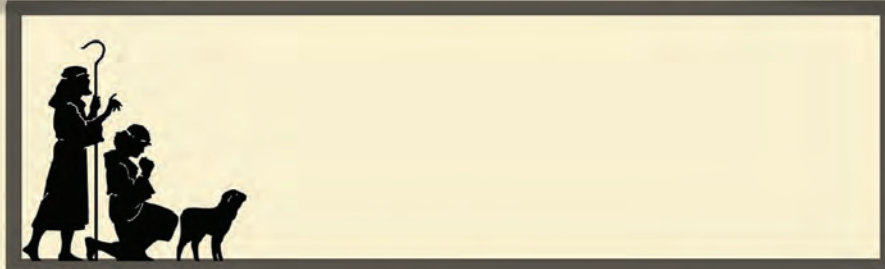


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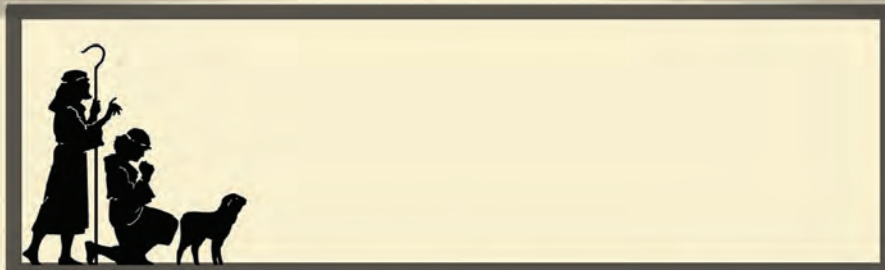
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RED: Days 1-25



DAY 1:

As a family, read Luke 1:29-33.



DAY 4:

Make a birthday card for Jesus.



DAY 7:

As a family, read Luke 1:39-45.



DAY 10:

Take a family Christmas photo.



DAY 13:

Pray for those coming to
Christmas Celebration.



DAY 16:

Make & take treats to a neighbor, a
senior adult, the police or fire station.



DAY 19:

Make or buy a gift for someone in need.



DAY 22:

Do a service project as a family.



DAY 25:

As a family, read Matthew 2:1-2; 9-11.



YELLOW: Days 2-23



DAY 2:

Set out a nativity scene or create your own.



DAY 5:

Sing or listen to a Christmas song, such as "Away in a Manger" or "The First Noel".



DAY 8:

Pray for a family in need. The holidays can be really hard for many.



DAY 11:

Invite someone to Christmas Celebration.



DAY 14:

Send a homemade Christmas card to a family member.



DAY 17:

Pray for the people who sent a Christmas card to your family.



DAY 20:

Select a few items to donate to the Food Pantry.



DAY 23:

As a family, read Luke 2:13-20.



GREEN: Days 3-24



DAY 3:

Make an ornament for your Christmas tree that reminds you of Jesus.



DAY 6:

As a family, read Matthew 1:20-23.



DAY 9:

Have each family member say their favorite part of the Christmas story.



DAY 12:

As a family, read Luke 2:1-7.



DAY 15:

Have each family member say something they are thankful for.



DAY 18:

As a family, read Luke 2:8-12.



DAY 21:

Take a nighttime walk outside to look at the stars. Talk about the night Jesus was born.



DAY 24:

Attend a Christmas Eve Service at 4:00 or 5:30 p.m. as a family.

