

WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM (2016)

This banner took a long time to come to fruition, the original idea having formed at least as far back as 2007 ! Over time, Frances developed the design using a fabulous selection of Christmas cards as references, as well as researching on the internet.

The calico background was given a thin brush of diluted gold to give hints of brightness. Shirley created the 3 Wise Men with their garments, head-wear and gifts, using wadding and folds to give depth; gold layers were included in each of the Wise Men's garments to give cohesion to the overall design. The wording was prepared by Sheila, along with the faces and hands, and Shirley's daughter created some plaited beading for the blue head-wear.

As always, a number of challenges were overcome, especially working with very varied weights of fabrics, and also we only had limited quantities of certain fabrics, but which we wished to use due to their beautiful colours and textures!



