

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

I just wanted to take a moment to thank you and your volunteers for everything you do. I am a Stork Nurse working very closely with Labor Room, Nursery and NICU. I cared for a tiny infant that passed not long ago and I was able to dress her in a little angel gown and hat that Threads of Love provided. As I prepared her I prayed and I thanked God for the ability to give her that tiny dress. Her mommy never saw it....but I did and she did. Everything was so lovingly put together and colored coded for size. This was a hard day and I am crying thinking about it now but I have to tell you how important your work is and how much it means to so many. Thank you.

Andrea

You always said, don't worry about Threads of Love donations and things would happen. When Kathy passed away, her husband, Joe, asked that in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to our Threads of Love chapter. Our bank account is well stocked, so Kathy is still taking care of us with God's help. Her husband also donated her sewing machine to me. It is a Bernina Artista 730, which is something I could never be able to afford.

Dee

If you never felt pain, then how would you know that I am a Healer?

If you never had to pray, How would you know that I am a Deliverer?

If you never had a trial, how could you call yourself an overcomer?

If you never felt sadness, How would you know that I am a Comforter?

If you never made a mistake, How would you know that I am a forgiver?

If you knew all, How would you know that I will answer your questions?

If you never were in trouble, How would you know that I will come to your rescue?

If you never were broken, Then how would you know that I can make you whole?

If you never had a problem, How would you know that I can solve them?

If you never had any suffering, Then how would you know what I went through?

If you never went through the fire, Then how would you become pure?

If I gave you all things, How would you appreciate them?

If I never corrected you, How would you know that I love you?

If you had all power, Then how would you learn to depend on me?

If your life was perfect, Then what would you need me for?

Love,
Jesus



Sent in by Sissy Davis

'After the age of 30, the brain loses about 100,000 neurons a day. These nerve cells tend to take the car keys with them and leave important things behind..... This process is called "forgetting". It does not help to wear a hat. 'Mary-Lou Weisman



Our newest Chapters

Winston-Salem-Threads of Love

0/0 Beren Riffey

Winston-Salem, NC

December 2012

West Cobb of GA-Threads of Love

0/0 Kristina Aldred

Mableton, GA

January 2013

Threads of Love

0/0 Andrea Fisher

Boerne, TX

January 2013

*Happy 10 year
anniversary*



Threads of Love

o/o Nina Lee

Bloomfield, KY

Jan 2003

Threads of Love

C/O Marjorie Marks

Walterboro, SC

February 2003

San Angelo-Threads of Love

C/O Julie Steely

San Angelo, TX

March 2003

This was sent to Sissy from one of our sewing ladies. What we are doing does make a difference.

Sissy thanks so very much for all you do to help us do the work that the Lord has given us to do. Also, thanks for all the blessings that you shower onto us because of your hard work and faithfulness to providing us all that we need to sew up these dresses for all these babies. It has been so nice for me to get to be a part of this ministry and I know for a fact that everyone that has had a part in sewing these little gowns up do know that we receive much more from the Lord when we give of ourselves to do something that already belongs to the Lord. My gifts and talents are already his as well as the finances that He has blessed me and my husband, not counting our health that he has blessed us with. I can never take that for granted. I just wanted to say thanks again for all you do, which I know you do it for the Lord too.

This afternoon a good neighbor friend of mine was outside on the road coming back from her mom's. She stopped to talk to me and I told her I had just got back from my once a month sewing club meeting with TOL and how blessed I am to be able to go to it. She started talking and crying as she told me how much it meant to her son, and daughter-in-law a couple of years ago when her granddaughter whom was 7 months in the womb had to be delivered still born. She couldn't tell me enough how grateful and blessed she and the whole family was to be able to pick out from a beautiful selection of dresses from a nurse that told her it was for the baby. She said she looked like a beautiful little angel and how comforting to know that people like this group of ladies volunteer their time and talents so that women can have something so beautiful to dress their baby. She wanted to know everything about the group that was started. I filled her in and she was so much in awe about it. She said thank you so much from the bottom of her heart and she will never forget this as long as she lives. I said thanks be to the One who told Sissy to do this and her obedience that has led to so many more ladies that have helped in this wonderful ministry.

Cindy Brown

My granddaughter was stillborn this morning. When I got to the hospital, she looked so pretty in her Threads of Love outfit. Thank you so much for your kindness, and may God bless you! Ginny of Mississippi

PRAISE GOD

Sissy did not have to have the surgery. Her eye had improved some. Let's pray that the next injection she gets improves it even more so she doesn't have to have the surgery at all.



