



In loving memory Professor Mohammad Ismaeili

Our famous poet, Saadi, so rightly said in his book Golestan several hundred years ago:

“The man with good name never dies; he dies whose name is not remembered well.”

I was fortunate to meet Dr. Mohammad Ismaeili for the first time during the 1st International Pediatric Nephrology Congress in Mashhad, Iran, July 20, 2011 and more so during my sabbatical appointment at Mashhad University of Medical Sciences in October 2015.

Dr. Ismaeili was a prominent pediatrician, effective teacher, a competent pediatric nephrologist, gentle and tenacious mentor, and untiring advocate for children, consummate pediatrician, profoundly kind and compassionate human being, brilliant scientist, beloved educator, ardent proponent of international training in pediatrics, and expander of professional horizons of future pediatricians.

Dr. Ismaeili was a visionary leader who was charismatic and had a great academic reputation. He became head of the Division of Pediatric Nephrology at Mashhad University Of Medical Sciences and could develop the pediatric nephrology program at Imam Reza Hospital. He was a pediatrician who treated the individual with the disease rather than the disease itself. As sir William Oster has said:

“ The good physician treats the disease; the great physician treats the patient who has the disease.”

Dr. Ismaeili was like a bother, my best friend, confident and honored colleague. We shared similar medical, social vision. I shall miss him greatly. I sincerely, condolences with his respected family. May God rest his soul in peace.

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