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† Yellow Butterfly: A Story from Ukraine

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Stark images in black and white lead this sympathetic wordless picture book about a girl who's enduring the war in Ukraine. Her days are harsh and limited; she feels trapped, and danger exists everywhere. But her fear and despair are interrupted by a happy sight: a luminous butterfly flits by. She follows it beyond the scary places and refuse; she is reminded that a possibility-filled world still exists beyond these dark circumstances. The war will end; she'll spread her own wings again soon.

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