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**Butterfly Pin Presentation**

II Corinthians 5:10

“If anyone be in Christ, she is a new creation. Old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

This passage reminds me that a believers life changes because he or she is being transformed into the likeness of Christ. The motto of the Presbyterian Church in the USA is “Reformed and always reforming.” We are constantly changing our thoughts, our beliefs, our values and our behaviors as the Holy Spirit moves and leads us in new directions. The butterfly is the Christian symbol of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the ultimate change. We have observed the Women’s Guild work diligently to bring their vision of Limuru Presbytery Home for Girls into a reality. What a blessing it has been to join you in this project!

Like caterpillars the girls who will reside here will leave the encasement of the cocoon of fear and insecurity and fly in resplendent colors to a future of security and freedom. They will be transformed by faith and hope because our God knows that beauty is waiting to be born, often in the unlikeliest places.

We have brought butterfly pins for your Women’s Guild committee to remind them that God gave you the vision and the skills to free the butterflies.

Author Richard Bach said, “What caterpillars call the end of the world, God calls a butterfly.” We will call these girls a masterpiece from the creator’s hand.

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**Presentation of Angel Pins**

Psalm 103: 20-22

“Bless the Lord, you His angels, who excel in strength, who do His work heeding the voice of His word. Bless the Lord, all you His hosts, you minister of His who do his pleasure. Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion.”

Another group has worked with the leaders to bring this vision to reality. You are the Angels of this institution. Your day-to-day contributions to these girls will be the loving arms of our Lord. We are giving the leaders of the committee angel pins to distribute to these women.

In Hebrew, the word for “angelic host” comes from a verb meaning, “to serve”. Angels are said to be hosts because they serve God. You indeed will be serving our Lord as you may be entertaining “angels unaware”. As these girls mature, you may see the angel in their lives. You will truly reap what you sow. May God continue to bless your special ministry. Amen.