

WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK



The Department of Paediatrics and Child Health joined the rest of the world to commemorate the **World Breastfeeding Week**. Dr. Stella Kyoyagala, the head of the Neonatal Unit, said that the World Breastfeeding Week is an annual celebration held from 1st to 7th August 2021, in more than 120 countries worldwide. She added that this year's theme selected by the World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action was: **"Protect Breastfeeding: A Shared Responsibility"**. The theme is aligned with thematic area 2 of the WBW-SDG 2030 campaign which highlights the link between breastfeeding and survival, health and wellbeing of women, children, and nations. A team of MUST students from the Mbarara University Medical Students Association (MBUMSA) led by the president **Mr. Tamale Elvis**, took part in the commemorative activities where they participated in sensitizing new mothers on how to handle breastfeeding as one of the most effective way to ensure child health.

The objectives included to:

- Inform people about the importance of protecting breastfeeding.
- Anchor breastfeeding support as a vital public health responsibility.
- Engage with individuals and organizations for greater impact.

- Galvanize action on protecting breastfeeding to improve public health. Pregnancy and lactation are vulnerable times especially for working women and their families. Expectant and nursing mothers require special protection to prevent harm to their infants' health, and they need adequate time to give birth, to recover, and to nurse their children. At the same time, they also require protection to ensure that their jobs are not jeopardized because of pregnancy or maternity leave. Maternity protection is key to enable breastfeeding and empower parents for a successful implementation of recommended breastfeeding practices



KFC takes over the Management of University Inn



On 19th August, 2021, saw the return of the mark as Mbarara University of Science and Technology handed over the management of Mbarara University Inn to Kigezi Forest Cottages (KFC) on a 5-year contract to improve the standard of service and make the facility more economically viable. The Director KFC Mr. Samuel Hakiza vowed to improve the services and invited students, staff, and the surrounding community to ready themselves to enjoy the “new” University Inn. He said services will

include accommodation, cafeteria, conference hall and a campsite. He added that the Inn will also offer airport pickup and drop-off for its guests and so much more. Mr. Hakiza, on behalf of KFC, thanked MUST administration for the opportunity which he said will increase KFC’s investment portfolio as well as improve the quality of services at the Inn. He added that accommodation will officially be opened on October 1, 2021 (this has already started).



Faculty of Medicine Hand Over Ceremony



On 26th August, 2021, Assoc. Prof. Gertrude Nakiwala Kiwanuka handed over the deanship of the Faculty of Medicine to Dr. Joseph Ngonzi at a ceremony held in the Pharmacology Lecture Theater. The handover ceremony was attended by heads of department and staff of the faculty. Assoc. Prof. Kiwanuka in her remarks thanked the faculty staff for the teamwork and management for the support rendered during her term of office. She shared her achievements, words of wisdom to the new leaders, and the pending ideas in the faculty strategic plan. In a special way Assoc. Prof. Kiwanuka recognized the excellent team work from her administrative team which included: Ms. Doreen Ngonzi the personal secretary to the Dean who at times locked her up in the office just to spare her a moment to snack, Ms. Betty Okumu the faculty administrator who was always dedicated to run the faculty administrative work like planning and following up the faculty budget among other responsibilities. Mr. David Kansiime and Mr. Godwin Taremwa who she referred to as her son, both from the records office and the Faculty drivers; Mr. Eric Tuhimbise and Mr. Abel Kato. She said her successful tenure depended on their support. Assoc. Prof. Kiwanuka also shared tips on how to balance leadership and other

