

Annual Report 2021



CABSA CELEBRATES 20 YEARS OF BREAKING THE
SILENCE AND SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE



Chairperson's message

"In every crisis, doubt, or confusion, take the higher path - the path of compassion, courage, understanding and love." Amit Ray



When we as CABSA-family reflect not only on the past financial year but also on 20 years of ministering hope and reconciliation to marginalised communities, equipping faith leaders to be channels of hope and training and supporting peer educators to serve their communities, we are filled with deep gratitude to God who enabled CABSA to do so.

Indeed, we had to be decisive in our approach, bold to venture on this challenging but necessary journey, but we were not alone. We were blessed to have leaders, staff, and volunteers who with compassion, courage, understanding and love could guide and position this organisation.

We are grateful for the current leaders, staff, board and volunteers who continue to be of service and is diligently effecting our vision to create caring Christian communities.

We give all the glory to our God.

Rev Sean Esterhuizen



Director's message

Throughout the HIV pandemic, and more recently also through the more visible COVID-19 pandemic, most of us were confronted with the overwhelming needs in different communities.



We learn about community development, needs assessments, and plan a community outreach or different community projects.

However, I believe that Jesus does not only call us to the community, but Jesus also invites us *into* community, calling us to *live in* community and *be* community for one another.

When I reflect on the past year of CABSA's ministry, I cannot but see, the twenty years preceding it, and the countless blessings and richness that God has bestowed on CABSA and through CABSA, and especially so through the alternative community or family that we discovered and co-created.

As we hold each other to Biblical guiding principles that reinforce our identity in Christ and uphold the dignity and worth of every human being, may we continue to seek and create community in a broken world and praise God for the transforming ministry CABSA was blessed with!

Thank you to each of you who have become part of CABSA's story and part of our twenty-year legacy.

Anelele Fourie Le Roux



Governance and Staff

CABSA is committed to sound governance. This is ensured by management policies and procedures and the director is assisted by the Board that is ultimately accountable for the implementation of CABSA's aims and objectives.

CABSA coordinate and implement our services with a very small permanent staff component, and we are deeply grateful for the assistance of part-time and ad hoc staff and contractors who are critical for the success of our ministry.

Full-time Staff

Meloney Solomons (Office Coordinator)

Aneleh Fourie Le Roux (Executive Director)

Staff Assisted by:

Clive Swartz (Trainer and Bible Message)

Anneke Boshoff (Fundraising and Communication)

Jolene Cloete (Finance)

Mpho Lekgetho (Hope & Support)

Alex Botha (Design)

Hugenote Media (Web and Newsletters)

CABSA Board (31st December 2021)

Rev Sean Esterhuizen (Chairperson)

Ms Nomvuyo Baba

Ms Aneleh Fourie Le Roux

Prof Vhumani Magezi

Dr Sipho Mahokoto

Mr Denshir De Koker

Ms Toni Zimmerman

Mr Molteno Cameron



We wish to congratulate Meloney who got married to Terry Solomons in December. May God bless your marriage with love, joy and friendship!

A special word of thanks to Ms Zani Malan whose term ended in June, we are most grateful for her contribution during CABSA's challenging transition period.



Bible messages & Special Liturgies

"Thank you for these messages they really do come at a time when one needs a reminder that God is love and we are dearly loved. We are faced with so many unpleasant experiences and we tend to forget who and whose we are." Sipho Mbeki (Eastern Cape, SA).

A Weekly Bible Message in a Time of HIV is prepared and distributed by email to guide, and support people of faith to apply Scripture to our every-day challenges in our current circumstances.

"I loved how you put together this week's Bible message I have not read this passage that way before..." Hope Carter (Kijabe, Kenya).

"Thanks for this interesting and challenging reading." Minenhle Moyo (Livingstone, Zimbabwe).

"Thanks very much for the weekly Bible Message in a time of HIV. Will continue to follow." Josefina Hungulo (Lubango, Angola).

CABSA, in partnership with the Diaconia, AIDS Task Group, also prepares and distributes liturgical guidelines for AIDS Candlelight Memorial in May and World AIDS Day in December.

Thank you to colleagues and friends from Diaconia, AIDS Task Group, the Calvin Protestant Church, and Pastor Clive Swartz for coordinating this service.



Churches, Channels of Hope Programme



"[The highlight of the training] was the interactions within the group. We came from diverse contexts, and I learned a lot from fellow participants."

