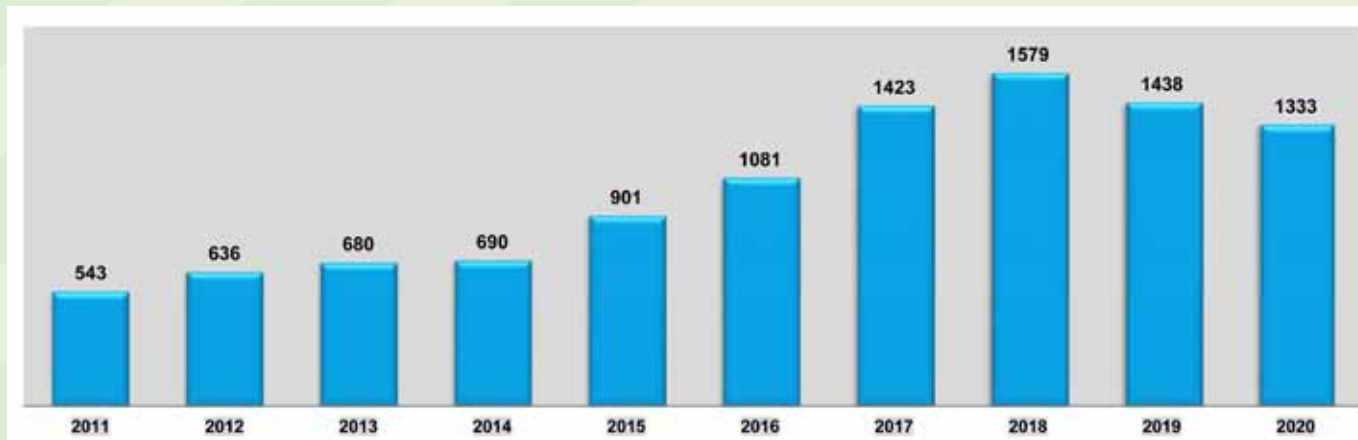
- ▶ To establish a defined vision until 2023, considering the strategic decisions of the years before.
- ▶ To have a focus that unites all the team.
- ▶ To generate sustainable growth for the future.

The desired result is to consolidate the reached growth in the last 10 years and strength the foundation so that PEPE keeps growing in whole and make a social impact.



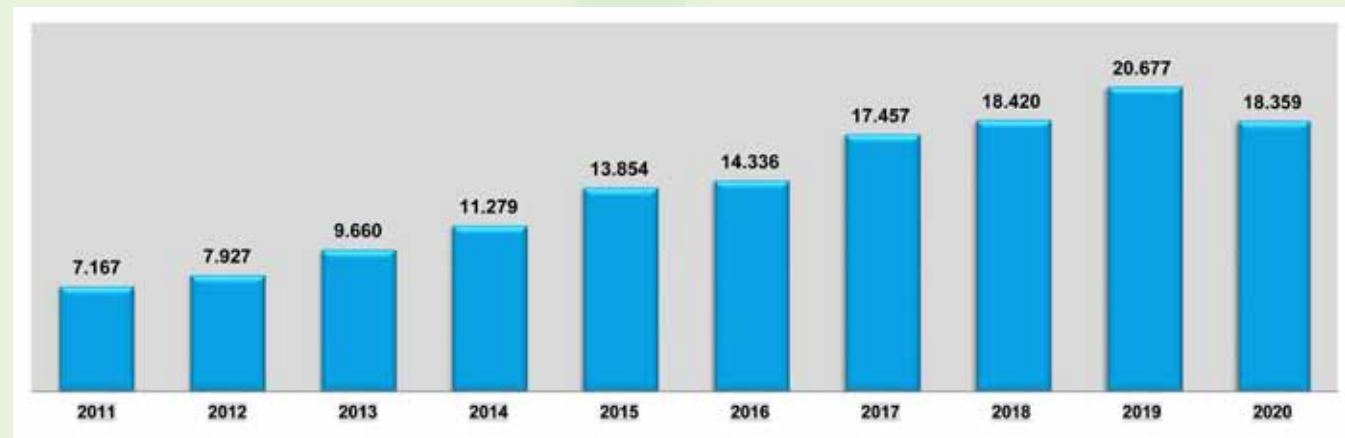
Strategic Planning

Comparison of Missionary-educators between 2011 and 2020.



Strategic Planning

Comparison of benefited children between 2011 and 2020



Our strategic goals for the new period are:

Expansion goal:

- To expand PEPE
- To promote community development
- To empower the missional vision
- Advocacy in child protection

Structural goals:

- Act with operational excellence
- Stablish partnerships and alliances
- Implement a training program

Thereby, we hope PEPE indeed becomes increasingly relevant in different contexts, as a global organization that is a reference and worries about the integral development of children.



Members of the Council and Committee of PEPE (March/ 2020)



GRATITUDE

We thank God for all his works, all the collaborators for all the effort, World Missions Board and numberless churches, brothers and sisters that through their prayers and contribution gave us support for the development of this ministry that blesses children in different countries.

Let's proceed living the changing power of our Lord.

To God be the glory

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