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PROFESSOR ANTHONY ALABI ONI (22 May, 1955 – 5 July, 2015)

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Isaac Folorunso Adewole, FAS, announces with deep regret, the passing away of Professor Anthony Alabi Oni, who was until his death the Head, Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology, College of Medicine, University of Ibadan. The sad event occurred on Sunday, 05 July, 2015 after a brief illness.

Born on 22 May, 1955 at Ikere-Ekiti, Ekiti State, Late Professor Oni had his elementary education at Salvation Army School 1, Surulere, Lagos from 1963 to 1969 and his secondary education at Annunciation School, Ikere-Ekiti, 1970-1974. He proceeded to the University of Ibadan in 1975, graduating with a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MB;BS) degree in 1981.

Late Professor Oni had his pre-registration Housemanship at the University College Hospital, Ibadan (1981-1982) and thereafter proceeded to Anambra State for his National Youth Service programme (NYSC) between 1982 and 1983, serving as Medical Health Officer at Ihiala Health Centre. Professor Oni also served as Medical Officer at Maria Assumpta General Hospital, Ado-Ekiti, 1982-1983 and Idi-Ape Medical Centre, Ibadan, 1986 – 1989.

Late Professor Oni commenced his Residency Programme in the Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology, University College Hospital, Ibadan, 1989-1994. He became Fellow of the West African College of Physicians in 1994 and was appointed Clinical Consultant in 1995 also at the University College Hospital, Ibadan.

He started his career in the University in 1994, having been offered a temporary appointment as Lecturer I in the Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology in the College of Medicine. He rose through the ranks to the grade of Senior Lecturer in 1998: Reader in 2003 and Professor in 2006.

Late Professor Oni served the University and the College of Medicine in various capacities. He was Acting Head of his Department between 2000-2002; Sub-Dean (Undergraduate), Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, 2002-2004 and substantive Head of Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology from 2013; a position he held until his demise on 05 July, 2015.

Professor Oni was External Examiner to various institutions within and outside the country and had many publications to his credit.

He is survived by a wife and four children.

May his soul rest in peace. Amen.

The burial arrangements as agreed by the family of late Professor A. A. Oni are as follows:

Lying-in-State – Thursday, 30 July, 2015 in the University College Hospital (UCH) Foyer at 10:00 a.m.

Wake-Keep - Thursday, 30 July, 2015 in his residence, No 9, Alafia Estate, Orogun, Ibadan at 5:00 p.m.

Lying-in-State – Friday, 31 July, 2015 in the Trenchard Hall at 8:00 a.m.

Burial Service and Interment - Friday, 31 July, 2015 in his residence, No 9, Alafia Estate, Orogun, Ibadan at 10:00 a.m.

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