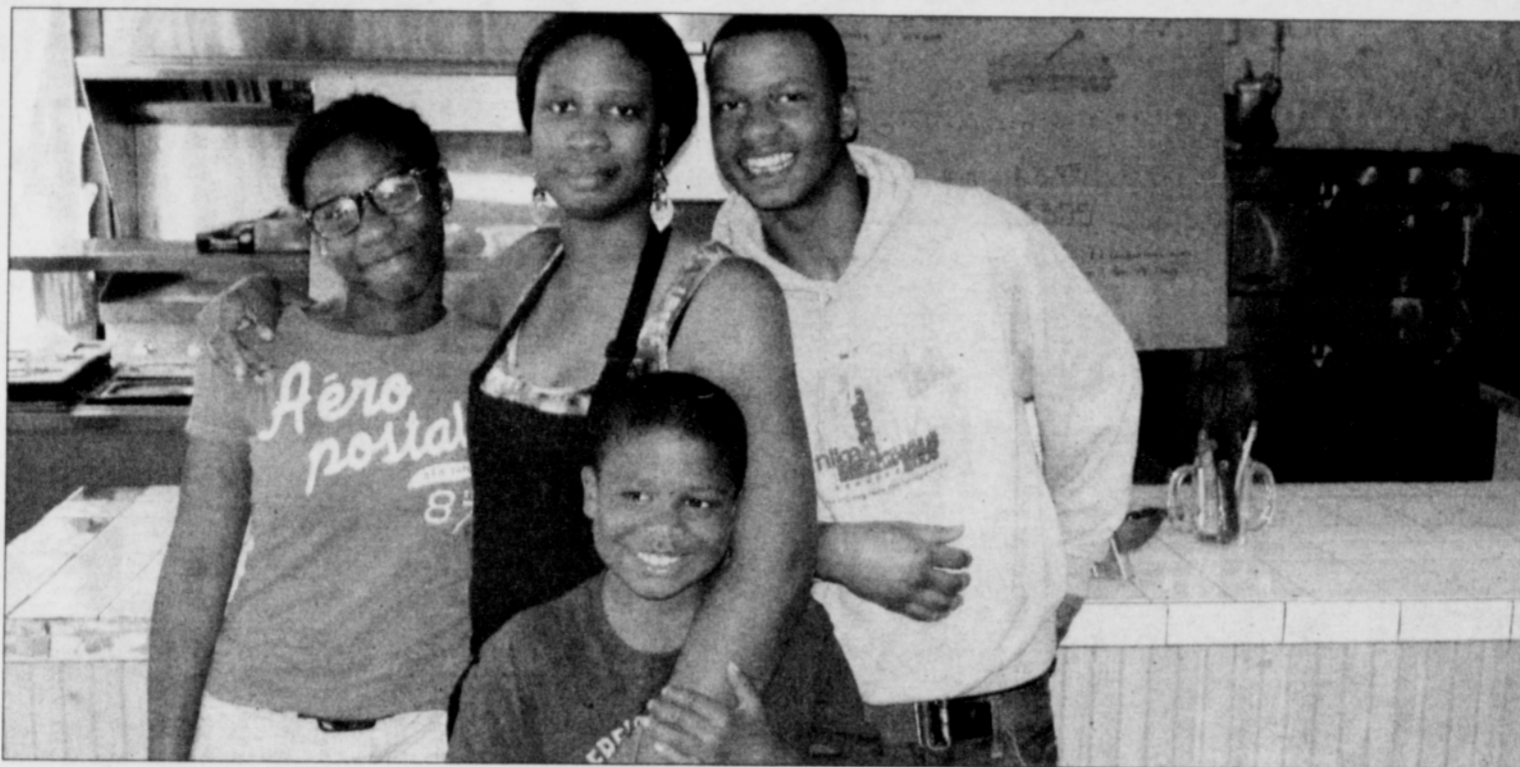


Business Start Overcomes Difficulties

Bantu Southern Kitchen opens in Dekum Street Market

Latoya Credit has a lot to be thankful for after starting her own restaurant this year inside the Dekum Street Market on Northeast 18th and Dekum.

Bantu Southern Kitchen is open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, offering a menu consisting of everything from burgers and fries, chicken wings and fries, shrimp Po'boy's, fish and fries, catfish, tilapia, basa and fish burgers.



Latoya Credit (center) carries a full menu of lunch and dinner items at her Bantu Southern Kitchen located in the Dekum Street Market at Northeast 18th and Dekum. The new business owner is pictured with her loving children (from left) Nika, Everett and Tyreik.

Appetizers such as garden salads, fried okra and hush puppies round out the menu. Southern buffet specials are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. You can pick-up a menu for details or call Bantu Southern Kitchen at 503-933-4177.

Credit opened her business after going through the most difficult time in her life. She had to overcome drug addiction and work to win back her children from the custody of the Department of Human Services. Her husband and other family members have struggled with incarceration after going astray in the criminal justice system.

While in treatment, Credit says she developed a thirst for the word

continued ▼ on page 12

Tomar el tren y pasar tiempo de calidad con la familia. Reserve su viaje hoy a Español.Amtrak.com o llame 1-800-USA-RAIL.