



Annual Report - 2022

2022 marked the return to school for children in Uganda after a long 22-month absence due to the pandemic. We are very thankful for their health and their perseverance in the face of many daunting challenges.

2022 also marked the passing of two original and long-time directors of CanHave. The Rev'd Dr. A. Floyd R. McPhee was called from our midst on June 23, 2022, and Marguerite (Grete) Hale similarly on October 28, 2022. Both contributed incalculable time, talent, and treasure in providing leadership for the mission of CanHave to the orphaned children of Uganda.

In early 2023, we also lost one of our long-time partners and trustees in Uganda in the person of Elizabeth Kaziro. For so many years she not only provided support on the ground in Uganda for CanHave's undertaking, but also was the principal partner in communication between the Ugandan trustees and our directors in Canada.

The board of directors has been striving to recruit additional directors for the Canadian board, and although three individuals were approached and challenged to consider joining us, none have yet felt free to accept the invitation to allow their names to be placed in nomination. We remain hopeful that we will be able to add directors going forward. The trustees in Uganda are also actively seeking to recruit a new trustee. Our current directors in Canada and the trustees in Uganda remain committed to the work and mission of CanHave.

The board is very thankful for the donation of funds during the year to replace the CanHave van in use in Uganda for transporting the students to and from their respective boarding schools and in enabling the co-ordinator in Uganda to visit the schools to facilitate the payment of fees and to provide other assistance as needed.

The board of directors has invested some energy and time in reviewing the current by-laws and the new and now-proclaimed and applicable not-for-profit corporations legislation. Our conclusion is that we would do best to rebuild our bylaws to bring our governing documents into sync with the new legislation, and an initial draft has been crafted by a committee of the board. It is expected that following review and approval by the board as a whole, the new bylaws will be presented to the annual meeting in 2024 for approval.

We, along with the children, continue to be grateful to all who contribute to the support of CanHave in enabling education and in providing for some of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable in Uganda to gain vital life skills.

In gratitude and hope,

James T. Hurd,
President.