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CIRCUIT NEWS & MESSAGES

MESSAGE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT MINISTER

Dear sisters and brothers on the Christian journey lived out here in the Lambeth Circuit of the Methodist Church in Britain,

I would like to express once again my heartfelt gratitude for the warm welcome my wife and I have received from you. You have been instruments in God's hands, helping us move toward healing after the tragedy that befell my family at the end of August.

I look to the future with hope that we will continue to proclaim and live out the message of peace entrusted to us by Jesus Christ. I pray that our understanding of the meaning of Christmas may be deepened—that it may go beyond the exchange of cards and presents around the family table. May this Christmas remind us of the light that shines even in the darkest of times. In our homes, our churches, and our communities across the Lambeth Circuit, we are called to share that light through acts of kindness, compassion, and hope. May the peace of the season fill your hearts and may the joy of the Saviour's birth renew your strength.

As we step into a new year, we do so with gratitude for all that God has carried us through and with trust in His guidance for what lies ahead. The coming months offer us fresh opportunities to grow in fellowship, serve our neighbours, and deepen our discipleship within the Lambeth Circuit. Let us move forward with courage and grace, inspired by the words of Isaiah 43:19a: *"See, I am doing a new thing!"* May 2026 be a year of faithful witness to Christ's transforming love in our lives and communities.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, and a New Year filled with hope, joy, and new beginnings.

With every blessing,

Rev Dr Paulo Bessa da Silva



MESSAGE FROM REV LENA ALI



After approximately 3 years without a holiday, I booked a vacation to the USA for a family reunion. It coincided with the first Anniversary of my niece's death, and it was a blessing that family from far and near were able to attend Neela's Memorial Service.

Whilst I was there, I grasped the opportunity to do some State hopping by flying from Orlando to Minneapolis to spend some time with my sister and her family. She was recovering from knee surgery. We then travelled to Grand Rapids to visit my younger brother's grave. It was fascinating driving through the scenic route of Minnesota which has been described as the Land of 11000 Lakes and marvel at the brilliant and colourful autumnal leaves.

I then flew to Texas to spend time with my brother and family before returning to Orlando and then back to London. The weather was glorious with temperatures ranging from the upper 80's to 93 degrees Fahrenheit. It was a rude awakening arriving at Heathrow to a wet, cold, windy and dark morning but all good things do come to an end and regardless of where we roam, there is no place like home even though it was wonderful spending quality time with my family.

Among the highlights of my holiday, I revisited Disney World with its magic, parades, wonder, fireworks and the amazing Disney characters. We had a day out at the Texas Zoo and whilst it was sad to see so many animals caged and away from their natural habitat, it was enjoyable. The last time I visited a zoo was 30 years ago.

Americans are busy preparing for Halloween, and I must confess that I was gobsmacked to see how many decorations were on sale at the stores and the ways in which people decorated their homes and gardens with cobwebs, colourful lights, witches, skeletons, pumpkins and much more. Children were very excited and really looking forward to going around their neighbourhood for Trick or Treat. Reality hit home as I realised that I needed to send in my dates for the Circuit Plan and the article for the Newsletter.

I realised that Advent and Christmas were rapidly approaching. This is a favourite time of the year for so many people because it reminds us of the mystery of the Birth of the Baby Jesus in the Manger in Bethlehem and the message which is ever old, yet ever new when the angels sang about: " Glory to God in the highest and peace to God's people on earth." Jesus came to bring peace to the world, but we live at a time when peace seems to be a distant dream. Nevertheless, there is something about Christmas which brings out the good in us, we tend to be more generous to those who are less fortunate than ourselves and it is truly the season of goodwill.

Then we find the year quickly coming to an end. Flight 2025 departs and Flight 2026 touches down immediately after. This is a time for us to look back and thank God for the blessings we received and for the ones we are yet to receive. It is a time to reflect on lost opportunities, loved ones, achievements and much more. Let us take time, not just to make New Year Resolutions but to promise that we will put God at the beginning and end of all that we do and say, be good disciples and give glory to God.

I wish you all as well as your families and loved ones a Very Happy and Holy Christmas and God's choicest blessings for the New Year 2026.

Rev Lena Ali

Message from Rev Rita King



A season of joy,
A season of peace,
A season to celebrate,
A season of love,
A season to give.

