

# 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.

This is the final newsletter in 2016. That is so hard to write. I say it every year, but it is just going by so fast.

This starts a busy time of the year for all of us as we prepare for Thanksgiving, Christmas and then the new year.

I trust God to give each of us endurance as we continue to work for Him.

Hoping you all have a happy Thanksgiving and a wonderful Christmas.





*Remember  
October 15th  
Pregnancy &  
Infant Loss Day*

If you know someone who had a loss, give them a call or send them a single red rose in honor of their baby

## Our newest Chapters



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Many of you may remember Debbie Gares from our conference—especially if you took the class making a little girls dress out of man's shirt. She was having health issues at the time of the conference, but she came and taught anyway. I got word that she has been diagnosed with colon recital cancer.

Knowing how strong of a believer that Debbie is, she is going to be OK as she walks thought this. Please lift her up in prayer that she will feel the loving arms of Jesus around her as He carries her at this time. If you would like to send her an email, her address is : [djgares@aol.com](mailto:djgares@aol.com)

I am happy to report that Debbie got great news. The cancer has not spread. All of the tests that were ran did not show cancer anywhere other than the colon.

Her treatment will be 6 weeks of chemo then surgery, then chemo again. Others that have taken this route have had complete cure. She wanted me to thank everyone for the emails, cards and prayers. It has been a great source of encouragement while she has been waiting for test results.

On behalf of Debbie thanks for all the prayers. Keep praying that the chemo won't make her sick.

Keep Debbie in your prayers as she and her family travel this journey.

It is with a sad heart that I tell you that another one of our teachers passed away in July. Jewel was a great teacher at our conferences over the past few years. If you took one of her classes, you probably saw some of the pictures of items she has sewn for many parties in New Orleans. These were not your everyday dresses. She did a marvelous job. She will be missed by all of us.



**"In the tapestry of life, we're all connected. Each one of us is a gift to those around us, helping each other be who we are, weaving a perfect picture together."**

This is hilarious! Is this how you sew? :-)

Advice from a Singer Sewing Machine Manual from 1949



Prepare yourself mentally for sewing. Think about what you are going to do. Never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference dominates. Never try to sew with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade.

When there are urgent housekeeping chores, do these first so that your mind is free to enjoy your sewing. When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals. Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on. If you are constantly fearful that a visitor might drop in or your husband will come home, and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.

**Backside of mom's gravestone.  
Everytime someone asked for her cookie  
recipe, she said, "Over my dead body!"**



**Mom's Christmas Cookies**

Cream: 1 cup sugar  
1/2 cup oleo  
Add: 2 beaten eggs  
1 tsp. vanilla  
Add: 3 cups flour  
3 tsp. baking powder  
1 tsp. salt  
Add alternately with 1 cup cream.  
Chill and roll out with flour.  
Bake 350 degrees oven, and frost.



Ezekiel 36:26

*"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."*

I have read this Scripture over several times these past few weeks.

Some days I need a new spirit. One that is forgiving, and loving.

Sometimes I allow my heart to be a little hard. Especially to those I love the most.

So, daily I need to ask God for a new heart and a new spirit. It doesn't always come easy, but God can give it if we ask and are willing to receive.

So, with open arms and an open heart I ask, Lord, give me a new heart. One that loves unconditionally. Give me a new spirit. One that over flows with Your love. Take away my heart that so often can become hard and judgmental and give me a heart of flesh that wants only what You want.

**Disciples:** Lord, Teach us to Pray

**Jesus:** When ye pray, ye shall pray in this manner ... Ye shall Praise, Repent, Ask and Yield (P.R.A.Y)  
(Matthew 6:9-13)

**Praise:**

Hallowed be the Name of our Father in heaven; for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever.

**Repent:**

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us

**Ask:**

Give us this day our daily bread; Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one

If you need ideas of what to pray for:

- Remember Debbie Gares
- Pray for the little ones that will receive items as we sew on them
- Pray for those in the Baton Rouge area who have been effected by flooding
- And, remember Jewel's family at this time of grieving

If any of you have something you would like us all to pray for, please let us know and we will do our best to get it in the newsletter.