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katerí tekakwítha



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Once upon a time... long before the European settlers came to our country,



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there lived members of the Iroquois nation.

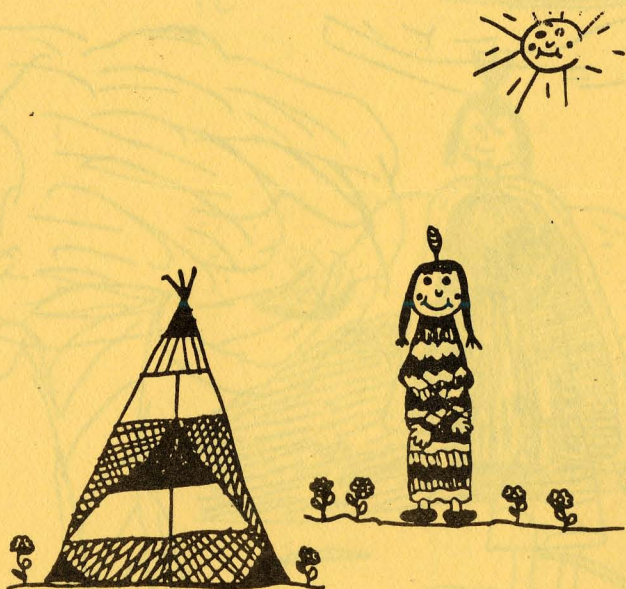


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In 1656 Kateri Tekakwitha was born.



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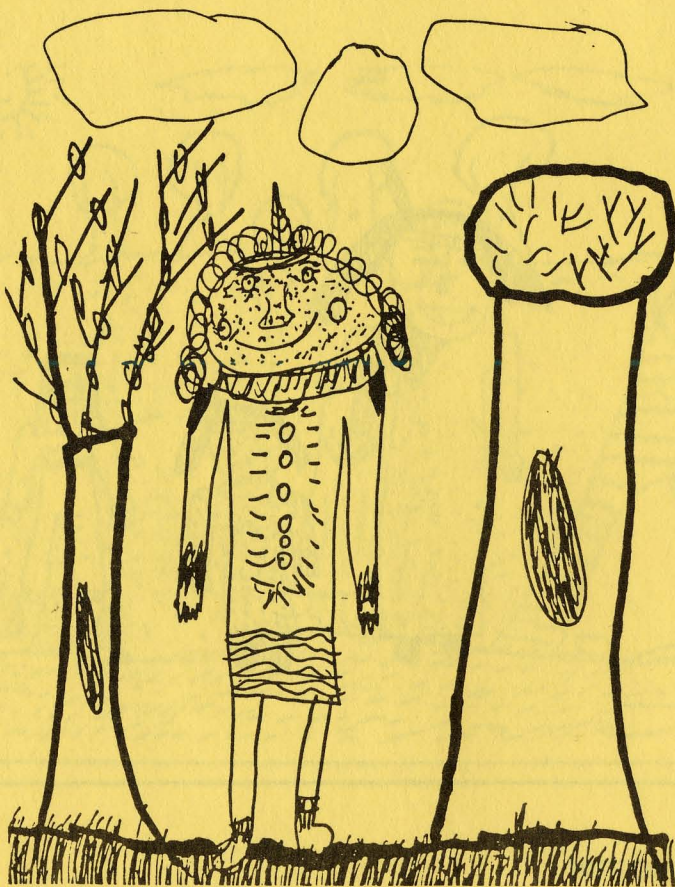


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When Tekakwitha was 3 years old, smallpox broke out in her village, killing all the members of her family.



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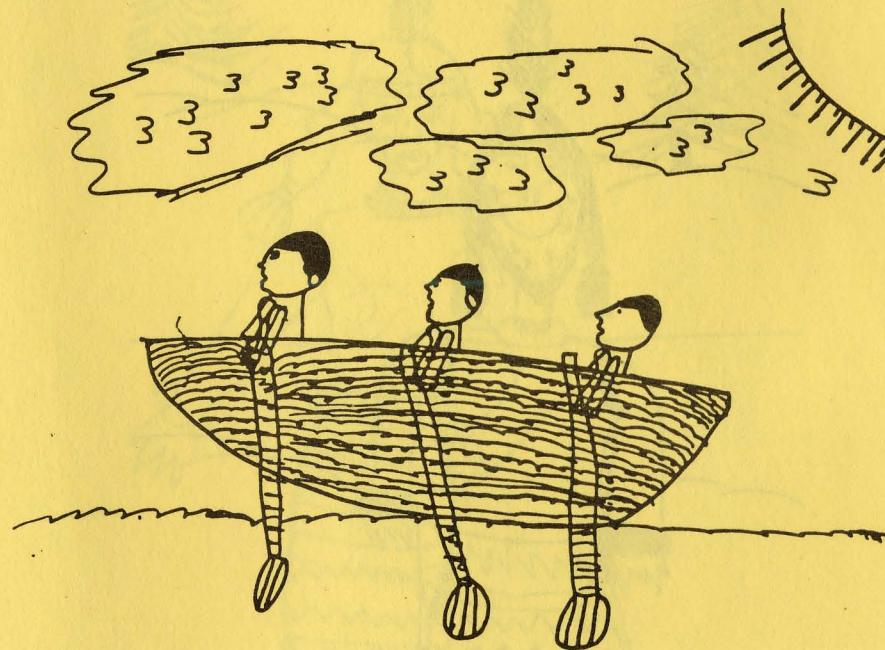


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Tekakwitha was left badly scarred and nearly blind.



