



Joris Van den Eeckhaut

Replenishment Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Screening

Sunday, December 20, 2009

8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Fox Chapel
Presbyterian Church

To express your interest in
donating, please log on to
www.centralbloodbank.org

and enter sponsor code
ZRTN0591 or contact
George Hollenbeck
at 412-580-2097 or
ghollenbeck@itxm.org

Joris Van den Eeckhaut, 46, was diagnosed with *acute myelogenous leukemia*, more commonly known as AML, on Oct. 10, 2009, and has received multiple transfusions of red blood cells and platelets as a very important part of his treatment at West Penn Hospital. Joris will need a bone marrow (stem cell) transplant.

Joris and his wife, Anja, are the proud parents of Leon, 6, who goes to kindergarten at Fairview Elementary, and Luca, 3, who attends preschool at Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church, where this special blood drive is being held. With a master's degree in engineering and an MBA in operations research from the University of Gent, Joris has worked as an IT consultant developing system architecture for the past 10 years. Anja is an executive search consultant. They have lived and worked in Brussels, Munich, and Paris. They came to the United States (specifically New York City) in 1999, and they have called Pittsburgh home since 2006.

The many friends of Joris encourage the community to donate blood at this special blood drive in support of his journey back to health and for the many other area patients who receive their care in Pittsburgh hospitals. Anyone donating blood at this drive may also elect to become a member of the Be The Match RegistrySM free of charge by completing additional paperwork and submitting a sample mouth swab. Please donate in honor of Joris!

Central Blood Bank is the not-for-profit organization that supplies the blood products and transfusion-related services to more than 40 hospitals in western Pennsylvania, northern West Virginia, and eastern Ohio.

1-866-DONORS-1
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Please bring ID with you on the day of the blood drive. Proper ID is required to donate blood. A Central Blood Bank or military ID, driver's license, or employee badge with picture and full name are all approved forms of ID. Birth certificate along with a picture ID that includes the donor's full name will also be accepted.

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