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for every chat. for being with me virtually to  
meet me where i'm at.

it's you who is here every week, every day.  
pushing me to learn  
in new times, in new ways.

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dear healthcare workers,

your heart is a wand, your strength is a sword, we  
see you give everything and then you give more.

how do you do it? you're an angel, indeed. you're  
risking your life to save others in need.

it takes more faith than fear to do what you do  
it requires love and strength it requires ALL of you.

you are mothers and fathers, daughters and sons,  
you are friends and colleagues, and everything to  
someone.

and yet, here you are. making our lives a must.  
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dear baby,

welcome to this world! you are joy, you are light.  
your purpose is strong your soul is so bright.

you came at a time when life is unsure. but YOU,  
little one are so calming, so pure.

don't you see, sweet one? it's like you have wings.  
you're an angel on earth. with the hope that you  
bring.

you entered our world as we're united together.  
what a beautiful time! as we become better.

and let me remind you, the stars still shine bright,  
our home is still magic your timing's just right.

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