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EAST MEMPHIS

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For Lance and Tammy Oliver, renovating their bedroom and bathroom was a task in reconfiguration. What used to be their laundry, closet and hall bath became a sitting room, a jazzed up master suite and bathroom.

The full-scale renovation, which was overseen by architect Jeff Dillard and Associates and builder Tim Disalvo, took place over two years. This was a two-part project which also included a great room remodel.

Tammy says the family mostly gathers in their bedroom and with three small children, there's never a lack of buzzing about.

"We never sit in the family room. The kids hang out in the sitting room and watch TV

while we're on the bed watching a movie," she says.

Tammy's style is traditional and rustic, which can be seen in the worn wood walls and beams throughout the house.

"The more paint chipping off it, the more I like it," she quips. "I hate modern."

Faux finisher, Rudy Forster, literally pounded the wood with various tools to give it a gnarled look.

"I didn't want anything too average," she says. "I like the beat-up look and worn wood."

Not only does the family spend most of their time in the sitting room, but all the children take their baths in the master bath.

"My bathroom is my favorite part of the space," Tammy says "It's my little oasis."

For the bathroom, Disalvo helped her pick the perfect cabinets, which needed to be dark and look slightly worn to match the look of the bedroom.





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