



**CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM**  
**THE UGANDA SWIMMING FEDERATION**



RIP: Godfrey Nuwagaba

We, members of **the Uganda Swimming Federation** are greatly saddened and confounded with shock by the death of a brother and friend, **Mr. Godfrey NUWAGABA** which occurred on **Tuesday 17 October 2017** aboard an Emirates Airline flight to Dubai. Godfrey was a celebrated retired long distance runner and an experienced sports administrator, who at the time of his demise was one of the facilitators at the Advanced Sports Management Courses conducted by the Uganda Olympic Committee which many sports administrators in Uganda have benefited by.

Of prominence was his service to the sports fraternity as **Treasurer of the Uganda Olympic Committee** and **the Commonwealth Games Association of Uganda**, with his last task being Chief of Mission of the Ugandan Delegation to the Youth Commonwealth Games in July 2017 held in the Bahamas where Uganda won a javelin Gold Medal through Josephine Joyce LALAM.

We would like to offer our heartfelt condolences to our sister Federation, **the Uganda Athletics Federation** whose members Godfrey has fervently and

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faithfully served as **Treasurer** for many years, and also the many athletes he was managing such as Olympic Gold Medalist, **Stephen KIPROTICH**, IAAF 2017 Silver Medalist **Joshua CHEPTEGEI**, and 2-time Commonwealth Gold Medalist, **Moses KIPSIRO**, among others.

Many will agree that Godfrey was a down-to-earth hard working individual who has positively impacted sports administration in Uganda through his tireless service. We will miss the simplicity and honesty with which he approached life and will for many years reflect on his great accomplishment.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 reminds us that –

*“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.”*

Indeed it is time to mourn the life of a great and humble man **Godfrey NUWAGABA**, but also to celebrate his admirable legacy.

To Winnie, Godfrey’s bereaved children and members of his extended family, we offer our sympathies and ask the Lord to comfort and soothe the pain of this immeasurable loss.

May the good Lord rest the soul of our brother, **Godfrey NUWAGABA** in peace.

Donald RUKARE – President

Moses B. MWASE – Secretary General

For and on behalf of the UGANDA SWIMMING FEDERATION

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