

Auntie “M”’s Mystery Quilt – Part 2

As we remember, Auntie “M” is working on a quilt for her great-niece. She found the first page of directions for the quilt she wanted to make, but is still missing the front page of the pattern, that gives her the quilt name and picture, and the rest of the directions. Let’s see how things are going for her...

“Well, I started that quilt last month and got as far as I could with the page I found, I hope I can find the rest of it so I know what this blessed thing is called and what it will look like when I finish. I really need to get some more of it done or this little child will be all grown up before she gets it. I have looked just about everywhere and can’t find the rest of this pattern. Oh, well, I may as well make myself useful and try to clear out some of this mess. I think that basket of ironing is just the place to get started.”

A little while later:

“That just about finishes this basket – it is about time I got all these linen napkins ironed, I guess it is just about every one that I own, only a few more and... why what is this under these last few napkins? It seems to be a page of that pattern, the paper looks the same and the font matches, I’ll bet it is. How did it get to the bottom of my ironing basket? I bet it was on the ironing board when I put them on it and when I picked up the pile to toss in the basket it just came along for the ride.”

“Now, is this the page I need next? It seems right – it says to take those sewn 10” squares and cut on the diagonal. Well, I have those sewn 10” squares and this would be the logical next step. There is even a picture showing me how to cut it. And then press each seam to the dark side.”

And Auntie “M” took each of her squares and cut them diagonally, pressing the seams to the dark side.

“Well, I also have the next step on these directions. Is it the last page or not? I hope this is the last step. It says to arrange the squares in an hourglass arrangement and sew together. They even put in another nice picture so I wouldn’t do it wrong. That seems pretty clear. But I don’t think that is the end of it, I must still be missing another page. I guess that I can make up these squares and keep on clearing up my space.”

And so Auntie “M” laid out each square and sewed them into the hourglass block that was shown and went back to (maybe) clearing up her sewing room.

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