

Timeline of events in Lakemoor woman's story of captivity

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This is the timeline of Samantha Zubor and her children's captivity in Mexico.

November 2007: U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials deport Leo Garcia, the boyfriend of U.S. citizen Samantha Zubor and the father of her oldest son, Anthony.

January 2008: Samantha meets Julio Gomez Sanchez.

Spring 2008: Samantha and Gomez Sanchez briefly live together.

August 2008: Samantha leaves Gomez Sanchez and moves to her mother's Lakemoor home.

Jan. 19, 2009: Samantha gives birth to Gomez Sanchez's son, Benjamin.

April 2009: Gomez Sanchez persuades Samantha to help him drive to Mexico.

May 1, 2009: Samantha, Gomez Sanchez, 2-year-old Anthony and infant Benjamin cross the U.S.-Mexico border at Laredo, Texas.

May 1 to 2, 2009: Gomez Sanchez drives to a remote mountainside village in rural Oaxaca, Mexico.

May 2 to late August 2009: Zubor repeatedly pleads to go home, enduring beatings and rapes.

May 5, 2009: Gomez Sanchez launches a particularly brutal beating while they're in Mexico City.

Late August 2009: Gomez Sanchez takes Samantha to a Huatulco resort; Samantha calls home.

Late August 2009: Barb Zubor arranges air travel for her daughter, Samantha, and her two grandsons to Nuevo Laredo International Airport in Mexico.

Late August 2009: Border patrol officials instruct Samantha that she will have to walk across the border and meet U.S. Embassy officials, as she now has no documents.

Early September 2009: Barb Zubor and Samantha's stepsister, Terra Raia, travel by car to meet Samantha at Nuevo Laredo International Airport in Mexico. Samantha is not there.

September 2009: Barb Zubor, Raia and another stepsister, Reneé Sanderson-Jonas, contact U.S. Embassy and police officials. Resort security footage shows Gomez Sanchez pushing Samantha and her children into a car.

September 2009 to February 2018: Samantha allegedly is beaten, raped, impregnated and kept against her will at Gomez Sanchez's remote, dirt-floored, concrete-walled dwelling. Samantha's American family hears nothing and fears the worst.

September 2009 to February 2018: Samantha's older children are forced to work at a mezcal factory.

Feb. 21, 2010: Samantha gives birth to Jazmin Zubor.

Oct. 8, 2011: Samantha gives birth to Emilio Zubor.

April 11, 2012: "Find Samantha Zubor & Her 2 missing boys!" Facebook page is launched. Unknown date in 2014: Samantha grabs van keys, tries to escape with children, drives to Nochixtlan.

Late 2017: Gomez Sanchez allows Anthony to play games on a cellphone that is not equipped with carrier service.

Early February 2018: Anthony notices the phone connects to Wi-Fi at a McDonald's; Samantha searches for her name, sees Find Samantha Zubor Facebook page.

Feb. 26, 2018: Samantha calls home from a rural bodega (wine shop) near Gomez Sanchez's house.

Late February 2018: Samantha's family contacts American Association for Lost Children; Mark Miller of the AAFLC calls private

investigator John Poblete.

April 5, 2018: Barb Zubor and Sanderson-Jonas meet Poblete and Mexican judicial police officer Jose Chavira in Oaxaca, Mexico.

Early morning, April 6, 2018: The four set out for Gomez Sanchez's house.

Afternoon, April 6, 2018: The rescuers arrive at Gomez Sanchez's house.

Night, April 6, 2018: Rescuers, Samantha and her children arrive safely in Oaxaca City after a harrowing ride.

April 7, 2018: Samantha testifies to Luvia Maived Gallardo Lopez of Justicia Para Las Mujeres (Justice for Women).

April 7 to 16, 2018: Samantha obtains Consular birth certificates and emergency passports needed to depart.

April 17, 2018: Samantha, her mother, stepsister and children arrive at O'Hare International Airport. The group arrives home in Lakemoor, where family, friends and food are waiting.

Late April 2018: Barb Zubor and Sanderson-Jonas are fired from their jobs after their hasty departures for Mexico earlier in the month.

May to August 2018: Samantha takes on her first two paid jobs; her children learn what it's like to play with neighbors.

