TO CHARLES

MY PROMISE

The Passage2255 Project is a love story. On October 6, 1984, while I was working on the composition of a piece —— Berceuse à Corti —— for my youngest daughter Elsa, who had become, to my great joy, a SINGER, my youngest son, CHARLES, knowing that I have already composed a piece for my eldest son Hugue —— La Mer d'Auray —— and another for my eldest daughter Aude —— L'hiver —— CHARLES comes to sit next to me on the piano bench and said to me:

- « I would like one also ».
- « One what?».
- « I want you to compose a musical piece especially for me ».
- « All right! But what type of piece?».
- « Something that will make everybody sing ».
- « What do you mean by everybody?».
- « Everybody, everywhere on earth at the same time ».

And, without giving any thought whatsoever as to how such a thing could be accomplished, I said,

- « YES!»
- « PROMISED? »
- « YES! PROMISED! »

The photo here below was taken 78 days before his death, on July 8, 2007. He was born on December 25 1979. During those last days, I renewed that **promise** which was so dear to him.

Charles had a terrible respiratory disease: cystic fibrosis. During his entire life, my son fought for every breath he took.

Yet, he never complained.

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