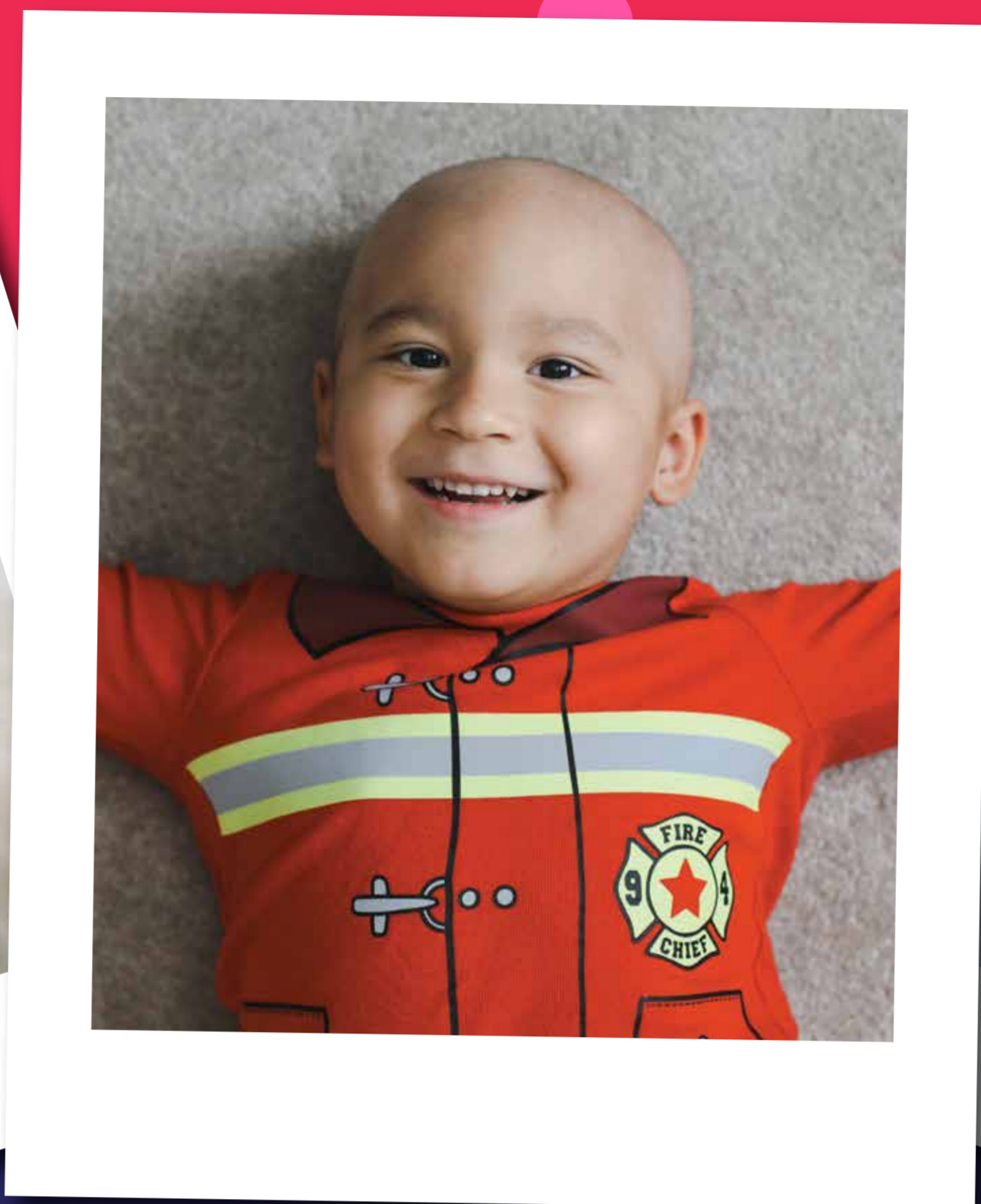


# NICO

4 YEARS OLD

T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia



Nico loves riding bikes, playing baseball, basketball and throwing frisbee. He is so full of life and energy. He is quite the artist whether it's painting, drawing, or molding clay/play-do. He recently started Kindergarten and absolutely LOVES IT!

Nico says he wants to be a firefighter, police man, basketball player, baseball player, ninja warrior and work in the hospital. Since Nico was diagnosed it's honestly brought us together and made our faith in Jesus Christ so strong, stronger than ever before.

It's made us realize how precious life is and to enjoy every moment and really live in the moment. It has definitely caused us some financial hardships and caused us to not be able to work as much, but we embrace the extra time we get with our strong and courageous son Nico. He just amazes us in every way each day. We decided to not look to blame anyone or anything, but to be thankful for God making sure we found this cancer before it was too late. And we know one day we'll look back and have an understanding of why this happened. It's hard to try to wrap our minds around it while we are in the middle of treatment, but we know God only gives us what we can handle.

Know there are so many amazing people and programs out there that want to help you. You are NOT ALONE. The amount of support out there is such a blessing and you CANNOT be afraid to use these resources. There are people that would do anything for you and your child.

Please don't hesitate to ask for help or to take time to relax and decompress.

And please don't be hard on yourselves or EVER BLAME YOURSELF!

Kids are so strong and resilient! They feed off of the parents and need positivity and to be treated like the amazing kids they are. Never forget they are kids and need certain things to thrive.

Think about all the smiling faces you have helped while you run or walk!

