

The Plight of Suffering Children

"The Lord executes justice for the oppressed. He sets prisoners free..." Psalm 146: 7

Below is a note written by a little boy, age 9. Although it is well documented by many professionals that he has suffered several types of abuse from his father, the court has decided he must spend time with his father. In this day and time we are seeing this to be more the norm rather than the exception. The voices of children and their protective parents are being silenced and protective boundaries blurred.

This past number of weeks there have been more cases brought to us with the exact same story line: children who have been abused by a parent (even sexual abuse) are being forced by court order to be with this parent, sometimes with supervision, more often than not, without supervision.

Stomach aches, throwing up, nightmares, headaches, inability to eat solid food, constant anxiety: these are just a few of the symptoms these children are suffering. It is a tenacious battle in court to have protective boundaries placed around these children. Legal costs are extremely expensive.

At this time we are working with 14 single mothers and their children, many of whom are in the vortex of family court. If you would like to join us in this battle and are able to financially contribute to this cause we would greatly appreciate your help.

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I do not want to see my dad
ever again. I have been very scared
lately. I've had lots of stomach aches and
I threw up and headaches. and almost
every night of camping. I have had
nightmares about dad stealing me from
mom. and he said I would rather die than
live with me and