



PAN-AFRICAN ACADEMY OF CHRISTIAN SURGEONS



My name is Mehret Desalegn and I am currently training at Kijabe Hospital pediatric surgery fellowship program with Bethany kids. I am married and a mother. I am from Ethiopia and I have been blessed to be a part of PAACS Soddo.

I worked with PAACS residents as a general practitioner and I have always admired their integrity and their love for the Lord, as well as their excellent management of patients with a lot of compassion. When I decided to continue my training, I knew that God was calling me in to caring for pediatric patients. Working in a hospital where PAACS was based in Ethiopia has influenced my love for surgery. I was praying for God to show me His will in following what's in my heart to be able to take care of pediatric surgical patients. There is a big need for a well-trained pediatric surgeon in Ethiopia because we have limited number of pediatric surgeons. Your support was an answered prayer for me to be able to join PAACS!

Being trained by excellent consultants from overseas and see the hand of God as we pray for our patients and love on them has been a dream come true for me. I am enjoying my training and learning so much in my walk with God as well as pediatric surgery. Being able to train in a Christian environment and being able to pray with my patients freely has been such a joy and a blessing. Thank you again for being so kind to bless PAACS so they can produce generation of well trained, compassionate, loving and believing surgeons that can in turn be a blessing for the patient that need a doctor that can truly take care of both their physical and spiritual needs. I have seen many patients discharged from our care after being treated for their medical condition and also received Jesus Christ as their Lord and savior who continue to be blessings to others also.

After finishing my training, it is my desire to go back to my country to continue taking care of patients and pass on the training I got in every way possible. I am confident that God will continue to bless me with opportunities to do that.

Lastly, I would like to share my favorite verse with you. It's a reminder that our hope is in the Lord in this difficult time and always!!

Hebrews 6:19 'We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain'

Blessings,

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