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Re: Health Update for Archbishop David

On October 20, 2020 Fr Simeon participated in a conference call with Archbishop DAVID regarding his health status.

As many of you know, he departed to Indiana to begin cancer treatments on October 30. While we knew he had cancer when he left, his eminence had not been diagnosed with the specific type or severity of the cancer.

Further testing has revealed that Vladyka is battling an aggressive cancer that is spreading rapidly throughout his body. Doctors have determined his body is too weak to be able to handle the most aggressive form of treatment. So, he will begin an immunotherapeutic form of treatment this week. After this initial treatment in Indiana he will move to his daughter's house in Pennsylvania and continue his treatments. His Eminence sends his blessings and love and asks for our continued prayers on his behalf.

Correspondence to His Eminence:

As we express our love and prayers to His Eminence, we've established a way for you to send him, his children and grandchildren cards, letters and pictures. Please do not send packages, only what can be placed in a letter envelope. Cards and letters will be forwarded once a week.

Send cards and letters to:

Archbishop David
C/O Subdeacon Thomas (Well wishes to his Eminence)
P.O. Box 210569
Anchorage, AK 99521

In Christ,

Fr. Simeon B. Johnson