

A Needlework Challenge

Blessings Sampler Progress

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15 January 2024

Dear Blessings Sampler Challenge participant,

Two weeks of this month of this new year has passed. How is your sampler progressing?
I have to confess that I was not enjoying my first choice (stitching the design over one fabric thread)
and so put it aside and began another.
Much more enjoyable.

I look forward to seeing your progress and know that others will too.

Please send me images of your needlework pieces via email and I will include them
in my next 'Progress' note and add them to our Facebook group - Barberry Row & Friends.

Alternatively, if you have not already done so, please consider joining our Facebook group
and add the images and a note there yourself.

Welcome to those of you who have recently joined
and to those of you who have been a member for some time –
great to see your contributions. Thank you.

You will notice when looking at all the attached images in the note attached that some participants
have already finished their samplers.

Please don't feel disheartened by your progress.

Everyone leads different lives and has different responsibilities
that have to be attended to each day and so you may not have as much time to stitch as others.

Please, please, do not get upset or think of this project as a race.
Needlework is to be enjoyed and a balm to ones heart and soul, resulting in peace and contentment.

A reminder - two more days of getting together to stitch and see one another's progress
are planned and you are welcome to our home.

WHEN: Fridays: 19th & 26th of January

WHERE: 9 Cumberland Rise, Taradale, Napier *

TIME: From 10.30am - any time after that time, for as long as you like.

WHAT TO BRING: A mug, your lunch, your needlework, your smile and your laughter
and especially your respect for our home and one another.

* Sorry, lots of steps to climb to the front door. If the door is closed, please feel free to open it and walk in

No reservation required. Hopefully you are able to come.

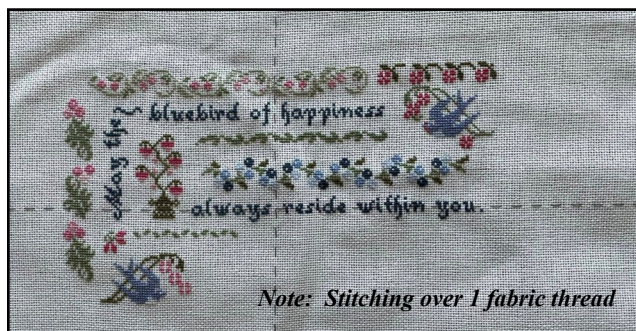
Your Needlework Friend,
Sherelyn



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Isabelle - Taupo : 6 January

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Fabric:

Brittney - 28 count - Antique White

Threads:

DMC - Various (Note: substituted 930 for 794)

Design:

Bluebirds of Happiness - JBW Designs



Catherine - Motueka : 7 January

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Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count

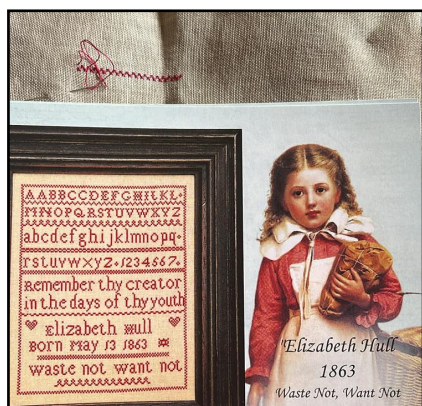
Flax

Thread: The Gentle Art

Simply Shaker Sampler Thread -

Brethren Blue

Design: Mini Quaker Samplings - With My Needle



Jane - Dunedin : 1 & 8 January

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Fabric: Weeks Dye Works

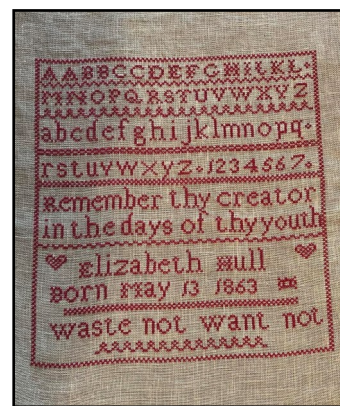
40 count - Tin Roof

Thread: From her stash

Soie Silk 100/3

Design: Elizabeth Hull 1863 -

Hands Across The Sea Samplers



Mary - Hastings : 12 January

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Fabric: Gabrielle Linen - 35 count

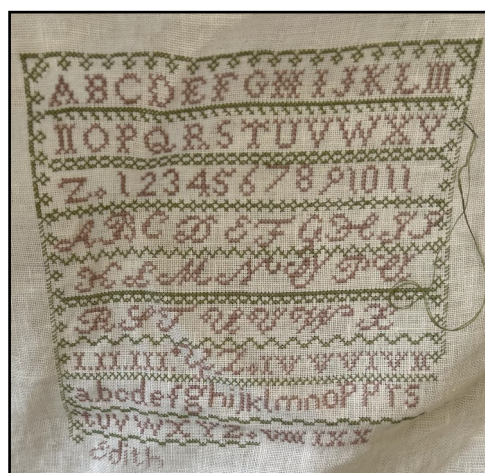
Winter White

Threads: DMC Stranded Cotton (3052)

Kreinik : Light Mauve

Design: From her stash -

Edith Isherwood



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Joy - Havelock North : 12 January

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Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count
Antique White

Thread: The Gentle Art
Sampler Thread -
Distressed Denim

Design:
An Emblem of Love

Note: Stitching over 1 fabric thread



Apologies Robyn.

