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Subject: Fwd: Cameron Bopp  
Date: December 26, 2016 at 4:16 PM  
To: sibo\_bopp@yahoo.com, savagebopp@sbcglobal.net, **John Ritchie** ritchiejohn115@gmail.com

A recent email I received.

Begin forwarded message:

From: Suzanne Ceresko <sceresko@gmail.com>  
Date: December 25, 2016 at 3:19:21 PM EST  
To: ritterbopp@gmail.com  
Subject: Fwd: Cameron Bopp

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Dear Ritter,

I am not sure if you remember me but I had drinks with you and your father in Paris a few years ago. He and I had worked together in Malawi and he has been a mentor to me over the years with MSF. I got your email address from Jason.

Like many people at MSF, your father took the time to encourage me and help me develop my career, he was a wonderful person and doctor - and friend -- words cannot express the loss.

After we heard the news a member of our team from Malawi started up an old email chain (our project was from 2010 per all FB) -- and the chain continued with nice memories of your father.

I thought you might like to see the correspondence -- there were so many people who loved him so much.

I am deeply sorry for your loss, I cannot imagine how difficult it must be.

Lots of love,

Suzanne

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From: **Jo Aigner** <Jo\_aigner@hotmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 6:19 AM  
Subject: Cameron Bopp

To: David Midigo <devimidi20@yahoo.com>  
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Hi everyone,

I not sure if you all got this sad news, so I thought I will send out an email to all of you. I wish the reason why I am writing to you would be different and a more cheerful one, particular so close to christmas, but unfortunately we lost a very good doctor and a great team member of our Mission in Malawi. I am gratefully looking back to endless night hours with Maria and Cameron to put together the chronogram in Mzimba. It was a pleasure to work with Cameron.

I hope everyone else is well.

Regards,

Jo

From: Nayeon Kim <naa.ann@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 2:22 PM  
Subject: Re: Cameron Bopp  
To: Suzanne Ceresko <sceresko@gmail.com>

Dear Mzimba team,

Thanks a lot to Jo for this initiative.

I am deeply saddened by the news.

He was a field coordinator in neighboring outpatient based nutrition project in Ethiopia. One rainy day, Cameron brought a very sick boy suffering from cerebral malaria to stabilization center where I worked. Our medical team, together with him, tried our best to save the boy but we couldn't.

Then, I met Cameron again in Malawi. He always respected me, as he did to you all, and gave me sound advices and encouragement. I was very grateful to work with him.

I've attached his field journal published in 2010 MSF-USA magazine after Malawi measles vaccination campaign.

Like us, I believe that it was also memorable work for Cameron. He said,

"when we really started seeing the numbers go down and the joy that brought to the team and the Ministry of Health and everyone else."

"It's short, it's intense, but everybody has exactly the same goal in mind no matter what their piece is. And it's really nice to be part of a group that shares something so intimately."

It was my great pleasure to be a part of the Mzimba team.

My warmest regards,

Nayeon Kim (field doctor in Mzimba South and North)



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Wondu Asefa

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to Maria, Chris, jo, David, Emily, maria.schutz, Nadège, Fre  
do, Abi, Amber, Ansley, Carolyn, Carolyn, Chris, Emily, Miri  
am, israel, Lilian, Lisa, Maria, Na-Yeon, me, Michael, Wodage, hestein

Dear Mizimba Team and great colleges,

Though I am really glad to reading from some of you after a long time, I am truly saddened to hear that Dr. Cameron passed away in such a tragic way.

As I always say, the MSF mission for measles outbreak response in Malawi led by Dr. Cameron was the most memorable for me and the team (Mizimba team) was truly the best team I have ever been part of during my years long experience in such setting. I truly enjoyed the mission for such an exceptional team sprite, the extraordinary energy and passion everyone showed at work till the end and such a socially enjoyable working environment where we all could have so much fun throughout.

I can say that there can not be any better reason for the mission to be a successes to that level of record and for the team to be able to enjoy such a great experience than Dr. Cameron's leadership. So I am always thankful for the opportunity to work with Dr. Cameron whose management and leadership skills was exemplary and who was an inspirational medical practitioner in international context.

He will truly be missed

May his soul be in the hands of Almighty God!

With best regards to all you!

Wondu

On Thu, Dec 22, 2016 at 10:43 AM, Carolyn Muegge-Vaughan <carolyn.cmv@gmail.com> wrote:

I totally echo Wondu. Am so sad to hear the news. It was definitely a memorable campaign and all due to Cameron. He was the first person I met on the Sunday that I arrived bleary-eyed after 3 nights of flights for my first mission. He made me feel welcome and then we actually drove together along with John Happy to Mzimba. Loved the time with him and getting to know him.

Definitely leaving a hole and will be missed.

Carolyn

**Chris Daley**

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to Nayeon, me, lisa.reine, Miriam, Lilian, David, Ansley, Carolyn, Chris, jo, Amber, maria.schutz, drrhay, Emily, Nadège, Emily, Wodage, hestein, Abi, Michael, Fredo, Carolyn, israel, Maria, Maria

Such a sad reason to reconnect with such amazing people.

