

HEALING OF CANCER

—the testimony of Katya and Tatyana—

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My name is Katya, and my mother's name is Tatyana. We have a home in the Catskills. This past Saturday night I wanted to see which churches are in our area, and when Saint Nektarios Monastery came up, me and my mom knew we had to visit. And that's how we came here today.

A month ago we had just come back from a pilgrimage in Greece. Prior to this trip, my mother had went to her oncologist who said that based on her recent CAT scans, there was an 80% chance that the cancer had returned. After the meeting with the oncologist, my mom had a feeling, as if something inside of her was telling her to "come to Saint Nektarios in Greece," even though she had no idea who Saint Nektarios was.

So we found out and travelled to visit Saint Nektarios Monastery in Aegina. Unknowingly, we arrived at the Monastery of Saint Nektarios on the feast day of the translation of his holy relics on September 3rd. Me and my mother instantly felt a connection. We also went to visit Saint Spyridon on the island of Kerkira.

When we returned to New York from the trip, my mom went back to the oncologist, who upon doing tests saw that she is clear of cancer, and he was surprised how this happened.

We felt the same connection and had the same feeling here at Saint Nektarios Monastery in New York as we did in Saint Nektarios Monastery in Aegina.