



To: The Transplant Nurse Recipient of This Letter:

From: The Recipient of a New Lung and a New Life:

I thank you for committing yourself to one of the most noble of occupations; first being a health care provider and second being a confidant and a caring friend to people who need reassurance that they can beat the illness that confronts them.

It was a nurse like you, the transplant nurse following my case, who persuaded me to not give up when I suffered a major setback following a surgery unrelated to my lung transplant. She brought me where I am today; the first-time grandfather of a preciously bright, energetic and beautiful five-year old little girl and a person who was so moved by the miracle of renewed life that I became the inspiration behind the Donate life Rose Parade Float that has touched the hearts and minds of millions of people since its inception in 2004.

That is how I have shown gratitude to society for the gifts I have received, but I wish I could be there to thank you, in person, for the work you are doing. I am there in spirit, however, and I hope this small token of appreciation lets you know how important you are to the mission of life and assures you that you are partners with the god-like author of this book (Reg Green) and his family in delivering new hope and compassion to the world.

Bless you for your sacrifice

Gary Foxen

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