Maundy Thursday 17/4/2014

Prayer began at the House of the Virgin, in Soufanieh, as planned at 4:30 p.m. with prayer of the rosary and mass, then meditated prayers and songs.

I noticed signs of fatigue on Myrna's face. These are perhaps signs of the suffering she is experiencing. I asked her before the prayer began if she felt anything like she felt on previous occasions when the Churches celebrated Easter together. Myrna hesitated for a moment before answering, then she whispered to me that she was experiencing acute pain in her head. Myrna participated in prayer with the audience, until the third decade of the rosary, then she entered her room.

Miss Rita Jarallah joined Myrna in her room, when she realized that Myrna was slow to come out. Shortly after, Rita called me and invited me into the room, where I saw Myrna lying on her left side, while the oil covered her face and both hands. She uttered complaints, and, in her great suffering, she repeated the word: "My head! »

Rita let me know that she heard Myrna say, "I have a lot of back pain and it's hard to breathe.", while expressing his headache, saying: "My head! » When Myrna asked, "Does this suffering save? » Rita replied: "Of course it saves, because He said: "No salvation for the soul, except through the cross". May God accept it for the salvation of this country! »

Here is what happened in detail:

4:45 p.m. Myrna said, "I'm in pain."

4:50 p.m. She asked, "Is this suffering salvific? », while repeating the same sentence. Then she said, "If it saves, may He give me some, may He give me some!" Never mind, O Lord! »

4:55 p.m. Myrna said, "My head is going to explode! »

4:57 p.m. Myrna touched her face and asked, "What is that on my face? Some blood? There's something dripping! »

Myrna said in pain: "My head, O Virgin," then she asked: "What is it on my face? »

Father Elias Zahlaoui entered the room and observed the spectacle. The time for mass was approaching. Rita asked him, "What about mass?". He replied, "I don't know."

Myrna heard the question and said to me: "We must celebrate mass! » I said to Father Zahlaoui: "Myrna asks that we celebrate mass." Father Zahlaoui replied: "It's good." Before leaving the room, he asked Myrna, after he knew that she did not want people to know what she was going through, to allow a group of 3 people to take photos, because it was their first visit to Soufanieh, after knowing the facts, during a meeting with Father Zahlaoui. Myrna refused, but Father Zahlaoui insisted, she accepted silently, then she said: "a little."

5:02 p.m. She cried out in pain: "My head, my head! O My Mother, my head! »

Her father entered the room, approached her and asked: "What are you suffering from? ". She replied, "My head! »

5:03 p.m. Her husband Nicolas entered, with his son Jean, who had just arrived from Lebanon. They observed the situation. Myrna repeated, complaining, and saying: "My head! »

5:05 p.m. She says; "My head," complaining and suffering: "Akh, akh, Lord! »

5:06 p.m. Myrna, overcome with suffering, said: "O Virgin! O My Mother!»

I asked her if she was experiencing pain in her back? She said, "Yes, but my head, my head is going to explode."

The presence of the oil was clearly manifest and abundant on her face and hands. Feeling the flow, it prompted her to ask, "Is there something on my face? »

5:10 p.m. Myrna asked, "Does this suffering save? Does it save? O Lord!» She touched her forehead and asked, "What is there? Some blood? » Rita replied: "No, it's oil."

5:12 p.m. She says, "This suffering saves? O Lord, if it saves, give me, give me, give me Lord! »

5:13 p.m. She was really in pain, then she said: "I want to attend mass! » She tried to get up, but she couldn't, and said, "My feet are heavy! ".

Then she said: "But there's mass! »

I point out one thing, which is that Myrna could not see during this acute suffering... I made sure of it when she asked me: "Who is here? » In addition, she didn't react at all to the light projected by the cameras. To make sure, I asked her, "Myrna, do you see? ". She said, "No!"

5:16 p.m. Myrna said, "I cannot get up... O Virgin! Akh! »

She placed both hands on her head, from the pain. Then she said, "Lord, accept it, accept it for the salvation of this country, for the salvation of this country! »

5:16 p.m. She said to me: "Father, there is a voice" (She did not mean the external voice, but a voice from within)

Then she placed both hands on her left ear as if trying to listen clearly to a voice. Then she told me, "There's a voice! »

5:18 p.m. Myrna says to me: "I hear a voice, but I don't know whose voice... a hoarse voice."

Then, as if listening to teachings (receiving a message), she said, "Yes, yes, yes..."

5:20 p.m. Myrna said: "My love, my love, His voice is hoarse."

Then she told me again what she heard from that voice: "The wounds that bled on this earth are the same ones that are in my body, because the cause and the author are the same."

Myrna stops and says, "O my love! His voice is hoarse. At first I did not recognize His voice, but when He told me: "these are the same ones that are in my body", I recognized it."

Myrna continues "But be assured that their fate is identical with the very fate of Judas."

Myrna said, "Woe to me. How He suffers! »

When Father Zahlaoui began reading the Gospel, Myrna calmed down, and attentively participated in the liturgy. This manifested itself several times. For example when she heard the words of the Gospel, when the Lord announced that one of His disciples would betray Him, when Judas asked Him: "Am I Lord?". She moved her head.

Myrna said, "Woe to me, how He suffers! His voice is inaudible! »

Then she asked me, "Who is here? It's better that they go out to attend mass! Mass is more important »

At that moment I asked her: "Myrna do you see? ". She said, "No, my head is buzzing."

Myrna said, "My head is buzzing. I want to get up, but I can't."

Then she asked me the meaning of the words of the voice she heard: "What does it mean? What will they do? To repent? O pity! Repent after what? »

5:57 p.m. Myrna said, "I need to get up! I want to attend mass! »

Myrna got out of bed, and went out into the courtyard of the house, and followed mass with those who were praying.

Father Zahlaoui communicated to the crowd the content of the message that Myrna received from the voice she heard.

Around 7:30 p.m., the audience returned to prayer, meditations and songs, placing all their hope in the Lord who loved us unto death, and saved us by his death.

To Him be the glory forever!

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