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One day, French priests came to Kateri's village.

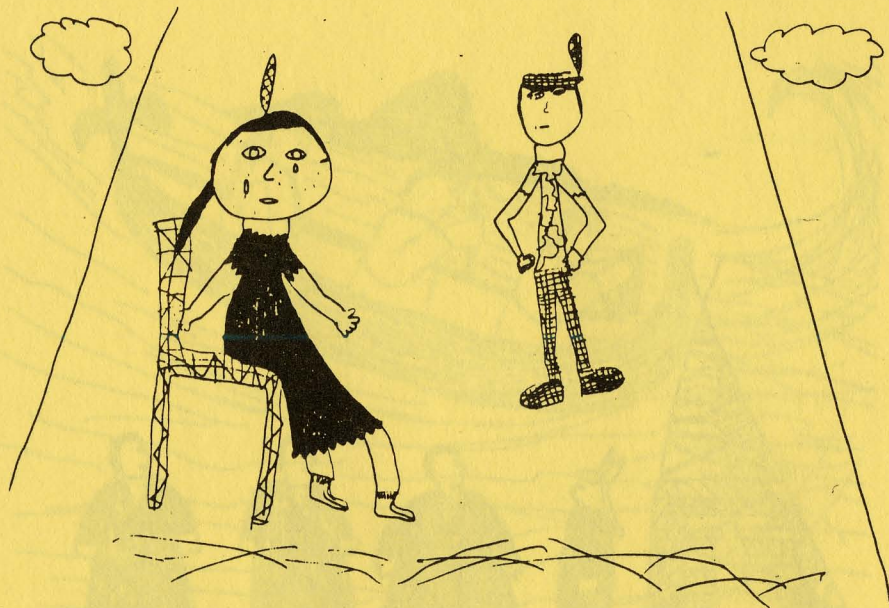


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They were nicknamed «Blackrobes» by the Indians.



Kuteri Tekakwitha did not want to marry.

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By the time she was of marriageable age she had decided never to marry.



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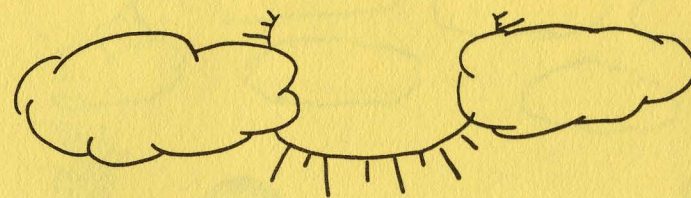
Instead she longed to be baptised a Christian.



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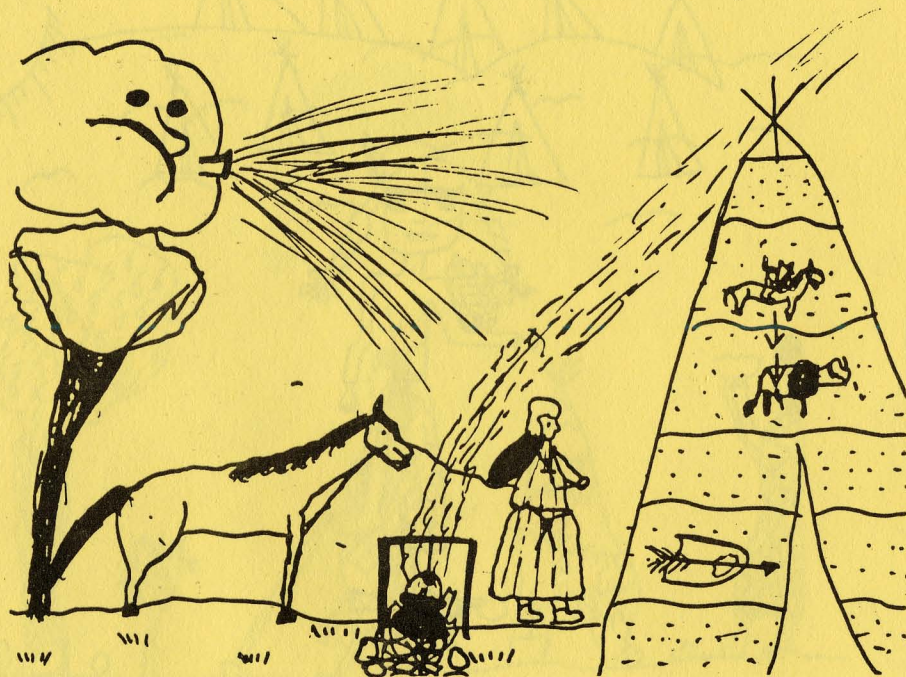


