# Prayer When Cancer Treatment Is Troubling and Prolonged 1 (death is certain)

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My treatments have been difficult; the nausea, nerve pain, headaches, and lack of energy have left me worn.

The doctors encourage continued treatments. But to what end? Do I prolong my life by weeks, with great suffering? There will be no cure.

The choice to stop treatments is mine and only mine.

I have lived the life of a brave person. I have (*survived other illnesses, endured the loss of loved ones, endured the pain of childbirth…*). I have endured surgeries. I have survived so much. But this is different. Chemotherapy is so very hard. I want to scream, “Leave me be! I have done my best! You must let me go.”

God of wisdom, please guide my words as I talk with my family and loved ones. Be with me as I wade through these very troubled waters. If I am too weak to express myself adequately, let there be understanding of my needs.

I am grateful for the nurses and physicians who have guided me so expertly. I am grateful to other cancer patients for sharing their courage and wisdom. I am grateful for my family and friends who have carried me through such suffering.

I am grateful for the choice to summon death to end the suffering. My body no longer supports me, the suffering is unendurable and futile. I am ready to go through the final door that is death.

Loving God, as I meet with my doctors and family, be with us.

Your love for us and our love for one another will guide us. Amen