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My Grandfather's Home

Pendagiou, Greece

Tin, corrugated and rusted, now covers
what was once the roof, a few lichen-
stained tiles lie scattered.
Three walls remain; in places, vines
sprout across the uneven grey stone.
My daughter and I bend;
we peer under
a muddy tarp that cloaks
a rubble of fallen stones
as if saved for the day the granddaughter,
and the great-granddaughter could cross
the Atlantic, drive the dizzying
mountain roads to kneel
on the April grass
and reach their arms inside, pick one stone
to carry home.

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