## Dr Marsyano Jada Muludyang



On the night of 25th October 2021 at the Kitwe Teaching Hospital in Zambia, South Sudan lost one of its pioneering medical professionals in the late Dr Marsyano Jada Muludyang.

Dr Muludyang was born on 1st January 1939 in Bilinyang village, Juba, South Sudan. He attended Rejaf Primary and Rumbek secondary schools. He studied medicine at the University of Khartoum for one year before being sponsored by the Catholic Comboni Brothers to continue his studies at the Padua University in Naples, Italy, where he specialized in paediatrics. While in Italy, he also specialised in neo-natal medicine at Legnago.

Following his graduation, Dr Muludyang worked in Ireland for two years before attaining another specialisation in tropical medicine at Liverpool University. In August 1970, he was recruited by the Zambian government with his first posting being at Mbala Hospital, Northern Province, where he worked until 1972. He was then transferred to Kabwe General Hospital and

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Dr Muludyang retired from government employment in 1999 and set up his own paediatric clinic called Lubambe Children's Medical Centre in Parklands Kitwe which ran from 2000 to 2005, before he was

employed by Wusakile Hospital until to 2010.

When South Sudan gained independence, he returned to the Juba Teaching Hospital as a Consultant Paediatrician. He also worked as Health Services Advisor to the Ministry of Health, Central Equatorial State until July 2016 when he returned to Zambia. One of his main successes in South Sudan was getting funding from USAID to set up a specialised Children's ward fully equipped with incubators; the ward has since been named after him.

On his return to Zambia, he was awarded Zambian citizenship in Aug 2016. He again worked at Wusakile Hospital for a year. From 2018 to his death, he was employed at Tina Medical Centre despite deteriorating health.

Dr Muludyang is survived by his wife Felicia, five children (three sons and two daughters) and ten grandchildren.