obligations of the new office bearers. Getrude then went ahead to hand over the tools of the office to the incoming dean, Dr. Joseph Ngonzi. she was then graciously ushered to the bench of former Deans where she sat alongside Assoc. Prof. Samuel Maling and Prof. Jerome Kabakyenga. Dr. Joseph Ngozi in his acceptance speech quoted the late Myles Munroe's words "**The best way to live a fulfilled life is to give yourself to the service of humanity without deliberately expecting proportionately reciprocal reward**". He thanked the members of the faculty for another opportunity to serve his Alma mater in the capacity of Dean, Faculty of Medicine for the next four years. "To God, the Almighty I give glory and seek wisdom to lead". Ebenezer!!! he exclaimed. Dr. Ngonzi thanked the outgoing dean for her dedication to serve the faculty, he referred to her as the iron lady who moved so much in such a short time. He promised not to let down her set legacy. he thanked the faculty members for choosing and trusting him to be the best captain of the ship. "I do promise my commitment to serving you and from you I seek team work". He also pledged to seek wisdom and counsel from the former deans, who he referred to as persons with "gold" dr. ngozi also congratulated his newly elected deputy,

Dr. Jonans Tusiimire, and promised to have a cordial working relationship. He then proceeded to handover the office of the deputy dean which he held to Dr. Jonans Tusiimire who was then fully installed as the Deputy Dean Faculty of Medicine. In his acceptance speech, Dr. Tusiimire Jonans thanked the Almighty God who made all things possible. He said, "God has made this day possible, too! I thank him for keeping us all safe in these troubled times of a global pandemic. I commiserate with all those who may have suffered loss of loved ones or who may have been disproportionately affected by this pandemic. I pray for the Lord's grace to comfort and heal them". He thanked the outgoing Dean, Assoc. Prof Gertrude N. Kiwanuka, for the great service she has given to MUST over the years, particularly to the Faculty of Medicine, he said that "Assoc. Prof. Gertrude served us with dedication, passion, firmness and clarity of purpose". He wished her well and welcomed Dr Ngonzi as the new Dean and assured him of team work in order to steer the faculty to greater heights. He also thanked the staff in the Faculty of Medicine who participated in the elections for Dean and Deputy Dean. He thanked them for entrusting him with the office of deputy dean and vowed to work with dedication and diligence

He appreciated the team from **Dr. Ankunda Esther's** camp for the brilliant ideas in her manifesto and promised to engage them so as to incorporate her ideas in the growth of the faculty. Jonans also appreciated the University Management who have ably shepherded the University during this troubled period of a raging pandemic. They made sure that the Institution remains afloat and that there is continuity of learning despite the Covid-19-enforced lockdown on universities and all other academic institutions in the country. He also pointed out the office of the Academic Registrar under the leadership of **Dr. Martha Kyosha Twinamasiko** and her team that exhibited immense professionalism in organizing smooth elections for the Faculty of Medicine.

Assoc. Prof. Samuel Maling on behalf of the former Deans gave words of wisdom to the new leaders. He emphasized teamwork especially with the two heads.

He said each year the Deans come into office with new style! "Prof Kabakyenga Jerome handed over to me in the office. With Dean Gertrude, people witnessed the hand over and this time round I see bibles, swearing, keys and robs. It means they are vowing to God and to the people! Issues are getting serious so is the new offices" Assoc. Prof. Maling spoke about balancing commitment of the office with life, "the office is so demanding especially with emails, meetings, appointments, research and administrative work". He encouraged the new leaders to have a work schedule that will guide them. He thanked Dean Gertrude for the tremendous work during her term of office. The new leaders were then blessed by the Chaplain of St. Luke's Anglican Church, MUST Rev. Justus B. Murokore.



