Anny 221 Perry Street

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Despite facing obstacles throughout her life, Anny radiates gratitude. She "moved to the USA for a good life", says there are good people here and that she is happy to have a good job with good hours. Now, she also feels fortunate to finally have the opportunity to experience the stability that only a quality, affordable home of her own can provide.

She had to flee her home country, the Democratic Republic of Congo, to escape war. "Living in a refugee camp in Chad was difficult."

Today, Anny and her daughter, Lumiere (12), look forward to moving in to their new home and being involved in every step of the process. "We will be happier. We are excited for the home. We are excited for the instruction [homeownership classes]." Anny says, "I am ready and able to come help build."

She also has two adult sons, Gracia (30) and Pancrace (31), and four grandchildren ranging from one year old to six.

Anny works as a quality control specialist, inspecting glass to be used for car windows. In her free time, Anny enjoys reading, cooking, sewing and attending RCCG (The Redeemed Christian Church of God). Lumiere is an aspiring artists who likes to draw and wants to play volleyball next year as a sixth grader.

Lumiere also looks forward to getting a dog once they move in to their new home and have the space to play with them. The area where they live now is crowded and unsafe. "Lumiere doesn't play outside," Anny says. "We stay to ourselves."

Anny would like to thank the sponsors and all those who will help her get her home. She says the first thing she will do when moving in is thank God - then she's going to decorate! "I can't wait to put pictures up of my family."



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