



Future Homeowners Kent and Gena Childress



Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury is pleased to welcome the Childress family to its homeownership program.

“We are so grateful to everyone at Habitat. It is such a blessing that the community is coming together to help build a home with our family.”

Kent and Gena Childress, both natives of Mississippi, have experienced many trials over the past few years. Kent, a former police officer who served in Mississippi and with the Williamson County Sheriff’s Department, was injured in the line of duty. “I injured my back making an arrest, and it has never been the same.” Then, three years ago Gena, a retired teacher, was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. Today both Kent and Gena get by on social security disability due to their health challenges.

This Habitat for Humanity home will be a blessing in not only providing an affordable mortgage for the family, but will also be constructed to meet the future accessibility needs expected with Gena’s MS progression. “The modifications would cost thousands of dollars should we have to make them ourselves. It’s a great blessing,” said Gena.

The Childress’s have three sons - two of which live at home. Rob studies at Columbia State Community College, and Keith is enrolled at Nashville State Technical College. The Childress family attends Fernvale Church of Christ. “We enjoy spending time together as a family and are so grateful to our sponsors for providing this opportunity to build a home where our family time will be spent making memories.”

The Childress family will be one of the first families to build their home in our Willow Crest neighborhood in Fairview. Their build begins in Spring of 2019.