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Joseph, the carpenter of Nazareth with his affianced wife Mary, went to Bethlehem 90 miles from their home to enroll there for the tax ordered by the Roman emperor Caesar Augustus and while there Mary gave birth to a son and she wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because no room was found in the inn.

ILLUSTRATED SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Scripture—Matthew 1:18-2:12; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 2:1-20.



On that night shepherds were watching their flocks in the hills around Bethlehem and an angel appeared to them and told them not to be afraid, for "behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour who is Christ the Lord.

Other angels appeared too, "singing 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.' When the angels had gone, the shepherds hastened to Bethlehem and when they found the Babe, as the angel had said, they bowed down and worshipped Him, and then going on their way, they told all they met of the joyful tidings.

Three wisemen came from the East to Jerusalem, asking for the King of the Jews, for they said, "We have seen His star in the east and we come to worship Him." They too found Joseph, Mary and the Holy Babe at Bethlehem and they too worshipped and left rich gifts for Him.

MEMORY VERSE—Luke 2:10

The Golden Text



The angels and the shepherds. "I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people."—Luke 2:10.

Sunday School Lesson

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STORY OF JESUS' BIRTH BRINGS JOY

Scripture—Matthew 1:18-2:12; Mark 1:1-11; Luke 2:1-20.

BY NEWMAN CAMPBELL. ONCE AGAIN we study the beautiful story of the birth of Christ, with its message of peace on earth, goodwill toward men. Again, as a year ago, we cry "peace, peace, and there is no peace." We can only hope, as the weeks roll by, that between now and Christmas, the fighting in various parts of the world may end, and the "cold war" with Russia be settled. No matter what the world conditions, Christians everywhere feel a new joy and an abiding hope at this season of the year that peace really is here—or will be soon. No unfavorable circumstances can quench this hope at Christmas, when we celebrate with song and gifts the birth of Jesus Christ. We read and re-read the words of Saint Luke as he tells us the story of the shepherds "abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night." We know that Joseph and his affianced wife, Mary, were at Bethlehem; that there was no room for them there in the inn, and they were compelled to find shelter in a poor outhouse, which sheltered cattle. They had come 90 miles from their home in Nazareth for Joseph to register for taxation purposes. There Mary gave birth to her firstborn, who was to be called Jesus, by the Lord's command. Carefully she wrapped the tiny boy in swaddling clothes and laid him tenderly in the manger. The shepherds on the hills saw a great light which shone all about them, and an angel appeared to them. Alarmed, they looked at the holy messenger, who said to them, "Fear not, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you. Ye shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." Suddenly the whole heavens were filled with singing angels who carolled "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men." The angels disappeared, and the shepherds said to one another "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing which is

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Privately the crafty Herod called the wise men to him and asked them what time the star appeared, and then he sent them on to Bethlehem, telling them that when they returned they should tell him what they found that he too might go and worship the King. The wise men were warned, however, not to return to Jerusalem, and they went home by another route, so Herod was foiled in his plan to slay the child. The star led the wise men to the manger, and stood above it. They entered, as the shepherds had done, and fell down and worshipped the Child, offered rich gifts, then went their way. How can we best enjoy this Christmas season of peace and goodwill? By doing something to bring joy and peace to others who are not as fortunate as we are. By welcoming the displaced persons who come to this country to make new homes, and making them feel at home here. By joining in our churches' programs to help such people abroad in war-torn countries. By having peaceful relations with neighbors and associates.

and meditation. Sunday, Dec. 19. Mid-week prayer meeting, Wednesday night 7:30. Mary Gladys Tubb, leader. CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICE "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon at the Christian Science service on Sunday morning, December 19. The service will be held in the church rooms on the second floor of the Masonic Temple at 11 o'clock. CRABTREE METHODIST CHURCH C. O. Newell, Pastor Crabtree—Sunday School at 10:30. Tom Kirkpatrick, Supt. Andy Ferguson, Assistant Supt. Church services each second and fourth Sunday at 11:30 o'clock. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Davis Chapel—Sunday School at 10 o'clock, Frank Davis Supt. Jarvis Caldwell, Assistant Supt. Church Services each first and third Sundays at 11 o'clock. Methodist Youth Fellowship at

7 o'clock, Joe Caldwell, president. Fincher's Chapel—Sunday School at 10 o'clock, Fred Noland Supt., W. J. McCrary, Assistant. Church Services each first and third Sundays at 11 o'clock. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Lucile Haney Tabor, president. Mt. Zion—Sunday School at 10 o'clock, Herschel Rogers, Supt. Church services every second and fourth Sunday at 11 o'clock.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Rev. A. F. Rohrbaecher, Pastor Canton, Y.M.C.A. Building every 3rd Sunday 8:00 A.M. Andrews, Terrace Hotel Every 5th Sunday 8:00 A.M. Bryson City, St. Joseph's Church every 1st Sunday 8:00 A.M. Cherokee, Qualls Hall Every 2nd Sunday 8:00 A.M. Cullowhee, Student Union Building every Sunday 11:00 A.M. 1st Wednesday 7:00 A.M. Fontana Dam, Rebecca-Franklin, John Wasilik Home Every Sunday 8:00 A.M. Highlands, School Auditorium every Sunday 11:00 A.M. Murphy, John Manthey Home every 1st Sunday 8:00 A.M. Sylva, William Wise Home every 4th Sunday 8:00 A.M. Waynesville, St. John's Church, every Sunday 11:00 A.M.

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WAYNESVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson, Pastor Sunday School at 10 o'clock. Whitener Prevoist, Superintendent of Sunday School. Morning Worship 11 o'clock. Sermon subject: "The Glory of the Manger." The music for the service will be appropriate for the Christmas season. Vesper Musical Program at 5 p.m. This service will consist of 15 minutes of Carols played over the Electron Bell amplifier from 4:45 until 5 o'clock, at which time the organist will begin the service which will feature the Cathedral Chimes. The musical program will be provided by the church choir under the direction of Mrs. J. L. Kilpatrick and will consist of Christmas anthems and solos. The congregation led by the choir will join in the singing of the more familiar Christmas Carols. All who will come are invited to the service. DELLWOOD METHODIST CHURCH J. E. B. Houser, Pastor The pastor's theme at Maple Grove at 10 o'clock and at Elizabeth Chapel at 7:15 o'clock will be "The Apostle's Creed" for study

GRACE CHURCH IN-THE-MOUNTAINS (Episcopal) The Rev. Edgar Gould, Rector Fourth Sunday in Advent Church School, 9:45 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11:00 a.m. FREE METHODIST CHURCH Pastors: Rev. Charlotte Bishop and Rev. Ruth Gruber The Free Methodist Chapel on Depot St., cordially invites you to its regular weekly services as follows: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. Evening Evangelistic service "A Christmas in Prison", 7:30. Sunday-afternoon rehearsal for Christmas program at 3 o'clock this

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