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A Gift as Unto The Lord

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“While Jesus was in the Temple, he watched the rich people putting their gifts into the collection box. ²Then a poor widow came by and dropped in two pennies. ³“I assure you,” he said, “this poor widow has given more than all the rest of them. ⁴For they have given a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she has.”

Luke 21:1-4 (NLT)

Some times when we are sitting

alone and knitting or crocheting away, we may feel that our work and time go unseen. Is this an important ministry? Are people really touched by the work we do? Do they know the sacrifice of time and hours of prayer? The Lord takes what we give him with our whole heart and makes it into something amazing. The widow’s gift seemed small to the rich men but we know the sacrifice she was making. When we invest hours of our time and hours of prayer to comfort someone that we may not even know, God will multiply our blessing beyond our dreams and touch many more than we will ever know.

Our Meeting Minutes



On March 30th our Prayer Shawl Group gathered for our monthly meeting. In attendance

were Sister Harne, Miriam Clark,

Nancy Hallford, Ruth Weller, Beth Swope and Jewel-e George. We had a time of fellowship and refreshment and then took prayer requests. Sister Nancy Hallford led us in a wonderful devotional and we had a time of discussion afterward. Many shawls are in the works and some were

submitted to Sister Harne for prayer by the church elders. The next meeting was discussed and we closed with prayer.

Please Join us for our Next Meeting on May 4th at 10 a.m.

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Hint of the Month

Consider writing a personal note to include with your shawl to make it more personal. The Lion Brand Yarn Company Web Site suggests that you not give advice, avoid clichés such as “This was meant to be” Mention your hopes for the future in a realistic way.

Let your prayers lead you! Your own words are a great witness.



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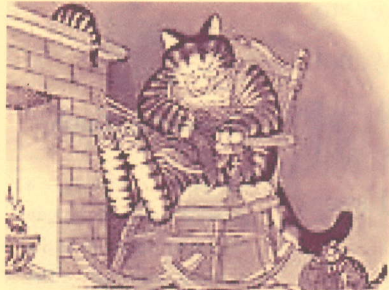
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Don't forget our next meeting May 4th at 10:00 a.m.



Prayer Requests

Please remember Sister Lorraine Moatz and Sister Sharon Tobia in Special Prayer This month. And remember those you made a shawl for in your continued prayers.

Pattern of the Month

Garter Stitch Pony Tail Hat

Materials Required: 1 Skein (4 oz.) Worsted Weight Yarn, Size 8 needles or size to obtain gauge.

Gauge: 4 1/2 stitches to 1 inch; 9 rows to 1 inch

Cast on 44 stitches. Work in Garter Stitch as follows

Row 1: Knit 44

Row 2: Knit 44

Row 3: (Short Row) Knit 36 turn-leaving 8 stitches unworked.

Row 4: (Short Row) Knit 36.

Repeat these 4 rows for pattern until there are 54 ridges (108 rows) of long rows.

Bind off.

Sew bound-off and cast-on edges together. Turn up 3 inches at lower edge for cuff.

(Vintage Pattern from Columbia-Minerva Yarn Company)



Contribute to the Newsletter

If you would like to contribute a devotional, tip, pattern, prayer request, tidbit or advice please give to Beth Swope. The more contributions the better. The newsletter will be printed the week after our meetings monthly.