

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.

I am sorry the newsletter is so short and late. I am recovering SLOWLY from a knee replacement. I had it April 10, and still have quite a bit of pain. Slower than I expected, but doctor and therapist seem to think I'm doing great. They can say that because they don't have the pain.

I would love to have some of you contribute something (article, cartoon, devotional, anything you can think of for the newsletters. Send them to rbrogdon1953@gmail.com. I would really appreciate it.

Perhaps something good to start with would be some testimonials of the past Conference that may encourage others to come.



A HOUSE KEEPING ISSUE:

When sending me an email it would be real helpful to include not only your first name but your last name and chapter name. You would be surprised of the length of time I spend figuring out who and what chapter a person is a part of when all I have is a first name. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter. Sissy

Our newest Chapters



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

A note from Faye Chasteen

It is with a heavy heart that I send this. I am retiring from Threads of Love. You may or may not know I have struggled the last 2 years with my own health issues as well as my sister Ann's. I have put my fleece out many times in the last 2 years and I just did not want to believe that God's was leading me elsewhere. My family obligations are many !!!

I am not leaving without very competent leadership that has a heart for the families of babies "Born too Soon

Sincerely Faye

Faye will truly be missed. This chapter was Threads of Love very first chapter it was original started by Carolyn Casswell in the fall of 1997. Faye has done an out standing job with the Alpharetta chapter.

On the following page you will see a new order form for ordering labels. This is the first price increase for the cost of the labels since I starting ordering them in 1997. Be sure to use the new order form on your future orders.



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Labels are \$10.48 (plus postage) for 334 labels. Please remember **YOUR ORDER MUST BE IN BEFORE** the 1st day of the month, any orders received after the 1st will be filled the following month. Please make checks out to Threads of Love, payment due with this form.

Postage Rate for labels

- 1 pack of labels = \$1.86
- 2 packs of labels = \$2.22
- 3 packs of labels = \$3.40
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 4th Edition 2012 Leader Hand Book - \$8.00 each
 Chapter Member Campion Hand Book \$5.00 each
 Postage included in price of book.

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(For chapter leaders only) Chapter Leader Hand Book	_____ Books	\$8.00 each	
Chapter Member Campion Hand Book	_____ Books	\$5.00 each	
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This order form can be found in the member only part of the web site



This short note is to convey my appreciation for the Threads of Love items that were given to my daughter for my grand-daughter during her time at the NICU in San Antonio Children's Hospital. We were standing firm on the Word of God for healing for her daughter and, day after day, there was something in her crib to encourage our hearts and remind us that others were giving of their supply of faith.

Our God Never Fails. Thank you. You may never see the faces, but please know that hearts are encouraged by your kindness. A grateful grandparent.



To Threads of Love;

I'm writing as a mother, a thankful, grateful, & grieving mother. Our youngest child, a son, was born still born at 16 weeks on 2/5/2017 at UMC Hospital in Lubbock, TX. We were given a soft blanket and a 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 will forever treasure his Threads of Love gown and now we 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.

Sincerely Josh & Elizabeth

Philippians 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. A verse God gave us when our baby died. You were a part of God fulfilling this promise.

Grandma's Prayer

I pray that, risen from the dead,
I may in glory stand-
A crown, perhaps upon my head,
never learned to sing or play,
So let no harp be mine;
From birth unto my dying day,
Plain sewing's been my line.
Therefore, accustomed to the end
To plying useful stitches,
I'll be content if asked to mend
The little angel's breeches.

By Eugene Field (1850-1895)

Our chapter is in the planning stage of our 2018 Threads of Love conference. After the last conference I decide if we were to have another conference my ladies would have to be in charge, all I plan on doing is PR work, after all it's not my conference but your conference. After sharing this with my ladies they have stepped up to the plate and starting planning right away. They are asking seven chapters to sign up for favors to be given out at each meal, if your chapter would like to be one of those seven chapters please contact Marilyn Portfield

Dear Threads of Love Chapter Leaders and Members,

Can you believe we are almost half way through 2017? The year is flying by which means we are that much closer to our TOL 2018 conference. We are so excited about the April 2018 conference with all the great classes and reunion with friends. Speaking of friends, have you invited someone to join you at conference? The tentative date is April 18-20, 2018. We will know the specific date in January of 2018. For those of us who have attended in the past, you know how much fun we have, the things we learn and the friends we make, so encourage someone who has never attended to join you at conference. It is so much more fun to attend a new event with a friend.

Conference plans are well underway. Much is being done behind the scenes to get everything ready for April 2018. Wonderful treats are in-store for all who attend. As you recall from our last newsletter, some changes have been made, only 7 Favors are needed. Please let us know if your chapter is interested in providing favors. For those chapters who are not providing favors, door prizes are needed, two or three per chapter. If you know someone who would like to teach or topics you would like presented, please let us know ASAP. But the most important thing is your presence and involvement at the conference.

So for now here is our **To-Do-List:**

Save-the-Date: April 18-20,2018 (definite date will be known January 2018)

Let us know how you want to be involved.

Encourage others to attend by sharing conference highlights

Invite someone new

And as always, SEW, SEW, SEW



Everything you do for the babies and their families is a blessing. Your hard work is greatly appreciated by all.

If you would like to teach or know of someone who would be willing to teach at the 2018 conference please contact Debbie Gares at djgares@aol.com.



It has come to my attention that we still have chapters that have not turned in their update letter of 2017, those letter were due January 29, 2017. As you know any chapter that does not turn in their update letter will be put on the inactive list. Shortly I will be sending out an email letting those chapters know that I have not received their update letter. . **IF** you don't get an email saying that I don't have your letter, then you are in good standing for 2017.As we all know just because you sent it doesn't mean that I received it. It seems the internet has a way of losing emails.

Sissy



"I knew there was part of the pattern missing!"

My husband and I have just finished a Small Group Bible Study called “Think Differently”. If you have the chance to take this study I encourage you to do so.

How do we renew our minds. We must hide God’s Word in our hearts. Be ready when Satan would come at you with his lies. Jesus used the Word when He was tempted as an example for us.
Renee

Food for thought

Nothing is a bargain if you don’t need it.

Enjoy what’s good in your life without always thinking of how it could be better.

If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman.
[Margaret Thatcher](#)

“To love means loving the unlovable. To forgive means pardoning the unpardonable. Faith means believing the unbelievable. Hope means hoping when everything seems hopeless.”
[Gilbert K. Chesterton](#)

“I know why I am here and my only real focused goal is to live each day to the fullest and to try and honor God and be an encouragement to others. What the future holds is firmly in God’s hands, and I am very happy about that!”
[Ken Hensley](#)

A Smile is the most beautiful curve on a woman's body.

Not only does a smile cost less than electricity it also brightens your day.

Some little sayings that reminded me of Threads of Love:

1. When dissatisfied with what you’re getting out of life, take an inventory of what you’re putting in.
2. In the end you will be judged not by what you believed, planned, or dreamed—but by what you did.
3. Remember that when you look back over your life, none of the things you treasure most will have been purchased with money.
4. Remember that the benefits of a life lived with enthusiasm and gratitude are always available to you