I missed taking a photo of your
work when you were with us

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Robyn - Hastings : 12 January

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Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count
Platinum

Thread: DMC - 3768

Design: Mini Quaker Samplings
(IV)

Both designs above are by Ellen Chester of 'With My Needle'



Glennis - Waipawa : 12 January

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Fabric: From her stash - 28 count
Antique White

Threads: DMC & Threadworx

Design: May Birth Sampler - The Sweetheart Tree



Jan - Taradale, Napier : 12 January

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Fabric: From her stash

Threads: DMC - Various

Design: Franzi 1870 - Reflets de Soie



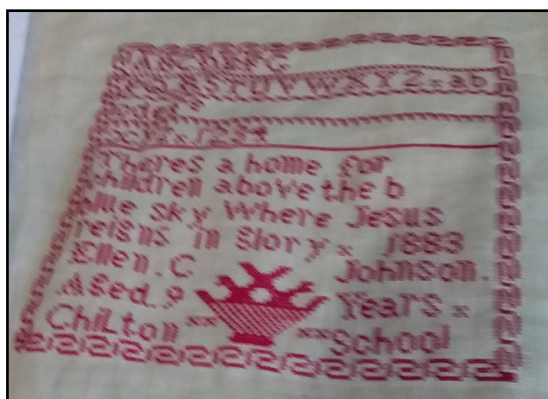
Clare - Otane : 12 January

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Fabric: From her stash

Thread: DMC Stranded Cotton

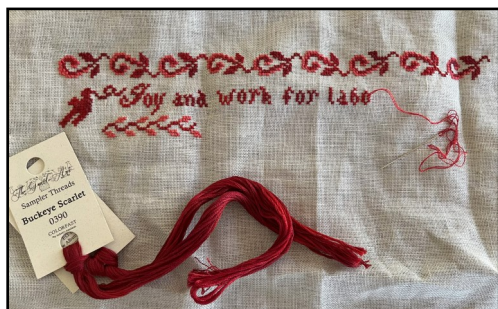
Design: Ellen Johnson 1883 - GigiR Designs



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Katja - Havelock North : 12 January

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*Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count
Platinum*

*Threads: DMC 3705
The Gentle Art
Sampler Thread - Buckeye Scarlet*

Design: A Joyful Purpose - JBW Designs

Gwyneth - Hastings : 12 January

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*Fabric: Aida - 14 count
White*

Threads: DMC Stranded Cotton - various

*Design: From her stash
A Virtuous Woman - Jeremiah Junction*



Glenys - Waipukurau : 12 January

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*Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count
Antique White*

Threads: DMC Stranded Cotton - Various

Design: Hannah's Bluebird Sampler - JBW Designs



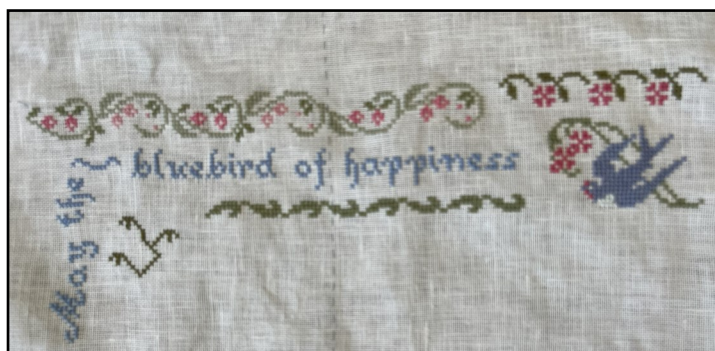
Maryann - Havelock North : 12 January

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*Fabric: Belfast Linen - 32 count
Antique White*

*Threads: DMC Stranded Cotton - Various
The Gentle Art
Sampler Thread - Distressed Denim*

Design: Hannah's Bluebird Sampler - JBW Designs



*The 'Bluebirds of Happiness' design is an original design by Judy Whitman
inspired from the antique sampler owned by her
& her reproduced design of the sampler (Hannah's Bluebird Sampler)*

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Alyx - Cambridge : 12 January

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Fabric: Gabrielle Linen - 40 count

(ex : Permin Linen)

Lambswool

Threads: Cottage Garden

Nutmeg

Design: A Stitcher's Companion - ('Honeysuckle Manor' booklet)

Blackbird Designs



Sherelyn - Taradale : 1 & 4 January

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Fabric: Gabrielle Linen - 32 count

(ex: Permin Linen)

Lambswool

Threads: DMC - Various

The Gentle Art

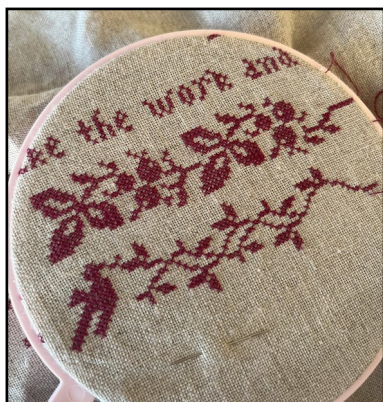
Simply Shaker Sampler Thread -

Weathered Barn

Design: Sampler aux Vasques - GigiR Designs



Note: Stitching over 1 fabric thread



Sherelyn - Taradale : 8 & 12 January

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Fabric: Gabrielle Linen - 32 count

(ex: Permin Linen)

Lambswool

Threads: DMC - 3685 & 3803

Design: A Joyful Purpose - JBW Designs



Other Participants - but do not have any images of their work as yet:

Betty - Hastings : An Emblem of Love

Carolyn - Nelson : Design from her stash

Chris - Omori : Quaker Samplings (II)

Gail - Taradale : An Emblem of Love

Heather - Richmond : Mini Quaker Samplings

Jennifer - Auckland : Quaker Samplings (I)

Karen - Tauranga : Quaker Samplings (I)

Lesley - Putaruru : Bluebirds of Happiness

Melody - Pahiatua : A Joyful Purpose

Al - Hawkes Bay : From her stash (Spring Mist by Earth Threads)