

Dedication

This book is dedicated to Dr Michael Daniel Ambatchew (1967–2012), who contributed the paper ‘Teacher attrition in Wolaita: The cases of domestic migration of Bolosso Sore and Damot Gale *woredas*’. He presented this paper at the Sixth Commonwealth Research Symposium on Teacher Mobility, Recruitment and Migration, while working as an adviser to Link Community Development.

Dr Ambatchew earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Addis Ababa University in Ethiopia in 1987; a Master’s in Education from Exeter University in the UK in 1992; and a Doctorate in Literature, specialising in English, from the University of Pretoria in South Africa in 1994. Starting work in 1988 as teacher educator at the Kotebe College of Education in Addis Ababa, he devoted his career to teaching English as a second language, training teachers and writing children’s books. He published over 30 articles and chapters in books, and over 40 teaching materials and readers.

Dr Ambatchew passed away on 25 September 2012 in Addis Ababa after receiving treatment in hospitals locally and abroad. He is survived by his wife Ms Fassikawit Ayalew and his two sons, Beruk, aged 12, and Ezra, aged 7.

