

Eventually, someone said they could sleep with the animals in the stable.

That night, in a stable, surrounded by animals, something wonderful happened. Jesus was born.

Mary placed Jesus in a manger. It was usually where the animals got their food. But that night, it held the Son of God. One day, far away in Rome. The Roman emperor Augustus wanted to count all the people living in his empire.

He wanted to make sure everyone paid their taxes to him.

He made a law that everyone must return to the town where they were born.





Mary and Joseph lived in Nazareth, but Joseph's family came from a town far away called Bethlehem.

Even though it was a long way away and Mary was having a baby, they had to make the trip.

They left their home behind and made the long journey.

When they arrived in Bethlehem, it was very busy. Lots of people were there because of the census.

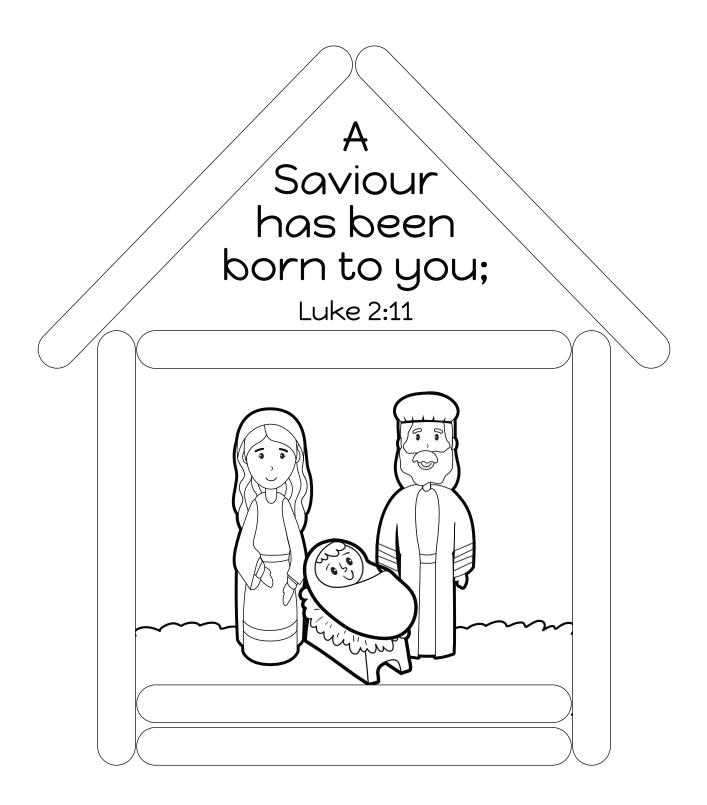
Mary and Joseph went from house to house, but there was no room.

They went from inn to inn, but everywhere was full.

There was nowhere left for them to stay.

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