

The children would always be a problem. How would they be able to get them to safety.

During the day people would notice them. They would be followed. People would remember in some way were they were hiding. And then during the night they would be attacked.

During the night the wolves would smell them. And also see them. Of course the wolves would not be everywhere. They would need to feed and they would give in to their primal instincts. They would be very busy, but still if one would pick up their scent they would not let go.

But they had to move. The food had nearly run out and Lucas needed to be reunited with his parents. Providing that his parents were still in their home they needed to bring him there. The Maccabe family had seven sons, but the others were on camp and probably save

Many people fled their homes. They thought the wolves would enter homes, but strangely enough if someone hadn't been located the wolves just let them be. Just as if only new trails were worth investigating.

Still people eventually needed to get out.

Thomas and Esther and their children had been hiding in their house for a week now. Lucas had been playing in the park when it all went wrong. His parents were probably worrying sick. When the sun had just set they gathered by the front door. Through the window next to the door Thomas surveyed the road. No people were visible. They would make a break for the neighbour's house across the road. The old lady, misses Bloch- Bauer, had been out in park and was probably taken.

"Now, quiet," Thomas whispered when he opened the door. "Go."

Rose and Eshter went first followed by Derec and Sue. Thomas and Lucas were the last. A little bend over they ran across the road. When they arrived the door was closed. Rose started to panic right away.

"Mom, mom, we need to get back. The door is close. Mohom!"

Eshter was looking a bit panicked from one side to the other.

"Shh, dad will open it. Shhh, please be quiet."

Thomas came and saw the panicked bunch. He didn't hesitate and kicked in the door. In the quiet road the noise was frightening, deafening and very dangerous, but nothing happened. They entered the house. Thomas barricaded the door and everyone hid in the cellar. The night was quiet, but needed for ever to pass.

The next morning Esther went upstairs. She went into the kitchen and bumped into misses Bloch- Bauer. It was like hitting a brick wall. The old woman turned around and just stared at Esther. She didn't speak or move. She just stared with, it suddenly occurred to Esther, with red gleaming eyes.

"Thomas!!" Esther screamed as she stepped back. Misses Bloch- Bauer made two very rapid steps forward and grabbed Esther. With ease she threw her over the kitchen table.

With a bang Esther landed against the opposite wall. For a moment she lay there. With an unnatural speed the old woman walked to her and threw herself upon Esther. Esther could only just put her hand on the neck of misses Bloch-Bauer and keep her from biting. "Thomas!!" Esther screamed again.

The old woman had spume coming out of her mouth. She growled. And then she got a surprised look on her face and slumped. Thomas pulled Eshter out from underneath the dead woman. A silver fork was sticking out of the neck of the corpse. The flesh around the fork started to smolder. Esther stared at it horrified. "We have to go!!" Thomas called to the children.

The children wanted to go through the front door, but that was barricaded pretty good. So they needed to go through the kitchen. "Keep your eyes closed," warned Esther, who had gotten hold of herself again. But the stench was revolting. Lucas bent over and gagged. He opened his eyes and saw the smoldering corpse. Lucas screamed his lungs out and ran out. Thomas was a second too late for him, but could grab Sue, who just started running in panic. Derec and Rose started to cry. "Mom! Dad! What's happening! Where's Lucas?!" Thomas grabbed the hands of Sue and Derec and Esther picked up Rose. "Come! We must find him."

Together they ran out of the house. The garden was small and had low fences. Immediately they saw people walking around. These people didn't notice them. Their torn cloths and blood covered bodies made everyone pray they never would. Quickly the group dashed to the park.

Derec knew a sewage pipe that was out of use. The entrance was very narrow, but after a couple of meters there was an overflow, that was now dried out. There they hid. "I've got to find Lucas," Thomas said defeated.

Thomas climbed out. He did not return for hours. Esther and the children waited in fear. Then finally Thomas returned. He had found Lucas, but was bruised and had a nasty cut. Esther flew in his arms weeping. Lucas stood just inside the overflow looking embarrassed. No one knew what to say. After a while Lucas sat down and also wept. Everyone then just collapsed of sheer exhaustion.

Suddenly Thomas woke up. He heard loud breathing and doglike sniffing. It was dark. Against the lighter background Thomas could see the silhouette of a large werewolf. It was too big to enter the overflow, but its head could reach Lucas. Lucas was still asleep. The werewolf started to lick Lucas. Thomas dared not to move, but very slowly he bent over to reach for a foot of Lucas. He also pulled the silver knife he took from the house of misses Bloch- Bauer from his pocket. The licking woke Lucas up quickly. He didn't know what was happening. Thomas shusst Lucas, who could not see him. The werewolf stopped licking immediately. Lucas was startled

by this. He looked over his shoulder. He screamed. Everyone woke up. The werewolf scared away a bit. Then it growled and bit. It bit Lucas' head right off. Lucas' body slumped against the wall. Everyone froze in pure terror. The werewolf bit again and tore a big chunk out of the lifeless body of Lucas.

And then something snapped in Thomas head. He now growled and attacked the werewolf. He struck the beast in its head with the silver knife. The werewolf was killed instantly. As it fell over the werewolf changed back into the person it was, the mother of Lucas.