

# Report of the Chair

CLGS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
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A lot can change in a year.

This time last year, we conducted a virtual AGM, some from our office on York Street, with Viviane Lapointe at the helm. Today, we meet in person at our new facility on Notre Dame and the ED report will be delivered by Sherry Salo. Those are just a few of the many changes seen at CLGS in the last 12 months.

However, there were many, many more. Sherry will touch upon these in her address and as she does, I'd like you to reflect on how much work this small but powerful team has undertaken over the last 365 days. Some of the initiatives were mandatory; like Ministry audits and Covid Planning, but many were by their choosing; improvements they have envisioned for a long time, and were now driving by their own volition, despite knowing how much of their own energy it would take to drive these initiatives.

And as Sherry itemizes this long list of achievements, she will be modest and not give herself the credit she deserves. This year presented many challenges that consumed a lot of energy, but Sherry always presented a brave determination and optimistic outlook, even though some days I knew she was lying. But thanks to the strong team around her, we got through these challenges and are stronger for it. This is only accomplished through having committed employees that believe in the mission, and we are fortunate to have these people in our organization. With every Board update, I am amazed at the enthusiasm of which staff attacks each challenge and the endless energy and pride they have in making CLGS a leader in our sector.

The MCCSS see's our organization as a leader; a go-to place for challenging issues, knowing our team will rise to the occasion. And we have proven that many times over. And knowing this team, I know we are just at the start of bigger and better things.

I'd also like to take this time to recognize and thank our Board members for their dedication to CLGS. Mary, Wendy, Jane, Zack, David, and Josh, thank you for sharing your time and expertise in supporting CLGS in its mission in providing our supported persons the ultimate surrounding for accomplishing their life goals.

Thank you.

**PAUL DE LUISA**  
Chair  
Board of Directors