Christ is born— Heaven and
earth rejoice!

For a holy blessing has been bestowed upon us.
In this time of celebration, may we share with open
hearts and bless others generously this Christmas and
throughout the New Year.

May the spirit of generosity, kindness, and love guide
our words and actions. As God has blessed us, may
we be a blessing to everyone around us—bringing
hope, comfort, and joy to those in need.

Wishing you a peaceful Christmas and a grace-filled
New Year.

Rev Rita King

News from Stockwell Methodist Church



Our Harvest celebration was a remarkable time of
joy, of reflection, of gratitude, of sharing, of
giving and of connecting with God. We remain thankful
for God's provision and blessings!

Harvest is more than a season; it reminded us of God's
unfailing provision, God's faithfulness through every
changing season, and God's call for us to live as thankful
and generous people.

Our harvest gifts went towards supporting All We Can's
remarkable work through her partners, and a local
homeless charity, Spires.

In a world that often focuses on scarcity, during
harvest, we were reminded of God's abundance.

We reflected and learnt that through small acts of love
and with the right support, lives could be transformed
and people's standard of living, improved. Every seed
planted in faith, every act of kindness, and every prayer
whispered in hope—God multiplies far beyond what we
can imagine.

We had an exciting time playing, 'If your church is an
animal, what animal would it be and why?'

All We Can's Partners in Liberia use it in their training
program, and it was a fruitful learning experience that
we hope to build on going forward.

We give thanks not only for fruits and grains, for bread
and yams, for water and beverages, but also for the
spiritual harvest that God is growing within us: love,
joy, peace, patience, kindness, and all the fruits of the
Spirit.

News from Streatham Methodist Church

We were pleased to welcome Thomas Winter, the London District Property co-ordinator to lead a Visioning Session at Streatham in September. Our members contributed their views about the area and the local community, and this has resulted in a new vision statement.

Our Vision for Streatham

Streatham Methodist Church seeks to be a **welcoming, affirming, and prayerful community** — a place of **spiritual growth, peace, and hope** in the heart of Streatham.

Our vision is to share the love and message of Jesus Christ with all people by:

1. Strengthening Community and Fellowship

We will build on our identity as a place of **love, community, and hospitality**, offering a sense of belonging in an area where many experience **isolation, poverty, and homelessness**.

2. Serving as a Spiritual and Physical Hub

We aim to ensure our church is seen as a **vibrant, open, and welcoming space** — a place where people are **fed spiritually and physically**, find **peace**, and receive **kind and practical support**.

3. Being a Justice-Seeking Church

We will actively live out God's call to **seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly**, caring for those in need and challenging the injustices that affect our local community.

Our Priorities for Mission and Action

To fulfil this vision and deepen our outreach in Streatham we will endeavor to:

- **Improve accessibility**— Continue to develop a **refurbished, healthy, and inclusive** building that meets the needs of all.
- **Make the church more visible and inviting**- Work towards keeping our **main doors open every day**, signalling that SMC is a living, active, and welcoming presence in Streatham.
- **Develop ways to serve the local community** - Deepening collaboration with local organisations and charities.



- Foster **spiritual growth, connection, and fellowship** across all generations:

- Renew our **pastoral care systems** so that everyone feels valued, supported, and connected.

- Encourage opportunities for **shared learning and worship** across generations and nurturing deeper discipleship through Bible study and small groups.

- Continue to offer **vibrant, Spirit-filled worship** that draws on SMC's strong community roots and celebrates the diversity of our congregation.

We have a lot to do to achieve this mission, but we are resolved, with the help of God to try.

Meanwhile we have had a completely new Fire Alarm system installed and a survey of our roof as one of the pinnacles has become unstable. This has led to the fencing off part of the grass area in case the pinnacle falls. We are now actively searching for funding towards the major works that are needed to stop further decay to the stonework and roof. Our church has been on this site since 1900. It is Grade 2 listed and built in Art and Craft Gothic style, it has a wide barrel-vaulted ceiling and beautiful stained-glass windows.

During the Summer we had three break-ins which has meant we have also had to spend a lot of money installing more robust intruder alarms and CCTV.

Our congregation is in good spirits, and we look forward to working with the circuit to continue our work in Streatham and engage more with the local community.

