



BRO. DIEUDONNÉ SORGHO

Brother Dieudonné SORGHO was born on 19 March 1970 in Ouagadougou, to Raphaël SORGHO and Germaine BOUNDAONÉ.

He was baptised and received his first communion on 29 May 1982 at Saint Camille Parish. He received the sacrament of confirmation at Saint Camille Parish on 26 May 1984.

On 17 June 1983, Brother Dieudonné SORGHO obtained his Primary School Certificate. On 23 September 1984, he entered the Saint Camille Boys' Juvenile for the sixth grade. After obtaining his BEPC in June 1988, he entered the Saint Camille Scholasticate for a brief period for the Year of Spirituality. From 1988 to 1991, he continued his secondary studies at Nelson Mandela High School. After obtaining his baccalaureate in July 1991, he returned for the Year of Spirituality at the Camillian Scholasticate in Ouagadougou (1991-1992). From 1992 to 1994, he was a Camillian postulant while studying philosophy at the Saint Jean-Baptiste Major Seminary in Ouagadougou.

On 6 September 1994, he entered the novitiate at the St Camille Scholasticate in Ouagadougou, which he completed with his first religious profession on 8 September 1995 before Father Prosper KONTIEBO, Superior of the Saint Camille Scholasticate and representative of the Superior General. Having opted for the vocation of brother, he was immediately sent to study in the field of health. Brother Dieudonné SORGHO made his perpetual profession in the Order of Ministers to the Infirm on 8 September 1998, before Father Anselmo ZAMBOTTI, General Consultor.

For his professional training in the Camillian charism, Brother SORGHO was sent by his superiors to the University of Ouagadougou from 1995 to 1997, then in 1997 to the National School of Public Health in Ouagadougou, where he obtained his State Nursing Diploma in June 2000. He was still a member of the Saint Camille Scholasticate community. Sent to the Juvenile where he took care of the health of the young, he re-enrolled at the National School of Public Health, obtaining his diploma as a health officer with a specialisation in anaesthesiology in July 2002.

In addition to spending several months in Italy on behalf of the General Council of the Order of Ministers of the Infirm (in 2013) as General Consultor, Brother Dieudonné SORGHO has held various positions in the Camillian Province of Burkina Faso, which attests to the trust and esteem that his superiors and confreres have always had in him. These administrative and financial responsibilities, as well as his relations with benefactors, have never prevented him from carrying out his duties as a health attaché in anaesthesia and intensive care, spending much of his time in our health facilities and at the bedside of patients.

Thus, from 2002 to 2022, he was a member of the community of the Medical Centre with Surgical Branch (CMA) in Nanoro and worked in the Surgery Department. Upon the death of Father Gilbert COMPAORÉ on 19 February 2007, he was appointed to take over the interim management and bursar's office of the CMA Saint Camille in Nanoro.

He was confirmed as director of the CMA on 21 July 2007 for a three-year term (2007-2010) and reconfirmed as administrative director in 2010. In May 2013, he was elected General Consultor of the Order of Servants of the Sick.

Returning to Burkina Faso, Brother SORGHO was appointed on 14 July 2014, again in Nanoro, for three years as Administrative Director and Director of Human Resources of the CMA. Brother SORGHO will assume this responsibility until July 2021.

At the end of his term, he will remain in the Nanoro community and continue his service to the sick at the CMA. He has served a total of 20 years in the Camillian ministry in Nanoro.

In August 2022, Brother Dieudonné SORGHO was appointed bursar of the Camillian Province of Burkina Faso with all the duties associated with this responsibility. He was then sent to the community of the Saint Camille Scholasticate in Ouagadougou, where he contributed to the formation of professed members and continued his service as an anaesthetist-resuscitator in the operating theatre of the Saint Camille Hospital in Ouagadougou. At the same time, he made himself available to teach the course on the Spirit of Saint Camille to Camillian postulants at the Saint Camille Juvenile for boys.

In July 2025, he was relieved of his responsibility as provincial bursar and continued his mission at the scholasticate as a formator and bursar of the community, while still

working as an anaesthetist-resuscitator in the operating theatre of Saint Camille Hospital.

On Tuesday, 3 March 2026, at around 1:35 p.m., he suddenly fell ill in his community at the Saint Camille Scholasticate. He was rushed to Saint Camille Hospital, where medical staff attempted to resuscitate him without success; Brother SORGHO had probably already passed away by the time he arrived. He who had resuscitated so many patients thus departed as quietly as he had lived, without giving anyone time to resuscitate him.

His Camillian confreres and the many people who worked with him and knew him recognise him as a calm religious, always present but very discreet, respectful, attentive and devoted to his work, a "fighter" as the saying goes. Wherever he went, he took his work to heart, whatever the task, without paying attention to appearances. His concern was to do his job well and to make those he met happy. Brother SORGHO passed away while devoting himself to the task of serving his Province.

Saint Camillus, in the Beatitudes of Ministers of the Infirm, said: "*Blessed is the servant of the sick who exhausts his life in this holy service.*" Brother SORGHO certainly lived this beatitude to the letter, but his sudden departure is a great sorrow for many, if not for all.

Brother SORGHO, we would have liked you to stay with us for a long time and forever. But Providence decided otherwise. We remain confident in the mercy of God who will welcome you so that from Heaven you may continue to care for all the people you never ceased to help.