



**LUTHERAN  
WORLD RELIEF**

# MISSION QUILTS

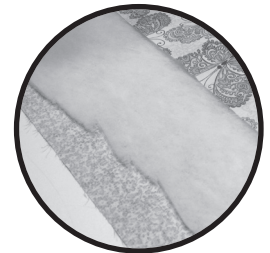


## **SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES TO REMEMBER**

- LWR Mission Quilts should measure approximately 60" x 80". This size best serves adult recipients and children as they grow older. Please donate only 60" x 80" quilts.
- The ultimate purpose of a quilt is to provide warmth, so please choose your fabrics and filler accordingly. Even in warmer climates, temperatures can drop dramatically at night, requiring a quilt with sufficient filler. For tips on finding affordable filler for quilts, visit [lwr.org/quilts](http://lwr.org/quilts) and click on Get Quilt Filler Tips.
- Quilt tops and bottoms can be made from whole pieces of fabric or any type of patchwork pattern or smaller squares. Twelve 21" or forty-eight 11" squares sewn together using a 1/2" seam allowance make a 60" X 80" top.
- Keeping in mind that LWR quilts will be washed frequently and used for many purposes, we recommend sturdy, washable fabrics such as cotton, cotton blends, twill, corduroy, polyester knits, and donated upholstery and drapery samples (no sheers or fiberglass). Please ensure that there are no stains or holes before using fabrics in a quilt.
- Crochet cord or embroidery floss is easier and sturdier for tying. You may use yarn, but pay attention to the quality to ensure a sturdy quilt. Ties should be no more than 6" to 8" apart.
- Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your congregation's name.
- Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

## **HOW TO MAKE AN LWR MISSION QUILT IN THREE EASY STEPS**

1. Place a piece of fabric measuring 64" x 84" right side down on the table, followed by a filler measuring 60" x 80", and then another piece of fabric, also measuring 60" x 80", right side up on top of the filler.
2. Tie the layers together using crochet or similar cord, or machine-quilt them together.
3. Bring the edges of the 64" x 84" piece over the top, pin and machine-stitch the edge, using a zigzag stitch if possible.



## **HOW TO PACK YOUR MISSION QUILTS**

- Fold or roll quilts and pack securely in sturdy boxes. (Apple or egg boxes from the grocery store are great!)
- Use strong cartons secured with packing tape, not to exceed 40 pounds.
- Label contents in LARGE, BLOCK LETTERS on the outside of the boxes.
- Do not use plastic or paper bags to pack donations.
- Include the name and address of your group or congregation on each box along with LWR and the type of item & quantity.