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Who We Are

Many of us in America enjoy super-abundance while much of the world lacks the basic necessities of life. What importance we place on correcting this inequity, in part, defines us.

Joe Parsons, Co-Founder of BARHD



Making a Difference?

One of my favorite stories is of a man walking down a beach early in the morning. As he looked down the shore, he saw another man in the distance walking toward him. The other man was regularly stooping over picking something up, and throwing it into the ocean.

As the men drew closer, the first man saw that the stranger was picking up shellfish and throwing them out to sea.

“What are you doing?” he asked. “Why are you throwing those shells into the water?”

“Because the tide invariably catches some shellfish and washes them ashore,” the stranger replied. “They die on the shore, so I throw them back into the water.” The first man looked down the shore in both directions. There were shells far up and down the coast.

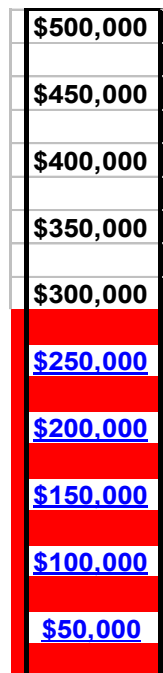
“It’s hopeless,” the first man said. “There are huge numbers of them. You’re just one person. You can’t possibly make a difference.”

The second man bent over and picked up another shellfish. He held it for a second and then he threw it far out to sea. He looked at the first man and said softly, “Hey, it made a difference for that one.”

What’s the value of one human life? What’s the value of one surviving child? What’s the value of one mother being healthy enough to care for her family? What’s the value of an education?

What BARHD is doing in Uganda won’t change the world. But it is making a difference, a real difference in real lives. That’s good enough.

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Goal



Chairman’s Message

Geoffrey Tumwine was the Coordinator of the organization that preceded BARHD & BIRD. He died unexpectedly in 2005 after serving tirelessly for 20 years.

Together he and I worked to develop the concept of a humanitarian organization that would carry on the rural health & education programs in Bushenyi.

The earnings from the Permanent Fund provides for salaries, truck expenses, and administration costs of our Ugandan partner, BIRD. This Non Governmental Organization is essential in administering and providing oversight for our programs.

Please consider a donation, regardless of size, at this time of year. Perhaps a gift to BARHD in a family member’s name?

Tom Wilson