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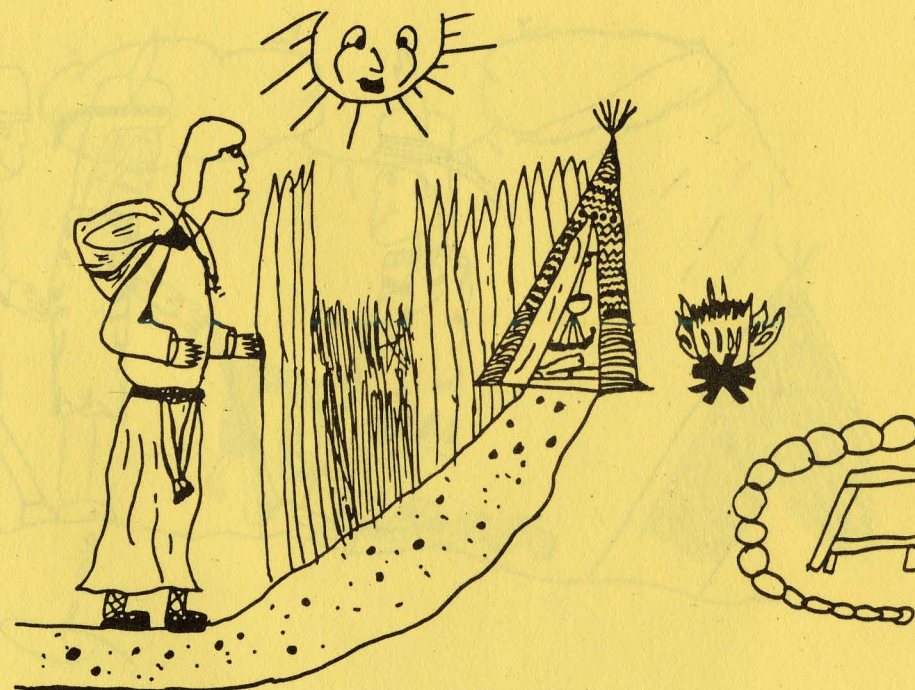
One day, she hurt her foot while working in the fields.



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While recovering in her tent, she heard a «Blackrobe» passing by.



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He stopped to comfort her.

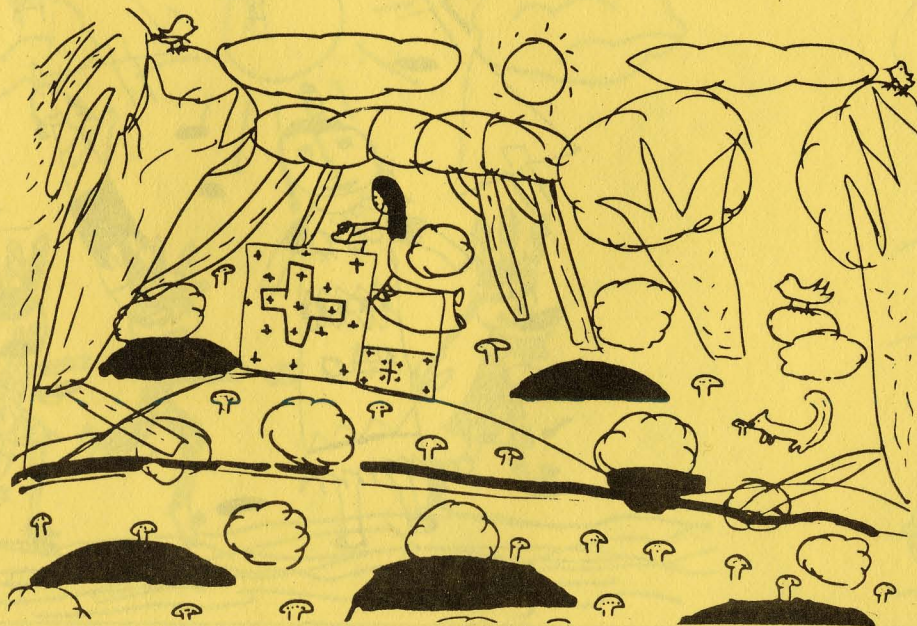


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Tekakwitha asked for his help in being baptised.



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And so it was that she became a Christian.



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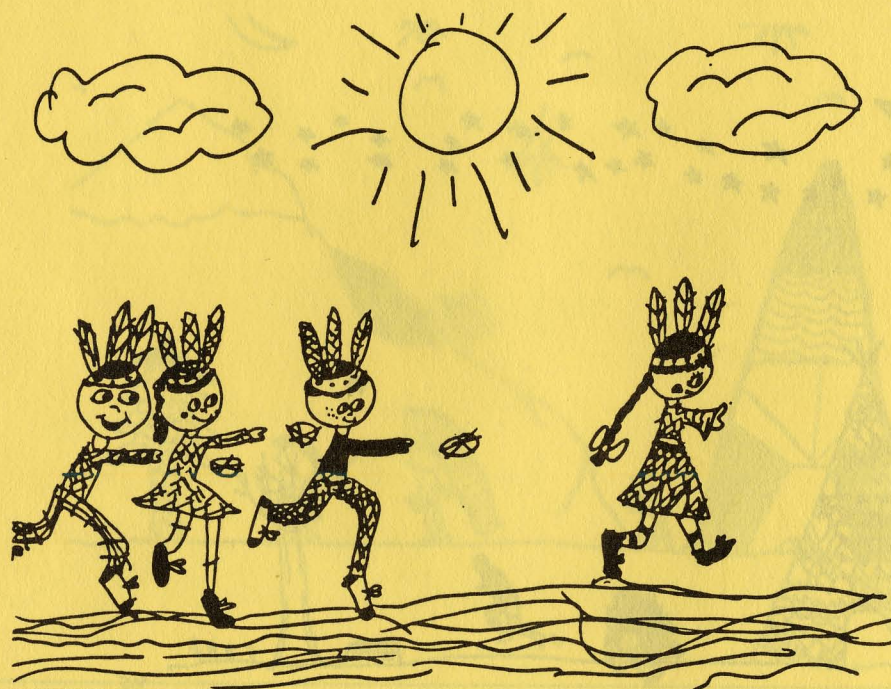


