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CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY KIT

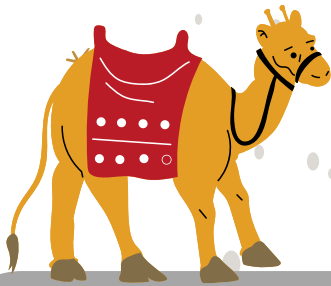
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THE STORY OF Christmas

1. God has always had a plan to help the world heal from all hurt people have. in fact, he promised he would send help. god's people waited and waited for this help to arrive and then one day it did



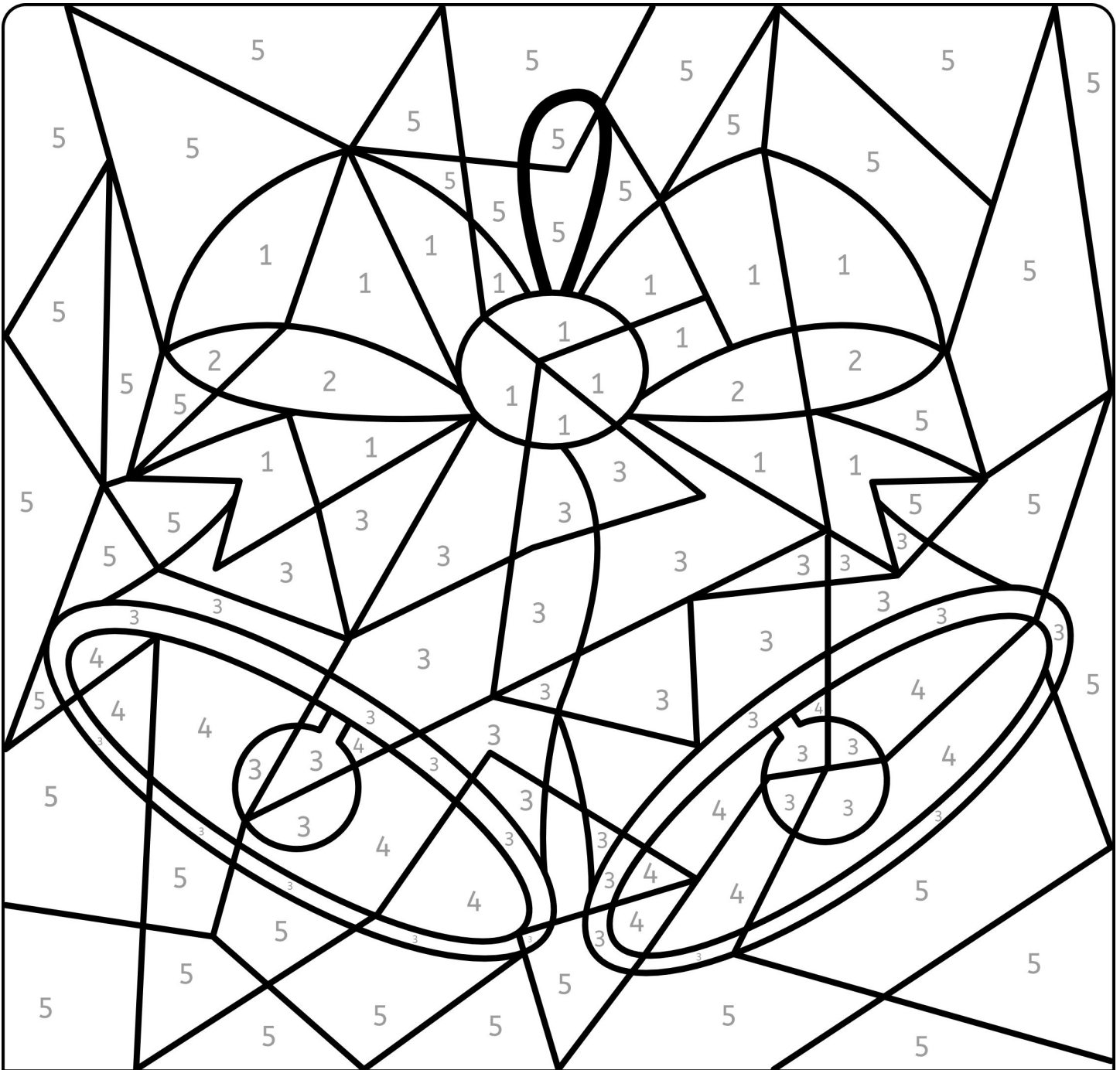
2. On one very ordinary day, God did something special. He sent an angel to talk to a young woman named Mary. The angel told Mary that she was pregnant with God's son and He would bring help to all people. At first, Mary was confused by this news. But God used angels to calm her fears and remind her that this was good news for everyone!

3. When it was almost time for the baby to be born, Mary and her husband, Joseph went on a trip to their hometown, Bethlehem. When they arrived, Mary knew the baby was coming soon. Joseph tried to find them a place to stay but everywhere was full. Their only option was to stay the night in a barn-with animals! That very night Jesus was born. Imagine that-the son of God born in a barn. Can you imagine what the animals thought?



4. In a field nearby, shepherds were taking care of their sheep. All of a sudden, the night sky lit up and filled with angels singing, announcing the birth of the Messiah. At first, the shepherds were shocked but quickly realized something very good had happened . They ran to see where Jesus had been born. When they saw the baby and realized that God's plan to help His people was finally happening, they were so excited! The great help of the world that they had bee waiting for was finally here! Jesus was born.





