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'I pray to be around to give that boy from Atherton Peter Beattie a bloody good kick in the arse because he needs to be responsible'



Praying for help: Liz Plummer – with Isabella Woodward, granddaughter of COUCH chairman Charles Woodward – following one of her 20-odd bouts of chemotherapy.

HEAVEN HELP US

SPECIAL REPORT

Bronwyn Cummings

BREAST cancer victim Liz Plummer has become the public face of a community campaign for better oncology services for the people of the Far North.

Fed-up with the Beattie Government's refusal to deliver adequate resources, the campaign aims to raise \$850,000 for a chemotherapy hood to mix cancer drugs in Cairns. The ultimate goal is to get a fully-operational oncology unit at Cairns Base Hospital.

Without it, dozens of cancer patients from throughout the Far North will continue to have to leave their families for weeks at a time and travel to Townsville and Brisbane for radiation treatment, at huge financial and emotional cost.

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