

Dear Parishioners of All Saints Catholic Church:

THANK YOU! That's to everyone at All Saints for everything you have done with Atlanta Habitat. I discovered Habitat for Humanity in 2014 while I was living in New York. At the time, I was dealing with extremely high rent costs and living paycheck to paycheck. Habitat for Humanity seemed like an amazing opportunity. When I was about to apply for their program, my family received the devastating news that my sister, who lived in Atlanta, was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. My mother and I decided to come to Atlanta and help my sister battle cancer. After about six months, I made the decision to move down permanently.

I applied for Atlanta Habitat's program and after months, received the exciting news that I had been approved. Once approved, everything was smooth sailing because I had already made it a priority to monitor my spending and my credit. The hard part was waiting to hear if I would qualify for a house or not. When I applied, we were living in a one-bedroom basement apartment with two other adults. When my nephew needed a place to stay, I knew we had to move. We then moved into a four-bedroom house with many issues. The conditions were unlivable, and the management refused to make the necessary repairs. I knew we had to find a better situation.

Owning a home means the absolute world to me. I will finally be able to give my children everything I never had growing up. Not only the opportunity to live in a house as opposed to an apartment, but also finally having the ability to save money and plan things like family vacations. These are things I never had growing up, and I am so excited that I finally have that opportunity. I no longer have to just spend money on essentials and live paycheck to paycheck; I can now afford a few treats for me and my family.

To everyone at All Saints Church, I just want to say that you have made my dream of becoming a homeowner true. Thank you for selflessly helping complete strangers achieve affordable homeownership. This will truly be life changing for my family. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Warm regards,