

# Just Waiting For My Family



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Written with gratitude and respect  
to Radoslav, Konstanza, and Yulia  
who gave our sons life; to Merrily,  
Mary, Karl and Adriana who united  
us as a family.

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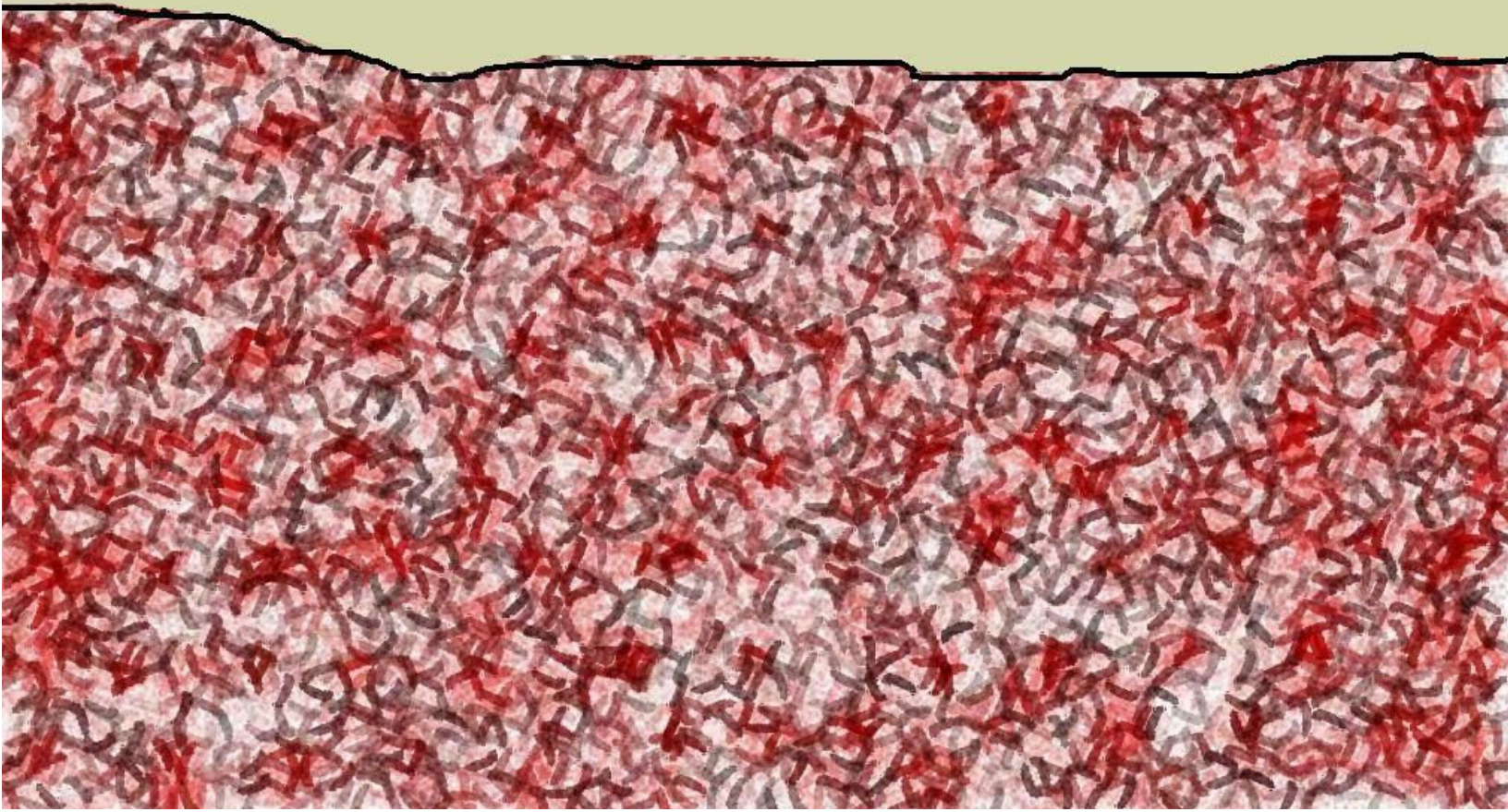


Told with love to my very  
warm and wonderful sons,  
Velizar and Anton, and to  
their daddy, Bob.



