

Blessing of Book Quilts

The quilters of Our Saviour's made 26 book quilts for a class of kindergarteners in Helena, Arkansas. Each quilt has a pocket in the back to hold books, a pair of mittens and a treat for each child. It is said that children who love to read, do well in school. We pray that these book quilts will open a world of language and curiosity about the world we live in.



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To learn more about the KIPP program, you can go to the following web site:
<http://www.kippdelta.org/homepage.cfm>

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"Almighty God, we give you thanks for the many gifts that you have given to us. We thank you for the gift of communication by the printed word and the learning that comes through it. We ask your blessing upon these book quilts, that your Spirit would go with them and empower those who receive them to grow in wisdom and understanding and in their ability to read. We give you thanks for the people who used their gifts to create these gifts. May these book quilts be a sign of your love for those who receive them and Lord, we pray that your Spirit would continue to create new life through the word made flesh, Jesus Christ."