

THE STORY OF AHMED (HAMOUDA) CHERIF

Project Life

Project Life Supporting
Children of War & Natural Disasters
& Children with
Rare Medical Conditions.

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Ahmed is an 8-year-old boy from the City of Tunis in Tunisia.

Since birth, he has had an undiagnosed chronic illness that affects multiple bodily systems.

Ahmed's parents, Mariem and Amjed, diligently sought medical diagnoses and treatment from pediatricians and specialists in Tunisia.

Unfortunately, no sustainable solution to improve his quality of life and allow him to grow and thrive effectively was realized.

AHMED'S MEDICAL CONDITION

- He suffers from paralysis of the left side of his face and a split tongue so he cannot properly masticate his food. This causes severe acid reflux to the point where he does not sleep through the night.
- This has resulted in minimal weight gain and abnormal growth; a condition called “failure to thrive”.
- At 8 years old he weighs 37 pounds and stands 43 inches tall. A bone growth delay causes him to be very small for his age.





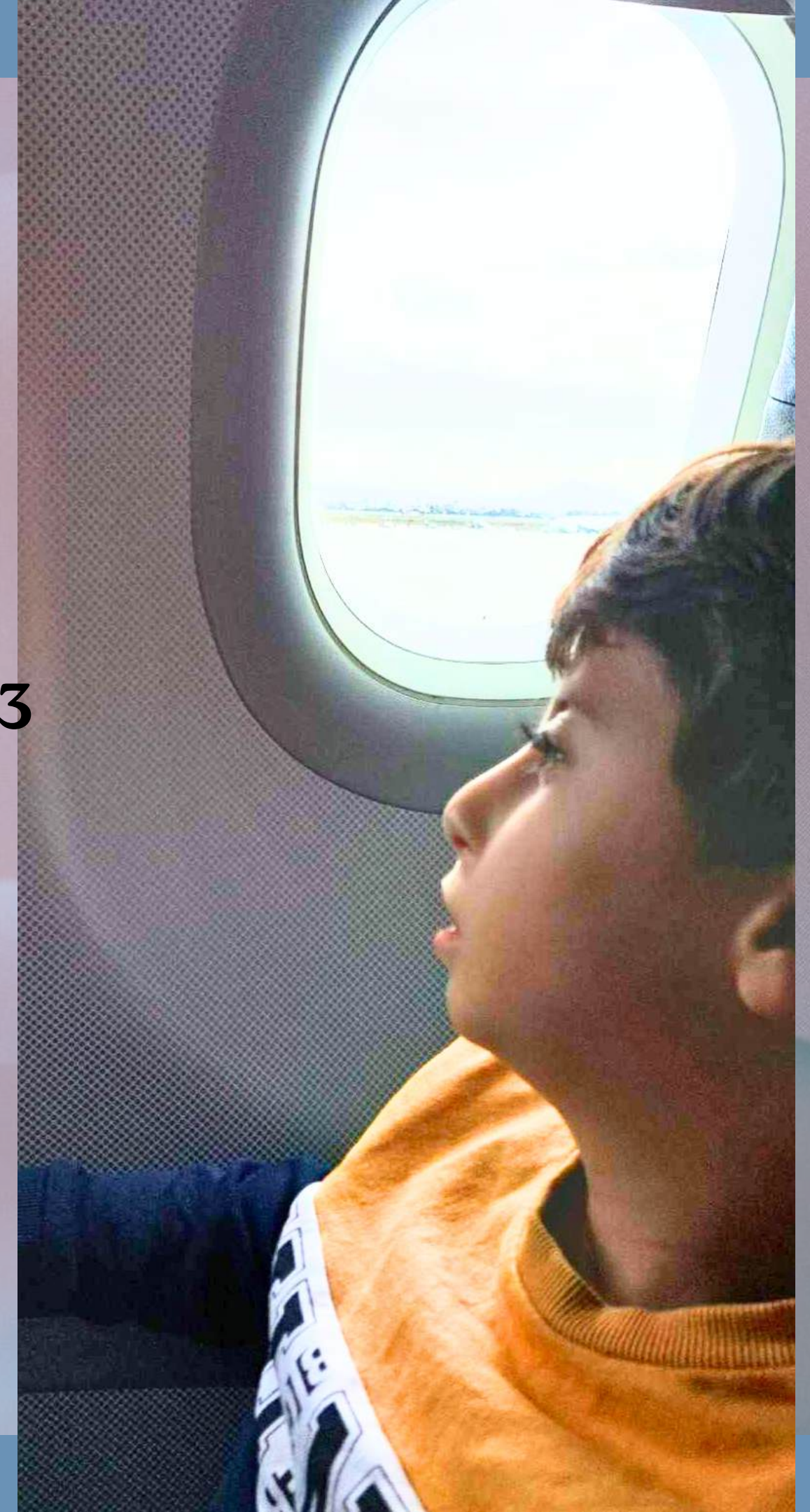
- Ahmed was born with clubfoot and has had two surgeries to correct the deformity.
- He wears orthotics on both legs.
- He has been diagnosed with a very rare birth defect called moebius syndrome in which the 6th and 7th cranial nerves are absent or underdeveloped.
- Ahmed is entirely non-verbal.
- He is not independent and requires assistance with personal hygiene.
- He also suffers from respiratory issues and low immunity.
- Ahmed has not been able to access education and socialization due to his health condition, which is declining as he ages.

JOURNEY TO THE USA

Through the support of family members in the Medina, New York area, Ahmed and his mother Mariem were granted a medical visa to travel to the united states.

They left everything behind and arrived in January 2023 in hopes of finding answers and receiving the help that Ahmed so desperately needs.

