



**CHURCHES RESPOND.
HOMELESSNESS ENDS.
HOPE BEGINS.**

Ice cream of my own!

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Dear Friends,

Do you share your ice cream? In our house, everyone likes their own unique flavor. For me, it's Chocolate Salted Carmel!

For a seven year old, moving out of a shelter and into his own home is exciting! No more feeling like a stranger in someone else's territory. No more living on edge. No more need to label family food in the industrial-sized refrigerator/freezer at the shelter. It's a simple thing, but the joy of ice cream from his own refrigerator triggers a smile!



The reality is - most people don't think of children as homeless. While we as a country are making great strides in decreasing homelessness for other populations, family homelessness continues to be on the rise. The average age of a child in Bridge of Hope this past year was [6.9 years of age](#).

Are you curious to know more about children and homelessness? Pick up this great resource: [America's Youngest Outcast 2016](#).

What if the good news for homeless children is that God's love will find them, through the people of God? You and I have the choice to join the Bridge of Hope neighboring movement and

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**Bridge of Hope is where
hope begins!**



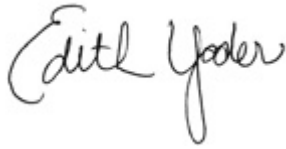
I hope you received a letter from me recently with an invitation to make a gift. Consider an online gift or [click here](#) to read Marissa's story.

Donate Now!

make that good news a reality for families struggling with homelessness.

Join the [neighboring movement](#): loving our neighbors and [ending family homelessness](#)!

Sharing ice cream and all good things,



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