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Oncology nurse creates second Healing Songs CD

Ron Noecker, RN, an oncology nurse at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, has created a new CD of “healing songs” entitled ***Piano Healing Songs at Christmas****.*The CD features 12 songs which Ron plays himself and recorded in a studio in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in July. A music major in addition to being an RN, he hopes to reach cancer and hospice patients around the country with this quiet, reflective and often spiritual music which is appropriate for year-round listening.

Last year, Ron was inspired by one of his patients who enjoyed him singing a special song to her; he was so touched by this that he decided to create his first ***Healing Songs at Christmas*** CD. Through the generous support of sponsors, he was able to donate over 1,000 CDs free of cost to patients suffering from cancer. That first CD featured music and vocals by Ron plus family and friends, and each of its nine songs was dedicated to the memory of a cancer victim, including the woman who first inspired Ron to share his music with others but eventually succumbed to cancer, Betsy Ann Zaborowski.

Ron believes in the healing power of music and says it helps patients “to connect with their insides and to make meaning” of life and to come to grips with what is happening to them physically.

This year, Ron hopes to reach even more patients with his CDs by reaching out to hospices around the country, inviting these organizations as well as individual music therapists and fellow RNs to help him provide the music to their patients. Ron is offering his CDs to hospices and other health care institutions at special prices in hopes that they will invest in the music for their patients.

For individuals such as RNs, social workers, therapists and others who purchase just two CDs, a third CD is donated in the purchaser’s name to a hospitalized patient. And for individuals placing $100 orders, Ron will donate five CDs to be sent in the purchaser’s name to the hospice, hospital, nursing home or other location they designate.

To read more about Ron Noecker and his efforts to help others or to purchase his CDs, please visit www.ronaldjoseph.net.