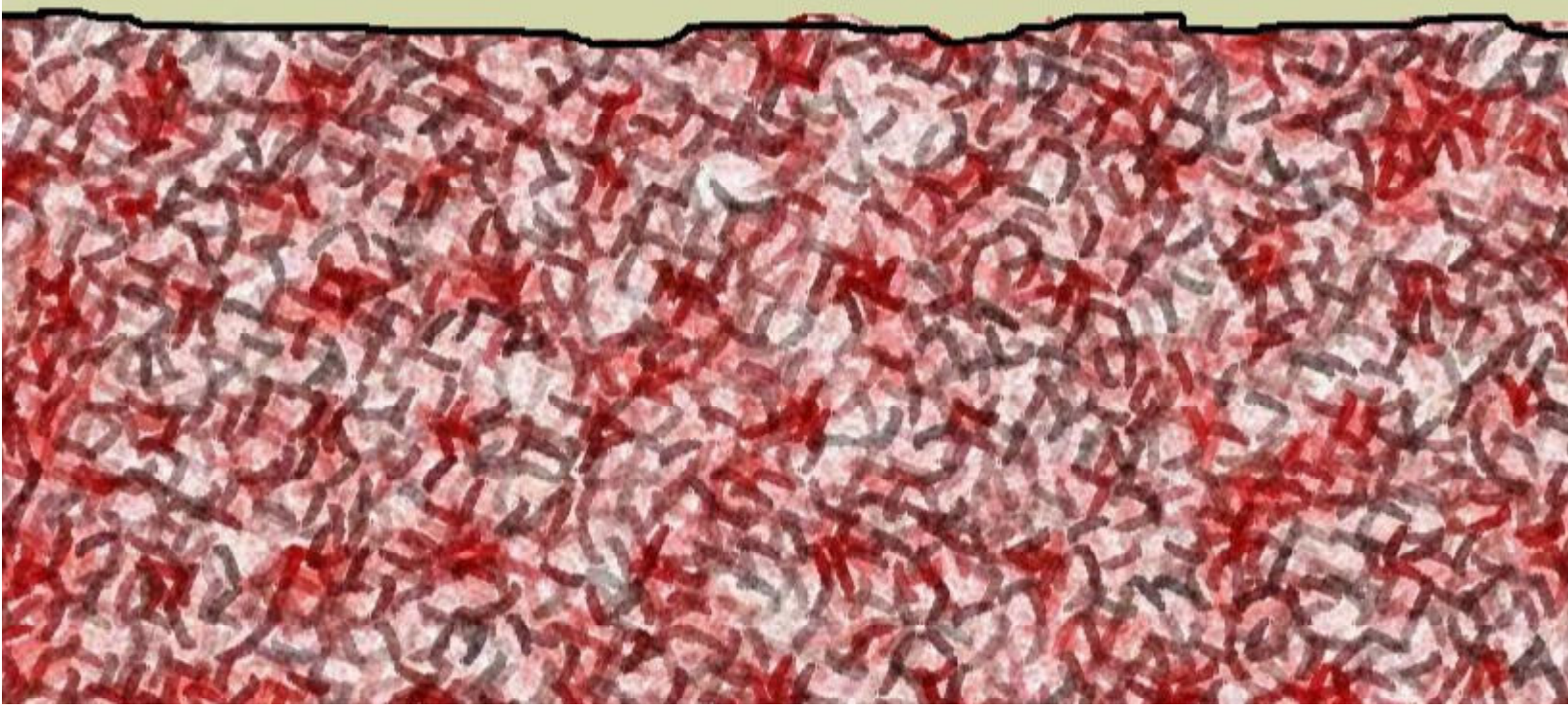
Ever since I could remember I lived upstairs in the Home. It was way up on a hill. You could see village houses and the road from our window. My family did not live there, but I knew that someday they would come for me.







My best friend was Sergei. He lived in the Home too. He was little, so I protected him and made sure that he got enough to eat. Sometimes Big Ivan tried to take things away from Sergei.



Kristo, Elena, Ivo, and Little Ivan lived with us too. We used to share cribs, but then we got too big. We were together for a long time, kind of like brothers and sisters.