Women in the Faculty of Computing and Informatics Stand Tall



On 17th September 2021, Ms. Viola Mpangwire, a PhD candidate from the Faculty of Computing and Informatics (FCI) successfully defended her PhD thesis and passed with minor corrections. Her study was titled "**ENHANCING**

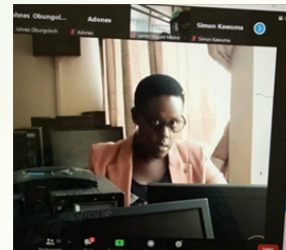
ADOPTION OF A UNIFIED IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM IN UGANDAN MINISTRIES, DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES"

Viola noted in her studies that identification is among the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2030 and is supported by both the UN and World Bank. In the developing world for example, identification was made mandatory for all European Union member states in the year 2018 and its fairing at 60% coverage (EU Digital strategy, 2021). Despite this progress, the story in the developing countries is different, where more than 2 billion people lack formal identification and 24% have no digital ID scheme (Malik, 2020). The study set out to investigate the reasons behind this low

uptake of the digital identification systems and specifically the unification of the existing isolated systems for improved service delivery in the public sector.

The examining panel was chaired by Dr. Evarist Nabaasa the Dean, FCI and the panel consisted of Dr. Phelix Businge (external examiner), Dr. John Businge (internal examiner), Dr. Simon Kawuma, Assoc. Prof. Vincent Batwala (Director, DRGT), and Ms. Kate Imanirampa the faculty Administrator was the secretary to the panel.

She was supervised by, Assoc. **Prof. Annabella Habinka and Dr. Fred Kagwa**. We congratulate both the supervisors and the candidate upon the successful academic journey. Viola, the MUST community congratulates you upon this academic journey, we wish you all the best in your carrier.





10th September 2021 Jane Katusiime successfully defended her PhD thesis titled *“Designing A Multimedia Intervention for Illiterate and Semi-Illiterate Pregnant Women in Developing Countries: A Case of Uganda”* at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin in Germany. She was Supervised by **Prof. Niels Pinkwart**.

As it is, there is high maternal mortality in developing countries, and this is partly due to indirect/external factors such as scarcity of health practitioners, illiteracy, cultural practices, poor infrastructure, and limited access to maternal health information. While literate women can access maternal health information from online platforms, search engines and MHealth apps, illiterate pregnant women do not have this privilege. They are forced to go to health facilities to access health information which is sometimes not possible due to the long distances to these facilities and the high transport costs which may not be affordable to these women. With the popularity of mobile technology, researchers and developers have developed interventions to support maternal healthcare but unfortunately, majority are not usable by the illiterate, have security issues and have not been evaluated to assess their impact on maternal healthcare. Her research

aimed at designing and evaluating a secure multimedia-based intervention for illiterate pregnant women.

The examining Panel was as below:

1. Prof. Niels Pinkwart - Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany
2. Prof. Uwe Nestmann - Technische Universität Berlin, Germany
3. Dr. Angella Musiimenta - Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Uganda
4. Prof. Björn Scheuermann - Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany
5. Dr. Nguyen-Thinh Lee - Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Germany

Jane, from the MUST community we say Glückwunsch, the sky is no longer the limit.



Dr. Kayondo takes the thunder as MUST spearheads fighting FISTULA from Western Uganda to Northern and Central Uganda.

The MUST/MRRH department of Obstetrics and Gynecology carried out a Fistula and other urogynecological surgery camp at Lira Regional Referral Hospital and Nakaseke General Hospital. This camp was sponsored by the Else Kroner Fresenius Foundation in Germany through Dr. Verena Geissbuehler, a consultant Urogynecologist from Basle, Switzerland. They provided facilitation to take the team to Lira and Nakaseke, feeding for the patients, transport for the patients and supplies to do the surgeries. The camp was aimed at operating on women with

obstetric fistula and also train Medical officers at both hospitals in Fistula surgery and management of other Urogynecology conditions like Pelvic Organ Prolapse. The other objective of the camp was to train residents and fellows of urogynaecology and anathesia off site and also increase MUST’s visibility in the department of ob/gyn to the community. The camp consisted of both Mbarara University and MRRH staff led by Dr. Kayondo Musa the Fistula Surgeon (Senior lecturer). The camp was for an entire week.

