

1. Prophets Announce God's Redemptive Plan

2. Angel Announces Birth of Messiah to His Parents

2.1 To Mary (3-3)

Narrator: Our story starts around March about 2000 years ago.

Angel: (angel appears stage right) Hello Mary. God is with you! (Mary confused and afraid) Don't be afraid. You are going to have a baby. You will call him Jesus. He will be a king. He will be called the Son of God.

Mary: I don't understand. I am not married. How can I have a baby?

Angel: Don't worry. God will do it. Nothing is impossible for God.

Mary: I am willing.

2.2 To Joseph (3-3)

Friend-1: Joseph, Your fiancé is pregnant. (Joseph upset.)

Joseph: (to himself, sadly) What should I do? I feel cheated. (goes to sleep dreaming)

Angel: Joseph. Don't be upset. You can marry Mary. The baby is from God. His name is Jesus. He will save people from their sins. (Joseph wakes up)

2.3 Marriage (4-2)

(Joseph & Mary walk onto stage. Wedding Music. People congratulate)

Friend-1: Congratulations, Joseph.

Friend-2: Best Wishes, Mary

3. Angels Announce the Savior's Birth to Shepherds

3.1 The Trip & Birth (4-3)

Narrator: The King ordered everyone to go to their home town to be counted. Joseph's ancestors were from Bethlehem. Joseph and Mary walked about 125 kilometers to get there (Mary and Joseph walking around the room)

Joseph (in front of hotel): Do you have any empty rooms?

Innkeeper: No. We are full.

Joseph: But my wife is going to have baby.

Innkeeper: You may stay with the animals.

Joseph: Thank you. (walk to stable. Among the animals, Mary gives birth to Jesus)

3.2 In the Fields outside the Village (6-6)

Sheep: Baah... Baah...

Narrator: (lights off) In the countryside.

Angel: (lights on, shepherds afraid) Good news! The Savior is born! He is in a stable.

Angels singing: (suddenly lots of angels, music on) "Glor o-o--o-o-ria, in excelsis Deo!"

Shepherd1 : (lights off) Lets go to see the Savior.

Shepherd2: Yes, lets go. (walk to town)

3.3 In the Stable With Jesus (6-1)

Narrator (shepherds, Mary, Joseph, baby, sheep): This was the first Christmas.

Oops, I have forgotten some later visitors. Lets hear their story....

4. A Star Announces the King's Birth to Wise Men

4.1 At the observatory (3-3)

Narrator: The story starts in the east. In Xian, maybe?

Wise man1: Look a new star has appeared. What does it mean?

Wise man2: It is the King Star. A great king has been born in the west.

Wise man1: Lets go pay our respects.

4.2 Visiting Herod (5-4)

Narrator: (men walking) It was a long trip along the silk road. Finally they arrived the palace.

Wise man2: We are coming to pay respects to the new king.

King: There is no new king here!

King (to Adviser): Where does the Bible say the great king will be born?

Adviser: In Bethlehem.

King (to Wise Men): Go to Bethlehem and look. If you find the new king, tell me. I want to pay my respects too.

Narrator: (wise men leave) Actually, the king wanted to kill the baby.

4.3 With the Baby (4-2)

Wise man 1: (with Mary and Joseph) Here are some gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Wise man 2: We will go home now. Bye.

Narrator: God told the wise men in a dream: "Don't go back to see the king." The wise men went home another way.

5. God's Word Announces Saviour's Birth Today

"Joy to the World, The LORD has Come."