## **2020 MESSAGE AS SUMMARY OF ANNUAL REPORT**

Giving is not just about making a donation it's about making a difference (*Kathy Calvin*). We give so the vulnerable will enjoy quality life. It is with much thanks to God Almighty that 2020 has come to an end successfully despite the pandemic with thousands of persons losing their lives across the world. We give our Almighty God the praise and thanks for giving us the Grace to overcome our fears. May God's name be praised.

I am happy to share with you the 2020 fiscal year annual report for the Samuel Amo Tobbin Foundation. The report takes account of the main activities that were undertaken during the year under review. It gives us the opportunity to look back at our programs and projects undertaken in 2020 and also highlights some of our achievements as well as look forward to achieving greater



heights in the year, 2021.

A major success of the past year has been the distribution of food items to the needy and vulnerable in society during the Covid19 pandemic to 2000 Ghanaians.

Additionally we supported over 27 patients who could not afford to pay for their medical bills, purchased medications and various diagnostics test at various hospitals and other clinics with a total amount of GH¢81,346.00. Some of these

complications include Brian tumour, anorectal malformation, breast tumour, spinal cord surgeries among others. We also trained communities with vocational skills such as bakery, juice making, detergents etc to fend for their families and also provided capital for various businesses.

The adult literacy project where participants mainly young widows who had lost confidence due to their vulnerability were trained in literacy and numeracy skills in other to interact with others and to build their self-confidence. The program welcomed 70 new students to learn due to the successes chalked over the years within the first quarter before the President's announcement on the partial lockdown.

Further, the widows and aged monthly stipend was paid regularly to the beneficiaries with a total sum of over  $GH \notin 70,000.00$  every month including church of Pentecost retired officers. We look forward to greater opportunities to collaborate with existing and new partners as we realize the potential and to capitalize on lessons learned as we turned to 2021 and beyond.

I wish to express our gratitude to the Executive Chairman of the Tobinco Group of Companies, Chancelor, Elder Nana Amo Tobbin I, for his tireless effort for making the Foundation to become a reality. Our utmost appreciation goes to the industrious wife who happens to be the Executive Director of the Tobinco Group, Mrs Mercy Araba Sika Tobbin for her continuous support to the Foundation.

I wish to also thank, our Board Chairperson, Mrs. Mary Tobbin Osei, who has been the main pillar behind the Foundation. Other members of the Board have also selflessly supported us with their rich experiences and expertise and we are very grateful to them. They are; Elder Matthew Nkansah, Apostle Dr. Amos Jimmy Markin, Mr Tuinese Amuzu Esq and Mrs Rita Dzifa Tetteh.

Special thanks to all members of the Tobinco Group of Companies for their diverse support, financially and in other forms to champion to course of Corporate Social Responsibility. We also render much appreciation to the Entrance University Hospitals for providing medical support and health talks during our engagements with vulnerable groups throughout 2020 during the pandemic. We also appreciate the contributions of the Atinka Media Village, for assisting in promoting the Foundation's activities and in educating the general public. Our deepest appreciation also goes to Priority Insurance and Tobinco Pharmaceuticals Limited for their religious support to the Foundation programs implementation. Our final appreciation goes to our external collaborators; University of Ghana, Centre of aging studies and Department of Social work, WILDAF Ghana and beneficiaries of SAT Foundation for your continuous engagement and trust. Without you, our success would not be possible.

On behalf of the Foundation's staff, I wish to assure our subsidiaries of the Tobinco Group that we will continue to work harder to reach the vulnerable in society and to continue to propagate the work of the Group to gain very high market shares. To our stakeholder, am gratified by the exceptional work and we look forward to a continued partnership and to introduce more innovate programs to help other areas of need to improve lives of the vulnerable.

To a healthy and fruitful year

Sincerely,



Harriet Nottinson Asante (Mrs) Executive Director