<u>THE MEANING OF LIFE OF A MOTHER WHO HAS A CHILD WITH</u> <u>CANCER LEUKEMIA</u>

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ABSTRACT

. A mother would want her child to grow and develop optimally and healthy, both physically and spiritually. The fact that the child who is preserved every day diagnosed with a chronic illness is very torturing her inner and soul. The day after her child was diagnosed with a disease called cancer leukemia, it was not easy for her. Problems were experienced by the mother is not just a psychological problem, but there are financial problems, the relationship between family member, and the bigger workload of the mother. A mother should be free from felt of nonexistent due to many problems to survive in her life. One of the ways were to find the meaning of her life.

The method of this study used a qualitative approach of IPA with a subject of three informant who are a mother who has children with cancer leukemia. The purpose of using qualitative methods of IPA is to be able to explore in depth of subject's life experience and get new themes. The results obtained from this study illustrate how the meaningfulness of life of each subject in the condition was took cared for their child who suffered leukemia and the processes of each subject in achieving meaningfulness of life.