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MY PRAYERS were answered thank you Saint Jude. P.I.M.

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THANKS ST. JUDE, Sacred Heart, Blessed Virgin for many favors received. RA.

THANKS to Holy Family and All Saints for favors received. F.R.P.

THANKS TO St. Jude, St. Dymphna and St. Theresa for favors received. D.T.

THANKS ST. JUDE, Sacred Heart, Mary Infant of Prague, publication promises. Louise

THANKS TO St. Anthony, St. Jude, Blessed Mary for favors received. NR.

THANKS St. Jude and the Sacred Heart for favors received. Susan Marie.

THANKS Sacred Heart, St. Jude for favor received. Please keep helping me. H.P.

THANKS TO Sacred Heart, St. Jude for favor received. A.H.M.

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Bicycles 32

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Household Goods

Appliances 38

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Property

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Father Bruce Ritter

A BIRTHDAY STORY

How old were you?

How old were you when you learned insight? When you learned what your experience meant? When you really learned — in your heart and in your gut — that

choices have consequences?

How old were you when you realized that bad things don't only happen to other people? They can happen to you, too. When you learned about evil?

Kathy learned it before her 15th birthday. She almost didn't.

Kathy is tall and quite beautiful and looks much older than any brand new 13-year-old should. Her warm engaging personality endeared her to just about everybody at Covenant House. Last Friday, when she turned 15, a few of my staff brought a birthday cake to her hospital bedside.

She couldn't see the cake very well. Both eyes had been beaten shut and only one worked a little. Her body was covered with severe welts and cuts and bruises and most of the skin on her back and chest and legs had been burned off by the scalding water Bonnie had poured on her — to punish Kathy because she couldn't stop screaming after Bonnie and Carol tied her naked to a chair, burned her with cigarettes and beat her savagely with fists and a studded belt.

The beating and scalding lasted four days. Kathy's torture provided the entertainment for guests at a cocaine party Bonnie threw for her friends. They stood around at this party and laughed.

Kathy is tall for her age, younger than she looks. She ran away from Georgia at 14 looking for the excitement and money and designer jeans and beautiful clothes that life in a small town and her solid hardworking mother couldn't provide. She was no stranger to sexual abuse. As a preteen she had been sexually assaulted by her brother-in-law.

For a while, working the streets, the money was good, the life free. Until one night, Kathy got beaten up by her pimp and ran to Covenant House for help. We immediately returned Kathy to her mother in Georgia. Not for long.

Back home and bored, the bad memories of New York faded quickly. They have a way of doing that for a kid. The memories of the excitement and parties and good times and money and clothes enticed her back to New York.

The moth flew back into the flame.

Her pimp, James, forgave her and put her to work in a brothel. A woman named Danielle was the madam. Danielle saw a chance to make a lot of money.

Father Bruce Ritter, OFM Conv., is the founder and President of Covenant House, which operates crisis centers for homeless and runaway boys and girls all over the country.

Kathy was forced to work a double shift in the brothel — 16 hours a day of assembly line sex, servicing as many as 30 to 40 clients a day. Her clients were almost always respectable businessmen.

"She ran away from Georgia at 14 looking for the excitement and money and designer jeans..."

They didn't want to know that Kathy was only 14. They just wanted Kathy.

Kathy escaped the brothel intending to return to Covenant House and once more seek help. She went to the apartment of Bonnie and Carol — two older prostitutes who had worked the streets with Kathy — to pick up some clothes she had stored there.

Bonnie saw the chance to make some big money. You're gonna work for us now, she said. Kathy refused. Bonnie and Carol attacked Kathy, ripped off her clothing, and tied her naked to a chair... Her four day ordeal of torture began.

Kathy escaped by chewing through the cords that bound her. Pretending she was unconscious, she waited until Bonnie left the apartment for a pack of cigarettes, quickly dialed 911, grabbed a sheet to cover her nakedness and fled the apartment. She hid in the stairwell until she heard the sirens of the police ambulance...

Horrified, hospital security guards keep a close watch on Kathy. They keep changing her from room to room so that the friends of James and Bonnie and Carol and Danielle can't get to her. They've tried three times and will probably try again. Nobody wants her to testify. You see, Bonnie and Carol are in jail, indicted by a grand jury on charges of kidnapping and first degree assault.

"16 hours a day of assembly line sex, servicing as many as 30 to 40 clients a day."

Kathy will be flown home soon by air ambulance. She will need extensive skin grafts and a lifetime of good memories to at least partially erase the horror that will always remain just behind her eyes.

I think Kathy has learned about our adult world. I think she has gained insight. I think she has looked upon the face of evil.

She's paid a terrible price for her knowledge — and I don't think she'll make the same mistake again. But it will happen again — to other kids.

You see, we adults have taught millions of kids like Kathy the same kind of lies that deceived and almost destroyed her: that it's O.K. to be seductive, to be erotic, to be a sex object.

Just watch the jeans commercials. Just watch Dynasty and Dallas and General Hospital. Just go see the movies Police Academy and the new Where the Boys Are.

We've taught millions of kids who grow up to be respectable business types that it's O.K. to desire children.

They've watched the same commercials and TV shows and films. They've learned that it's O.K. to pay for sex and to be paid for it. Even when the merchandise offered for sale is a teenager.

The well-patronized and protected sex industry trumpets the freedom of the American Consumer to pick and choose from a veritable smorgasbord of commercially available sex. You name it, you can buy it. Free from guilt, free from accountability.

Things will change when we do. Not before.

Pray for us here at Covenant House. It's not easy to deal with the pain of these children — and the anger. I guess I shouldn't have called James and Danielle and Carol and Bonnie animals. I didn't do that to the hundreds of businessmen who patronize that brothel.

But, it sticks in my craw and I guess it's a measure of my own lack of compassion and understanding, but I find it hard to ask you to pray for James and Danielle and Bonnie and Carol.

Thanks for helping our kids. Because of you, kids like Kathy have a place to run and get help when evil reaches out to destroy them.

Yes, I believe that kids like Kathy should not have to suffer the degradation of sexual abuse. Enclosed is my gift of: \$ _____ please print:

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