

# HEALING OF SOFT TISSUE SARCOMA

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In October 2024, I went for various tests on a large mass I had found in my armpit. The doctors did an ultrasound, two MRIs, and a mammogram, in which all test results pointed towards an aggressive form of soft tissue sarcoma. The final step of the diagnosis was a biopsy to confirm what all other tests suggested. During this whole process, my family was in contact with Saint Nektarios Monastery, where the Fathers had all been praying for me.

A week before my biopsy, I decided to visit the Saint Nektarios Monastery in person. On November 21st, 2024, I made the trip from Toronto to New York with my parents and stayed the weekend at the Monastery. Prior to arriving, I had a lot of anxiety and worries surrounding my health and probable diagnosis; however, as soon as I arrived at the Saint Nektarios Monastery, I felt a sense of peace and a strong feeling that I would be okay. While I was there, I had the chance to talk to the Fathers and Geronda Joseph and explain my health situation. I explained how I was very scared and reluctant to do the biopsy next week, but Geronda Joseph assured me that I must do it and they would be praying for me. I attended the church services at Saint Nektarios Monastery. Before leaving, I venerated the relics of Saint Nektarios and many other Saints. One of the priests also read special prayers for me and had me wear a special cross of Saint Nektarios, and crossed me with the cross while reading me special prayers.

The time came to do my biopsy, and during the procedure, I clenched a Saint Nektarios icon and prayed. They took three samples from various areas and the results miraculously came back as showing no signs of malignancy, contrary to what all other tests suggested. I am so grateful to all the Fathers and Geronda for their continuous prayers and all that they have done for me and my family. Glory to God and our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and to Saint Nektarios for his intercession.

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