

The Solis Family Profile

December and Gustavo are blessed to be the parents of four beautiful children. The oldest son, Gustavo Stetson (10), attends Kahn Elementary School and loves football. Dallas (8) also attends Kahn and prefers baseball. Collin (4) will start school in the fall, and their daughter, Paris (2), likes to play with dolls and pretend that she is their mother.

Gustavo and December are both 26 and were born and raised in Dallas, TX. People are amazed to learn that they have been together for 12 years! Gustavo is a maintenance mechanic, a great father and husband. December is a stay-at-home mom who has put her education on hold in order to raise their children and be there for the family. She says that raising children in today's society and keeping them focused is a challenge. She is proud to say that their children are well mannered, respectful, and helpful.

Owning their own home will create stability for the Solis family and allow them to live as they choose. Home ownership will help achieve their dreams. Their hope is that the children will live a good life, complete their educations, and one day be able to own their own homes.

Thank you note from the family:

We are so overwhelmed with the generosity of Habitat and our sponsors. We are so thankful that we want to continue volunteering even after we finish our home.

In Appreciation

The following organizations have provided support for the building of this home in partnership with the Solis Family, family and friends of Willie Tichenor, Highland Park UMC Carpenters for Christ, and Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity:

<i>The Church of the Living God Circle18 -HPUMC</i>	<i>Lake Highlands Bible Study Group Becky McCamey</i>
<i>Kay Fulton and Lucy McDonald Randy and Linda Golden</i>	<i>Reinelt Designs Sherwin Williams Paints</i>
<i>Grassroots Sunday School Class -HPUMC Labors 4 Neighbors</i>	<i>Univision Radio The White, Neely and Trapp Families</i>

- The second annual WillieBuild is dedicated to the memory of Willie Tichenor through service to the West Dallas Community. In addition to building this home with the Solis family, volunteers painted The Church of the Living God in memory of Lucas Cole. To learn more about Willie and Lucas, the projects, and to see photos of WillieBuild go to www.williebuild.com. Watch for updates about next year's WillieBuild.
- Since 1987, Dallas Area Habitat for Humanity, 4th largest Habitat affiliate in the world, has built over 600 homes in partnership with deserving families. Habitat has built more than 280,000 houses around the world, providing more than 1 million people in more than 3,000 communities with safe, decent, affordable shelter.
- The Solis Home is the 56th Habitat house sponsored by HPUMC Carpenters for Christ. Among faith-based lenders, HPUMC has the largest commitment in the world to Habitat.
- Habitat families must work 400 hours of sweat equity on their own home and on the homes of their Habitat neighbors. They must be employed and qualify for a 0% mortgage, which generally reduces their basic housing costs by 50%.

Service of Dedication The Solis Family Home



December, Paris (2), Collin (4), Gustavo, Dallas (8) and Gustavo (10)

**Saturday, May 24, 2008
1711 Bayside, Dallas, Texas**

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Service of Home Dedication

Greetings

Elizabeth Ethun, HPUMC – Associate Pastor, Cornerstone

Randy Golden, DAHfH Board of Directors

Opening Prayer

Bishop Alfred L. Norris, North Texas Conference
of the United Methodist Church

Song

Music by **Sarah Hazlett, Scott Bryan & Jeb Honeyman**

Introduction of the Family

Elizabeth Ethun, HPUMC – Associate Pastor, Cornerstone

Sponsor Remarks

Jane Parker, Volunteer Coordinator,
HPUMC Carpenters for Christ

David Waddell, DAHfH Faith Based Relations

Presentation of Gifts

These gifts are given at the dedication of every Habitat home around the world. Every 10 minutes, a family receives these gifts and becomes a Habitat homeowner.

Bread – Matt Merrill

When we break bread and share in a meal, we are a part of a community that cares for one another. May you share many happy meals together in your home.

Wine – Zach Fichtenbaum

When we share in a glass of wine, we celebrate the joy in our lives. May your home be filled with great joy and happiness.

Flowers – Laurie Eckeberger, Mimi Jacobie, Becca Roth,
and Shelby Sullivan

Flowers are God's reminder of new life and growth. May you grow in spirit and love in your new home.

Bible – Neil Moseley

Christians are a people of the Bible. We believe that these words come from God to teach us, nurture us, challenge us, and provide us with words of grace and hope. May God be in your home.

Toolkit – Robert Peddicord, House Leader, DAHfH

These tools are a gift from Dallas Habitat. We hope these will enable you and encourage you to always keep your home in good repair.

Housewarming Gifts:

Housewarming Basket – Patrick Milfeld

Wall Hanging – Megan Black

Created by HPUMC Cross + Stitchers for Christ

Key to the Home – The Cole Family

This is the key to your home. YOUR home.... May these walls keep you safe, may the rooms be filled with happiness, and may the door be open to new friends and happy memories.

Family Remarks

The Solis Family

Habitat for Humanity Homeowners

Benediction

Pastor Gary Warren, Church of the Living God

Go in peace to help one another, to show the love of God to a world that is desperately in need of hope and grace. Remember to reach out in love and to serve those in need. Amen.