

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.

Hope you all are having a wonderful spring and enjoying some of the warmer weather.

We here in California have had an abundance of rain. I heard a few days ago the drought is officially over. Praise God for that.

We have even had tornado warnings. And, yes, I said California not Kansas.



Reminder!!!!!!

SISSY STILL NEEDS SOME UPDATE LETTERS.

Well it's that time of the year again for the update letter. When you receive it please fill out even if there has been no changes. If you have become an inactive chapter please let me know as well by email. .

Also be watching for updates on the 2020 Threads of Love conference that will be in April of 2020. We have begun the planning for all to have a fantastic time, hopefully with a slate of great classes

This has been said many times before.

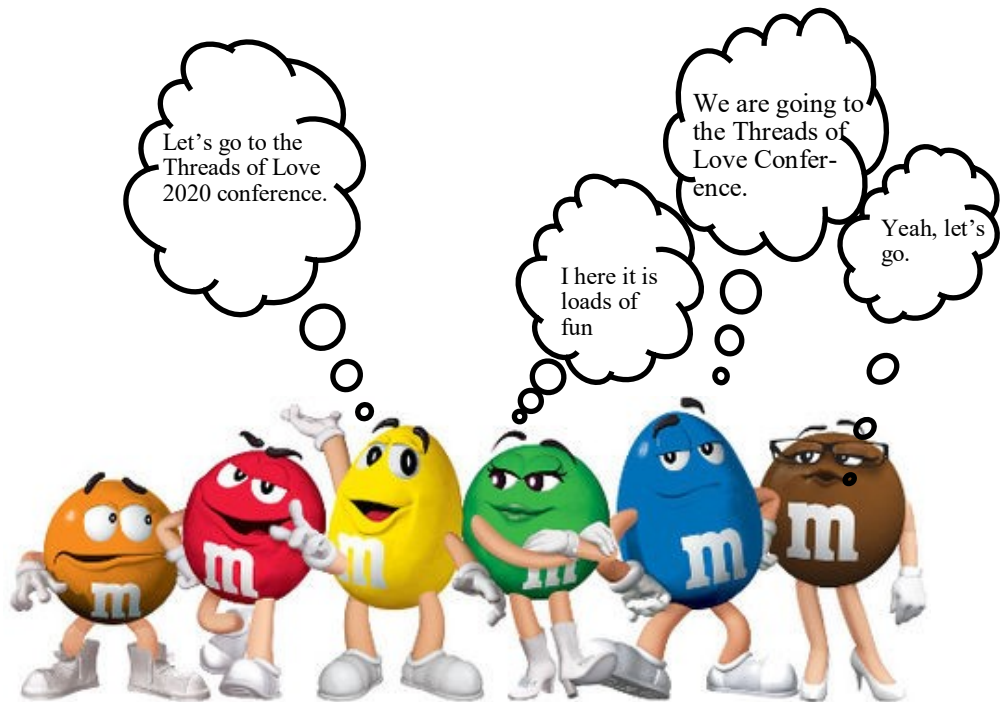
This is not my newsletter. It is not Sissy's newsletter. It isn't Baton Rouge's newsletter.

It is **YOUR** newsletter.

Please, if you have an idea, something new your chapter does, please send it to me and I will include in the YOUR newsletter.

ESPECIALLY: If you receive a "Thank You" from someone that has received our items, send me a copy. It is an encouragement to all of us to keep doing what we are doing, and a reminder that our hard work is not in vain.

Those accessory trays are just too small to hold all the gadgets we MUST have, so here is an alternative way to use it. I can see us all running out now to buy M&M's. Perhaps a chapter can bring them for a favor to the 2020 conference. Just saying.....



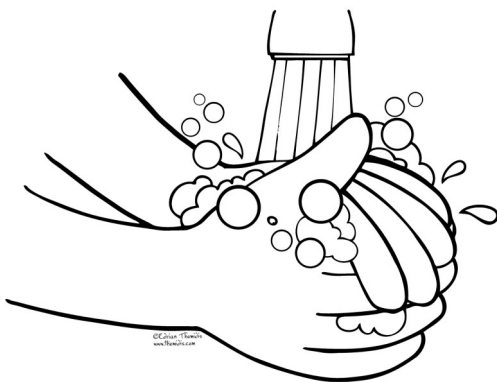
Here is a basic reminder of some of the guidelines that **MUST** be applied when working/sewing with fabric for the little ones.

REMEMBER: These are sick babies we are sewing for.

Helpful hint: Also place these colored dots on each pattern pieces it a big help!!!!

