

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.

Our Goal: Our goal is not to dress babies, but rather to clothe hearts of anxious & bereaved parents with the love of Christ.



This newsletter is a little more lengthy than normal, but I wanted to include pictures of the conference, and birthday party.

The Threads of Love Story is still available for a \$1 each plus shipping. Please let Sissy know if you would like a copy or two. Every chapter should have at least one.



Threads of Love

A Journey of Love

Hope & Healing

*Happy 10 year
anniversary*



Congratulations to all of you.

Keep up the good work.

Christine Dunon Brosky Lafayette,
La

Georgia Tabor Austin, TX

Rose Anne Livingston, Columbia, SC

Bettye Shogren, North Branch

Lisa Marion Sherrills, Ford, NC

Susan Myers, Concord, NC

Marge Stumpenhorst, Jackson, TN

Our newest Chapters



A Mother's Hope-Threads of Love
Nicole Pourciau. Kentwood, LA

Kristie D Fairhope-Threads of Love
Kristie Deane, Fairhope, AL

Threads of Love, Marie De Soto,
Shirley, NY

Beaver Dams NY, Elizabeth (Betty
Ferri)

Dear Threads of Love Ladies:

At the 2014 conference I was given two wonderful gifts from the Threads of Love ladies. What a blessing it was for me to be given a beautiful scrap book and quilt.

Different chapters sent things to Faye Chasteen who put the scrap book together with a page from each chapter. It's hard to put into words the gratitude of such a generous gift.

I was barely able to keep it together on the first night when I was given the scrap book along with 20 long stem red roses and a blue sash. I did feel like a Queen! I want to share the poem that Jackie McPheeters wrote for the occasion.

Twenty years ago a star was born

Who helped the parents as they mourn.

She gathered others to help her cause,

The sewing ministry was started without pause,

Named "Threads of Love" for all that we do.

Then it spread nationwide and grew and grew.

From gowns, lovelies and isolette covers too.

More items and chapter keep it fresh and new.

All of us owe this wonder woman so much,

We'd like to present these "Beauty Queen" roses from our bunch.

We hope y'all love them as we do you.

Please take them now, before I Boo Hoo!

Joyce Daniel made the blue sash that said "Head Thread". I felt like a queen with so much love showered over me that night.

Little did I know that the surprise was not over. On Thursday night, a magnificent quilt was presented to me from the East Alabama chapter with the following inscription on the back.

In honor of Sissy Davis for 20 years of faithful service to Threads of Love by the East Alabama Chapter, April 2014. "For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good purpose." Philipians 2:13

All of the ladies who attended the Convention had a chance to sign the quilt. What a treasure these two items are to me. Thanks to everyone who made all of this happen.

As a sewer and a scrap booker, I know of all the long hours that were spent in putting these gifts together. They show the love put into making these gorgeous gifts. I can't say thank you enough for how much I appreciate the things you made and gave me.

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my gratitude for the support of all the ladies that attended the 2014 conference. No one knows how much work and the hours it takes to put together a conference. Getting to see so many the ladies again who attended the conference made all those hours well worth the time. I have so many friends in so many states, and I would never have the opportunity to see and visit with you all if not for the renewing of that friendship at each conference.

Your Sister in Christ;

Clinel "Sissy" Davis

And might I add, she should have felt like a queen. But, I couldn't get her to wear it into the store. HUMMMM

2014 Threads of Love Conference

Sissy was given a sash to wear during the conference. She was named as "Head Thread". What a sport Sissy is.

Enough can never be said about the conferences. If you have never been to one, it isn't too early to start planning on attending in 2016. Yes, it sounds like forever away, but it will be here before you know it, and **Sissy is already working on plans.** If you start putting away a little now, and saving, you will have more than enough to attend. You will not be disappointed.

We heard from the nurse that made that first call to the church that Sissy responded to over 20 years ago.

A nurse from Labor and Delivery talked of her relationships she has with families that have been through the trauma of losing a child and how Threads of Love touches them.

A NICU nurse spoke of the care in NICU and how they are touched by the gowns you all provide. I will say this big, burley guy that spoke didn't strike any of us as someone that would work in the NICU, but...well...he does and is so appreciative of Threads of Love.

We also heard from a couple that lost their first baby. They had the items that they received from Threads of Love and told of how much they meant to them. Hearing from someone firsthand is so precious and touching. You have an opportunity to really see what you are doing. They now have a baby boy and he is a cue.



Arriving a day early, some of us were able to see a very small part of what goes on behind the scenes. Those classrooms don't set themselves up. We come in and it is like magic. They are all ready. Well, it takes work from someone to get them ready. And that is just a very small part of what all goes on beforehand. If you ever have a chance, I would encourage you to come early and be a part of the set up. You will see what goes on through a different set of eyes.



Remember all those emails we received from Faye Chasteen? This is the album she put our pages in. If you didn't see it, you missed a treat. I am sure Sissy will treasure it for a long me .

Jackie presented Sissy with 20 long-stemmed roses. She read a poem in the "southern" language she learned. New words such as "ya all," and "fixin to". Great job Jackie.



Joyce Daniels presents Sissy with a "Head Thread" sash.



Sissy received a bag made by Joyce Daniel who also taught the class. Those of us in the class had a great me .

And in the bag, was the album for Sissy.



A cake demo by Cathy Blankenship. She did a wonderful job. Sissy purchased just a plain cake, and Cathy turned it into a masterpiece. The bakery thought Sissy a lil e old purchasing an undecorated cake.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THREADS OF LOVE





We had so much fun at the birthday party.
Cake, ice cream, and a surprise guest.

You never know who might show up at a
birthday party. Elvis was in the house.

Susie Q came to the party also.

A paper napkin had to do for Elvis
this me .





And then hear Him say the words "Well done thou good and faithful servant".

Here is the recipe for the loon some of us won at the conference. I gave all my first batch away, and just made my second one. It is so easy and feels so good

28 oz of baby lotion

(Sissy used a white lotion with no scent. I haven't found any so I use Johnson and Johnson pink. Your lotion will be pink and smell like baby lotion.)

7 1/2 oz of coconut oil

(I found some at a grocery outlet close to where we now live, but you can also get it at Trader Jo's if you have one near.)

2 jars of vitamin e

(Dollar General or Walmart. It is two jars stacked on top of each other. They also make great containers for the batch you make.)

My skin is so dry I put it on my feet and legs every night. I have not had it get on my sheets yet. I also keep a jar by the kitchen sink. Sissy uses it on her face. It makes a great hostess gift. Since moving, when we go back to San Jose to visit, I plan on taking a jar for who ever we stay with, as a hostess gift.