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But the tribe was angry with her.



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They teased, taunted and even stoned her.



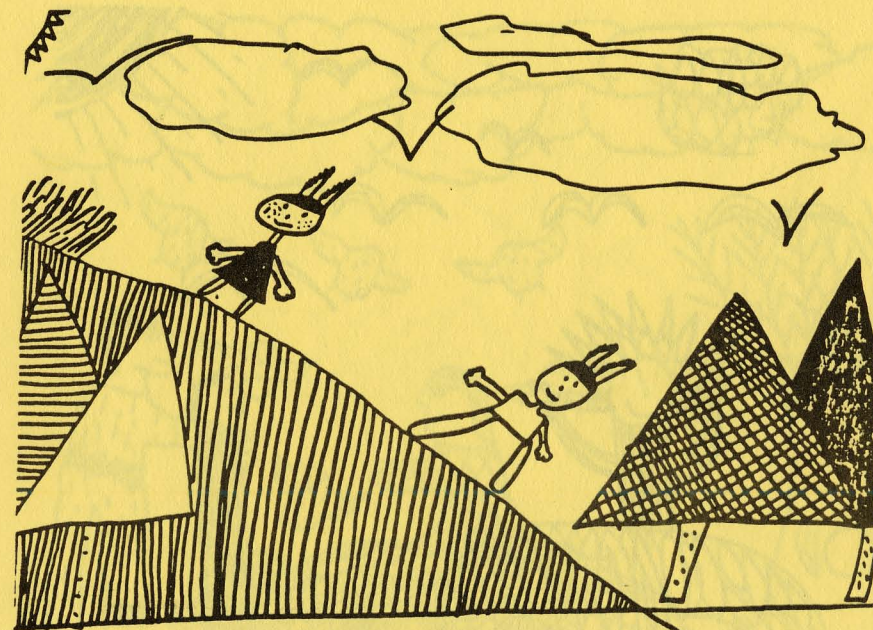
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Kateri decided to flee her native village.



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The chief of the village pursued her.



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But a kindly Huron Indian, who was also a Christian...

