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Dear Mrs Sample

Most people suffering from cancer, don't have a cancer

They don't have tests. They don't get any medicine. But, Macmillan Cancer Support cares for them because their need is real:

“She went in the early hours but I missed it.

Lying next to her for so long, I'd fallen asleep. I was so angry with her. We'd been through the whole sad story together, and then she let me miss the end. I'd prepared myself for what was going to happen, but not to feel like that, not angry.”

Geoff, 62

“...he'd become this bitter, self pitying, helpless... thing.

People would say “oh he's so brave and so strong” and I'd just scream inside “what about me”. Honestly, there were times when I just hated him. I seriously thought about leaving often enough. But I hated myself more. The guilt was like, wearing this shrinking suit, it slowly squeezed the sanity out of me.”

Claire, 29

“...some people just disappeared from my life.

I'm completely clear now...I've bumped into one or two folks since. It's like they've seen a ghost. They'd written me off, thought I was a gonner. Well yeah, I'm still here. Thanks.”

Jane, 38

Fighting cancer is more than matching a treatment to the disease. Macmillan Cancer Support work to improve cancer care for everyone affected, like Claire:

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“I thought Macmillan were just nurses for cancer patients.

But they helped both of us.”

Claire

Whatever people need, from specialist health care and information to practical, emotional and financial support, Macmillan help fill a crucial gap that makes a massive difference to people like Jane:

“It’s shocking really. There’s not much support from anywhere else. But, Macmillan helped me live a better quality of life. That’s how I got through it.”

Jane

Did you know that 1 in 3 people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime? That means 1 in 3 people you know, could be the reason you need the support of Macmillan. It might even be you.

“I didn’t feel so alone.”

Geoff

99% of the funds needed to keep Macmillan caring for people like Geoff and his wife, come from donations.

Many donors are ordinary people who we’ve given support to, and they just want to show their appreciation. I hope you’ll never need us, but please don’t wait until you do.

You can help fight for better cancer care now, for a monthly direct debit as little as £2. It doesn’t seem a lot, but knowing that we can rely on that £2 every month, means we can make a big difference with it.

Simply fill out the slip below, or you can find out more online at

www.macmillan.org.uk.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. It’s good that you care.

Yours sincerely

Fundraising Manager