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Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity conducted its latest home dedication today for its newest partner family, Osmar Gopar Ortiz, his wife Lucia Gonzalez Martinez and their two children. LOTO Habitat Board President Michael Wagner conducted the ceremony and Tom Reth, Board Member and Construction Chair, presented the house keys to Ortiz and family at their new home in Camdenton, MO. This is house number 19 built by Habitat at Lake of the Ozarks.

In addition, Board member and LOTO Habitat Vice President Charli Allee presented Ortiz with housewarming presents. Next the Ozark Hills Quilters Guild gifted Ortiz, his wife and two children with personalized handmade quilts.

Since 1999, Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity, which serves Camden County, MO, has helped a total of 84 people, including 56 children, leave behind inadequate housing situations and find a path to own their own homes.

Habitat offers a hand up, not a handout, as they partner with selected families who combine their own sweat equity along with a small down payment and then buy their home. LOTO Habitat offers their partner families an interest free mortgage.

LOTO Habitat for Humanity will be hosting seminars to select future homeowner partner families early next year. Locations and times will be announced soon. Anyone interested in learning about the Habitat program is welcome to attend one of these these information seminars. Families who wish to apply must attend one of these seminars to learn how the program works and to pick up an application for home ownership.

Anyone interested in learning about the Habitat program, or how they may help Habitat as a volunteer, may contact LOTO Habitat President Michael Wagner at 573-216-8540, or visit LOTO Habitat's website at www.habitatlake.org.