

July 29, 2022  
Waxahachie, Texas

Dear Praying Family and Friends,

Yup! We're back to Waxahachie this afternoon. So much good news in this update. Here's an overview, with further "unpacking" in future updates:

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- In my last update, I acknowledged that there were items in the radiologist's report of the last PET scan (done on July 19) that seemed to indicate some residual lymphoma in various places. I was wrong, partly because I did not completely understand all the "lingo," partly because I did not realize the radiologist was commenting on a "fused image" consisting of an overlapped PET scan and CT scan.
- My chief oncologist had told me that if there were any residual lymphoma at 30 days post-infusion, he would refer me to a radiation oncologist for radiation of this residual lymphoma. While he is currently out of the country, the oncologist covering for him and the radiation oncologist conferred with one another and relayed to me that they were not going to proceed with radiation until after a followup PET scan in September. This alarmed me, because twice before there had been delays after the cancer was pushed back, and the cancer came roaring back – literally – before anyone could check up on it again. I wrote a note of intense concern to all involved!
- This morning I had a lengthy conversation with the radiation oncologist. He laid out all the scans since October 29 of last year, pointing out changes from one scan to another, with cancer retreating or advancing, depending on which therapy was applied. He agreed that the cancer had behaved with extreme aggressiveness over the past year.
- Why, then, no radiation at present? Because the PET scan revealed **there was no lymphoma for him to target**. The CAR-T cells have killed so much of the lymphoma that it's presently undetectable via PET scan!
- QUOTE from the radiation oncologist: "You have a complete response to CAR-T. At this point, it's the best result anyone can hope for."

### AM I CURED OF THIS DASTARDLY DISEASE?

Medical professionals rarely use the word "cure" with respect to cancer, certainly not with the kind I have been fighting, which almost always kills those who have it, killing them quickly. There are very few alive today who had this type of cancer **in the past**. I may turn out to be one of them. If so, it's our Lord's grace toward me, Who heard your many prayers on my behalf.

There are many reflections that buzz around in my head, but I am too tired at this moment to put them in a coherent order. I'm going to sleep in my own bed tonight for the first time in 46 days!

But, I did want you all to know the wonderful news to this point! Rejoice with me in our

Lord's kindness to this old man and his aged bride. We are immensely grateful to Him for His kindness to us, and to every one of you for journeying this far with us. My chief oncologist, Dr. Farouk Awan, is out of the country at the moment, but I have an appointment with him on August 4. My next update will come to you soon after that conversation.

Unfeignedly thankful,  
Fr. Bill Mouser