

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

It has been a privilege for me to serve on the Board of Management of St Theresa's Home for 25 years and 9 years as Chairperson. I am deeply grateful to God for this opportunity to serve His children in need.

The hard work and commitment of the members of the Board of Management has resulted in numerous positive changes. The improvement in part of our buildings and cottages is evident, our service to the children in keeping with the Children's Act and our ongoing transformation, are aspects we are proud of.

St Theresa's Home continues to maintain its Catholic ethos, but we respect all faiths and denominations according to our constitution. Sound morals and ethics are the core of all that our Home strives to achieve.

Our ongoing challenge remains with the lack of money to continue to offer the service to the children in our care. I appeal to you earnestly, to partner with us as individuals, families, communities and corporate by committing to ongoing cash donations to ensure that we can provide for our seventy two boys.

We are deeply grateful to all who donate regularly and generously in kind. We are blessed to receive ongoing donations of groceries, toiletries and food. Thank you to all who continue to provide these necessities.

John D. Rockefeller said "I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity an obligation; every possession, a duty"

My challenge to all therefore is :

To know your rights and to take responsibility for ensuring that basic rights are there for our children. To seize every opportunity given, and to feel obliged to avail these to our children. To appreciate all our possessions and to share those with our boys.