



# CABSA

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## Knowledge Management

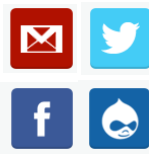
CABSA continued to be a key role player in ensuring access to accurate and reliable information for faith leaders responding to HIV.

### Website and Social Media Presence:

The website redevelopment of [www.cabsa.org.za](http://www.cabsa.org.za) was completed early in 2016 and users reported that the site was more user friendly. This website continues to grow and consists of more than 8000 pages of news and resources on every aspect of HIV.

Consistent and concerted efforts to hack the [www.thursdaysinblack.co.za](http://www.thursdaysinblack.co.za) website was unfortunately successful and the website was destroyed. It was redeveloped on a more stable and secure platform and the painstaking process of rebuilding the site was undertaken. The website has a large collection of resources on various gender and gender-based violence areas, with a specific but not exclusive focus on faith-based materials.

Regular advocacy and information messages were shared through social media and followers, likes and interactions increased.



### Electronic and Social Media - Jan to December 2016

| Facebook Pages | Likes | Twitter Profile | Followers | Website  | Visits  |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|-----------|--|---------|
| CABSA          | 872   | Lyn4caris       | 438       | <a href="http://www.cabsa.org.za">www.cabsa.org.za</a>                     | 180 736 |
| TiB            | 696   | Thursdays_Black | 279       | <a href="http://www.thursdaysinblack.co.za">www.thursdaysinblack.co.za</a> | 37 086  |
| WWSOSA         | 108   | WWSOSA          | 35        |  |         |

### Material Distribution

More than 78 000 free resources, including books, pamphlets, DVDs and Thursdays in Black badges and bookmarks were distributed.

CABSA sold many thousands more badges and bookmarks and assisted the World Council of Churches to develop and distribute TiB materials in 6 languages, including Swahili and Arabic.

### Bible Message

The weekly Bible Message and CABSA Newsletter lists were transferred to a new platform.

Bible Messages based on the Lectionary reading of the week were sent out every week to 1080 subscribers. CABSA regularly receives positive and touching feedback, such as this email from a subscriber in the USA:

*"Thank you very much for all the wonderful messages I've received from... CABSA, throughout this past year - it's been a difficult year for (us) and I've leaned a lot on my faith in the Lord, where your messages have often made that crucial difference in helping encourage me. God bless you and the wonderful work you all do for PLHIV around the world."*

## An Overview

Looking at the epidemic, locally and internationally, it is clear that the optimism about an "AIDS free generation" and "the end of AIDS as a public health threat by 2020 (or 2030)" is rapidly waning. At the 21st International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2016) in Durban, the rhetoric was much more muted, and many experts expressed concern about the state of the epidemic:

- In spite of developments in treatment and increased access, less than half of the estimated 36.7 million people living with HIV accessed ART.
- Prevention of new infections has slowed and in some regions, there are even reversals and an increase in new infections.
- The 15-24 age group, where girls and young women are four times as likely to be infected as their male counterparts, is a particular concern.
- While these concerns motivate a call for increased effort, there is also declining international funding for HIV.

At this crucial stage, where the epidemic is seen to be on a knife-edge, international role-players increasingly emphasise the value of faith communities and faith responses in the epidemic. Sadly however, very few faith based initiatives focussing specifically on HIV remain. In this scenario, CABSA continues to change lives and equip and support faith communities to respond to the challenges of the HIV epidemic.

In 2016, all CABSA's 'ordinary' services continued – training and mobilising, knowledge management, advocacy and networking. In addition, there were a number of 'extraordinary' activities:

- The Board and staff collaborated in a strategy meeting
- CABSA celebrated 15 years of transforming faith communities and faith leaders!
- Two projects were initiated with CHABAHIVA: A Peer Educators training was piloted as part of a unique "Farm Project" in the Wellington area, and faith leaders and business people collaborated in a project in Mamelodi.
- CABSA acted as local host for various interfaith activities around the International AIDS Conference in Durban.

We invite you to share a glimpse of our 2016 activities and continue to walk with us as we support faith communities to transform a world with HIV.



*Lyn van Rooyen*

Executive Director

## Churches Channels of Hope

During 2016 the boundaries of CCoH expanded significantly.

- First Facilitator's training in Kenya in collaboration with Churches for Grace, hosted at the Moffat Bible College in Kijabe.
- Piloted a Peer Educator curriculum in collaboration with the CHABAHIVA Trust. 20 Peer Educators were trained, followed-up and guided to serve in the farming community of Wellington.



Other highlights include:

- Three CCoH facilitator trainings presented in South Africa
- Five contracted CCoH Workshops, two funded by the CAPE Empowerment Trust, two for the Desmond and Leah Tutu Legacy Foundation and one for World Vision South Africa.
- A Family Health Day in collaboration with the newly trained Peer Educators, attended by about 300 people of which 120 volunteered for HIV tests and other health screenings.