Submitted by Pat Ashworth

Black History Month 2025 at Clapham Methodist Church

On Saturday 25th October 2025, Clapham Methodist Church celebrated Black History Month and explored this year's theme of ***Standing Firm in Power and Pride***. We marked the occasion by hearing inspiring stories from members of the congregation, learning about the history of African, Caribbean, and Soul Music. We enjoyed performances from the choir and the dance group - Clapham Gold Stars. We savoured delicious, cooked food, and danced the night away. It was a fantastic evening filled with inspiration, celebration, and culture! Here are a few moments captured from our Black History Month event on 25th October 2025. The evening brought us together in a joyful celebration of heritage, culture, and community. From powerful stories shared by members of the congregation to vibrant music and energetic performances. The event was a beautiful expression of pride and unity. These photos highlight just some of the joy and togetherness we experienced. We hope to see you at our next Black History Month celebration - a gathering of stories, rhythms, and shared heritage. Until then, may the spirit of community continue to guide us, and may the warmth of this season rest gently on every heart.

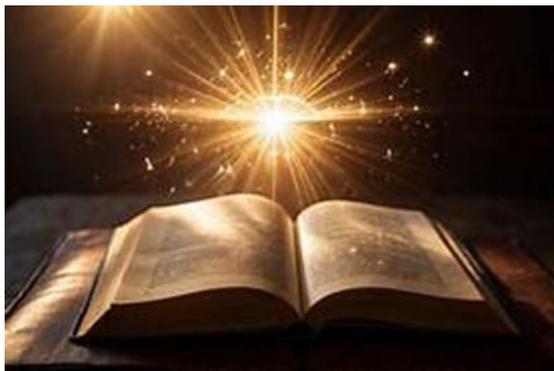


Submitted by Fiona Owuru

Clapham Methodist Church extends warm Christmas blessings to all our dear brothers and sisters in Christ. May you have a Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with God's grace, love, and renewed strength. May the light of Christmas shine warmly in your hearts, and may this season remind us of God's love and God's blessings. Also, may the New Year bring us fresh hope, abundant blessings, and God's grace in all things.

Shalom....

DECEMBER 2025, JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2026 PREACHING PLAN



CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN YEAR A – DECEMBER 2025

SUNDAY SERVICES		7	14	21	28
		Second Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent	Fourth Sunday of Advent	First Sunday of Christmas
CHURCHES	TIME	Isaiah 11: 1-10 Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19 Romans 15: 4-13 Matthew 3: 1-12	Isaiah 35: 1-10 Psalm 146: 5-10 or Luke 1: 47-55 James 5: 7-10 Matthew 11: 2-11	Isaiah 7: 10-16 Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-25	Isaiah 63: 7-9 Psalm 148 Hebrews 2: 10-18 Matthew 2: 13-23
BRIXTON HILL	11:00am	MARKAY HC	SMYTH	MARKAY CAROL SERVICE	LA
CLAPHAM	11:00am	DA SILVA HC	MARKAY	KING	LA
	6:00pm		CIRCUIT SERVICE @ 4:00PM CHRISTINGLE	CTIC CAROL SERVICE	
LAMBETH WALK	10:00am	SHORTMAN HC	DA SILVA		SHORTMAN
MOSTYN ROAD	11:00am				MARKAY HC
RAILTON ROAD	11:00am	SOBOGUN	ALI CAROL SERVICE	DA SILVA	ALI
SPRINGFIELD	10:30am	ODOFIN	KING HC	AMOAH-ARKO	KING
STOCKWELL	10:30am	KING HC	GYESI	OVENDEN	DA SILVA
STREATHAM	10:30am	KYEI	SHORTMAN HC	SHORTMAN CAROL SERVICE	LA
TULSE HILL	10:30am	ALI HC	ASHWORTH	ALI CAROL SERVICE	OYELEDUN

CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN Year A – JANUARY 2026

SUNDAY SERVICES		4	11	18	25
		Second Sunday of Christmas	Sunday after Epiphany and the First Sunday in Ordinary Time	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
		Jeremiah 31:7-14 Psalm 147:12-20 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:(1-9),10-18	Isaiah 42: 1-9 Psalm 29 Acts 10: 34-43 Matthew 3: 13-17	Isaiah 49: 1-7 Psalm 40: 1-11 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-42	Isaiah 9: 1- 4 Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-23
CHURCHES	TIME				
BRIXTON HILL	11:00am	MARKAY HC/COV	SMYTH	MARKAY	OYELEDUN
CLAPHAM	11:00am	DA SILVA HC/COV	ASHWORTH	SMYTH	DA SILVA
	6:00pm				DA SILVA
LAMBETH WALK	10:00am	SHORTMAN COV/PV	GYESI	SHORTMAN AA	OVENDEN
MOSTYN ROAD	11:00am				MARKAY HC
RAILTON ROAD	11:00am	AMOAH-ARKO	ALI HC/COV	LA	ALI
SPRINGFIELD	10:30am	OYELEDUN	KING HC/COV	SOBOGUN	KYEI
STOCKWELL	10:30am	KING HC/COV	AMOAH-ARKO	KING	SMYTH
STREATHAM	10:30am	SMYTH	SHORTMAN COV/PV	DA SILVA	SHORTMAN
TULSE HILL	10:30am	ALI HC/COV	DA SILVA	ALI	LA

CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN YEAR A – FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY SERVICES		1	8	15	22
		Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
CHURCHES	TIME	Micah 6: 1-8 Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31 Matthew 5: 1-12	Isaiah 58: 1-9a (9b-12) Psalm 112: 1-9 (10) 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 (13-16) Matthew 5: 13-20	Deuteronomy 30 :15 -20 or Sirach/Ecclesiasticus 15: 15 – 20 1 Corinthians 3: 1 – 9 Mathew 5: 21 -37	Leviticus 19: 1-2, 9 – 18 Psalm 119: 33- 40 1 Corinthians 3:10 -11, 16 -23 Mathew 5:38 - 48
BRIXTON HILL	11:00am	MARKAY HC	GYESI	MARKAY	SUE
CLAPHAM	11:00am	DA SILVA HC	DA SILVA	OYELEDUN	SOBOGUN
	6:00pm				CTiC LENT SERVICE
LAMBETH WALK	10:00am	SHORTMAN HC	MARKAY	SHORTMAN AA	LA
MOSTYN ROAD	11:00am				LA
RAILTON ROAD	11:00am	SMYTH	ALI HC	SMYTH	ALI
SPRINGFIELD	10:30am	OYELEDUN	KING HC	LA	OVENDEN
STOCKWELL	10:30am	KING HC	SMYTH	LA	KING
STREATHAM	10:30am	ASHWORTH	SHORTMAN HC	KING	MOORE
TULSE HILL	10:30am	ALI HC	OVENDEN	ALI	SMYTH

SPECIAL SERVICES

CHURCHES	DATE	SERVICE/PROGRAMME	TIME
Brixton Hill	Saturday 20 th December	Christmas Concert	7:30 p.m.
	Thursday 25 th December	All Age Christmas Service	10:00 a.m.
	Wednesday 31 st December	Watchnight Service	11:00 p.m.
Clapham	Saturday 13 th December	Saturday Sunbeam Service/Party	3:00 p.m.
	Sunday 14 th December	Circuit Service Christingle	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday 21 st December	CTIC Carol Service	6:00 p.m.
	Wednesday 24 th December	Christmas Eva HC	11:30 p.m.
	Thursday 25 th December	All Age Christmas Service	11:00 a.m.
	Wednesday 31 st December	Watchnight Service	10:30 p.m.
Stockwell/ Springfield	Sunday 21 st December	Joint All Age Christingle and Carol Service @ Stockwell	3.30 p.m.
	Thursday 25 th December	Joint All Age Christmas Celebration @Stockwell	10:30 a.m.
	Wednesday 31 st December	Joint Watchnight Service @ Springfield	10:30 p.m.
Streatham	Thursday 25 th December	All Age Christmas Service	10:30 a.m.
Lambeth Walk	Sunday 21 st December	Carol Service	3:00 p.m.
	Wednesday 18 th February	Ash Wednesday	7:00 p.m.
Railton Road	Wednesday 18 th February	Ash Wednesday	11:00 a.m.

Special Services

Safeguarding Training Invitation

There will be a safeguarding training session open to all church workers and to anyone who requires safeguarding training for the first time or who needs a refresher.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and this training will help equip us with the knowledge and understanding we need in our daily ministry and interactions.