It has been a long and rich history since the first CCoH Facilitator Training was piloted in 2002 and over the years God has used both the content and the experience of this training to transform and empower faith leaders and strengthen their ministries.

In 2021 we were privileged that the partnership with Diaconia offered the opportunity to facilitate the training twice, once in the Western Cape and once in the Eastern Cape. Cumulatively CABSA has offered 58 facilitator trainings over the past 20 years.

This training offers a comprehensive perspective on HIV, not only as a public health challenge concerned with the management and prevention of the disease, it also emphasize the important potential and responsibility of faith leaders to be channels of hope amidst the pandemic.

"I thought it would be exhausting to listen to teaching the whole day, but it was fun for me while I learned."

"The training compelled me to take part in addressing the pandemic in my congregation"

"I learned to listen with intent."

"It revived the passion of loving people with HIV and AIDS and be part of campaigns in my community."

"I learned to use what you have – do not design new initiatives if there are things working already."



HIV Farm Project and Peer Educators



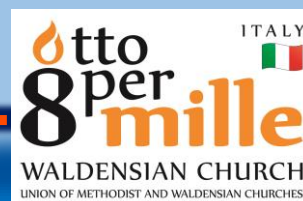
“Our peers have become a network of support to one another. It is refreshing to see how they care for and support each other even outside of CABSA programming.” Clive Swartz, Project Facilitator.

In 2021 CABSA focused our efforts on the mentoring and follow-up of the existing active peer educators from two farming communities, Wellington and De Doorns, both in the Western Cape. Nine mentor and follow-up meetings for trained peer educators were offered and individual pastoral follow-up visits when needed. One Refresher workshop was presented in each town with a specific focus on COVID-19 vaccine literacy and readiness.

Peer Educators were encouraged and supported to plan and implement community health interventions. Twelve events were organised and implemented in De Doorns and eight in Wellington. In total 683 community members participated and benefited from these community events.

Peer educators were blessed with a Bible donation from Helderberg Uitreik and surprised with facilitator and storyteller, Themba Lonzi's who helped us to reflect and debrief on the year while expressing ourselves through the rhythms of Dembe drums.

CABSA is deeply grateful for the ongoing partnership and support of the CHABAHIVA Trust and the Otto Per Mille of the Waldensian Church, who makes the HIV Farm Project Possible.



Hope & Support Project

"I'm turning 50 this year and will be HIV positive for 23 years and a priest for 7 years. I have survived colon cancer 3 times. Our God is faithful." Hope & Support Member

This project was launched in the first few months of the COVID-19 pandemic with the explicit focus of offering spiritual and emotional support to CABSA facilitators and peer educators who are living openly with HIV.

Facilitators and peer educators who disclosed their status privately receive support on an individual base.

The Hope&Support offers people living with HIV the platform to stay connected, share prayer requests, joys, fears and challenges.

CABSA is most grateful to our first two BackaBuddy volunteers who raised money to support this project.

Anneke Boshoff raised money for both the HIV Farm and the Hope&Support Project with her Extreme Cold Water Swim Challenge. She braced the cold Atlantic in the Cape Town winter and swam 12km.

Cloetie Fourie raised for the Hope&Support Project with her Greeting Card marathon that raised funds from BackaBuddy supporters and created revenue as CABSA are selling the cards for additional revenue.

A very big thank you to all of you who supported these campaigns!!



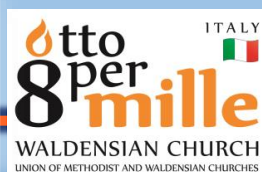
Covid-19 Vaccine Workshops

Across the globe, the arrival of COVID-19 vaccinations was met with mixed feelings, with people having to navigate through deliberate misinformation and dissent that was often also perpetuated by faith leaders and people of faith.

In this context CABSA was deeply grateful for the initiative of World Vision International, license partner of CABSA, who developed a Churches, Channels of Hope COVID-19 vaccines workshop curriculum and for CHABAHIVA Trust who were willing to partner with CABSA in the implementation of these workshops.

“My highlight was the reminder of the importance of dialogue, sharing ideas and opinions as well as listening to understand each other. Life is hard enough as it is without making it harder to discuss in the safe environment of faith-based communities.”

