Strong and stable homes help build strong and stable families

'Mamokoto in front of her Habitat home

Eighty-one-year-old 'Mamokoto lives with her daughter Mpenini, son Mokoto and granddaughter Pulane (Mokoto's daughter) in Berea district.

'Mamokoto raised her children as a single parent. Mpenini, as the eldest of her children, had mental health challenges from an early age. Due to financial constraints and lack of knowledge and awareness of her daughter's illness 'Mamokoto could not afford to seek professional help.

Money has always been a challenge for 'Mamokoto and her family as she is the sole provider in the family through her old age pension fund (M850.00 about USD56.67)   she receives monthly. In the same vein, building a decent home for her family looked dubious due to her financial condition, as a result, she shared a single room rundown house with leaky roof and exterior walls falling with her family until Habitat Lesotho built with her family.

'Mamokoto said she was in disbelief of owning a safe and spacious place to call home to share with her family, until the day a truck drove in her yard to deliver building materials. In her own words, she said, *"Although I was informed, I could not believe it until it really happened. It really took me by surprise in a gratifying pleasant way…I am happy…very happy…I can walk with my head up because I have a home."*

The family old home

Pictured top left is their new Habitat house

Ventilated improved pit latrine