Training Details

 **Date:** Saturday, 24th January 2026

 **Time:** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

 **Venue:** Brixton Hill Methodist Church

To attend this session, please contact the Lambeth Methodist Circuit Office for registration and any additional information you may need.

We look forward to seeing you there as we learn, grow, and strengthen our commitment to creating a safe and caring environment for all.



BIBLE QUIZ

- 1. Who was Mary engaged to when she was visited by the angel Gabriel?**
 - a. Joseph
 - b. Josuah
 - c. Joel
 - d. Jacob
- 2. Which angel announced the birth of Jesus to Mary?**
 - a. Angel Gabriel
 - b. Archangel Michael
 - c. Lucifer
 - d. King Herod
- 3. Where was Jesus laid after his birth?**
 - a. In a box
 - b. In a manger
 - c. Baby cot
 - d. Moses basket
- 4. How many wise men visited Jesus according to tradition?**
 - a. Three
 - b. Two
 - c. Four
 - d. SIX
- 5. Which king wanted to kill baby Jesus?**
 - a. King Saul
 - b. King Solomon
 - c. King David
 - d. King Herod
- 6. What guided the wise men to Jesus?**
 - a. Rainbow
 - b. Star
 - c. Rain
 - d. Light
- 7. Which town did Mary and Joseph travel for the census?**
 - a. Jerusalem
 - b. Bethlehem
 - c. Jericho
 - d. Capernaum

BIBLE QUIZ

- 8. What gifts did the wise men bring to Jesus?**
 - a. Bronze, gold and myrrh
 - b. Myrrh, silver, and frankincense
 - c. Gold, frankincense, and myrrh
 - d. Bronze, gold and myrrh
- 9. In which book of the Bible is the birth of Jesus described first?**
 - a. Luke
 - b. Acts
 - c. Matthew
 - d. Genesis
- 10. Which book of the bible focuses on the shepherds visiting Jesus?**
 - a. Mathew
 - b. Luke
 - c. John
 - d. Mark
- 11. Which prophet foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem?**
 - a. Micah
 - b. Micheal
 - c. Elijah
 - d. Elisha
- 12. How did the angels announce Jesus' birth to the shepherds?**
 - a. By saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men"
 - b. Jesus is born in Bethlehem
 - c. A star is shining
 - d. Peace be unto you

<https://fitcaptions.com/christmas-bible-trivia-questions-and-answers/>



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CHRISTMAS

WORD SEARCH



JESUS
GARLAND
COOKIES
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Joy to the World



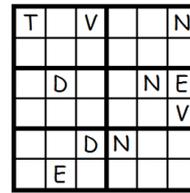
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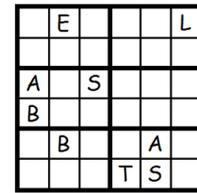
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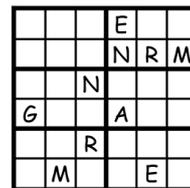
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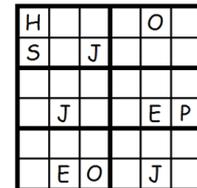
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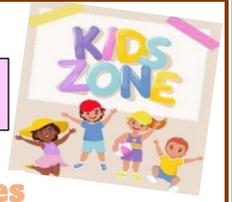
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Jokes Corner

Christmas is a time for joy, celebration, and laughter. What better way to spread the holiday cheer than with some good old-fashioned Christian jokes. Let's crack some jokes.

1. What did Adam say to his wife on Christmas?
It's Christmas, Eve!
2. How did Mary and Joseph know Jesus' weight when he was born?
They had a weigh in a manger.
3. How does a snowman lose weight?
He waits for the weather to get warmer.



Dear precious little ones,

As we celebrate Christmas and step into a brand-new year, remember this: you are never forgotten. We want you to know that you are all held close in our hearts. Christ loves you, and so do we!

Enjoy this Nativity activity, along with some joyful Christmas poems, heartfelt prayers, and fun Christmas challenges just for you.

Wishing each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Shalom and blessings!

