Give the gift of life,

BE A CHRISTMAS
Angel

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Dear friend,

At 30 years old, I found myself wondering how much of my children's lives I would get to see.

My wife was pregnant, we had a one-year-old at home, and I had been experiencing health issues for some time. But I was young, and I convinced myself they couldn't be anything serious.

When my symptoms became worse, I went to the emergency department at Belleville General Hospital. The team took my concerns seriously and arranged an emergency colonoscopy. **The results changed everything. I had colon cancer.**

More testing was needed to find out if the cancer had spread.

I grew up in Belleville, so Belleville General Hospital (BGH) has always been a big part of my community. But at that moment, it became much more. It was the place where my family was turning for answers about what our future would hold.

I'll never forget what it felt like to wait for those answers. I'll also never forget the people at BGH who became our angels when we needed them most.

This Christmas, you can be one of those people for another family.

A gift to Belleville General Hospital Foundation helps bring care and hope to patients and families in our community, making you a Christmas Angel.

Will you make a gift today? All donations up to $125,000 will be matched by The Maurice & Marilyn Rollins Foundation — doubling your impact!

Thankfully, six months after my diagnosis, I received the news we had been hoping for: the cancer had not spread. I knew how fortunate I was that the emergency, surgical and diagnostic teams at BGH had acted quickly and helped catch my cancer early.

That experience changed my life. It changed the way I thought about what really mattered and the kind of legacy I wanted to leave behind.

That's why I joined the BGH Foundation Board of Directors. I realized the best way I could honour those who had been there for my family was to help our hospital be there for the next family.

Belleville General Hospital has been part of my family's story for as long as I can remember.

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All three of my children were born there. My wife works there. Our family has turned to the hospital in moments of joy, uncertainty and everything in between.

My involvement with the Foundation has opened my eyes to just how many families walk through the doors of BGH everyday needing someone to be there for them.

Sometimes that's a nurse who holds your hand. Or it's the doctor who gives your family answers.

And sometimes, it's the person whose generosity helps make that care possible. Because the reality is, there are vital needs at our hospital that government funding does not cover. That's where our community makes a difference.

This Christmas, you can be one of those angels.

Please make a special gift of $25, $50 or $75 to the Belleville General Hospital Foundation. I hope you will join me this Christmas in supporting the hospital that is here for all of us. Your gift will help ensure BGH has the equipment, technology and resources needed to care for families in our community.

And if you hurry and make your gift today, it will go twice as far. The Maurice & Marilyn Rollins Foundation will match the first $125,000 donated.

GIVE IN HONOUR OR MEMORY OF AN ANGEL

Think of someone who has been an angel in your life. Someone who cared for you, stood beside you or someone you love and remember.

Write their name on the enclosed Christmas Angel and return it with your gift.

Your angel will join hundreds of others on the Christmas tree at Quinte Mall, creating a beautiful tribute to the people who have touched our lives and been there when we needed them most.

This Christmas, give in honour of an angel and help make sure BGH has angels of its own, ready to care for the next family who walks through its doors.

Thank you for helping care for the hospital that cares for our community

With gratitude,

Tyler White,
Board Member, Belleville General Hospital Foundation

P.S. Please don't wait to give. The Maurice & Marilyn Rollins Foundation's matching challenge will double your gift, up to $125,000.

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