



Thrivent Builds Mobile — Big Hit With Visitors

The Thrivent Builds Mobile (TBM), affectionately referred to as “The Big Red Truck” may be visiting a community near you.

This traveling exhibit shows the unsafe and cramped conditions many families live in—families who just need a hand up, not a handout.

At a recent Oklahoma City home dedication, Financial Representative Daryl Osmus spoke with a local couple. “They experienced what the exhibit informs visitors about: They went from earning \$60,000 per year to nothing



following an illness. They had no income for three years, but were able to get back on their feet with the help of

Habitat for Humanity. They expressed their gratitude for the support Thrivent Financial is providing to help others.”

The TBM visited two cities in the South Region this month—Nashville and Oklahoma City. It is scheduled to be in New Orleans for the ELCA Youth Gathering July 22-26

You can check the TBM 2009 Tour Schedule at Thrivent.Com to see if it will be in an area near you.

First Three Thrivent Builds Homes Dedicated

Baldwin County, AL



There were smiles all around at the dedication on March 7 when the Prim family received their new home.

For two years running, the South Alabama Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and the Baldwin Co. Habitat for Humanity Affiliate were the first in the nation to complete a home.

Chapter Specialist Ned Owens said, “Because of this project Thrivent members and fellow Lutherans from 12 congregations representing four synods got to know each other and formed lasting friendships.”

Oklahoma City

The second Thrivent Builds Home dedicated in the South Region was built by 17 Oklahoma County Lutheran congregations and the Oklahoma City affiliate.

This home—the result of a 3-week blitz build, was dedicated on May 9 in Hope Crossing, a Habitat development in the north-east part of the city.



Anita, a Global Services Project Manager, and her 12-year-old daughter and 5 grandchildren were very thankful to be able to move from their 2-bedroom apartment into a 4-bedroom home.

Tulsa

Saturday, May 16 was a great day for the Maupin family—52 attendees were present for the dedication of this latest Thrivent Builds with Habitat for Humanity home.

Three hundred forty volunteers from Tulsa metro area Lutheran congregations contributed a total of 1,952 hours to complete their 5th home in 4 years.

Join a Build Team from the South Region!

Mississippi Gulf Coast Community:
11/9 – 11/14

El Salvador Community:
8/28 – 9/6

South Region Scheduled Builds

Arkansas

Little Rock: rain delay
start date TBD

Alabama

Robertsdale: completed 3/7
Wylam: 4/18 – 6/20
Huntsville: 3/1 – 5/31

Tennessee

Chattanooga: 4/28 – 8/8
Maryville: 8/1 – 11/1
Greater Memphis: 9/18 – 11/1

Oklahoma

Claremore: rain delay
start date TBD
Tulsa: completed 5/16
Oklahoma City #1: completed 5/9
Oklahoma City #2: 9/19 – 10/10

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