



2025 TRANSITION UPDATE

As we move forward in our transition, it's our desire to keep you informed and communicate well on the process and updates. As we transition away from memory quilts and focusing on sewing and quilting for the Kibera Bible Clubs our Mission Statement has been slightly edited to reflect this change and reads as follows:

UPDATED MISSION STATEMENT

To share the love of Jesus by providing purposeful community for volunteers and meeting the spiritual and physical needs of impoverished children.

- We are excited to share that we will be keeping one of the longarm quilting machines for quilting our Kenya baby/child quilts. Two of our longarm staff have committed to volunteer their time to come in weekly and longarm quilt these child quilts!!
- Our volunteer quilters/sewers are excited about the future sewing projects at Living Threads and I'm pleased to report we have 100% retention!! As we currently do, **ALL** sewing will take place at the Living Threads ministry center which fulfills our mission statement to "*provide purposeful community*" for our volunteers.

TRANSITION TIMELINE

- New memory quilt client orders have ceased. Volunteers are working on current memory quilt orders with the goal of all projects completing by the end of May.
- The Longarm Quilting department continues to be open to the public. However, May 1st will be the final day that new quilts will be received for longarming.
- Bible Block of the Month classes continue strong with the final class to be held on May 15th.
- Approximately June 1st, we will begin our new "Sewing/Quilting for Kenya". The current longarm room will become our new and larger "Martha" sewing room!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **July 19-25: Mission of the Week at Maranatha**
Living Threads Ministry along with our ministry partner, International Needs, have been chosen to be the Mission of the Week at Maranatha Bible and Missionary Conference. We will be presenting our ministries and raising awareness of needed funding to open two more Bible Clubs in the Kibera Slum. Please join us anytime that week; all sessions are open and free to the public.
- **Benefit Dinner: Fall 2025—Date TBD**
Our annual Benefit Dinner is a great way to gather and share what God has and is doing through Living Threads. We value this time to thank and update all our valuable partners!!
- **November 3-6: Quilt Retreat in Shipshewana**
We will hold our next retreat at the Bluegate Garden Inn in Shipshewana, Indiana. This is a favorite of many as we gather to share our skills and joy of quilting with a spiritual focus.
- **2026 Kenya Trip**
We are currently working on planning a 2026 Kenya trip to visit the Bible Clubs. There will be the opportunity to go on a Safari adventure too! More information will be shared as details become available. Please pray about joining us!!