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Dear John,

Congratulations on finally getting married! Best wishes to the groom and congratulations for the bride, or is it the other way around? Anyway, I’m sorry my husband and I didn’t make it for your big day.

I wanted so much to attend your wedding, but unfortunately, I was advised against getting on a plane by my doctor -- it simply isn’t safe for my situation so close to my due date and my husband refuses to risk it, not even for my best friend. Although it is sad, I think you will agree that making sure your future godchild comes to this world safe takes precedence over your wedding.

I really wish I could have been there for you and your new wife, though. I’m sure she looked lovely and I’m sure you feel that you are the happiest man on the planet today. Anyway, I am sending my wedding gift for you lovebirds in a separate parcel, it should arrive in a few weeks. Give my congratulations to your lovely new wife, and I’ll see both of you in the summer as planned. My future son / daughter shall be baptized then.

Anyway, may all the love in the world be with you in this brand new journey. Enjoy your newfound married life, and I’ll speak with you soon.

All the Best,

Jane