

“The Earth is Full of God’s Glory”

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This quilt reflects some of the beauty around us that God has created and is continuing to create. I'm constantly amazed and grateful for the splendor of Her Works. The reason for making this quilt was that I was quite frustrated over the fact my husband was unemployed for a long period of time. The future looked quite bleak for us because I had momentarily forgotten the many blessings God had given us. So I consciously chose to refocus my attention to the things I was most thankful for – my husband, our small child, our excellent health, and the beauty of the world around us (as well as the ability to admire it). My quilting wasn't a denial of pain or frustration, merely a shifting of my focus. As my quilt took shape, it almost spoke to me, "The Earth is Full of God's Glory!", and thus the quilt seemed to name itself.

This quilt was created using the "watercolor" technique of quilt construction. I had intended to only portray flowers as one looked through an archway to view the sky. However when I showed the quilt top to a friend, she began to cry because she saw an angel in the sky. At first, I could not see the angel, but I did not want to obscure the sight of an angel for others to see. So, I heavily machine quilted the bottom part of the quilt, but I merely tacked beads on the top part in a loose meandering (but unobtrusive) style. Now, in a slightly dim room, I too can see the large angel. What a welcome, and yet, totally unexpected surprise!