Sew Precious In His Sight



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GOD ALWAYS HAS A PLAN

"You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it." John 14:14



Mission Statement: Our mission is to show parents the love of Christ, especially at a time when their personal pain is hard to endure, and let them know that God is faithful. Through acts of obedience and donations, His work can and will continue. We pray that this ministry will have an impact far beyond our expectations.

Our Purpose: Threads of Love is a sewing ministry meeting the needs of newborns and tiny premature infants.



The last newsletter for 2017. Someone, please, slow this Merry-Go-Round down. My baby was 40 this year and I was just 40 a few years ago. HUMMMM!

Trusting you all had a great year. I know there were floods and fires, but trust all of us are safe. Some of our ladies in Baton Rouge lost homes in the floods last year.

But, one thing we can all count on. God is always faithful. And, He will be faithful next year too.



Although we don't have any 10 year anniversaries, we shout out a big "THANK YOU" for all the years of service you have given to Threads of Love

You are a blessing to so many families.

Our newest Chapters



Threads of Love Rose Marie Schmedding Chapin, SC

Li Lan's Angels-Threads of Love Rhonda Mc Corkle Anniston, AL

Blessed Angels-Threads of Love Cherryl MacKay Andover, MA

Threads of Love Beverly Smith Frisco, TX 75035

Please note Sissy's new address:

27674 Lakeview Drive

Walker, LA 70785



Also, please use the correct form for ordering labels showing the price increase of labels.

Thanks, Sissy

DO YOU WASH YOUR HAIR IN THE SHOWER???

(It's so good to finally get a health warning that is useful)

IT INVOLVES THE SHAMPOO WHEN IT RUNS DOWN YOUR BODY WHEN YOU SHOWER WITH IT.... A WARNING TO US ALL!!!

I don't know WHY I didn't figure this out sooner!

I use shampoo in the shower! When I wash my hair, the shampoo runs down my whole body, and printed very clearly on the shampoo label is this warning:

"FOR EXTRA BODY AND VOLUME"

No wonder I have been gaining weight!

Well, I got rid of that shampoo and I am going to start showering with Dawn dish washing soap instead. Its label reads:

"DISSOLVES FAT THAT IS OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO REMOVE"

Problem solved!

If you call and I don't answer the phone I'll be in the shower!



This September, Threads of Love celebrated 24 years of clothing babies in the hospitals and letting the families know that GOD is always faithful. The humble beginnings of this work began when a call came from a hospital that there was a need for tiny clothing and Sissy Davis raised her hand. This began her journey and became her passion. She has run the foundation single handed for the majority of these 24 years and has also been a chapter leader. During this time patterns were developed, handbooks were written, and many prayers were answered. Also she has handled the day to day business of the foundation which requires many hours on the phone and hours at the computer.

Since a fellow member, Marilyn Porterfield has become involved in the day to day operations of the foundation, has give Sissy some much needed relief. I have come to realize how much effort and time is required to run it. Sissy has selflessly given of her time and energy to make Threads of Love what it is today. And one of her biggest supporters is Mr. Sissy aka her husband Bob.

She is a very dedicated lady with a great passion for babies and a love of GOD and it is reflected in where our organization is today.





I submitted a donation but I'd like to thank you for my beautiful embroidered envelope that was presented to me two years ago at East Jefferson hospital when I lost my son Brian. I have only gone through it once before but was far too emotional at that time to appreciate the kindness and care that clearly went into this. I hope the donation can offer someone else grieving a keepsake that I'm sure will be valued beyond all belief! Thank you, and God bless.

Note from Sissy:

This donation was sent to me, they said where they received the gift, so I was able to forward that donation to the correct chapter.



Threads of Love

I'm writing as a Mother...a thankful grateful & grieving mother. Our youngest child, a son, was born still at 16 weeks at UMC Hospital in Lubbock, TX, We were given a soft blanket and small, wonderful gown from your organization that our son wore. We had barely 24 hours to plan for his birth after learning he had passed and clothing wasn't something we thought of amidst the shock and sorrow. We forever treasure his Threads of Love gown and now have it framed in his shadow box. Thank

you so much for how you are serving grieving families... showing them the love of Christ as they weep. Our family is forever grateful.

Jonathan Patrick Born in Heaven then born to us 2/5/17



Dear TOL Chapter Leaders,

It's official!! Mark your calendars and Save-The-Date, April 25-27, 2018 for our next TOL conference. The conference will be in Greenwell Springs, Louisiana (located just outside Baton Rouge). We will meet at the Greenwell Springs Baptist Church, 19421 Greenwell Spring Road. Please communicate this with all your chapter members and encourage them to come. If you personally have not attended recent conferences, please consider coming. Exchanging ideas, learning, sharing and getting to know others in the TOL organization is a real encouragement as we minister to the babies and their families.

Also, if you have suggestions for our classes please let me know. If you are interested in teaching we would love for you to let us know. Your participation is always appreciated. The class schedule is one of the next items on our to-do-list. So grab a friend, make your plans and let's get ready for a wonderful time of fellowship and learning. If you are flying, start watching for those good airfares and book early. Sincerely,

P. S. Hotel information is forthcoming.

If I (Renee Brogdon) may add, if you have never been to a conference, you will want to be here. As Sissy said, you will meet new friends, learn new ideas, and just plain have fun. Not to mention that the men of this church can cook up so good meals. You won't go away hungry.

2018 "SEWING ANGELS" Threads of Love Conference Update

Classes and teachers are now being secured and a few examples are the Pocket Cannister, Childrens Activity Bag and as always lots of handwork classes. We have made several changes to our upcoming conference which is scheduled for April 25th thru 27 th . One of them is the "Best Dress" contest which is being replaced with an "Idea Table". It is for sharing with our fellow chapters how we facilitate our hospitals and can include new patterns, streamlining construction of old and new ones, embellishment ideas, etc. We hope all chapters will participate and bring one sewn example with the pattern and printed instructions for handouts. We are a creative group of Sewing Angels and have so much to share. Voting will determine who has the best idea and goes home with a prize. We look forward to seeing old and new faces next April ready to have great fellowship in addition to learning and don't forget having lots of fun.





CLASSES

Here are a few teasers for the classes that will be offered.



NESTING BASKETS





Twelve Days of Christmas—Explained

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality which the children could remember.

- The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.
- Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.
- Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.
- The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
- The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
- The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.
- Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit—Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control.
- The ten lords a leaping were the ten commandments.
- The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples.
- The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

So, there is your history for today.

I can't believe this is the last newsletter before Christmas and a New Year. May we all remember the blessings of Christmas. I trust you each enjoy time with you family and friends. Let us not forget the true meaning of Christmas.

We see the sign around so much at Christmas saying "Jesus is the Reason for the Season". I saw one a few days ago that said, "Jesus is the Reason for every Season". So, not just at Christmas time, but always, let's remember who it is we serve and what His "reason" for coming to us was.

And, "God Bless us all, Everyone".