

A Memorable Washington, DC Reception at the Ethiopian Embassy

On May 14, we hosted our most successful event to date through our *All Children Are Precious Reception* at the Embassy of Ethiopia.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the first **Temesgen Gamacho Legacy Awards** to **U.S. Senator Chris Coons (D-Del.)** and to **Ethiopia Minister of Health HE Dr. Amir Aman.**



HE Ambassador Fitsum Arega & U.S. Senator Chris Coons (D-Del.)

The awards were presented with a moving tribute from Temesgen's American parents, Aslan Co-Founders Mary Louise and Bruce Cohen, who shared stories of Temesgen's courage traveling from a small Ethiopian village to the United States for treatment and his dream that children with cancer in his home country would someday have access to the quality care he experienced here.

Our Co-Founder and Medical Director, Dr. Aziza Shad, then presented the first **Global Pediatric Cancer Partnership Award to The Anderson Company**, which was accepted by Stuart Himelfarb, an Aslan Board member who shared how his experience as a parent of a childhood cancer survivor has compelled his family to support Aslan's mission to achieve Temesgen's dream in Ethiopia and other countries with little access to care. Lastly, we were joined by the **Ethiopian Ambassador to the U.S., HE Fitsum Arega**, who affirmed his nation's strong and mutual commitment that, one day, every Ethiopian child with cancer will be offered the best possible hope of treatment and recovery.

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