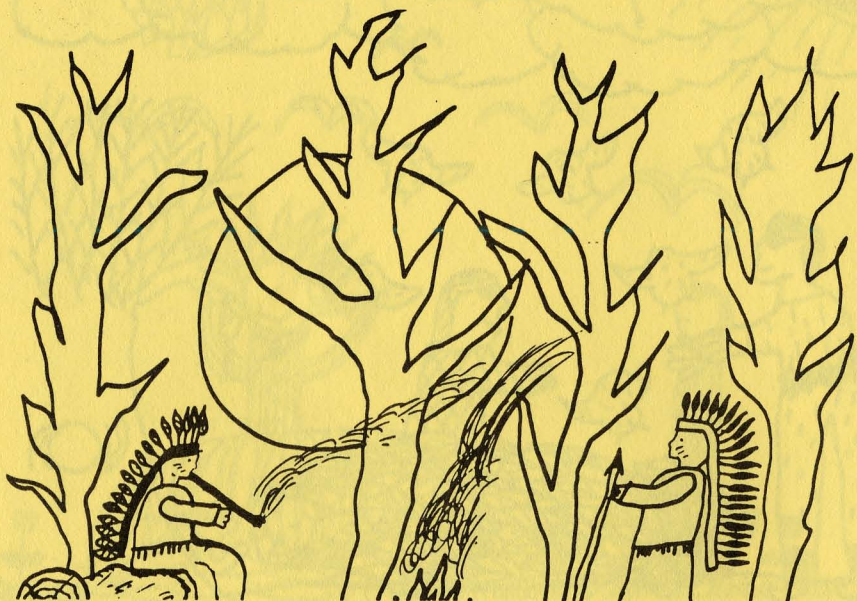


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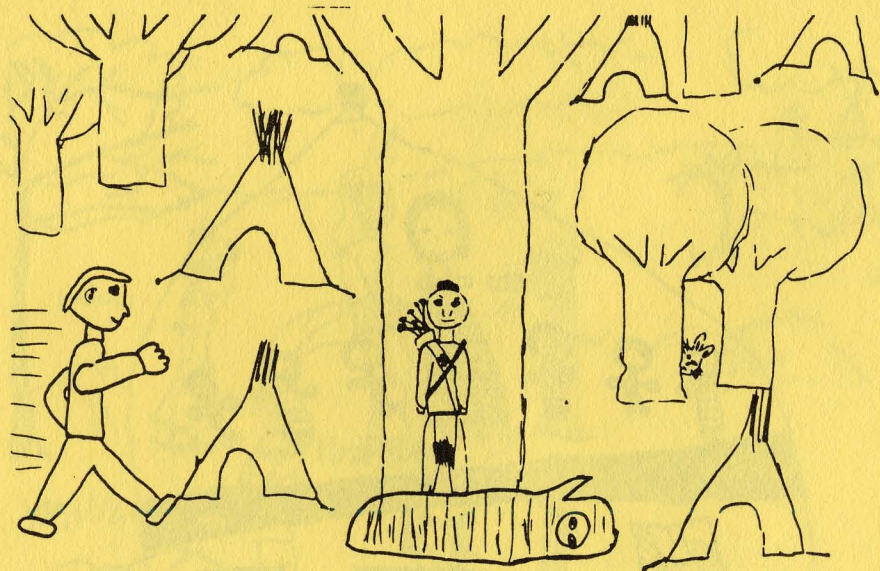
covered her with leaves and branches,



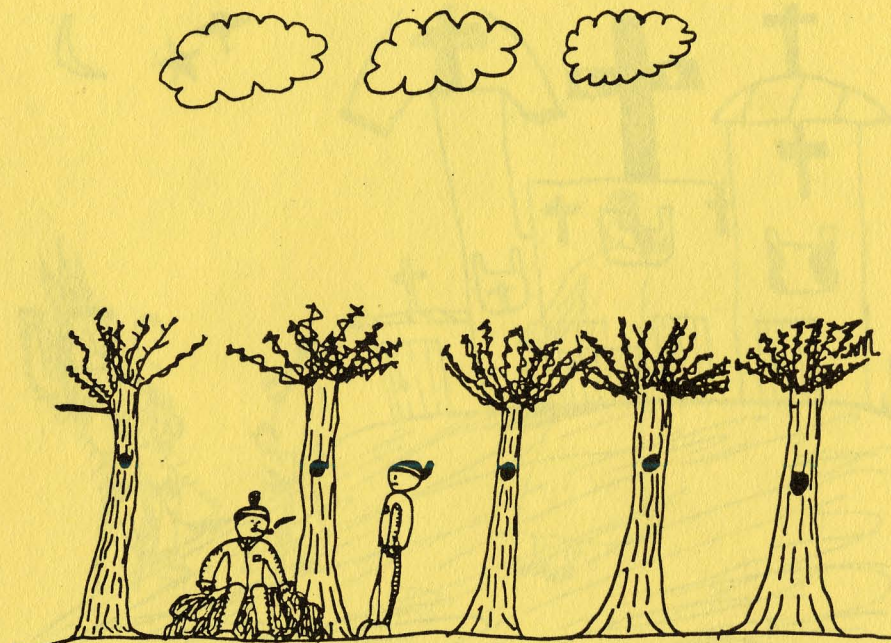
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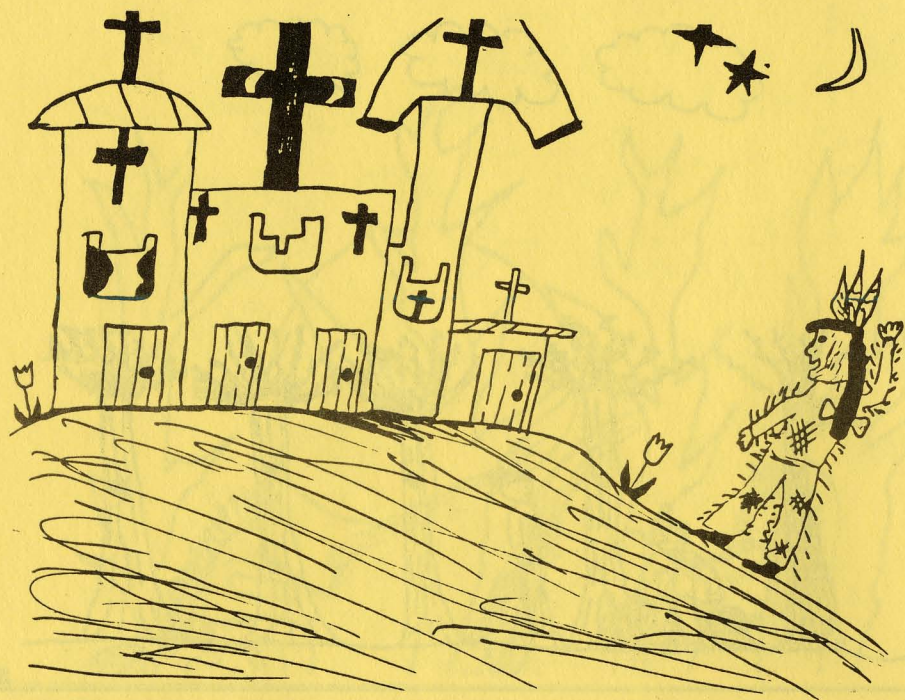


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to hide her from the chief.

