

## April 21, 2016

To: The Witt Family Tennessee, USA

From: Namondo (Didi) Mbiwan Ndando, President, on behalf of ExSSA-USA

## Ref: CONDOLENCE MESSAGE UPON THE PASSING INTO GLORY OF MR. DONALD E. WITT

Dear Mark Witt and Karen Morton, family and loved ones of Donald Witt;

Please accept our heartfelt condolences! We knew Uncle Don was ailing, but the news of his passing still sent an unwelcome jolt through the hearts of Ex-Saker Students around the world. Many of you may already know he was the 5th Principal of Saker Baptist College, Cameroon (1966 to 1969), that a residence hall at the college was named after him (Witt House), and that in 1969 he organized and led the Cameroon College Singers' (many of whom were Sakerettes) on tour to the USA and Canada – a tour that put our country on the map in the hearts and minds of many who previously knew little or nothing about us. As significant as these milestones and accomplishments are, we want everyone to know "Uncle Don" (as we fondly call him) meant a lot more in our world.

He was not just any principal; he was a mentor and friend to so many of us; a beacon of light who took a genuine, keen interest in ensuring the welfare of the young students in his charge and helped them reach their potential. I did not attend SBC while he served there, but his impact was legendary and far outlasted his time. I did have the good fortune to meet him in Houston in 2002, and see for myself that he was everything I had heard about and more.

Indeed, Uncle Don will be sorely missed! As Christians, however, we know that weeping may endure through the night, but joy will come in the morning. Uncle Don fought the good fight and he now rests from his labors. The rest of us can only hope and pray to do our part as well as he did his, before our turn comes to exit the stage of life.

We thank God for using Uncle Don to enrich our lives, and we pray all who grieve will find peace. In gratitude,

Namondo Mbiwan Ndando

Namondo (Didi) Mbiwan Ndando President, on behalf of ExSSA-USA