Nakaseke General Hospital



The other members on the team were:

1. Mr. Maurice Muhire: The project coordinator
2. Mr. Amon Niwahereza: Physiotherapist
3. Dr. Racheal Agum: Anesthesiologist
4. Dr. Rukia Abura: Anesthesia (Resident)
5. Dr. Kato Paul Kalyebara: Fistula surgery Fellow
6. Dr. Onesmus Byamukama: Obs&Gyn Resident
7. Sr. Lillian Tusingwire: Ward Nurse
8. Sr. Paula Birungi: Fistula operating theatre Nurse & Counsellor
9. Sr. Agnes Tumukunde Katugwensi: Theatre nurse
10. Ms. Christine Mukiza: Communication Person
11. Mr. Medi Ssenkungu: Machine Technician
12. Mr. John Bosco: Hospital Driver



Nakaseke General Hospital

A total of 30 women were screened of which 23 were operated. 14 were Fistula cases, 07 pelvic organ prolapse and 2 had Urinary bladder stones.

Lira Regional Referral Hospital

The MUST / MRRH team was supported by other doctors who included, Dr. Okello James a specialist Obstetrician and Gynaecologist at (LRRH) Dr. Maxwell Okello, Dean Faculty of medicine at KIU (both are MUST Alumni) and Dr. Andrew the Head of Department for Obstetrics and Gynecology at LRRH.

A total of 41 women were operated upon: 11 urinary fistulas, 18 Pelvic Organ Prolapse 11 obstetric Anal sphincter injuries, 1 cancer of the cervix



After the surgeries, the team held Health Education sessions for the patients, care takes and other medical persons in NGH. The patients were specialized physiotherapy and rehabilitation services by the MUST/MRRH physiotherapy team headed by Mr. Amon Niwahereza.

Dr. Kayondo and team thank you for saving the mothers of the nation, the pandemic did not stop you from raising the MUST flag, your selfless deeds are highly appreciated. To the women you are their hero and to MUST you are a yonder star.

Alumni Raising the MUST Flag

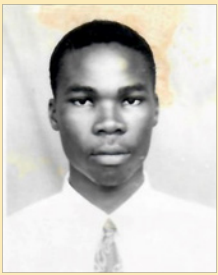
Hon. Dr. Charles Ayumeis Chairperson, Parliament's Committee on Health



Dr. Charles Ayume was elected **Member of Parliament** representing **Koboko Municipality** in the 11th Parliament of the Republic of Uganda. Dr. Ayume has been appointed the Chairperson of the Parliament's Committee on Health. He is a graduate of the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery programme **1998** of MUST. We congratulate him upon this new office and wish him the best of luck. Succeed you MUST



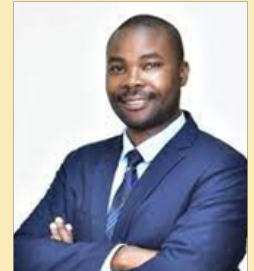
Dr. Andrew Ssekitooleko is the New CEO St. Francis Hospital, Nsambya



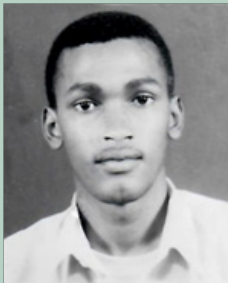
Dr. Andrew Ssekitooleko is the new Chief Executive Officer of St. Francis Hospital Nsambya. Prior to his appointment, Dr. Ssekitooleko was the Executive Director of Lubaga Hospital for 6 years. He has especially been pivotal in the improvement of Emergency Medicine services in Uganda

and was knighted in the Sovereign Military Order of Malta in recognition of his service.

Andrew also worked with International Hospital Kampala for 11 years, 5 of which as the Director Medical Services. Dr. Ssekitooleko pursued a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery programme **1996**. Dr. Ssekitooleko, MUST wishes you well in your new appointment.



Hon. Frank Tumwebaze is Appointed Minister for Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries.



