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## Letter from mother

My name is Blanca Santibanez I am the mother of 3 year old Bianca Jaimes and were battling a life threatening illness (cancer). She was diagnosed with Wilms Tumor on 11/11/11 Since then my life have changed finding out your child has cancer it's like stabbing you in the heart at that moment you don't even know where your standing. On November 10th I was rushed with my daughter to the ER after noticing a lump on her left side of her stomach while bathing her. A month prior I took her to on after hours pediatrics after I noticed she was running a fever and vomiting. There they informed me that she was constipated that's what the Xrays that they took revealed replied the doctor. And that the fever was just a virus. So on my way to the ER I just thought to myself that it was it was stool accumulated on the side of her stomach. After arriving to the ER and seeing the nurses face after looking at the big lump that she had I knew right away something was wrong. The nurse called the doctor and they ordered an X-ray which later on she said it wasn't stool that was causing the lump so she ordered a cat scan. 11/11/11 at 3 am the doctor and nurse took me out of the room where my daughter was asleep and informed me of her tumor on her left kidney was what was causing the lump on her side. I felt the world falling on me, I broke down in tears. Later that day she was officially diagnosed with Wilms Tumor, the tumor was also in her lungs and they needed to remove her kidney. I hugged my baby and couldn't stop thinking that I couldn't do anything to make her better. From that day on I had to stop working, she went into surgery on the 15th where they removed her kidney. My daughter had one kidney left and that one too had small tumors, I ended up in the ER due to chest pains due to stress. Soon after her surgery she started chemo and radiation. Radiation affects her more than chemo but my baby is strong. She's still on her treatment. It has been hard handling Bianca's illness and side effects from the radiation and chemo, she lost weight she now weighs 22 pounds. I also have a 6 year old Giselle and I feel bad because I can't provide her with the same attention as I have with Bianca.

My heart is in pieces right now but the less thing I loss faith and that GOD has a purpose for her in this world and he is walking with her through these hard times. My husband's job is really slow they cut his hours he works 2-3 days a week. We had to let go of the trailer we were living in it was not in good conditions for her to live in. Since her chemo her immune system is really low and she is prone to get infections. We found a new place to have her in but the rent is much higher. We need help with rent and bills so my daughter can have a healthy environment. God Bless.