



## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Each grade (combine cabins) will be responsible for putting on one scene of the play. Cabin leaders will need to assign roles for the characters and one cabin leader will need to serve as the narrator. Please report to the Big Group room 15 minutes after your service begins. **Be sure to have one male AND one female to help kids get into costume.**

### SCENE 1 - 1<sup>st</sup> Graders (Luke 2:1-7)

Role	Props	Cabin(s)	Person
Narrator (adult)	None		
Roman Emperor Augustus (1 kid)	Roman soldier costume, decree to hold up		
*Joseph (1 boy)	Blue robe & hat		
*Mary (1 girl)	Pink robe & hat		
*Baby Jesus (doll)	Doll, manger, blanket	n/a	n/a

\* this role has no speaking part

### INTRODUCTION

#### Song: Go Tell it on the Mountain

[Narrator enters and stands off to the side of the stage]

**Narrator:** Today we are going to learn about Jesus' birth. Jesus is the Son of God, who came to save us from our sin so we can have eternal life.

[\*\*\*Put slide up] Isaiah 7:14 says, "The Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us')."

God sent the angel Gabriel to Mary, who was engaged to marry a man named Joseph. In Luke 1:31-33, Gabriel told Mary, "You have found favor with God! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!"

\*\*\* PRESET #4 (All lights dim.)

## SCENE I - 1<sup>st</sup> Graders (Luke 2:1-7)

[Narrator stands off to the side of the stage.]

\*\*\* PRESET #3 (Front spotlights go up.)

[Joseph and Mary enter and wait by the door (stage left).]

**Narrator:** The Roman emperor, Augustus, had a command for his Roman Empire.

[Augustus enters to front of stage and reads decree.]

**Augustus:** I have issued a decree that a census be taken of the land.

[Augustus exits room.]

**Narrator:** A census is a count of all of the people in the land. Everyone had to return to the towns their family was from in order to register for the census. Joseph was a descendant of King David who was from Bethlehem. Joseph took his fiancée Mary, who was very pregnant, and they traveled to Bethlehem.

[Joseph and Mary walk to the manger set up on the stage.]

**Narrator:** While in Bethlehem, Mary gave birth to her son. She wrapped him in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger because there was no lodging available for them. They named the baby Jesus and were very happy.

[Mary takes Jesus doll and blanket from behind manger, wraps Jesus in the blanket, and lays it in the manger.]

\*\*\*PRESET #4 (Front spotlights dim.)

[Joseph, Mary, and Narrator exit.]

\*\*\*PRESET #1 (All lights go up for song.)

DISMISS 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADERS TO PREPARE FOR SCENE 2

## Song: Away in a Manger

\*\*\*PRESET #4 (All lights dim.)



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