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BESTSELLING AUTHOR PROVIDES MUCH-NEEDED HELP FOR LOVED ONES OF CANCER SUFFERERS

Cecil Murphey's 112th Book Released January 2009

(Atlanta, GA) The World Health Organization recently released a report claiming that by the year 2010 cancer will be the number one killer worldwide. More than 12.4 million people in the world suffer from cancer. 7.6 million people are expected to die from some form of cancer. That's a lot of people, but the number of loved ones of cancer sufferers is far greater. What do they do when a special person in their life is diagnosed with this devastating disease?

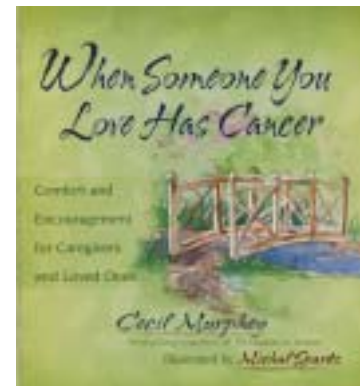
Bestselling author Cecil Murphey understands intimately how loved ones suffer. The diagnosis of breast cancer that had spread to the lymph nodes put Murphey's wife, Shirley, in the high-risk category. At least eight of her blood relatives had died from cancer. Shortly after the doctor confirmed Shirley's cancer suspicions, her older sister was diagnosed with colon cancer.

"I went emotionally numb for several days," Murphey said. "I felt helpless. I also realized that I needed to affirm my love and encourage Shirley before the surgery and through her recovery period. I learned many lessons about loving and caring for someone with cancer."

Murphey brings his experiences as a loved one and many years of wisdom gained from being a pastor and hospital chaplain to his newest book *When Someone You Love Has Cancer: Comfort and Encouragement for Caregivers and Loved Ones* (Harvest House Publishers, January 2009). His honest I've-been-there admissions and practical helps are combined with artist Michal Sparks' soothing watercolor paintings.

Readers of *When Someone You Love Has Cancer* will receive:

- Inspiration to seek peace and understanding in their loved one's situation
- Help in learning the importance of active listening
- Guidance in exploring their own feelings of confusion and unrest
- Help in how to handle anxiety and apprehension



When Someone You Love Has Cancer
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- Honest answers to questions dealing with emotions, exhaustion, and helplessness
- Spirit-lifting thoughts for celebrating the gift of life in the midst of troubles

Murphey explains why this is a much-needed book: “Most books about cancer address survivors. I want to speak to the mates, families, and friends who love those with cancer. I offer a number of simple, practical things people can do for those with cancer.”

About the Author:



Cecil Murphey is an international speaker and bestselling author who has written more than 100 books, including the *New York Times* bestseller *90 Minutes in Heaven* (with Don Piper). No stranger himself to loss and grieving, Cecil has served as a pastor and hospital chaplain for many years, and through his ministry and books he has brought hope and encouragement to countless people around the world. For more information, visit www.themanbehindthewords.com.

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