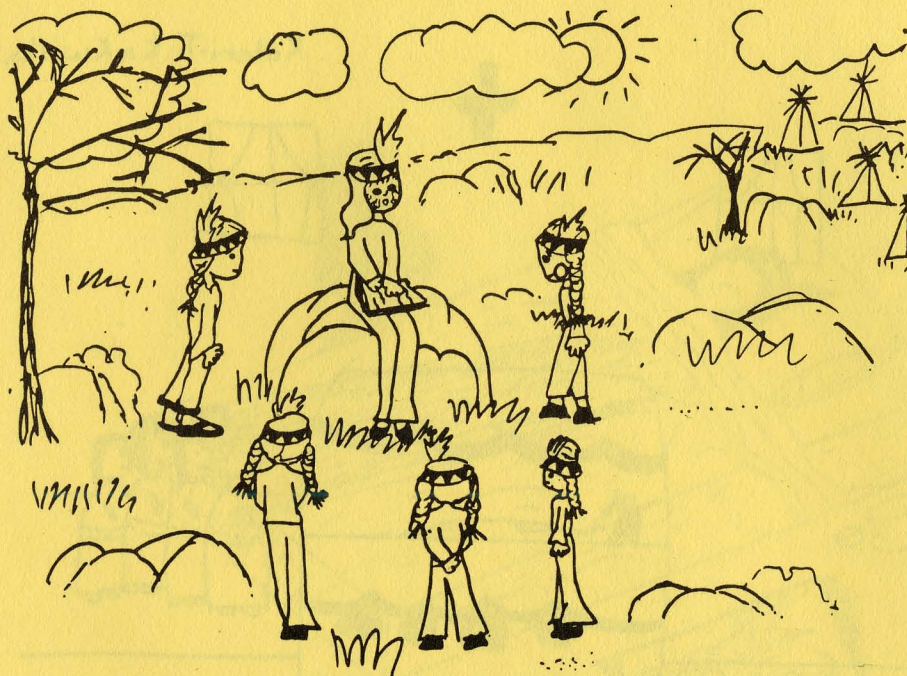


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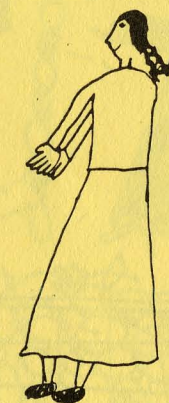


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Finally, she managed to reach her haven at the church.