Hon. Frank Kagyigyi Tumwebaze, the Kibale East County Member of Parliament was appointed the **Minister of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries**. He previously served as Minister of Gender, Labour and Social Development, and before that as Minister of ICT and National Guidance as well as Minister for Presidency and KCCA. Hon. Tumwebaze is an alumnus of the Bachelor of Science with Education programme **1996**. Hon Tumwebaze, we at MUST, take pride in your trailblazing success.



Dr. Kamara T. Nicholas Wins the Kabale Municipality MP Seat



Dr. Nicholas T. Kamara was elected **Member of Parliament for Kabale Municipality**. Dr. Kamara is the **Chairperson of the MUST Convocation** and by virtue of that position represents MUST Convocation at the University Council. Recently, he was one of the members appointed to be on the Parliament's COVID-19 evaluation taskforce. The task force was evaluating the adequacy of the regional COVID-19 response services. Nicholas Pursued a Bachelor's degree in Medicine and Surgery programme **1994**. Dr. Kamara, your alma mater stands with you and wishes you the best.



Ms. Hope Nakizibwe is New Women MP for Mubende District.



From Mulago Paramedical School Mulago where she attained a Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology in 2010, **Hon. Nakizibwe** joined MUST in 2010 to pursue a bachelor's degree in medical laboratory sciences. She graduated in 2012, bagging the **Convocation Excellence Award as the best student in Medical Laboratory Science completion Programme(MLC)**. In 2021, Hon. Nakizibwe stood for and won the Mubende District Woman Member of Parliament seat. Hon Nakizibwe, thank you for being that yonder star that has inspired

many women and girls. MUST congratulates you and wishes you all the best.



Hon. Francis Mwijukye Reelected MP, Buhweju County



Hon. Mwijukye has retained his seat as the **Member of Parliament for Buhweju County** for the second term of office. In the previous term he was one of the Parliamentary Commissioners. Currently he is a shadow minister for trade and industry. Francis pursued a Bachelor of Development Studies programme **2000**. MUST congratulates you upon your successes and wishes you all the best in this new terms of office



Dr. Paul Ninkusiima A.K.A Panadol is the New MP Ibanda South



Dr. Paul Ninkusiima is a pharmacist who has been in private practice. He stood for and won the **Ibanda South parliamentary seat** at the first time of asking! Paul is an alumnus of the Bachelor in Pharmacy programme **2011**. Hon. Ninkusiima, as a MUST alumnus we trust you have all it takes to be a good leader. Congratulations from the MUST fraternity.



Dr. Diana Atwiine retained as the P/S Ministry of Health



Dr. Diana Kanzira Atwiine 1992 MBChB class has been reappointed as the **Permanent Secretary of the Uganda Ministry of Health**. She was first appointed to that position on 4 November 2016 by H.E Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, the President of Uganda. Prior to her appointment as Permanent Secretary, Diana oversaw Health Monitoring Unit at the State House. Congratulations to you Dr. Atwiine, the MUST family celebrates your achievements with pride.

Ms. Sheila Nduhukire is NMS new Principal Public Relations officer



Having worked for NTV and NBS television stations, Sheila bid farewell to her journalism career, and commenced her duties as the Principal Public Relations Officer at National Medical Stores.

Sheila is an alumnus of Bachelor of Business Administration **2010 class** and the first female Guild President of MUST. To you Sheila, you are our pride! Continue raising the MUST flag.



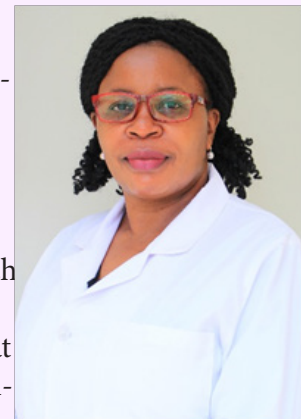
Dr. Ashaba lauded for Continuous Research Publications



Dr. Ashaba Schola is a MUST alumnus in the 1996 MBChB class.

