# Prayer in Time of Remission

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Thank you, Loving God,

I feel huge relief that my cancer is in remission. I want to shout out the good news, “My cancer is gone, my cancer is gone!”

I am profoundly grateful to the medical people who have treated me, profoundly grateful to my family and friends who have stood by me at this testing time. Each one of them has played a vital part in my release from this dreadful disease.

And yet as I rejoice, I have lurking anxieties, worrisome feelings that won’t go away. I wonder, “Will the cancer be back?”

I will share these worries with my trusted friends, I will offer them in prayer to you, Compassionate God, but for the moment I am so happy, and I offer my thanks wholeheartedly. Amen