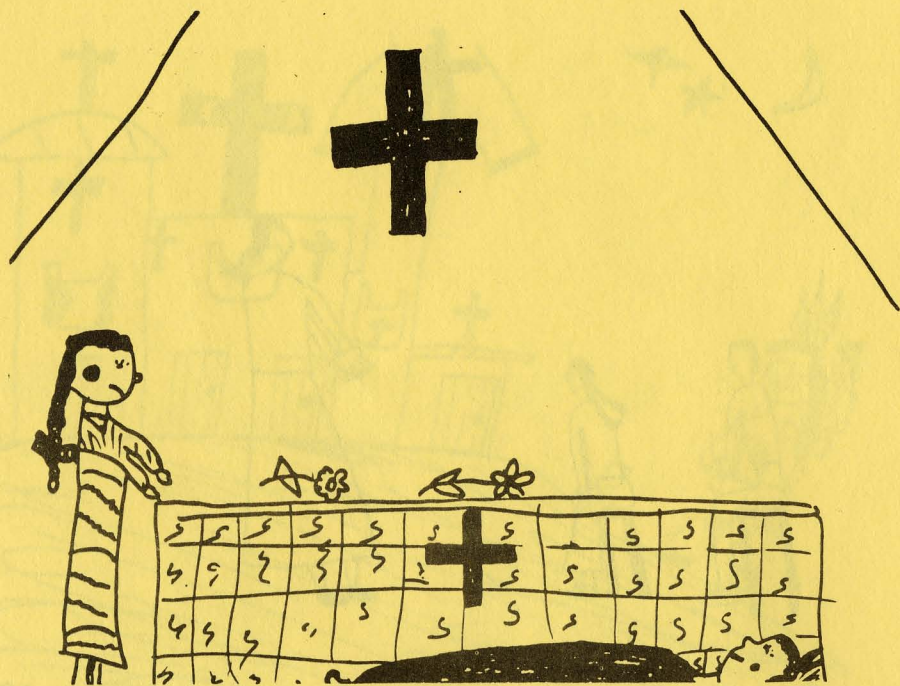


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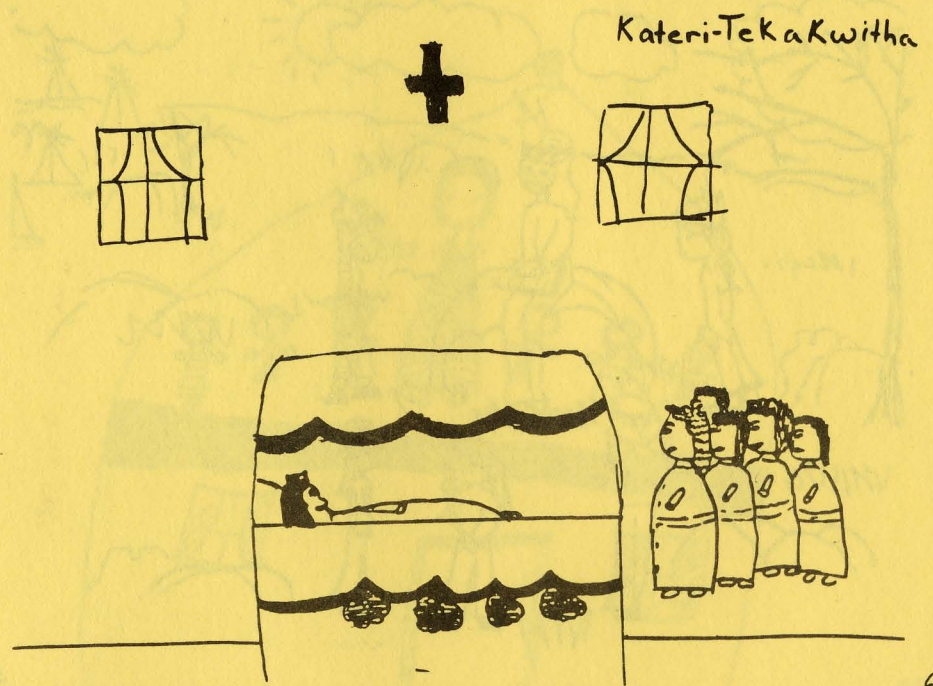


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There she taught the children songs and stories about God and his Son.

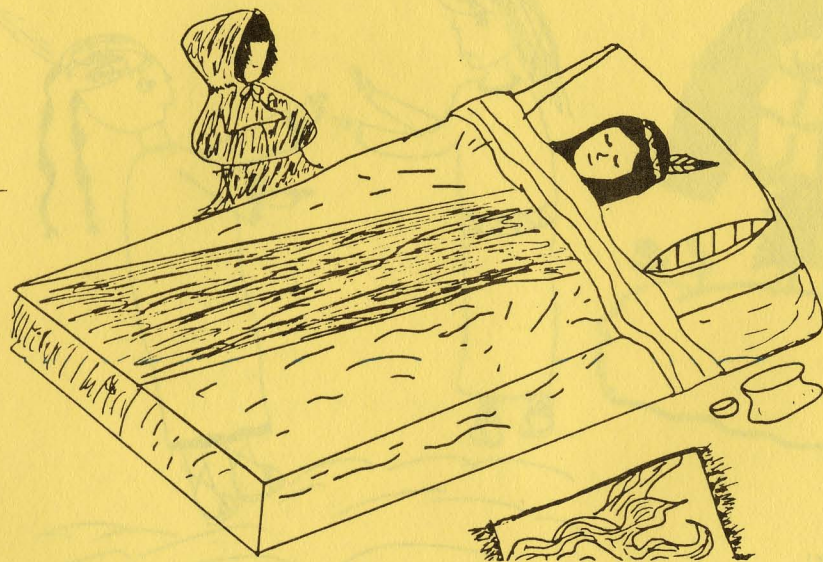


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She was only 24 years old when she died.

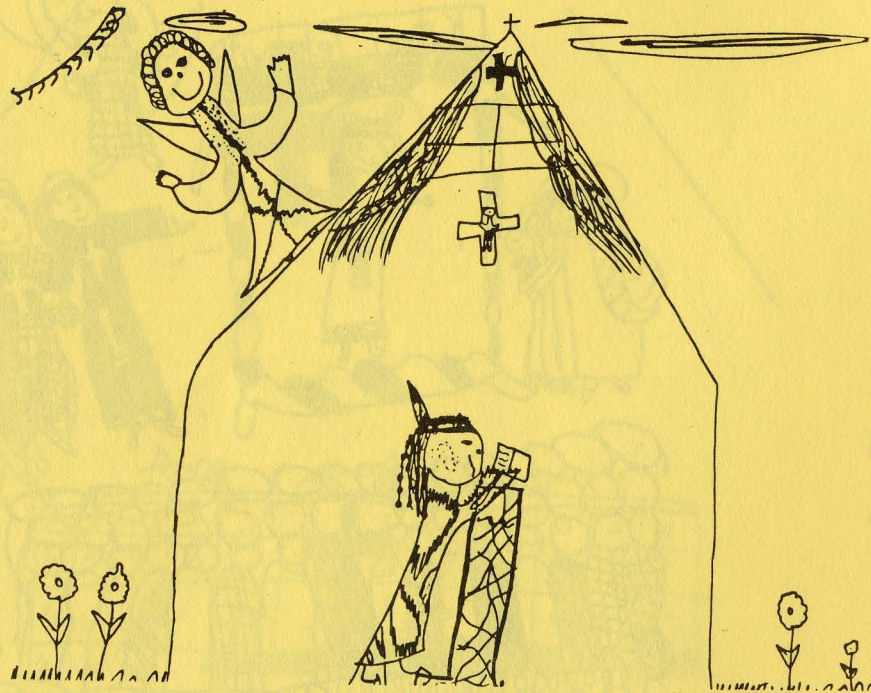


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To her sad friends she gave a happy sign of new life.



