**The Gone Wild Tornado**

It was the end of spring. My birthday just passed and I got a treehouse. I was playing with my dog in the treehouse in the backyard. My parents were inside. The wind was blowing softly on my face while I was jumping around with my dog.

After a while my mother came and told me, “Nuel, Ms. Woods is going to drink coffee with dad and me a in the front yard! Okay?” she said joyfully.

I said it will be okay since Pepper my dog was with me. My mother went back to the front yard. I felt that wind got stronger so I sat down and leaned back at the trunk of the tree. As I was petting my dog I sang a song.

Suddenly I heard people screaming. I couldn’t understand what they said. I thought I heard my dad. The wind got strong and blew my toys away! I saw a rope hanging on a nail on the tree. I took it and tied me and pepper to the trunk of the tree.

I was yelling, hollering for my parents, “Mom, dad help me. I am scared!”But no one answered.

I was frightened. The disaster was screaming in my ears. I closed my eyes and squeezed Pepper in to my chest. My heart was racing. Things were flying around me. I felt my cold tears flowing down my cheek and the wind blowing them away. I was alone. At the same time the fierce wind stopped blowing. I remembered learning in class about tornados that can happen here. I had never felt a tornado before, but I think this was one of those dangerous tornados. There was still a breeze as I was untying myself. Pepper was very loyal and stood by my side. I looked around. Houses were demolished. My house was still standing, except the back door, windows, and tiles were missing. It was foggy and it smelled like garbage. I went down my tree house, Pepper, still at my side.

In a frightened voice I yelled, “Mom, dad where are you? I am scared!”

There was no answer. I looked everywhere in the house, in the front yard and couldn’t find them. Even Ms. Woods was gone! I thought of Marie and Ben, my best friends. Houses were gone yards were empty, no humans in sight! My fears were chasing me I started jogging down the street to search for my friends. I found Marie and Ben sitting in Marie`s front yard. Their parents were in front of a crushed down house helping Mrs. Nice to get out. Marie ran up to me followed by Ben.

Marie hugged me, “God, thanks, you are okay!”

“Yeah, we were worried about you,” Ben said in his deep voice.

“Nuel, you are here I was worried about you! Did you see the Tornado? Ben and I were with our parents as this mess happened! Wasn’t it scary? By the way where are your parents?” Marie blurted out.

The tears were rolling down my cheeks, “They are gone!”

Both of them stared at me.

Ben said, “Anyway my dad is calling the rescue. We can tell them where you live to search for your parents.” Ben left in a hurry.

Marie hugged me, “It’s ok! We will find them.”

Hand in hand we went to her parents. They tried to cheer me up. It didn’t take the rescue long to come. We told them everything and they started right away to search for my parents. Pepper and I were supposed to stay with Ben’s and Marie’s families. However, it felt like years when the rescue group marched towards with my parents behind them! Even Mrs. Woods was there, too. I couldn’t stop myself. I ran up to them with my arms wide open. They were found in a restaurant on the other side of town. After, they brought us to a camp, and we were safe there. This was my biggest adventure with Pepper. It took a long time until the city was rebuilt all new. I could climb my tree house again with my buddy, Pepper.

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