Eleven Churches, Channels of Hope COVID-19 Vaccine Workshops were facilitated, five online and six in person, equipping 158 faith and community leaders. Workshops were conducted in three different provinces of South Africa: Eastern Cape, Gauteng and Western Cape. Online workshops were attended by participants from Zimbabwe, Kenya, Nigeria, Mozambique, Zambia and Rwanda.



Gender, Advocacy and Youth

Youth Peer Educators

CABSA was excited to host our first Youth Peer Educator Training since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. The training was offered in Cape Town for youth leaders from the Lutheran Community of Southern Africa (LUCSA).



GERI Training

CABSA was privileged to be accepted into the Gender Equity & Restitution (GERI) facilitator programme, a four module programme that strengthened and stretches our gendered understanding and experiences with a diverse group of participants. The training was presented by Genderworks.



Thursdays in Black

CABSA continues to support and promote the Thursdays in Black campaign towards a world without rape and violence.



Collaboration & Networking



CABSA firmly believes in the necessity and importance of networking and collaboration. The Covid-19 pandemic created new platforms to work together and to learn more from one another.

To facilitate such cooperation CABSA:

- Belong to local, national, and regional networking organisations
- Informally and spontaneously collaborate with partner organisations whenever opportunities present itself
- Enters into formal agreements in order to formalise certain relationships and intentions to work together
- Enters into License Agreements with like minded FBOs with regard to the use of CABSA curriculums and intellectual property.

Highlights of 2021:

- Learning about presenting online workshops with AIDSLink and the Focus SA Project.
- Invitation as speaker for National Council of Churches in India Conference on Reviving the Church Response to HIV



2021 Financial Report

Financial recording is done by an external bookkeeper and monitored by the CABSA Board

Financial Statements have been audited by BGR Broodryk Kotze Inc.

INCOME	2021	2020	EXPENDITURE	2021	2020
Churches & FBOs	148,678	236,367	Salaries and Support	581,681	699,021
Congregations/Presbyteries	13,678	15,367			
Calvin Protestant Church	11,000	11,000	Capacity Building & Collaboration	1,700	3,764
CHABAHIVA Trust	64,000	150,000			
Diaconia	60,000	60,000	Office Expenditure	6,986	9,607
Fundraising	77,605	59,437	Running Costs	136,532	132,563
Individual Donors	39,070	35,682	Banking fees	7,781	7,723
Fundraisers	36,380	20,070	Operational Expenses	18,262	18,750
Sales	2,155	3,685	Marketing	49,679	43,000
			IT costs	27,209	31,911
Training Income & Refunds	51,899	12,504	Financial Management	33,601	31,179
Project Income	890,613	536,267	Service Delivery	541,660	390,753
CHABAHIVA Trust	556,141	326,317	Meals and accommodation	122,336	76,488
Diaconia	253,772	160,500	Travelling	59,537	12,830
Catholic Relief Service	63,600	---	Materials and Resources	46,359	---
Other Projects	17,100	49,450	Salaries	183,166	242,092
	1,168,795		Other implementation costs	130,262	59,343
Interest Received	6,986	12,056			
			Depreciation	10,802	1,387
Total Income	1,175,781	856,631	Total Expense	1,279,361	1,237,095
End of Year Reserves	246,952	351,102	Deficit/Surplus for this year	(103,580)	(380,464)
Sustainability Account	205,916	219,206			
Operational Account	41,033	131,323			
Petty Cash	3	573			

A special thank you to our regular individual donors,
churches, and core funding partners!

Please consider contributing to support CABSA's services.

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Thank you!

A very big thank you to each of you, who in some way has been part of CABSA's story ... We are celebrating God's faithfulness, grace and mercy that was so often embodied through you as friends and family of CABSA. We have tried to thank all our partners who contributed to specific programmes, and initiatives during the report.

But we are also very aware and grateful for every individual who:

- Supported CABSA's fundraising campaigns
- Who participated in our 20 Year Virtual Fun Run in December
- Who bought greeting cards, crosses and Thursdays in Black pins from CABSA
- Who referred others to us
- Engaged with us through the CABSA Facebook page
- Organised a church collection
- Surprised us with a donation
- Volunteered your time and gifts
- Shared your photos and stories with us
- Who faithfully and regularly pray for CABSA
- Who read, share, and respond to our weekly Bible messages
- A very big shout out to our first BackaBuddy volunteers
- Committed to make a monthly contribution towards CABSA's core expenses





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