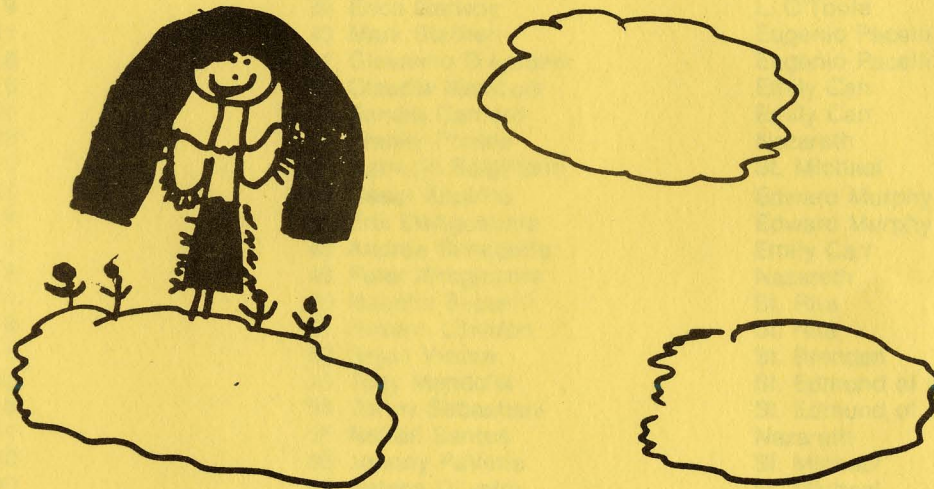
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And at long last she was able to see the wonders of heaven.

Illustrated by children from the Catholic School Commission of Montreal

NAME	SCHOOL	AGE			
1 Angela Wlasenko	Nazareth	9	36 Anna Maria Schipano	Edward Murphy	9
2 Monica Castro	Nazareth	8	37 Carla Azevedo	Nazareth	11
3 Francesco Gaveglia	Francesca Cabrini	11	38 Anna Maria Insogna	St. Brendan	10
4 Miguel Lescarbeau	Edward Murphy	9	39 Erica Gariepy	L. O'Toole	9
5 Vijay Patel	Luke Callaghan	11	40 Mark Staffieri	Eugenio Pacelli	8
6 Catherine Deer	St. Brendan	8	41 Giovanni D'Aprano	Eugenio Pacelli	9
7 Rosalia Bentwegna	St. Edmund of Canterbury	9	42 Claudia Maciocia	Emily Carr	7
8 Ivan Dolinsek	St. Michael	10	43 Sandra Carriero	Emily Carr	8
9 Carmelo Papasodaro	Edward Murphy	10	44 Franky Pontes	Nazareth	9
10 Nadia Fallavollita	Edward Murphy	9	45 Carmelo Sciglitano	St. Michael	10
11 Christina Wlasenko	Nazareth	10	46 Cesar Espiritu	Edward Murphy	10
12 Victor Dasilvo	Nazareth	9	47 Erik DeAgostinis	Edward Murphy	9
13 Patricia DiVinzzenzo	Holy Family	9	48 Andrea Benedetto	Emily Carr	7
14 Fernanda Macedo	Nazareth	9	49 Peter Xirogiannis	Nazareth	10
15 Lidia Primavera	Holy Family	11	50 Isabelle Buzzetti	St. Rita	9
16 Eleni Lavidas	Nazareth	9	51 Roxane Liboiron	St. Rita	9
17 Giovannina Giacomodonato	St. Michael	11	52 Bryn Vincze	St. Brendan	10
18 Loredana Imbrogno	St. Michael	10	53 Tony Mendolia	St. Edmund of Canterbury	11
19 Marianne Uatergaris	Nazareth	8	54 Danny Sebastiani	St. Edmund of Canterbury	9
20 Gino Iannantuoni	St. Edmund of Canterbury	11	55 Neftali Santos	Nazareth	11
21 Erasmo Saltarelli	St. Rita	10	56 Johnny PaVeria	St. Michael	11
22 Danny Reg	Holy Family	10	57 Helena Oliveira	St. Michael	8
23 Peter Campisi	St. Michael	9	58 Ann Lew	St. Brendan	9
24 Christina Zaluski	Edward Murphy	9	59 Raffaella Caruso	St. Michael	9
25 Dora Tavares	Nazareth	9	60 Gina Capone	St. Rita	8
26 Domenic Piazza	Holy Family	9	61 Suzanna Bonofiglio	Emily Carr	10
27 Angelica Rozzi	Edward Murphy	9	62 Anne-Marie Martino	St. Brendan	10
28 Michel Deschenes	Francesca Cabrini	11	63 Ailish Hicks'	Edward Murphy	9
29 Lia Ferrara	Emily Carr	10	64 Nancy Pimental	Edward Murphy	10
30 Natasha St. Amour	Luke Callaghan	9	65 Rose Mary Porco	Eugenio Pacelli	8
31 Patrizia Giannone	L. O'Toole	8	66 Julie Prsa	Edward Murphy	8
32 Emanuel Farias	St. Brendan	10			
33 Antonella Lo Giurdice	St. Michael	10			
34 Mar y Greco	Eugenio Pacelli	9			
35 Elizabeth Rebelo	St. Brendan	9			

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