Mariem's relatives in Medina are financially and practically limited due to the needs of their own young family and living on a single income.





MEDICAL INTERVENTION

Ahmed is a patient at Golisano Children's Hospital in Rochester, New York.

He has been referred for consultations with the surgery, Neurology, Gastrointestinal, and Orofacial teams.

He has a long series of tests and assessments ahead of him before any real diagnosis and treatment plan is expected.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

Project life has made a commitment to assist by providing a monthly stipend towards living expenses, medications, personal care products, and transportation.

We will also be offering help with driving, recreation, and education for Ahmed and Mariem.

The family would like to purchase assistive technology to help Ahmed communicate his needs to his family and the providers around him.

Project life intends to contribute to this also, in addition to helping with the family's fundamental financial needs.





FINANCIAL AND OTHER NEEDS

The hospital has advised the family to apply for financial aid within their institution and through emergency medicaid. As of now, they have NO confirmed financial aid for health care costs.

This is a very unique opportunity for us all to do some amazing service.

If you would like to help this family financially or offer practical help, or anything else, please get in conact with Shareefa Sabur.

Please visit the WLI website and help spread the word to fundraise for Ahmed.

In spite of all these challenges, Ahmed is a very loving, patient, and gentle boy.

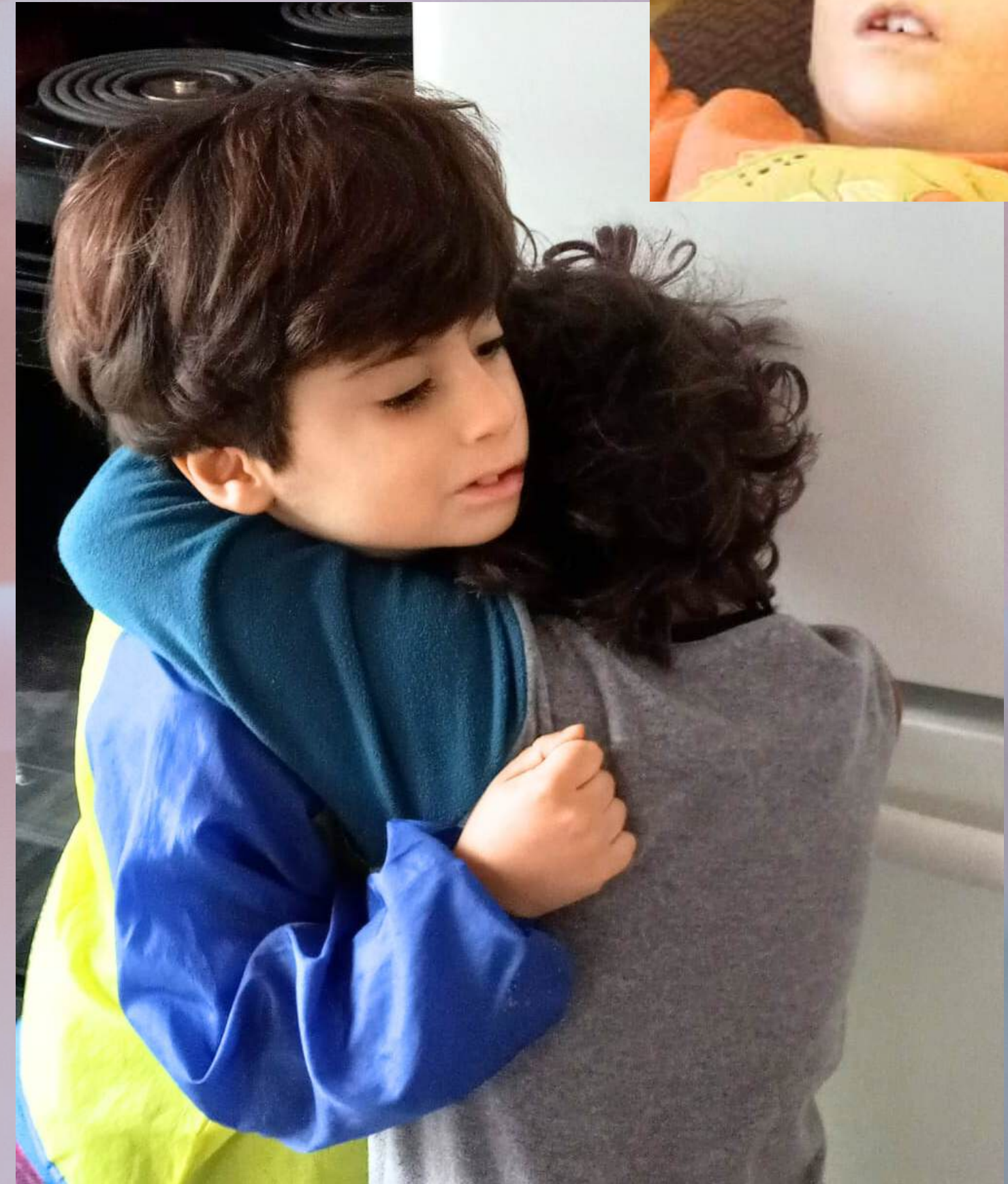
Even though he is unable to communicate with his peers, he loves to be around other children and loves social gatherings.

He likes the taste of coffee and will try to take a sip when no one is looking.

His family are extremely thankful for all the love and support that project life is able to offer.

They left everything behind and came to the unknown and Allah SWT brought them to us.

AHMED NEEDS OUR HELP.



Mariem and Amjed are extremely thankful for this openingning from Allah Subhana.

In this test they are in sbr & together we can make a difference in saving one life!

Don't let them go empty handed.

Thank You **for your support!**

