



Due to the concerns surrounding the spread of covid-19, the on-site volunteer component of the Charlotte Church Partners (CCP) build is suspended for the remainder of 2020. In its place, CCP congregations will have the opportunity to engage with the build and homeowner family in a safer, distanced way. For this year's build, Habitat of the Charlotte Region is implementing four events to stay engaged with this year's build.

1) Pre-build: Blessing of the Boards – August 19th through September 11th

All member churches are invited to take part in the blessing of our construction materials. If you choose to participate, Habitat staff will drop off one of the studs that will be used to frame the home. As with previous years, you are welcome to sign it; however, we encourage you to invite congregants to send prayers remotely in order to include those who are remaining at home. You may even include your Blessing of the Board in your weekly celebration, if you are willing to do so.



2) Build Start: Kickoff Event – September 12th (Saturday)

Habitat staff will record the start of the build, including a special message from site supervisor Katie Hanchuruck on the first framing day. Details on church participation will be announced as soon as possible. Video content from the kickoff will be sent to church leadership to share with the congregation, as well as posted to the CCP Facebook page.



3) Mid-build Update: Tour the Home – October or November

When the build reaches its halfway point, Habitat staff will record a virtual tour of the home, hosted by the site supervisor, Katie. As with the kickoff, the tour video will be sent to church leadership to share with the congregation and posted to the CCP Facebook page. The tour will focus on the room layouts, finishings chosen by the family, and provide the feeling of being on a build site. Marwen McDowell will be sharing weekly updates throughout the build as usual, which will also be posted to the CCP Facebook page.



4) End of the Build: Welcome Home! – Early 2021

Finally, when it's time to welcome Thesh and her family to their new home, we'll invite your church to send in messages and blessings. This might be by video, card, or [virtual celebration boards](#). While it won't be the same as a Home Dedication, we're finding new ways for every partner to celebrate a family's success in becoming a homeowner. Every church is also invited to come up with their own creative ways to recognize Thesh and her family's success.





Current list of participating congregations for 2020

Dilworth United Methodist Church
First Presbyterian Church
First United Presbyterian Church
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Memorial Presbyterian Church
Myers Park Baptist Church
Sedgefield United Methodist Church
Selwyn Avenue Presbyterian Church
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
St. Peter's Catholic Church
St. Peter's Episcopal Church
Westminster Presbyterian