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## **Join the Kickoff Celebration for the Methodist Build, Habitat House #109, July 17!**

A home of her own means security for Disheba Allison and her family. With the support of Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC) and many generous donors, she and her family will be in their own home soon. Please join us on Tuesday, July 17, 5 pm, for the Kickoff Celebration at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 908 S Martin Luther King Jr., in Springfield. Meet future Habitat homeowner, Disheba, and learn more about this build.

“I grew up in a home my mom owned and I want the same for my kids. It means security to me.” Disheba said. “I always wanted the kids to have their own rooms and to have a yard to play in. They’ll be able to grow up in their own space now.”

Disheba, a young mother of two children, works in customer service for a company in Springfield. She heard about the Habitat home building program just over a year ago, when she was still expectant with her son. She decided that if she worked hard she could get a home of her own. She contacted Habitat and to her surprise, was accepted into the home ownership program sooner than she expected. Disheba is currently completing her sweat equity hours and has selected a lot in Grandview for her new home.

Habitat House #109 is being made possible by Athens UMC, Auburn UMC, Cantrall UMC, Cotton Hill UMC, Douglas Avenue UMC, Laurel UMC, Rochester UMC, Sherman UMC, Springfield First UMC, Sugar Creek UMC, Williamsville UMC, and Steve Koch of Koch, Sylvia and Associates with Ameriprise Financial who are funding this home and coming alongside Disheba to build it.

“We’re grateful for our generous sponsors who have been fundraising and planning this home build for months,” said HFHSC executive director Colleen Stone. “Once this home is completed, she will pay a zero percent interest mortgage, provided by Habitat, and property taxes. It’s a hand up for hard-working families like Disheba’s and strengthens our communities.”

For more information about the Kickoff on July 17 or to join the efforts to provide simple, decent, affordable housing, visit <http://www.habitatsangamon.com> or call 217.523.2710. Habitat for Humanity is currently recruiting volunteers for this and future Habitat projects in Sangamon County.

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