I probably got to know Cameron a little more "intimately" than most and there isn't a day that goes by that I don't look at my hands and thank him\*. When I finally arrived in Amsterdam after the accident I was told by a surprised burns specialist that I wouldn't require any skin grafts because the quality of the emergency care had been so good. But aside from his skill as a clinician he had a gruff compassion that I found reassuring. Few doctors will warn you of the dangers of smoking whilst lighting your cigarette. Even fewer I imagine considering what I had been through.

There's an expression in my native English - "they don't make 'em like they used to" - that I always thought was apt when describing Cameron to others. He was an "old school" doctor, from a different era, and for good or for bad I don't think we'll see many more of his kind again.

Vale good doctor, you're already missed.

Chris Daley

\*and everyone else who came and hacked a bit off me, or helped me go to the toilet or was just there to reassure me that everything was going to be alright.

**Ansley Howe**

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to Chris, Nayeon, me, Lisa, Miriam, Lilian, David, Carolyn, Chris, jo, Amber, maria.schutz, drrhay, Emily, Nadège, Emily, Wodage, hestein, Abi, Michael, Fredo, Carolyn, israel, Maria, Maria

Hello-- and thanks to all of you for sharing your memories of working with Cameron. Really nice to hear from everyone and see your names in my box--although so sad for the reason!

I, like Carolyn, remember meeting Cameron upon arrival in Lilongwe--my first mission as a baby MSFer! We sat with Nadege and Mike and Emily Lerman late into the night, swatting mosquitoes and getting a crash course in measles outbreaks and vaccination campaigns. I remember frantically taking notes and feeling I was in the presence of giants!

I remember the little house party at the end of the Lilongwe campaign, and Cameroun's delight over the numbers of persons successfully vaccinated. "We're going to remember this measles campaign."

Wishing peace to all of you--light and kindness for the New Year. And please come visit if you are ever in the Washington, DC area!

Warmly,

Ansley

[lisa.reine@yahoo.com.au](mailto:lisa.reine@yahoo.com.au)

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to Ansley, Chris, Nayeon, me, Miriam, Lilian, David, Carolyn  
, Chris, jo, Amber, maria.schutz, drrhay, Emily, Nadège, Emi  
ly, Wodage, hestein, Abi, Michael, Fredo, Carolyn, israel, Maria, Maria

Good morning from Australia - love hearing from you all !!!! I'm sorry to hear the news.

My memory of Dr Cameron was blurred with the fast paced wild ride that was our 3 million vaccinations. Like Ansley i was a wide-eyed newbie then, and of all the "giants," Dr Cameron was pretty big (in his calm non intimidating way). I remember him patiently explaining measles 101 to me.

Since then I've briefly passed a few of you over the years - Miriam in Liberia, Lilian in Yida, and Suzanne and Emily and I made our own measles vax campaign in Yida (great job!), and also Carolyn hosted my uncle on his travels (thank you). I did see Dr Rosemary briefly here in Australia, but have lost touch with her.

I've currently settled into infection control at my local hospital in Cairns. Im living at the beach (lots of mangoes), and started growing orchids. You guys ought to come by some time.

An expression I read on a wall somewhere once ; "If I've seen far, it is from standing on the shoulders of giants." Dr. Cameron was indeed one such giant. He has definitely left the world a better place.

**Wodage**

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to me, Carolyn, Wondou, Maria, Chris, jo, David, Emily, maria  
.schutz, Nadège, Fredo, Abi, Amber, Ansley, Carolyn, Chris, Emily, Miriam, israel, Lilian,  
Lisa, Maria, Na-Yeon, Michael, hestein

Hello all and I am deeply sorry for the loss. You all have pointed out the greatness of Dr. Cameron. His distinctive calmness and focus made it possible for the remarkable success the team had achieved and for millions of children in Malawi who may have benefited from our intervention.

His gentleness and respectfulness will always be missed.

I thank you all for your lasting team spirit and wish you happy holidays!

All best,

Wodage

**Amber Featherstone**

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to Wodage, me, Carolyn, Wondou, Maria, Chris, jo, David, Emil  
y, maria.schutz, Nadège, Fredo, Abi, Ansley, Carolyn, Chris, Emily, Miriam, israel, Lilian  
, Lisa, Maria, Na-Yeon, Michael, hestein

Thank you all for bringing back fond memories. When I arrived to Malawi, I was pleased to work with a fellow family medicine physician in the field; and, like many of you, feel Dr. Bopp's ability to maintain calm and always treat others with respect were what made the Malawi vaccination campaign an experience we can be proud of. So nice to hear from all of you and know that we all continue to pursue some of the same noble characteristics that we saw in Dr. Bopp. Many blessings in the Christmas season and the coming year!