Christmas Challenge



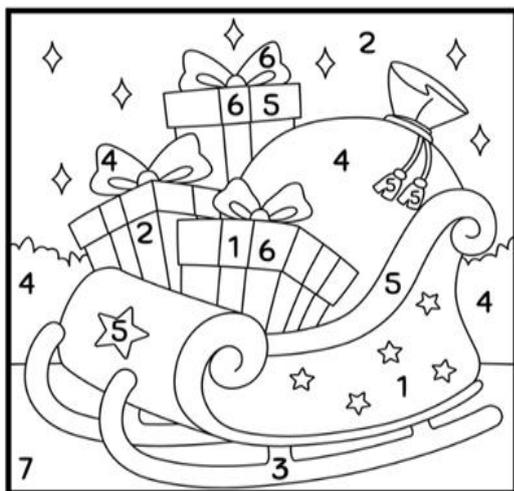
This Christmas, ask yourself:

1. Can I be kind to someone who needs a friend?
2. Can I help someone at home?
3. Can I give a smile or a kind word?
4. Can I share something with someone who has less?

These small gifts make Jesus very happy.

Color by Number - Christmas

Use the key at the bottom of the page to color the picture.



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| 1. red | 2. blue | 3. brown |
| 4. green | 5. yellow | 6. pink |
| 7. gray | | |

Christmas Riddles

1. I hang on the tree and jingle when I sway — what am I?
 - a. Bell
 - b. light
 - c. leaves
2. I'm round and white, fall from the sky and you can catch me on your tongue — what am I?
 - a. River
 - b. Snow
 - c. Stars
3. I have branches but I'm not a river — I sparkle at Christmas — what am I?
 - a. Christmas Pudding
 - b. Christmas tree
 - c. Christmas lights
4. I travel in a sleigh pulled by reindeer and bring presents — who am I?
 - a. Santa Claus
 - b. Elves
 - c. Superman
5. Tiny helpers that help Santa in the workshop — who are they?
 - a. Elves
 - b. Heros
 - c. Shepards

A Christmas Prayer

Dear Jesus,
 Thank you for coming into the world on Christmas Day.
 Help us to share your love with everyone we meet.
 Fill our hearts with joy, peace, and kindness this season.
 Amen.



Kids Colouring Section

The Nativity



Name _____

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Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem.



In Bethlehem, Mary had a baby boy named Jesus.



There was no room at the inn, so Baby Jesus slept in a manger.



Shepherds were in nearby fields watching their sheep.



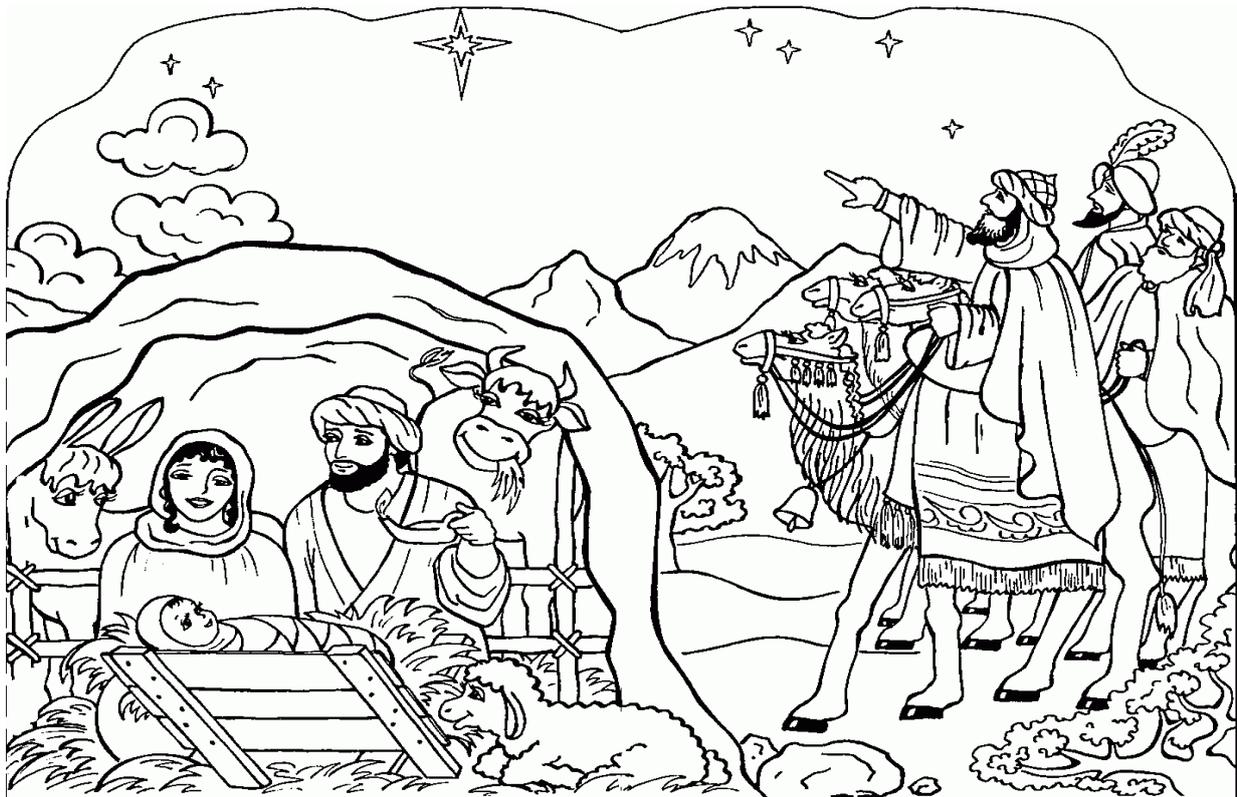
An angel came and told the shepherds that a Savior was born in Bethlehem.