A few selected comments from the many made by participants:

- "It was for me more than a training. It was a Life-transforming encounter with the Lord. It was so personal and profound, it made me aware of my own brokenness, that I am as vulnerable as anybody else, therefore there's no such thing as US and THEM...."
- "I could not imagine that God can be so present at a training ..."
- "This training has opened my mind because I have been stigmatizing other people."
- "I am excited. My ministry will never be the same again."
- "I put into practice the skills I have learned in the CCoH programme. For the first time I was able to speak about HIV and AIDS stigma and violence against women and children ..."



CABSA is deeply grateful for the opportunities to invest in faith and community leaders, trusting that God will continue to transform and equip communities through:

- 96 newly trained facilitators and channels of hope from mostly South Africa and Kenya
- 138 faith and community leaders that participated in CCoH workshops
- 20 peer educators who are serving their communities with the slogan: Working together to give Hope!

## Governance and Staff

### Message from the chair, Ms Eulogia Murray:

We thank God for His guidance for the governance responsibilities of the CABSA Board, during a very successful 2016.

The year started with a two-day strategic planning workshop attended by nearly all the members of the Board, as well as the staff from the two offices, Johannesburg and Wellington. The process, facilitated by Prof Arnold Smit, included special moments of celebration, combined with deep and challenging discussions. The decisions made during this event will guide the Board's governance beyond 2016.

The Board had three meetings, which were mostly combined face-to-face and internet-based meetings. We welcomed Rev Tunde Fowe from Nigeria as new Board member. On the Board and Management Committee, we had to accept the resignation of Mr Phaphile Celesti, Dr Pieter Fourie and Ms Madelé Nel. CABSA is extremely thankful for their many years of extensive input and support to the organisation.

Based on a skills audit of the Board, we decided to recruit at least two additional members during 2017. We continue to appreciate the positive participation of Board members who value and cherish the work of our organisation.

The positive financial audit and balance at the end of 2016 is cause for celebration, thanks to the effective management of our director and management committee. However, we are aware of the challenges for 2017, as we have to plan the future without some of our key long-term donors.

At a staff level, we continue to value dedicated staff, of which three received long term (ten years or longer) awards at our AGM. The need for additional staff remains high on the agenda, and will be addressed in 2017.



Photo: Albin Hillert/WCC

*E. Murray*

### Staff in 2016

- Lyn van Rooyen - Executive Director
- Aneleh Fourie-Le Roux - Training Manager;
- Clive Swartz - CCoH Coordinator;
- Meloney Goliath - Administrative and Financial Officer;
- Nonceba Ravuku – Project assistant WWSOSA

Experienced training team members and staff for specific projects were again contracted from CABSA's extensive networks.

## Advocacy and Networking

### Networking and Capacity Building

CABSA continues to play a key role in local and international networking and in leadership of various Boards and Bodies. Extensive networking and advocacy reports are available on request.



### AIDS2016

CABSA acted as local host and Global Organising Committee member for the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance faith-based activities at the 21st International AIDS Conference in Durban. More than 18 000 people attended the conference. This included:

- a two-day interfaith preconference with 300 participants
- a very active and well visited interfaith networking zone in the Global Village where many presentations and interactive sessions were held
- an interfaith worship service with participants from 8 faiths
- involvement of Anglican Archbishop Thabo Makgoba at a bridging session in the main conference, the networking zone and the service

### Other Activities

CABSA staff did presentations at various conferences and events, including the recent CBE "Truth be Told Conference" and for students of the Master programme in Gender, HIV and Theology at Stellenbosch University.

### Advocacy and Sensitisation

### Thursdays in Black

CABSA remains very involved in the local and international promotion and support of the Thursdays in Black Campaign and has influenced many individuals and organisations to adopt the campaign. CABSA continues to manage social media and the website for TiB.



Paul Jeffrey / WCC

### WWSOSA

CABSA was represented on the interim steering committee and eventually on the management committee of the We Will Speak Out South Africa Coalition of FBOs and individuals responding to Sexual and Gender based Violence.

CABSA is also included in an **Amplify Change** funded programme for the coalition. CABSA's focus in this project is communication and the development and presentation of "Transformative Justice" advocacy workshops for GBV survivor groups and faith leaders. After this training, one of the participants wrote:

*"(I learnt...) so much. I don't need to wait for others - I can speak on behalf of my colleague or communities. I have a goal. I've learned that you don't need money to speak."*

## Thank You

Without the following organisations and individuals none of this would have been possible:

### Core Funding:

- Christian Aid
- Congregations
- Committed Individuals that support CABSA monthly and through ad-hoc donations.

### Time and In Kind Support:

- CABSA Board and Management Committee
- Bible Media – Wellington office
- Fontainebleau Community Church – Randburg office
- Homo Novus – Randburg internet connection
- La Rochelle B & B - subsidised accommodation
- CABSA representatives
- Bible Message Contributors
- Ms Elmarie Tredoux – HR services

### Staff:

CABSA's staff members

### Support CABSA

CABSA is dependent on individuals, congregations and organisations for continued prayer, involvement and support, but also for financial sustainability.