Currently, Dr. Ashaba who is a Senior Lecturer and Psychiatrist at MUST has been lauded for her research and publication in the areas of HIV and adolescent mental health. She has ongoing research to understand transition readiness among adolescents living with HIV in Southwestern Uganda funded by **Harvard University Centre for AIDS Research (HU-CFAR)**. Dr. Ashaba has also received an international career development award, by NIH (K143TW011929) to study self-management among adolescent living with HIV, facing transition and adult HIV care. This research focuses on understanding the challenges facing this venerable

population as they grow. Dr. Ashaba has over **48 publications on HIV**. Her research aims at improving treatment adherence among adolescents. **Dr. Alexander Tsai** from Harvard University recognized and appreciated the effort by Dr. Ashaba and commended her on being just the 5th Ugandan woman to win an NIH grant. He further said that this ranks MUST as the 3rd University in Africa to be awarded K43 grant.



Mr. Ronald Tushabe won the 2021 Techpreneur of the Year Award



Given by the Founder of Year Awards Africa (FOYA). He was announced winner at a ceremony held in Nairobi, Kenya. **The Founder of the Year Awards Africa** celebrates Young African Entrepreneurs who are building the African continent and creating impact. Ronald enrolled for a Bachelor's degree in Computer Engineering in 2013. Technology, and innovation are MUST's icons. Thank you for spelling this out clearly to the public, the MUST flag flies higher because of you. Congratulations.



Dr. Banabas Atwiine at the frontline of fighting cancer in children



September 23-24 2021, the **Uganda Cancer Institute/Palliative Care Association of Uganda (UCI PCAU)** held the **3rd Scientific Conference in Kampala**, Under the theme: Cancer and palliative care during The Covid-19 Pandemic. **Dr. Banabas Atwiine (MBR 2000)** a lecturer in

the department of Paediatric and child health of MUST and the head of the cancer unit of MRRH presented a paper titled **"Money was the Problem"**: Care-givers self reported reason for abandoning their children's cancer treatment in south western Uganda. The paper found out that financial difficulties were the leading cause of treatment abandonment among children at MRRH. This

paper was voted as the best presentation by panalists of the day. Uganda cancer institute, MRRH and MUST are proud of his works.

The Chancellor Prof. Charles Mark Lwanga

Olweny who is also the chair of the Board of Governors of the Uganda Cancer Institute, co-chair of the Pediatric Haematology Oncology congratulated him through the Vice Chancellor Prof. Celestino Obua. Your success made MUST shine. Thank you for your serving selflessly and creative thinking.





Catherine Gita, one of the pioneers of **Bachelor of Science with Education programme (1995)** is the Human Resource Director at Coca-Cola Beverages Africa in Uganda. Coca-Cola Beverages joined hands with Rotary Uganda as a sponsor of the 2021 Rotary Cancer Run that was slated for Sunday, 29th August 2021. Coca-Cola Beverages Africa will hydrate the runners with 800 cartons of Rwenzori Pure Natural Mineral water that will be accessed from the different water points by the runners and also distribute sanitizer packs as part of the safety protocols. Catherine's leadership position is attributed to her personality of being a people person, Coca-cola is a big brand we congratulate you upon this position and pray for more success in your career.



MUST Hosts Western Uganda UNCST Gender Equality in Research Alliance workshop



On 19th September 2021, MUST hosted the Gender Equality in Research Alliance (GERA) workshop for the western region. This is an initiative by the Uganda National Council for Science and Technology and International Association of Peer Supporters. The main objective is Tackling the Gender Gap and developing Institutional Gender Champions. Dr. Sarah Nabachwa is the focal person for GERA in western Uganda deputised by Dr. Dona Asimire from Bishop Stuart University

The key workshop objectives were to:

1. Support institutional gender focal persons to understand what it means to be a gender champion, and to develop the necessary skills and knowledge

2. Provide gender focal persons with the tools to do a gender audit and to understand where the gender gaps are

3. Support all gender focal persons to register, use and upload to the GERA web platform

4. Promote a dialogue between gender focal persons and –GERA, about where support is needed at an institutional and individual level, and where GERA should go in the future

This was both physical and virtual, institutions that attended physically included Kampala International University (western campus), Bishop Stuart University, Ibanda University and MUST the host. In total 14 Universities and 2 institutions attended.