Basic Guidelines when making Threads of Love Items

1. Keep the items you work on free of:
 - pesticides and/or chemicals
 - pet dander/pet hair/human hair
 - dust and/or dust mites
 - cockroaches and/or their droppings, and/or their un-hatched eggs
 - mold, mildew and/or fungi
 - germs, viruses and/or bacteria
 - cigar, cigarette and/or pipe tobacco or their smoke
 - foul and/or sweet-smelling odors, perfumes and/or sprays/
hand lotions
 - body fluids
 - food or drink spills and/or stains
2. Wash your hands before working on items.



Something I've heard on washing hands.....sing "Happy Birthday" while you wash. That is how long you should wash.

3. Use only new supplies/fabric/yarn on items for distribution.
4. Things to look for in quality control when items are returned prior to distribution
 - The items should look *handmade* not homemade.
 - Would I want this item for my baby?
 - Is the lace on securely?
 - Are all of the ribbons fastened securely? Is the ribbon in the neck cases tack in the center, so it can't be pulled out?
 - Are the seams finished and pressed correctly?
 - Does the bias lay flat against the bodice?
 - Is the embroidery free from hanging threads and all stabilizers cleaned away?
 - Does the lace lay flat around the curves?
 - Are the items pressed nicely for presentation?
 - Does each item have a Threads of Love label sewn on neatly?



Some people work best with a list.
If it helps, make one.

Using wedding gowns

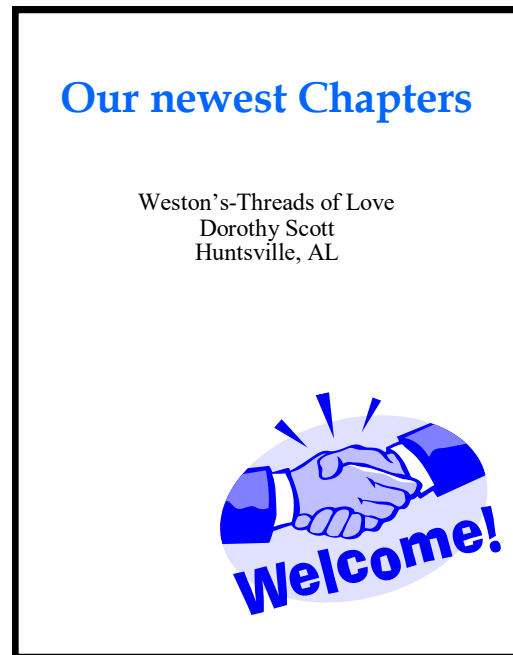
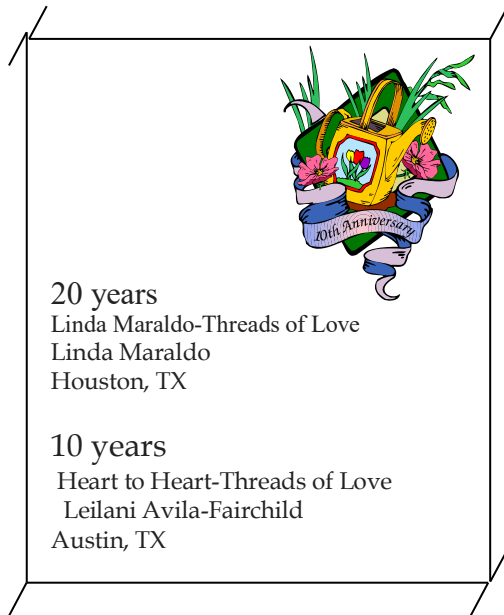
Remember when you sign the chapter application you agreed that all material would be new. Wedding dress come under the heading of being used fabric. If your chapter is using wedding dress material please don't put a Threads of Love label on them and they cannot count in your monthly tally.

Name: _____-Threads of Love

I do agree to the following terms stated below:

As a chapter of Threads of Love we will use the name of Threads of Love in activities intended to reflect the love of God in the providing of garments, blankets, and other items for the comfort, care and remembrance, of infants. All items shall be new and will be made with new fabric at all times. No Threads of Love patterns are to be duplicated or used for production of items for commercial purpose, and no items are to be sold at cost or for a profit. We will always glorify the Lord in all that we do.

Name _____ Date _____



Our pastor has us reading through the Bible this year. A couple of stories I've read, was told in Sunday School, struck me.

Moses put the rod over the Red Sea and the waters parted. Then the people walked out on dry ground.

When Israel came to the Jordan to cross over to the Promised Land, the priest had to put their feet in the water before it stopped flowing.

What kind of faith do you and I have? Do we need to see the way cleared before stepping out, or do we step out in faith?

I know I usually want to know where I'm going and how I am going to get there. Just stepping out isn't something that comes natural. But, as Christians, we need to put our faith in God and when He says to step out, we need to do it even if we don't see a clear path right now. He will always make a way when He tells us to do something.



Some Teasers

We have already begun planning for the 2020 conference. This is the Sew Together Bag that will be taught at the next conference. It's a cute bag with 3 zippered interior pockets and another zipper makes the handle for carrying.

