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Dear Evelyn.

How does it feel to be a mother, Evelyn? Belated congratulations, and sincere best wishes!

The point of this letter is to ask you about your experience in teaching microbial genetics at Brooklyn. I'm planning a lecture course at a fairly elementary level, designed rather for bacteriology than genetics majors. If you happen to have made up a lecture outline, I'd like very much to see it, together with any comments and suggestions that you might have.

I expect you're pretty busy, so don't bother to answer this until you can do so easily. I hope to be hearing from you fairly soon about the mechanics of the Microbial Genetics Bulletin.

Sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg.