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is why, when isolated incidents like that of May 9, 2006 happen, SUMCFI is as equally disturbed as your client. I wish to assure you, therefore, that whatever discourtesy or insensitivity your client may have felt from the SUMCFI employee has not been, is not and will not be tolerated by the administration of SUMCFI. The SUMCFI does not encourage or condone callousness of its employees vis-a-vis the medical or physical conditions of patients or visitors alike as caring and treating people is the very essence of our existence as an institution. Please be informed that the employee concerned is now being subjected to the appropriate disciplinary process of the institution as contained in our Code of Employee Discipline.

Please re-assure your client that the SUMCFI is not happy at all with what happened to her last May 9, 2006. Do inform her, too, that SUMCFI will see to it that hopefully no such incident will ever happen again to anyone while within SUMCFI premises, as we seek to continually improve the quality medical services that we provide.

Thank you for calling our attention to the incident as it has been a learning experience for all and May God bless you and your client. (Sgd. Roberto D. Montebon, President/Administrator, Tel. (035) 225-0841; 422-7166 connecting all departments, Tel./Fax: (035) 2250839, Email Address: sumcfi99@yahoo.com.)

INCIDENT REPORT

Dear Editor:

It was almost 12 noon of May 9, 2006 when the Lab Receptionist called me to entertain Dr. Dawn Tan regarding a specimen for biopsy.

While on my way to the Reception area, Leo Molina and I were joking around. I told Leo to refill the containers for formalin with distilled water. He jokingly replied, "Wala na'y Wilkins distilled water." I joked back, "Na hala, sig, ihi na lang ibutang." We both ended up laughing.

Dr. Tan was with Mrs. Olga Uy who wished to retrieve the specimen after the biopsy examination. I informed Mrs. Uy that the specimen will not look like this when it will be returned to her. I informed her further that when the pathologist will examine the specimen, she will "section" it.

On my way to the Specimen Receiving area, I continued my earlier joke with Leo Molina saying "o, ihi-i ni" while holding the specimen cup. There was no malice in my statement. I had no intention of offending Mrs. Olga Uy with the running joke I had with Mr. Molina. I repeatedly apologized and tried to explain to her the circumstance behind my joke. She would not accept my apology nor listen to my explanation and instead flared up. Still I continued to apologize to her which only angered her more to the point that she slapped me hard. In spite of this, I repeatedly apologized to Mrs. Uy for adding to her pain.

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Clinical Laboratory

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ministrator are published elsewhere in this issue.

At the same time, the employee concerned whom the mother identified as one Dexter Dy, has also apologized in writing admitting that he did say "O, ihi-i ni," meaning the fetus which was to undergo biopsy. Dy claimed he said it in jest without malice.

But the mother, naturally who just lost her fetus that same day felt offended and embarrassed. She could not yet get over the pain of losing a much-awaited child that same day, and then subjected to such indignities. The mother has Polycystic Ovaries Syndrome PCOS.

A lot of sympathizers aired their rage over what happened asking how could a Christian hospital have staff members like that.

As a result, a slogan campaign is being waged urging SUMCFI board and all other hospitals to post signs inside all rooms and wards, reminding people that "Care, Compassion and Courtesy is our business. Please report any discourteous staff immediately to the hospital administrator."

The mother Olga Alinas Uy, whose husband is an overseas worker, told the CHRONICLE that she can forgive, but she can only move on, when hospitals will post courtesy signs in all rooms, and that all hospitals inculcate on their staff a full values-development training program" so that similar hurts by hospital staff on patients and their kins will be avoided in the future.

While most hospital staff experience and witness sadness, mourning, dying, sorrow

MONTH 15

MY JOURNEY WITH CANCER

Let's Walk by Faith, not by sight

As a broadcast-journalist, I am documenting my battle with the Big C as I journey with the Lord in what could be my ultimate trial. I also write about my co-combatants against the Big C, hoping that our readers will know what it is like to be blessed by the Lord worth acknowledging. Please email me your feedbacks.

Last week, my sister, LOUELLA came to visit me from California and we all went to see some relatives in Bayawan City. The place where our home used to be was now occupied with business establishments and some names of the streets were changed. I kept on looking for the old landmarks, But some were no longer there. This place have greatly changed. Much improvement have been done. Good roads and beautiful buildings. The boulevard was breathtaking. It stretched for miles and miles. People still gathered at dusk to watch the red sunset by the sea.

I was eager to see our small farm near Lourdes Falls, where we used to spend our summer during college days. Places like people bring happy thoughts of younger days. It's about fifteen minutes ride from the city.

I was sixteen when my parents bought this place near the waterfalls. Here, I learned to catch live huge prawns with bare hands with my sister and two brothers. I also learned to drive my first motorcycle bike here. As I watched my own kids and their cousins frolicking around the area, I breathed a prayer. Another summer, Lord, please.

The waterfall has now become one of the many tourist attractions in this place. The trees have grown thicker, the greens defied the summer heat. The cool water is still clear as crystal. I have painted many of these sceneries, and they are still

and pain everyday, patients and their kins only have their own experience to focus thus, are very sensitive, and very much affected when exacerbated by undue indignities especially if hurled by a shospital staff.

a source of inspiration even now.

I wish to come back here. I keep long plans, and ask God to just give me more time, just a little more.

I'm on my sixteenth month now since I was diagnosed with invasive breast cancer, and I have learned to walk by faith and not by sight. There are moments when doubt comes like a dark cloud invading my peace and joy.

But faith is believing in the things that the eyes cannot see. If God can give His only son to die for me, for all of us, surely His mercy is boundless. If He calls each star by name, and counts every grain of sand in the sea, if He knows every follicle of your hair, and has a storehouse for thunder and lightning, if He can command the waves, and feeds all the birds in the air, and paints each flower in your garden, surely His loving eyes is resting upon you. He will not allow anything that is too heavy to bear. But if carrying that burden means, He will be holding you in the palm of His hands, and stroke your tired and painful body until the pain becomes His presence, it's



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all worth it.

When times are tough and hard, God sends people to comfort you. His arms reach out for you through text messages, emails, visits, people you see in the streets, friends who tell you they care. You can smell His fragrance in the air through blossoms in summer nights. You can see Him in cascading waterfalls, and lush greeneries.

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stirred by the Da Vinci Code should be a constant reminder to CHRISTIANS and NON-CHRISTIANS alike that there is nothing more important in this life than preparing for the next life. There are no steady rules, dogmas or traditions of retracing the progress of our lives when measured from the purview of eternity. The Roman Catholic Church should not and could not be the substitute to the growth of our Christian Faith. We all go through infancy's unconscious enchantments; boyhood thoughtless and blind faith; adolescence' doubt, uncertainties and qualms; then disbelief and troubles resting in manhood's pondering repose. Then the process repeats itself, and we trace the cycle again - and we are infants, boys and men, and an eternity of ifs and WHYS. Where lies the final harbor upon which we journey no more? The answer is GOD, the ALPHA and OMEGA, the beginning and the end of our CHRISTIAN FAITH and it is written in the Holy Scriptures that THE WAY is Jesus Christ who is LIFE and TRUTH ETERNAL.

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Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
7th Judicial Region
Branch 39
Dumaguete City
SP. Proc. No. 2006-4403

In Re: Petition for the Cancellation of Certificate of Live Birth of Ivan James Palencia Frieres
Covered by Registry No. 97-12
Plaintiff,

- versus -
THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR of Valencia, Negros Oriental, Estela Palencia Frieres and Matias Faeldonia Frieres,

Vivian Palencia Frieres,
Petitioner.

ORDER

A verified petition having been filed by petitioner Vivian Palencia Frieres, praying that the first Certificate of Live Birth covered by Registry No. 97-12 of one Ivan James Frieres who was born on March 2, 1995, which was a simulated birth record be cancelled and nullified, and be considered null and void and forever be removed from the records so that to all intents and purposes the Certificate of Live Birth under registry no. 2003-1236 of Ivan James Frieres shall be the only record in existence respecting the birth of said child.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby given due course.

WHEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that this petition is set for hearing on June 19, 2006 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning, in the Session Hall of this Court sitting at the 2nd Floor, Hall of Justice, Dumaguete City. This Order shall be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, in a newspaper of general circulation and published in the whole province of Negros Oriental, to be selected by raffle, at the expense of the petitioner, at which date, time and place, the petitioner shall appear and prove her petition, in that all other persons having or claiming interest thereon shall also appear and show cause if there is any reason why the petition should not be granted.

Let copies of this Order be furnished to the petitioner, and together with the copies of the petition be also furnished to the Local Civil Registrar of Valencia, Negros Oriental, to Estela Palencia Frieres and Matias Faeldonia Frieres, and to the Solicitor General, who are given fifteen (15) days from notice of the petition, or from the last date of publication of such notice, within which to file their opposition thereto, if any. In the event that the Office of the Solicitor General may not be able to appear on the scheduled hearing, to designate the City Prosecutor of Dumaguete City to appear for and in behalf of the State.

So Ordered.
Given this 4th day of April, 2006 in the City of Dumaguete, Philippines.

(Sgd.) CESAR MANUEL U. CADIZ, JR.
Judge