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My family lived in a home  
With stiff bamboo walls  
And a dirt floor  
No plumbing  
And a weak door

My family lived in a home  
That was not our home  
This place belonged to somebody else  
When the faucet leaked all we could do was wait  
When the floors creaked all we could do was wait  
When our relatives came over  
Body on body in the tiny space  
We could not help but feel an awkward disgrace  
And we wanted our own home but  
All we could do was wait

My family lived in a home  
With no space to raise my children  
Just four walls around this small space  
We always wondered when  
We could get our own place

Now is time  
We get our own place

Today my family has a home  
Spacious and comfy  
Vivacious and loving  
So much air to breathe  
So many rooms to see  
Filled with a happy family  
Spreading lips to show teeth  
Joy rising from underneath  
Invite the relatives  
Let's make an invitation  
Call the family,  
We're having a celebration

We struggled with our homes  
We thought no one would see  
But it turned out we had a friend  
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