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I promised to give you an update after my appointment with my radio oncologist yesterday. I do it with great pleasure.

Yesterday, we were still very much in the midst of the great movement of the greatest Christian religious holiday, Easter, or in other words, the victory of Life over death, in all its forms. The first thing I want to share with you today is precisely that it was so for me personally.

Yesterday, at 1:30 p.m., I met again with my radio oncologist, Dr. Nabib. During my first meeting with him, there had been talk of having me undergo radiotherapy treatments for 20 consecutive days—to destroy the cancer cells. However, this had to be delayed three times: I wasn't strong enough for it at the time. Such treatment would have weakened me too much. He then gave me until April 2nd to finalize the decision.

During that meeting, he suggested either radiotherapy, hormone therapy, or even something else, yet to be determined. But yesterday, he informed me that my latest blood tests revealed that my cancer was much less aggressive than expected. In fact, my latest PSH was 3.4, whereas previously it had been 6.5.

Finally, Dr. Nabib suggested that I be monitored by my urologist, Dr. Carmel. If the malignant cells progressed, the latter could then suggest an appropriate therapy. Therefore Dr. Nabid immediately arranged an appointment with him. I shall see him in four months only, when he will then reassess my situation. Needless to say that at that point I very willingly, even joyfully, accepted the proposed solution.

Personally, I believe that the fact that from the beginning I made sure to get plenty of rest was really salutary. Isn't it well known that sleep promotes not only intellectual and psychological recovery, but also physical recovery? But in the end, it doesn't matter; the main thing is that I find myself today in a much, much better situation than I anticipated.

Yes, this happened in the wake of Life's victory over all forms of death. In the wake of Easter!

Thank you in advance for your attention, your sympathy, and your encouragement. Please be assured of my personal prayers for you all.

Fr. Yves