

I was first diagnosed with **rectal cancer** in December of 2006. The **chemo** I received left me with **severe neuropathy** in my hands and feet. My cancer returned in September of 2008 and I again underwent **surgery and chemo**. At the time the cancer returned, I was told the **5 year survival rate was 19%**. As I was undergoing my second round of chemo in the summer of 2009, a friend referred me to Dr. Tian. My original purpose for going to Dr. Tian was to see if he could help with the neuropathy.

During my initial visit with Dr. Tian, I learned of his background in both Traditional Chinese Medicine, his Masters in TCM oncology, and his PhD in cancer pharmacology. Perfect educational preparation for the help I needed. I immediately started undergoing treatment with him using acupuncture and herbs to treat both the neuropathy and the rectal cancer. From the beginning, Dr. Tian was clear that his treatment might not cure the cancer but it would **slow down its return and/or make it more difficult for tumors to form**. He also said he could give me a **better quality of life** if the cancer were to recur. I was grateful for anything he could do because once I finished my second round of chemo, **Western medicine had nothing to offer**.

At this time, I have been seeing Dr. Tian weekly for about **7 years**. I still have some **neuropathy** in my hands and feet, but I am **significantly improved**. I think I waited so long to start treatment for the neuropathy, that improvement was all I could expect. That said, Dr. Tian helped my balance to the point where I can do most of the activities I've always done and the numbness I still have in my fingers does not affect my life in any important way.

Since I started seeing Dr. Tian, I have had one cancer recurrence; **in 2011, the cancer spread to my lungs** and I had three tumors removed in September of that year. The tumors were small and I had no after affects from the surgery. That said, my oncologist told me that in only about 1 case in 100 does cancer stop spreading once it has started.

It has now been **5 years and one month** since my oncologist told me that I had a 1% chance of living cancer free for 5 years. **The PET scan I just had in October of 2016 showed no evidence of disease**. Praise the Lord. **My oncologist told me that I am the only patient he has had in 25 years of practice who has shown no evidence of cancer for 5 years after metastatic cancer occurred**.

Since the surgery on my lung in 2011, the only treatment I have had is acupuncture and herbs from Dr. Tian. I am so glad I took positive action with Dr. Tian and did not just wait and hope for the best. I feel blessed that I have been given additional time with my family and friends.

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