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"Jason Turner has agreed to meet for a settlement," Scarlett, Evan's attorney, reported. "He said he will be ready on Monday."

"Will that be okay with you and your husband?" Evan asked on the phone.

"Yes, it's fine. We can wait," Scarlett replied. "The kids are still on school break. We were taking them to the beach next to town. I heard the resorts there are excellent."

"They are. Go to the Sand's Resort. It's amazing there. Thank you, Attorney Scarlett, and please extend my gratitude to your husband. He has been patient about this the entire time," Evan responded.

"Don't worry about him. He is thrilled to start a hotel in Rose Hills. Aside from that, he is dying to take a break, and now, he finally has an excuse to have one," Scarlett replied. "See you on Monday, Mister Thompson. Please send my regards to Lucas and Doctor Shant."

After the call with Scarlett, Evan turned to Lucas. They had just finished the first on the boy's list of activities, and Lucas was eager to accomplish the next. Lucas made a list on his tablet. He checked the first one, which was ice cream and popcorn, then went to the next. "Arcade!"

In the next hour, Evan and Lucas played arcade games at a nearby mall. Evan closed up the entire arcade only for his son. Miguel and Andy had to follow after them since they went out in public. Lucas also tended to run like the wind when he was overly excited. Evan needed a second runner to chase after his son from time to time.

After the arcade, they head off to a go-kart race track. Evan promised to take Lucas on an obstacle course at a later time. There wasn't one in Rose Hills, which meant they would require going out of town.

At one in the afternoon, Shantelle was still not finished with her surgery. Thus, after a late lunch, the father and son watched a movie together. The film was a kid's cartoon about super pets. Lucas was thrilled, while Evan did not care for the movie. All he saw was the joy in Lucas' eyes. To him, his son's expression was more entertaining than the cartoon.

Finally, at three in the afternoon, Shantelle had called Evan, alerting him that she was done with her surgery.

Lucas and Evan drove in the heart and lung center's direction, with Miguel and Andy following behind them in another car. While on the road, Evan noticed how Lucas was fixed on his tablet, happily updating his list.

From where he sat, Evan could not see clearly what his son was up to. All he observed was how the list wasn't marked out. He asked, "We completed some of your lists already, Lucas. You should crush it out?" Or does my son want a repeat?"

Lucas turned to him and realized what his father had said. He chuckled and replied, "Daddy, this list is different."

Leaning back, Evan reacted, "A different list? What would that be?"

Lucas gave his father the tablet, and Evan read each one.

[Things to do with Daddy when school is back:

Ask Daddy to take me to school.

Show Daddy to my friends and teachers.

Ask Daddy to join the school's family day with Mommy.

Ask Daddy to join the class' career day.

Ask Daddy to come with Mommy and receive my honors certificate during the school awards.

Ask Daddy to watch my recital.]

After reading the new list, Evan stopped breathing altogether. He wound up teary-eyed. Evan had to take deep breaths and sniff his tears away before smiling at Lucas. He claimed, "I will definitely do these with you, Lucas. I will give up anything to experience this with you."

Lucas reflected a bright smile and said, Really, Daddy! Back in Warlington, only Mommy, grandma, or grandpa came to school for me. It would be great if you would join my school activities then."

"I'll be there. I'll take you to school, not every day, but I promise on some days, I will. You can introduce me to your classmates and friends, including your teachers. Mommy and I will join your school activities, and I will most certainly be there to receive my son's award. And it's not just me. Your grandma Clara and grandpa Erick will be there too," Evan swore, sniffing more of his tears away. "Come here."

Lucas excitedly unbuckled his seatbelt and hugged his father. Evan embraced him tightly, saying, "I'm not going anywhere. I'll be here. I love you, son."

"I love you too, Daddy," Lucas replied.

The rest of the drive to the heart and lung center was an emotional one for Evan. He missed so many years with Lucas, he vowed to make up for it every day.

"What's wrong? How did the operation go?" Evan asked Shantelle as soon as she rode in the car with them.

"Mommy, what's wrong? Why do you look sad?" Lucas asked from his seat.

Shantelle shook her head. It was as if, she used every muscle to force a smile. She cleared her throat and lied, "I – I'm tired. That's all. It's nothing, baby. Can Mommy get a hug? I miss my baby already."

"I'm not a baby, Mommy!" Lucas complained, but he still embraced his mother, saying, "I miss you too, Mommy! Daddy and I had lots of fun today. I wish you were with us to play."

"I'm glad you had a date with Daddy," Shantelle said. She shut her eyes, relishing the scent of her son, and then pecked his cheeks. She added, "I love you, baby."

"I love you too, Mommy," Lucas answered.

When they arrived at the villa, Lucas went to sleep. It was in the main bedroom when Shantelle finally told Evan what was bothering her. She said, "Evan, I got the results of Lucas' blood test."

"And? How was it? Was that the reason why you were so troubled earlier?" Evan asked.

Shantelle nodded, admitting, "Yes."

She took the blood test from her bag and showed it to Evan. She described, "In the past, Lucas would have low red blood cells, and that would suggest anemia. However, these results show that Lucas has low red blood cells and low white blood cells. Aside from that, his platelet count is at the borderline."

"Evan, it – it suggests that he has a bone marrow failure," Shantelle finally revealed. "God! I'm a doctor."

I'm not supposed to be scared like this, but I can't help it. This is my son!"

"Shanty, wait. Lucas is my son too. Wifey, please, explain it to me," Evan asked.

Shantelle took a deep breath and said, "Bone marrow is a substance found in the center of our bones. It manufactures bone marrow stem cells and other substances, which in turn produce blood cells." Shantelle gulped and added, "Lucas, is not producing enough of these healthy blood cells. It's not severe, but the fact that his results are below the normal range means we need to have him checked further."

Running her fingers through her hair, she added, "We need to bring him to a blood specialist. He may have... a blood disorder."