

Testimonial : My name is Angela Human and my cancer journey started on mother's day this year when I found a lump in my breast. I was diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer not long after that. Obviously I was devastated.

I had to now go through chemo treatment and all the scary side effects that you hear of and the worst was having to see my loved ones so worried about me.

I hated that I was the reason for their distress. I wished I could comfort them, reassure them - but I couldn't even do that for myself.

I was very fortunate to get onto a trial for the chemo that I needed I went home and told my kids that I was going to be a Guinea pig for the treatment I needed.

My delightful son piped up 'no mommy you sound more like a lab rat'. The lab rat status has stuck and has become my trade mark.

My chemo treatment then started and I have been very fortunate that a lot of the dreaded side effects did not affect me to badly ... except for my hair loss.

I have taken the approach with my cancer that I will get things before cancer gets them. To stay one step ahead. So we had a little get together with family and shaved my head!

I now had to get used to wear scarves (which can take longer to do than your own hair) and one or two wigs. I started to quite enjoy my different looks.

I had a birthday coming up at the end of August and decided I was going to throw myself a really good birthday bash. The party was in full swing when my sister arrived and insisted I open

Her gift to me. She gave me a box and on opening it I found a plastic dome looking thing. Wondering what on earth this was as I was not due 'false boobs' just yet, I looked at her a bit confused.

She then pulled her hat off and with that came off ALL HER HAIR. She had given me her hair for my birthday. I am still emotional just thinking about what she had done for me. Being able to go

Out with her hair on my head is such an honour. I was not

even aware that this could be done. I had the privilege of meeting Delia when she came to see me at one of my chemo treatments to make adjustments

To my hair and give it a wash for me. The bands at the top of the wig have words on which makes it all the more personal and special. It is something I will treasure for the rest of my life.

My chemo treatment is far from over as I have almost a year still left. Cancer is teaching me many life lessons, I have embraced the fact that I have cancer and I have faith that by the end of it I will be cured and be
A much better person because of it.