



The Yu Family

Annalise
Rachael (18)
Hayan (2)

Annalise Julienne Yu is a single mom with two beautiful daughters, Rachael and Hayan. She has had more than her share of heartbreak and disappointment but she keeps herself centered on her relationship with God and with the joy of her daughters.

Annalise came to this country in 1989 looking to find employment and build a life in America. In the early 1990's she met and married the man she expected to be with the rest of her life. Their happiness produced a beautiful daughter, Rachael. Things seemed to be going the way that Annalise planned; however, there was a problem. Annalise's husband had an alcohol addiction and the issues of his alcoholism were anger and violence. After 15 years of marriage, Annalise found herself divorced and on her own as a single mother.

After working to take care of her daughter and making her own way, Annalise met someone with whom she was very happy for two years and another wonder came into her life, her second daughter, Hayan. Unfortunately work and travel caused things to unravel for Hayan's dad and Annalise. The relationship ended and once again Annalise was left with the task of caring for her two children on her own.

Annalise moved to a smaller apartment and "cut down on everything" to ensure that she and her two children survived. She stated that, "I knew God would always be with me and my babies". It was at that time that she was told about Habitat for Humanity.

"I always wanted to have a home so my kids could have a safe and better place to stay instead of moving from apartment to apartment. Now with God's permission and all the help from sponsors, I will have a beautiful home. Thank you so much! The Habitat home is a dream come true for my family!"