Three Kings followed a star to find Baby Jesus.



Happy Birthday, Jesus! Merry Christmas and Peace on Earth!



Can you spot Baby Jesus in the manger?

Which sign did the wise men follow to find Jesus?

What gifts did the wise men present to Jesus?

SING OUT LOUD

It's a season to be jolly, and we cannot do it without singing out loud!

With jolly hearts and joyful songs, let our voices rise in praise and celebration!

STF 202 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing
glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim:
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."

*Hark! The herald- angels sing
glory to the newborn King.*

Christ, by highest heaven adored,
Christ, the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see!
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Immanuel:

*Hark! The herald- angels sing
glory to the newborn King.*

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise sons of earth,
born to give them second birth.

*Hark! The herald- angels sing
glory to the newborn King.*

Charles Wesley (1707 – 1788)

STF 212 O Come, all ye faithful

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
come, and behold Him,
born the King of angels!

*O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him;
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!*

True God of true God,
Light of Light eternal,
lo, he abhors not the virgin's womb;
Son of the Father,
begotten, not created:

See how the shepherds,
Summoned to his cradle,
Leaving their flocks, draw nigh to gaze; we too will tither
bend our joyful footsteps:

Lo, star-led chieftains
Magi, Christ adoring
Offer him incense, gold, and myrrh
We to the Christ adoring
Bring our hearts' oblations:

Sing, choirs of angels,
sing in exultation;
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above:
Glory to God
in the highest:

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesus, to thee be glory given:
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing:

*Latin, 18th Century possibly by
John Francis Wade (c. 1711 – 1786) and Others*



ANSWERS TO BIBLE QUIZ

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 - In a manger**
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 - Three**
- Which king wanted to kill baby Jesus?
 - King Herod**
- What guided the wise men to Jesus?
 - Star**
- To which town did Mary and Joseph travel for the census?
 - Bethlehem**
- What gifts did the wise men bring to Jesus?
 - Gold, frankincense, and myrrh**
- In which gospel is the birth of Jesus described first?
 - Matthew**
- Which gospel focuses on the shepherds visiting Jesus?
 - Luke**
- Which prophet foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem?
 - Micah**
- How did the angels announce Jesus' birth to the shepherds?
 - By saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men"**

ANSWERS TO WORDSEARCH & SODUKU

I hope you enjoy checking your solutions

SOLUTION
Nativity Sudoku

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STABLE

MANGER

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JOSEPH

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Joy to the World
Word Search

SOLUTION

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<https://fitcaptions.com/christmas-bible-trivia-questions-and-answers/>

Christmas Riddles Answers



1. I hang on the tree and jingle when I sway — what am I?

Answer: Bell

2. I'm round and white, fall from the sky and you can catch me on your tongue — what am I?

Answer: Snow

3. I have branches but I'm not a river — I sparkle at Christmas — what am I?

Answer: Christmas tree

4. I travel in a sleigh pulled by reindeer and bring presents — who am I?

Answer: Santa Claus

5. Tiny helpers that help Santa in the workshop — who are they?

Answer: Elves



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