

## The Wright Family

For the last eight years Chad and Tanya Wright and their four children - Zandra 17, Matthew 15, Quincy 13, Aliyah 8 - have lived in a broken-down, cold, drafty, two bedroom apartment over a warehouse.

Their only entrance (or exit) to the apartment is an old rusted fire escape with rotting boards on the landing. The apartment has some serious structural issues; rotted floors, leaking roof, inoperable windows, shifting

walls, and insufficient hot water. The Wrights are also fiercely overcrowded with six family members sharing 2 bedrooms. Their only source of heat is a small kerosene heater that doesn't supply sufficient heat for the apartment. These harsh living conditions have caused all of them to have medical conditions attributed to the cold and damp environment but Quincy, who has severe asthma, is affected the most.



Chad said, *“It took me 38 years to be able to say I’m going to have my own house. I can’t wait to get started on the chores that are included with homeownership such as mowing the grass and trimming bushes, along with enjoying the family barbeques in my own yard.”*

Tanya shared, *“I’m so looking forward to a home where the children can stay warm and the water is hot, which for years has been difficult to achieve in our current home. This is truly a blessing to us and a brighter future for our family.”*

All four children are excited to be moving to a house they can truly call home. Zandra said, *“I just want my brothers and sister to have a home they can live in and be happy.”* Aliyah remarked, *“Now all my toys will be in my room and when I have sleepovers, all of us will be able to sleep in my room.”*

They are thankful that God guided them to Almost Heaven Habitat for Humanity. The Wright family is looking forward to have a place to call home that they are proud of. *“To me, it’s a dream come true,”* said Chad. *“God brings great things to people who wait and are patient,”* added Tanya.

**The Wrights will be spending this winter in their new four-bedroom Habitat for Humanity home which will be built later this year on Lot # 8 in the Buffalo Hills subdivision in Franklin.**