Amber Featherstone-Uwague



**Abiosehkamara**

Dec 22 (3 days ago)

to jo, David, Emily, maria.schutz, Nadège, Fredo, Amber, Ansley, Carolyn, Carolyn, Christopher, Chris, Emily, Miriam, israel, Lilian, Lisa, Maria, Nayeon, me, Michael, Wodage, Wondu, hestein, drrhay

Dear Jo and all the Malawi team during the vaccination campaign , I had about this news today about our devoted Dr Cemeran car crash.

This brings me back memories especially when I was seriously sick and he has to rush me to the hospital that morning.

May his soul rest in peace.what a great lost.

**Maria Schütz**

Hi all!

Saw this sad news yesterday, thank you for taking the initiative to address us all, anyway, Jo.

I also remember those long nights with the chronogram and the kind and patient support we had from Cameron.

He was really one of the good ones.

Hope you are all well and that your holidays will be good.

Maria

Maria Schütz

Human Resources Manager

**israel sonny**

12:51 PM (1 hour ago)

to Carolyn, Emily, jo, me, Lilian, Chris, Wondu, Abi, Fredo, Michael, Wodage, maria.schutz, Carolyn, Lisa, Maria, Miriam, hestein, Nadège, drrhay, Nayeon, Ansley, Amber, Maria, Emily, David

Dear friends,

A time like this calls for self reflection when dear ones like Cameron are not to be seen or heard from any more. He lived a life of humility, respect for others and valued principles in course of his duties as a humanitarian. He believed in putting people to test to ascertain self confidence and competence. My case in Nigeria and Malawi is one in hand. He was a motivating factor in my developmental milestones in MSF and remains indelible in my mind. He lived an exemplary life as a humanitarian and worth emulating as humanitarians.

Good people are not so many and he was one of a few and will be greatly missed. His personality and sad passing on remains a unifying factor for the Mzimba team.

Merry Christmas my friends,

Sonny

On Fri, Dec 23, 2016 at 12:57 AM, Suzanne Ceresko <[sceresko@gmail.com](mailto:sceresko@gmail.com)> wrote:

Dear Mzimba team --

I feel terribly sad. It was lovely to work with Cameron, he was so dedicated and compassionate.

I was in Uganda this summer and when the staff found out I was American a number of them asked me if I knew Cameron. When I told them I did they said how lovely he was when he worked there.

He touched so many people!

Lots of love to you all from NYC,

Suzanne

**Lilian Igube**

Dec 23 (2 days ago)

to Chris, Wondu, Abi, Fredo, Michael, israel, Wodage, maria, .  
schutz, Carolyn, lisa reine, Maria, Miriam, me, hestein, Car  
olyn, Nadège, drrhay, Nayeon, Ansley, Amber, jo, Maria, Emily, David, Emily

Cameron words cannot express how greatly we miss you.

In Malawi, even on detachment, You took time to put me through and encouraged me into begin an expert.

Team Malawi!!! Its great to read from you all, Merry Xmas, you all are welcome any time you pass by Nigeria.

I still always miss Malawi and the lovely team.

**Emily Lerman**

Dec 23 (2 days ago)

to jo, me, Lilian, Chris, Wondu, Abi, Fredo, Michael, israel  
, Wodage, maria.schutz, Carolyn, Lisa, Maria, Miriam, hestei  
n, Carolyn, Nadège, drrhay, Nayeon, Ansley, Amber, Maria, Emily, David

Hello Mzimba team,

Like many of you have expressed, I am also deeply shocked and saddened by this information. It has been very nice to hear from all of you as you share your stories and memories which so thoughtfully illustrate Dr. Cameron's kindness and his ability to touch and inspire so many of us.

As Ansley said, I remember being a young, baby MSFer, always impressed by the individual time Cameron spent with me and others, listening and asking for my own perspectives and feedback on the project. "He's a big, smart important doctor, and I have no idea what I'm even doing, why is even talking to me?", I thought to myself. And then, when I left, he took the time to give feedback on my individual evaluation. We were a giant team, and incredibly busy. He certainly did not have to do this, but it was a great lesson in what qualities are most important in a leader and a mentor.

I always looked forward to seeing Dr. Cameron at the GA, and the first year I saw him there I was impressed that he even remembered me. His insight and support was instrumental in my decision to pursue a degree in public health, as was his work that he did outside of MSF. I'll certainly miss him this year.

It has been really nice to hear from all of you -- and be reminded of the solid team we had for what became my first of many missions. And thank you Jo for your initial email...in a time when its so easy to throw things out there via Facebook, its nice to remember the time pre-facebook when people took time to compose their thoughts via an email.

Ansley and I are both here in Baltimore, 6 years later --- so for those of you who pass through the East coast, we love seeing MSFers!

All my best,

Emily

**Carolyn Muegge-Vaughan**

Dec 23 (2 days ago)

to Emily, jo, me, Lilian, Chris, Wondu, Abi, Fredo, Michael, israel, Wodage, maria.schutz,  
Carolyn, Lisa, Maria, Miriam, hestein, Nadège, drrhay, Naye  
on, Ansley, Amber, Maria, Emily, David

Mzimba team was just the best ever!! Carolyn