

## A wish for my fellow nurses and friends

I wish for you great success as you return to your careers' with a degree in nursing; for it is this degree that has changed the way in which we regard the very tasks that we undertake daily, adding depth to our profession giving understanding where previously questions existed.

I wish for you time. Time to rejuvenate and reflect on the accomplishments achieved during these last two years. Enjoy this sojourn before embarking on the road toward further degrees.

Make a commitment to lifelong learning in one form or another; the benefits are great and the rewards far greater. For nothing is quite as satisfying as the use of a gift such as the mind.

I wish for you peace. Peace of mind, peace of the heart and peace of the soul. Peace allows rejuvenation at the end of everyday, and the ability to reflect on all that we give to our patients and more importantly to dwell on the gifts that our patients give to each of us.

I wish you happiness; soon we will have time to return our full attention to our families and friends, as they are here today to celebrate each of us, take time to celebrate them as they have been our support systems these last years.

Congratulations classmates and friends on a job well done.