CHRISTMAS COLOR BY NUMBER

1 Red

3 Yellow

5 Green

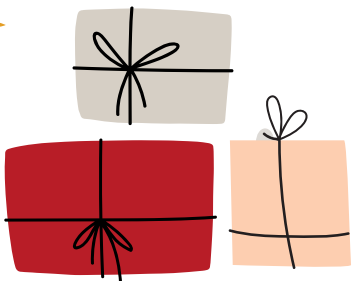
2 Dark Red

4 Orange

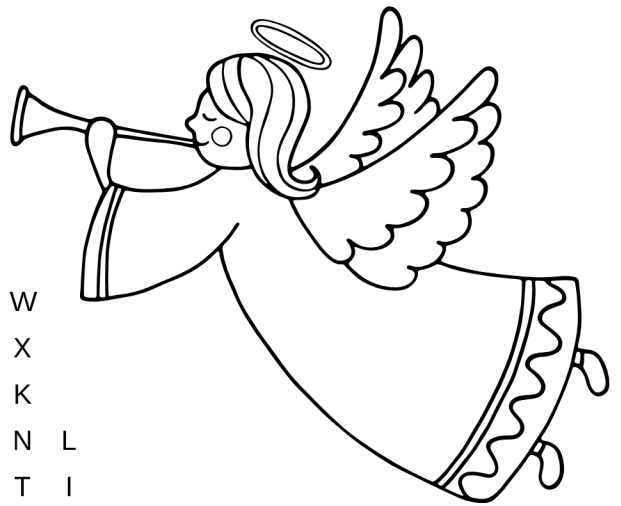
Christmas

BUCKET LIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> WATCH CHRISTMAS MOVIE | <input type="checkbox"/> BUILD A SNOWMAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS | <input type="checkbox"/> SING CHRISTMAS SONGS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SEND CHRISTMAS CARD | <input type="checkbox"/> ATTEND A CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WEAR CHRISTMAS SOCKS | <input type="checkbox"/> READ CHRISTMAS BOOK |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MAKE GINGERBREAD HOUSE | <input type="checkbox"/> MAKE ADVENT CALENDAR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LIGHT SCENTED CANDLES | <input type="checkbox"/> WRAP A PRESENT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DONATE TO A TOY DRIVE | <input type="checkbox"/> LIGHT ADVENT CANDLE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ATTEND CAROLS & COOKIES | <input type="checkbox"/> VISIT FRIENDS OR FAMILY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DRINK HOT CHOCOLATE | <input type="checkbox"/> LOOK AT CHRISTMAS LIGHTS |



Christmas Wordsearch



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F T B B X
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WORD LIST

ANGEL
BABY
CANDLE
CAROLS
CHARITY
CHRISTMAS TREE
DONKEY
FAITH

FRANKINCENSE
GABRIEL
GIFT
GLORY
GOLD
GOODWILL
HOPE
INN

JESUS
JOSEPH
JOYFUL
JOY TO THE WORLD
MANGER
MARY
MYRRH
NATIVITY

PEACE
SHEEP
SHEPHERDS
STAR
TIDINGS
WISE MEN



Christmas

FAMILY TRIVIA

AS A FAMILY, ENJOY A CHRISTMAS TRIVIA GAME. YOUR FAMILY CAN EITHER TEST THEIR MEMORY OR ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO READ MATTHEW 1-2 AND LUKE 1-2

- **WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE FATHER WHO RAISED JESUS?**
JOSEPH
- **WHO WAS THE LEADER OF ROME AT THE TIME JESUS WAS BORN?**
CAESAR AUGUSTUS
- **WHAT WAS THE NAME OF JESUS' COUSIN?**
JOHN THE BAPTIST
- **HOW DID THE SHEPHERDS RESPOND WHEN THEY SAW THE ANGEL OF THE LORD?**
THEY WERE AFRAID
- **HOW DID THE SHEPHERDS FIND MARY AND JOSEPH?**
THE BIBLE DOESN'T SAY. THE ANGELS SAID THE SHEPHERDS WOULD FIND THEM IN BETHLEHEM
- **AFTER JESUS WAS BORN, WHERE DID HIS FAMILY GO NEXT?**
EGYPT
- **UPON RETURNING TO ISRAEL, IN WHAT TOWN DID JESUS GROW UP?**
NAZARETH

Chocolate Chip Cookie with a Touch of Oatmeal

Ingredients:

1 ½ Flour
1 tsp. Salt
1 tsp. Baking Soda
1 Cup Shortening
¾ Cup Brown Sugar
¾ Cup White Sugar
2 Eggs
1 tsp. Vanilla
2 Cups Semi-Sweet Chocolate Chips
2 Cups Uncooked Rolled Oats

Steps:

Sift the first 3 ingredients together (flour, salt, baking soda).

In a separate bowl, cream shortening and sugars.

In the bowl with shortening and sugars, beat in eggs + vanilla until light and fluffy.

Stir in dry ingredients, rolled oats, and chocolate chips.

Bake on an ungreased cookie sheet at 350° for 12 minutes.





Christmas

SCAVENGER HUNT

MANGER

MISTLETOE

COOKIE

ANGEL

CANDY CANE

WREATH

SNOWMAN

MITTENS

SNOW GLOBE

RED BOW

SCARF

ICE SKATES

REINDEER

SWEATER

GOLD BELL

ORNAMENT

ADVENT CALENDAR

STOCKING

RUDOLPH

ELF

EGGNOG

SNOWFLAKE



CHRISTMAS EVE

AT EASTMINSTER

NO MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES
FAMILY SERVICES | 3P.M. + 4:30P.M.
CANDLELIGHT SERVICES | 6P.M. + 7:30P.M.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SPEND CHRISTMAS EVE WITH YOU! IF YOU'VE GOT LITTLE ONES, CHECK OUT OUR KIDS CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES WITH FUN INTERACTIVE ELEMENTS. OR ENJOY A MEANINGFUL CANDLELIGHT SERVICE WITH CLASSIC CAROLS AND HYMNS



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