Assoc. Prof. Julius Tumwiine, Mathematics Guru laid to sleep

Obituary




The Human Resource Director **MUST** Announces the untimely death of Assoc. Prof. Julius Tumwiine which occurred last night.

Burial will take place on 23/09/2021 in Kashekuro Kitagata - Sheema District
May the Soul of our Departed Colleague Rest in Peace



Funeral Service
For the Late Assoc. Prof. Julius Tumwiine



The **MUST** Community has Organized a Funeral Service at 2:30pm at Kihumuro Campus, **FAST** Building Auditorium 1.
Rest in Peace Julius!



On September 20, 2021, **Prof. Julius Tumwiine from the Faculty of Science department of Mathematics**, passed on at MRRH after battling with kidney failure. The medical report showed that the immediate cause of death was cardiac arrest. The MUST fraternity held a funeral service at Kihumuro campus where Assoc. **Prof: Charles Tushaboomwe-Kazooba** was the chief mourner.

Rev. Justus Murokore chaplain St. Luke's Chapel MUST led the community in prayer and based his homily on Psalms: 31, & Isaiah: 43. The service was broadcasted live on **EYIT Tevelvision**.



Rev. Justus Murokorele



Prof. Charles- Chief Mourner



Dr. Rose- Physician to the late

A childhood friend of his, **Mr. Perez Mujuni**, from the faculty of Business and Management Science shared their Sweet memories from childhood. Perez thanked God for the life of Julius and the lives he had touched especially in the 27 years of teaching.

Mr. Mujuni gave the educational background of the late as they were classmates right from S5 at Kitunga High School. He added that by God's grace he made it to Makerere University for a Bachelor of Science degree. He then chose to come back home for service and Joined Bweranyange Girls.

In 2000 he went for his masters degree in MUK , where he developed a mathematical model for malaria and this led him to his PhD journey. Perez said "it was so heartbreaking today as I was enrobing him in his PhD gown never to see him again".

He thanked the University community for the financial support, and prayers for Julius. This showed solidarity in the community. He further thanked the family especially the two sisters Merina and Allen who stood by him upto his last breathe.



Perez Mujuni



The Congregation



"With Julius we expected stories full of humor just to kill stress, he was a good person. Dear God take him to the best place for eternal rest." Said Perez

Dr. Peace Mbabazi the faculty administrator of the faculty of science in which the late was serving said tha prof. Julius was not just a staff member but also a friend and a brother. She thanked Dr. Rose Muhindo for her selfless service. " I saw her running up and down the stairs getting colleagues and different equipment to see that Julius makes it". I know she has served many, but with Julius she went an extra mile, she didn't see him as a patient but as a colleague.

Dr. Mbabazi thanked the MUST community for the solidarity spirit shown when called upon.



She said Prof. Tumwiine Joined MUST in 2002 as an assistant lecturer, and was appointed to the rank of Assoc prof. in 2014, a rank that he absolutely deserved. In 2020 he was elected as Head of Department Mathematics unopposed. Prof. Tumwiine will be remembered as an intelligent, open minded and very committed person who never kept a grudge.

