"I’m afraid, but I’m trying to get on with my life so my family doesn’t worry too much. I might lose my hair and even my breasts... I don’t know what the future will be, but I’m going to do whatever it takes to beat this disease."

BREAST CANCER: the two words a woman may fear most. But all breast cancers are not alike. Current research confirms that breast cancer is not a single disease, but one that has different subtypes. One of these subtypes is triple negative breast cancer, or TNBC. TNBC, which is seen more often in African American women and younger women, can be aggressive, with a higher likelihood of recurrence. TNBC accounts for only 10-15% of all breast cancers, but may be responsible for as many as 10,000 deaths every year in the US alone.

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Searching for a Cure
The most common breast cancer treatments usually target three receptors found in tumors: estrogen, progesterone, and HER2-neu. "Triple negative" means that the breast cancer is estrogen receptor-negative, progesterone receptor-negative, and HER2-negative. Although triple negative tumors may be highly responsive to chemotherapy, they may also be more difficult to treat because there is no targeted treatment.

One woman who lost her two-year battle with TNBC was Nancy Block-Zenna, a young mother diagnosed at age 35. In her honor, some of Nancy’s friends created the Triple Negative Breast Cancer Foundation. The Foundation's mission is to be a credible source for triple negative breast cancer information, a catalyst for science and patient advocacy groups, and a caring community with meaningful services for patients and their families.

The Foundation's Goals:

- **Ignite Interest** in the study of TNBC among researchers, scientists, physicians, and educators
- **Support health professionals** seeking to identify the causes of TNBC and discover new and effective treatment options
- **Support the TNBC community** through our website, hotline, and educational resources
- **Increase public awareness** of this breast cancer subtype

Visit our website at: [www.tnbcfoundation.org](http://www.tnbcfoundation.org) to make a donation and to explore the range of support services and educational resources available. We encourage you to get involved to help conquer this disease. You may also contact us at:

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