From the Joyce Daniel chapter of Greensboro, GA.

A friend of mine emailed that her DIL's co-worker was expecting twin girls. They are conjoined at the chest and share a heart so they were not expected to live long after they were born. I got in touch with the Mom-to-be and asked what she was thinking/wanting for her girls to wear.

Together we came up with doing the TOL gown we usually do, but having it tie in the front with their name and a heart embroidered on each side to identify each twin. We also made a larger white flannel blanket that would hold both girls with their names embroidered on the corner. The Mom-to-be was very touched to find there was someone who cared enough to clothe her daughters in such a loving way. Our Lake Oconee TOL group all came together to make this possible. It takes a lot of hands and talents and willingness to make this ministry possible for those who find themselves in need of a tiny gown and blanket.



I am sorry to say that the coordinator for our Threads of Love by Katie II group passed away December 13. She had a blood clot in her leg that traveled and got lodged between her lungs and heart. She collapsed earlier that week and was taken to the hospital. It took 45 minutes to resuscitate her. The day before she passed, the family was told that she was bleeding internally from the medication she was given to dissolve the blood clot and she only had a 5% chance of pulling through. Kathy Devall and Dee Konstanzer shared the responsibilities for their Threads of Love group. Her Mother has a brain tumor, so she hasn't been able to sew with us as much as she would like to, however, she has been a great Public Relations person. She was not shy about asking for donations for what she felt in her heart to be a much worthy cause. Our hearts and prayers go out to this chapter and the family.

Dee and Kathy founded their chapter in the honor of Katie Fontenot who was murdered. Katie had been the leader from 2001 until 2008.

If you wish you may email that chapter you thoughts and prayers to the Threads of Love-Katie II group using Dee Konstanzer email address at davidKon@suddenlink.net



I would love to have included the entire article in a church magazine about Jackie McPheeters but there just isn't enough room. I am sure you all saw the article that Sissy sent out. If not, You can find the story on the web site under newsletter then look at the bottom of the page for Special Editions.

Great story, Jackie

Happy New Year 2013 Threads of Love Members!

I'm meditating this morning on John 17 in my beloved Amplified Version of the Bible and it is so rich in truth and encouragement as we begin another "year of our LORD." It's always helpful to take stock as we end one year and begin a new one, to gather as a family and talk with each other, gather around the table together, take pictures together, remember the year of blessings and trials, and enjoy the relationships we cherish. What a blessing to hear from friends and family around the world as we exchange letters and cards to bond together in continued fellowship and love!

Jesus Christ, the son of God, is talking to HIS Father in this chapter as He approaches the end of his 33 years of life on this Earth. It appears to be Jesus' review of His time on the Earth and committing Himself afresh and anew to His Father's Purpose...a sort of bonding as Father and Son. It reminds me of the model prayer spoken of in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 6:9) by this same Jesus who instructs us to pray to "Our Father who is in heaven...." Jesus and I have the same Father! We are in the same family! That same one Jesus spoke to in John 17 is MY Father! Jesus is talking to the Father about the fact that He is about to complete the work that His Father sent Him here to do! (verse 4) and then He says something very interesting in verse 5. "And now, Father, glorify Me along with Yourself and restore Me to such majesty and honor in Your presence as I had with You BEFORE THE WORLD EXISTED!" Jesus is the Eternal Son of God the Father! They were together from Eternity past to Eternity future. In verse 3 Jesus is describing what Eternal life is: "And this is eternal life: (it means) to know (to perceive, recognize, become acquainted with, and understand) YOU, the only true and real God, and (likewise) to know Him, Jesus (as the) Christ (the anointed One, the Messiah), Whom You have sent."

This eternal life is going on TODAY in 2013 and Jesus came to this Earth to give this life to "all whom You have given Him" (verse 2). Jesus is rehearsing to our Father that He is about to finish the work He was given to do. Let us realize that Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross 2013 years ago, and His shed blood for our sins, has provided ETERNAL LIFE for us...to know and become acquainted with the ONE TRUE GOD and His Son Jesus Christ the Righteous ONE. Let's glorify Him all year long by sharing Him with all those we come into contact with and let's be about the business of completing the work He has given us to do!

Because of His Grace,
By: Cynthia Venable