



### **Dr. Jean Chamberlain Froese BSc, MD, MEd FRCSC**

Dr. Jean Chamberlain Froese is an internationally recognized expert in women's reproductive health and winner of the Canadian Royal College's second Teasdale-Corti Humanitarian Award. Dr. Chamberlain has volunteered in some of the world's poorest countries to make childbirth a safer experience.

She is an obstetrician/gynecologist and is founder and executive director of [Save the Mothers](#) (STM). Save the Mothers is an innovative public health program that has trained nearly 350 professional and influential champions within developing countries to improve—through their specific sphere of influence (including law, media, social services and education)—the health of mothers.

Dr. Chamberlain spends eight months of the year in East Africa, where she initiated the STM training program in 2005. From May to August, Dr. Chamberlain resides in Canada, advocating for safe motherhood while teaching and working clinically at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ont.

She is an associate professor in obstetrics and gynecology and co-directs the McMaster International Women's Health Program. She has written a book, *Where Have All the Mothers Gone*, and is co-editor of the book *Women's Health in the Majority World: Issues and Initiatives*.

She was a special guest speaker for the Youth Summit of the G8 meeting in Muskoka, Canada in June 2010 and has been consulted by the Canadian Prime Minister's Office as an expert in maternal health. She has been an invited speaker at the General Annual Meetings of both the American College of Obstetricians/Gynecologists and the Society of Obstetricians/Gynecologists of Canada.

Prior to moving to Uganda nearly ten years ago, Dr. Chamberlain had been involved in various women's health initiatives including five years in Yemen as well as shorter terms in Pakistan, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Congo and Russia. Dr Chamberlain was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee award by the Canadian government in 2012 and inducted into the Hamilton Gallery of Distinction in 2013 for her international work and advocacy for safe motherhood.

She is married to Thomas Froese, a freelance journalist and has three young children: Elizabeth, Jonathan and Hannah.