Aug. 11, 2018: Capt. José Raymundo Tuñon Jauregui of the Oaxaca police issues a statement that 34-year-old Gomez Sanchez is charged with domestic violence, rape and deprivation of liberty.

August 2018: Samantha Zubor prepares her four children for their first day in U.S. schools.

• **Caption:** Spring 2008: Samantha and Gomez Sanchez briefly live together. August 2008: Samantha leaves Gomez Sanchez and moves to her mother's Lakemoor home. Jan. 19, 2009: Samantha gives birth to Gomez Sanchez's son, Benjamin. April 2009: Gomez Sanchez persuades Samantha to help him drive to Mexico. May 1, 2009: Samantha, Gomez Sanchez, 2-year-old Anthony and infant Benjamin cross the U.S.-Mexico border at Laredo, Texas. May 1 to 2, 2009: Gomez Sanchez drives to a remote mountainside village in rural Oaxaca, Mexico. May 2 to late August 2009: Zubor repeatedly pleads to go home, enduring beatings and rapes. May 5, 2009: Gomez Sanchez launches a particularly brutal beating while they're in Mexico City. Late August 2009: Gomez Sanchez takes Samantha to a Huatulco resort; Samantha calls home. Late August 2009: Barb Zubor arranges air travel for her daughter, Samantha, and her two grandsons to Nuevo Laredo International Airport in Mexico. Late August 2009: Border patrol officials instruct Samantha that she will have to walk across the border and meet U.S. Embassy officials, as she now has no documents. Early September 2009: Barb Zubor and Samantha's stepsister, Terra Raia, travel by car to meet Samantha at Nuevo Laredo International Airport in Mexico. Samantha is not there. September 2009: Barb Zubor, Raia and another stepsister, René Sanderson-Jonas, contact U.S. Embassy and police officials. Resort security footage shows Gomez Sanchez pushing Samantha and her children into a car. September 2009 to February 2018: Samantha allegedly is beaten, raped, impregnated and kept against her will at Gomez Sanchez's remote, dirt-floored, concrete-walled dwelling. Samantha's American family hears nothing and fears the worst. September 2009 to February 2018: Samantha's older children are forced to work at a mezcal factory. Feb. 21, 2010: Samantha gives birth to Jazmin Zubor. Oct. 8, 2011: Samantha gives birth to Emilio Zubor. April 11, 2012: "Find Samantha Zubor & Her 2 missing boys!" Facebook page is launched. Unknown date in 2014: Samantha grabs van keys, tries to escape with children, drives to Nochixtlan. Late 2017: Gomez Sanchez allows Anthony to play games on a cellphone that is not equipped with carrier service. Early February 2018: Anthony notices the phone connects to Wi-Fi at a McDonald's; Samantha searches for her name, sees Find Samantha Zubor Facebook page. Feb. 26, 2018: Samantha calls home from a rural bodega (wine shop) near Gomez Sanchez's house. Late February 2018: Samantha's family contacts American Association for Lost Children; Mark Miller of the AAFLC calls private investigator John Poblete. April 5, 2018: Barb Zubor and Sanderson-Jonas meet Poblete and Mexican judicial police officer Jose Chavira in Oaxaca, Mexico. Early morning, April 6, 2018: The four set out for Gomez Sanchez's house. Afternoon, April 6, 2018: The rescuers arrive at Gomez Sanchez's house. Night, April 6, 2018: Rescuers, Samantha and her children arrive safely in Oaxaca City after a harrowing ride. April 7, 2018: Samantha testifies to Luvia Maived Gallardo Lopez of Justicia Para Las Mujeres (Justice for Women). April 7 to 16, 2018: Samantha obtains Consular birth certificates and emergency passports needed to depart. April 17, 2018: Samantha, her mother, stepsister and children arrive at O'Hare International Airport. The group arrives home in Lakemoor, where family, friends and food are waiting. Late April 2018: Barb Zubor and Sanderson-Jonas are fired from their jobs after their hasty departures for Mexico earlier in the month. May to August 2018: Samantha takes on her first two paid jobs; her children learn what it's like to play with neighbors. Aug. 11, 2018: Capt. José Raymundo Tuñon Jauregui of the Oaxaca police issues a statement that 34-year-old Gomez Sanchez is charged with domestic violence, rape and deprivation of liberty. August 2018: Samantha Zubor prepares her four children for their first day in U.S. schools.

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