You can help CABSA to continue our important work! Please support us financially – regular monthly support is particularly important. CABSA can provide Sec 18A tax certificates to South African taxpayers and has level 4 BBBEE Status.



Help CABSA make a difference by committing to a monthly donation

## Financial Statements

Financial recording is done regularly and monitored monthly, with reports to the Management Committee.

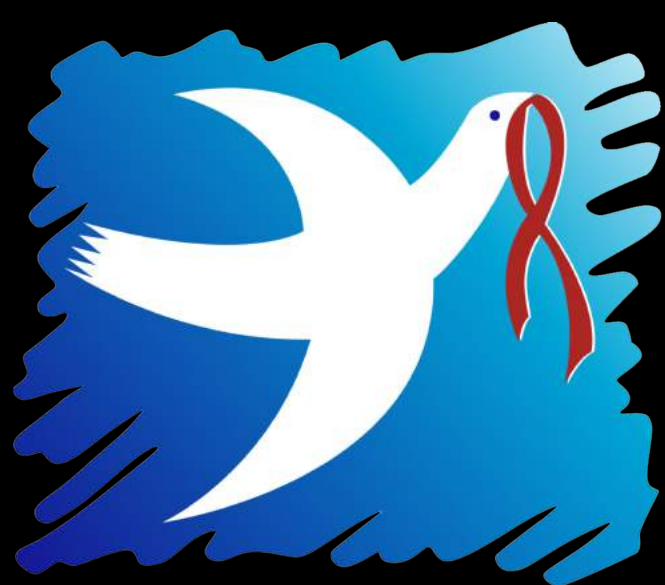
### Financial Statements were audited by BGR Broodryk Kotze Inc.

| INCOME  | 2016      | 2015      | EXPENDITURE                             | 2016      | 2015      |
|---|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|
| Churches and Congregations                    | 63 547    | 47 391    | Salaries and Support                    | 333 316   | 311 931   |
| Fundraising                                   | 1 300 873 | 1 545 163 | Other Personnel Expenditure             | 850       | 2 565     |
| Christian Aid                                 | 649 539   | 642 752   | Office Expenditure                      | 29 663    | 37 381    |
| Individual Donors                             | 70 505    | 67 382    | Running Costs                           | 44 083    | 52 115    |
| ICCO Cooperation                              | -         | 194 295   | Banking Fees                            | 21 196    | 15 315    |
| Other Faith Based Organisations               | 90 974    | 1 000     | Office and Operational Expenses         | 8 400     | 25 400    |
| Christian Aid Legacy Fund                     | 489 855   | 535 734   | Auditor's Remuneration                  | 12 255    | 11 400    |
| National Lottery Distribution Trust Fund      | -         | 104 000   | Insurance and Maintenance               | 2 232     | -         |
| Contributions and Projects                    | 732 873   | 164 801   | Service Delivery and Projects           | 1 648 875 | 1 155 081 |
| Prisma  | -         | 57 374    | Resource Centres                        | 131 078   | 131 088   |
| Mensen met een Missie                         | 217 181   | 107 427   | Meals and Accommodation                 | 276 865   | 54 675    |
| FACT  | 62 340    | -         | Trainers, Facilitators and Speakers     | 103 054   | 100 656   |
| Chabahiva                                     | 320 151   | -         | Training Material                       | 85 569    | 46 328    |
| WWSOSA Amplify Change                         | 133 201   | -         | Project Organisation and Administration | 37 855    | 3 875     |
|   |           |           | Direct Project Implementation Costs     | 1 014 454 | 818 459   |
| Registration, Sales, Refunds and License fees | 690 124   | 199 188   | Networking                              | 73 132    | 140 982   |
| License Fees                                  | 118 229   | 104 085   | Corporate Development & Governance      | 312 818   | 65 835    |
| Registration Fees                             | 37 950    | 23 424    | Depreciation of Assets                  | 17 014    | 15 016    |
| Refunds for Travel and other Costs            | 251 157   | 12 810    | To Sustainability Account               | 720 000   | 180 000   |
| Sales   | 76 386    | 51 469    | TOTAL EXPENSES                          | 2 999 751 | 1 960 906 |
| Fee for Service                               | 206 402   | 7 400     |   |           |           |
| Other   | 151 646   | 86 041    | SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR                    | (60 688)  | 81 682    |
| Interest Received                             | 151 646   | 86 041    |   |           |           |
| TOTAL INCOME                                  | 2 939 063 | 2 042 584 |   |           |           |

BANK DETAILS: Bank: ABISA Branch: Wellington (632005) Account: Active Saving - 910467 4160 Swift Code: ABSAZAJJ



**We will not be silenced...**  
**HIV is the biggest killer of**  
**adolescent girls and young women**  
**in Africa.**



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