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**LOCAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES SPONSOR THEIR  
19<sup>th</sup> HABITAT HOUSE IN ASHEVILLE**

**ASHEVILLE, N.C. (June 1, 2010)** – For the nineteenth year, local Presbyterian churches are uniting to sponsor a Habitat house in Asheville. They will provide the funds and volunteers, and work in conjunction with the partner family, to build a safe and decent home in Habitat’s **Woodland Court** neighborhood. The media and public are invited to attend a wall raising event for this house this **Friday, June 4** at 12noon.

The eleven participating churches are:

- Black Mountain Presbyterian
- First Presbyterian Church of Asheville
- Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church
- Kenilworth Presbyterian Church
- Montreat Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC)
- Montreat Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)
- New Hope Presbyterian Church
- Reems Creek-Beech Presbyterian Church
- Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
- West Asheville Presbyterian Church
- Westminster Presbyterian Church

The short speaking program will include remarks from participating church leaders and Habitat staff, as well as words from the homeowner-to-be Wanda Bush. The event will conclude after Wanda and volunteers from the sponsoring churches raise the first wall of the 2-bedroom house.

Since 1983, Asheville Area Habitat for Humanity has welcomed more than 200 Buncombe County families to safe, decent and affordable houses. Habitat homes, which are *HealthyBuilt* certified, are sold at no profit to partner families who pay back a no-interest loan.

*Attachments: Bush family bio and map to Woodland Court*

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