ABOUT THE COVER

A happy Sudanese infant communicating by gesture is shown together with scripts, the tool of communication, of the Meroitic Kingdom (800 BC-350 AD) (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Meroe). Meroë (located approximately 600 km north-east of Khartoum) was the southern capital of the Kingdom of Kush established after the Late Bronze Age collapse (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kingdom_of_Kush). The maximum extent of Kush in 700 BC included Egypt and Syria. The current main culture of Sudan is represented by the Arabic script of the “Sudanese Journal of Paediatrics.” The script was designed by Taha El Atta, PhD in 1984 at the Sudan University of Science and Technology, College of Fine and Applied Art.