

It is with heavy hearts that ChildLine Trinidad and Tobago announces the passing of Mrs Mary Moonan on May 02, 2023. Mrs Moonan dedicated the last two decades of her life to serving many causes including child and youth protection and well-being, as well as domestic violence prevention and awareness. Under her leadership and guidance, ChildLine's operations grew from a limited operating capacity to a 24/7, 365-day toll-free helpline. ChildLine services also included psychoeducational outreach to schools and communities, counselling programs, as well as the creation and implementation of the internationally respected My ChildLine App. The counselling and guidance services are provided free to children and young persons up to the age of 25 years who are lonely, traumatized, abused or troubled throughout Trinidad & Tobago. Mrs Moonan also sat as a highly valued member for many years on the Child Helpline International Standards Task Force. She will be remembered by those close to her as a person who exemplified compassion, fairness, and equity independent of age, ethnicity, political affiliation, and religion. The ChildLine family assures the public of its relentless and continuous commitment and dedication to the well-being of all children and youths in Trinidad and Tobago in honour of Mrs Moonan's legacy.