Dr. Karuhanga Martin who shared an office with him spoke on behalf of the department. He said Prof. Tumwiine Julius was a mentor to many and because he wanted to serve to the best of his ability, he sacrificed alot, a good example was when he bought a computer from Germany to help with the latest technology in Mathematics and this helped the entire department. He taught many and always encouraged his students to com-

plete in time. We shall miss our mentor. Martin said Dr. Emenyu and Assoc. Prof Julius were their seniors in the department, now that he is gone they really need payers to keep strong since they lived like a family. He thanked the family and must community for standing with them since Julius was admitted.

The chief mourner quantified the time **Julius served MUST** in terms of years and months, and days. His confidential file never had a warning letter. He shared a personal story as a friend who even supported him on his PhD journey in environmental accounting. He guided on the modeling aspect and so my success cannot go without the mention of Assoc. Prof. Julius.

He was an external examiner at several institutions in Nairobi and Germany. He has mentored many at Masters and PhD, notwithstanding undergraduate students. MUST has lost a great mentor, who was very smart at what he was doing. He rose through the ranks of an academician and research was his icon.

Julius delivered quality work and I trust the students will testify to this. He was very passionate about what he did, not surprisingly was loved by his students. His recent assessment showed he scored 95%. In all, he was a great academician, a passionate researcher and a man of his word with his performance always consistent.

He mentioned that in September 23, 2004 during the 1st Annual research dissemination where he stood out when he presented a paper on Malaria modeling, everyone looked at him in admiration of his very impeccable presentation and he also owned his works. Dr. Rose gave the background of Prof. Tumwiine's illness, which started 5 years ago when he was diagnosed with hypertension. At the time of his hospitalisation, he had acute kidney failure, congested lungs and low oxygen supply from which he needed medical attention to be managed in the ICU as for stabilisation. She thanked the MUST community for the support because this eased the medical intervention, Rose also recognized and thanked the ICU team that worked tirelessly to see Julius pull through the different medical challenges. "Even though Prof. Tumwiine did not make it, I



trust you did your part. Thank you so much"

She urged the congregation to do regular general body check ups and those on medication for hypertension to take their medicines on time.

His family was represented by the sister Marina who said Julius was a great pillar in the family who supported all family, she will miss him for his loving and caring personality.



Tumwiine's family



Julius was laid to rest at his ancestral home in Kashekuro, Kitagata, Sheema District. The two Deputy Vice Chancellors, Prof. Nixon Kamukama and Assoc. Prof. Charles Tushaboomwe- Kazooba were part of the team that went to send off Prof. Tumwiine. Assoc. Prof. Julius you fought a good fight, your legacy will forever be remembered in MUST. RIP our guru of Mathematics

NEW



As of OCTOBER. 01st 2021

ACCREDITED LABORATORIES TO CARRY OUT COVID-19 TESTING IN UGANDA:

1. Uganda Virus Research Institute (UVRI)
2. Central Public Health Laboratory (CPHL)
3. Infectious Disease Institute (IDI) Laboratory
4. Makerere University Hospital Laboratory
5. Mildmay Laboratory
6. Tororo Mobile laboratory
7. Mutukula Mobile laboratory
8. Adjumani Mobile laboratory
9. Joint Clinical Research Center (JCRC)
10. Lancet laboratories
11. MBN Laboratory
12. Medipal International Hospital
13. Case Hospital, Kampala
14. Test and Fly Laboratory
15. Uganda Cancer Institute, Fred Hutchison Laboratory
16. IOM Laboratory

17. ANCA Biotech Laboratories
18. Rakai Health Sciences Program
19. Gulu University Biomedical Center
20. City Medicals
21. Safari Lab
22. MSF- Epicenter Labs, Mbarara
23. ATCG Laboratories
24. MAIA Group Laboratories
25. Same Day COVID-19 Labs
26. MUWRP-EIDP Lab
27. UMC Victoria Hospital
28. LMK Medical Laboratories LTD
29. Tenna and Pharma
30. Mengo Hospital
31. Paramount Hospital
32. Mulago National Referral Hospital (Public-Private Partnership)
33. City Medicals- Entebbe

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