



Everything that has a beginning has an end, remember § treasure the good things and forget the unpleasant things of the past, dream and plan for the future, but most importantly enjoy the moment.

What's New At Heirlooms?

Love and blessings for this new year ahead. Sherelyn XX

Sampler Blessings Challenge

Have you begun your sampler yet? I have to confess that I have not begun mine. Preparations such as design choice, fabric and thread choices have been made.

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My friend Robyn told me last year that, with a glass of wine in her hand, she kicked the old year out the door and welcomed in the new , but this Christmas Eve she was going to be standing on her left foot only as the midnight bells tolled and when they were done she was going to take a step with her right foot to ensure she was beginning the new year off 'on the right foot'. Good for you Robyn!

She also told me that last year she put a few stitches into her sampler before heading off to bed. I wonder if she did the same this year.

My original thought for my choice of blessings sampler was Bluebirds of Happiness' but since changed my mind and chosen a Gigi's reproduced sampler to honour her and acknowledge her as the instigator of this awesome challenge.

> Píctured are the design and my fabríc § threads (not as per the original)



All together (that I know of), there are 19 of us taking up

the challenge this year and here is a list of the designs that have been chosen - from the most popular -An Emblem of Love : Quaker Sampling (I) : Quaker Sampling (II) : Mini Quaker Sampling (IV) : Mini Quaker Sampling (V) : Bluebirds of Happiness : A Joyful Purpose : Hannah's Bluebird Sampler : Sampler aux Vasques. Others are stitching sampler designs that they had in their stash.

I look forward to seeing your progress on your samplers and know that others will too. Therefore, would you please send images to me by email so that I can post them on our group Facebook page -Barberry Row & Friends Or become a member (if you have not already done so) and post them there yourself.

Enjoy this new year of 2024 with lots of time with fabric, thread and needle in your hands. Sherelyn

A reminder of the Sampler Blessings Challenge design choices :







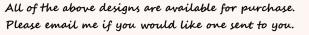




Helen's Sampler - 1864

Bluebirds of Happiness





Quaker Samplings

A Joyful Purpose Hannah's Bluebird Sampler



Mini Quaker Samplings

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