Tornado victims move into new habitat homes for Christmas

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Habitat for Humanity of Indiana blitz built the exteriors of 10 homes in October and has just finished them in time for families to move into them by Christmas.

There was a celebration held last Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Henryville with the families, sponsors and volunteers that made this miracle possible. After the celebration, there was an open houses at the Twin Oaks subdivision, where the homes were constructed.

This disaster recovery project called "Raise the Roof Over Southern Indiana" was an accelerated building project designed to help 10 families rebuild after the devastating tornados that swept through the region in March.

Over 1500 volunteers from around the state have helped build the homes and many sponsors helped raise the funding for this important build. Our corporate sponsors were Lowe's and Cummins. Our lead church sponsor was the Indiana Conference of United Methodist Churches. Our local Clark County sponsor was The Ogle Foundation.

Habitat began this build on October 7th and completed the homes by December 15th in just two months these families have a safe affordable place to call home. Many are looking forward to getting their Christmas tree up and ending a difficult year on a high note.

Habitat for Humanity has responded to numerous disasters in the United States and around the world and has served more than 80,000 families impacted by disasters like the one that hit Southern Indiana.

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry, that unites people of all races, religions and backgrounds to build homes around the world for families in need. Since its inception, HFHI has built more than 500,000 worldwide, providing more than 2.5 million people with affordable shelter.

Habitat for Humanity of Indiana represents 66 Habitat affiliates in the state and provides them with support in resource development, training, technical assistance, advocacy and disaster recovery services. Since 1984, Habitat affiliates have built or renovated 3996 homes serving the lowest income families in the state. For more information about us, visit our website at www.habitatindiana.org. or our facebook page with photos from the build.