

## Ruben

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In February 2020, after Ruben began having flu-like symptoms, his mom took him to the pediatrician. Following several visits, Ruben continued to show symptoms and developed unexplained red spots (also known as petechial rash) on his body. His pediatrician referred Ruben to Beverly Knight Olson Children's Hospital. Tests confirmed that Ruben had B Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia, a type of blood cancer. Ruben began chemotherapy immediately, and the children's hospital staff became the perfect support team to walk Ruben and his family through this difficult time. "The nurses are very understanding and helpful! They answered all our questions and helped Ruben feel confident in the process. He was so, and he even accessed his port without hesitation."

In August 2023, Ruben rang the "No More Chemo Treatment" bell. He is looking forward to getting on the soccer field and playing with a team.

