## **Instructions**

Thank you for participating in the Proclamation of the Christmas Story! Here are a few things to keep in mind before you begin:

- Please dress up for the roles... Be creative! You can use tablecloths, pillowcases, whatever you have around the house!
- You can film yourself acting out one part of the Gospel or the whole thing!
  Remember, this will be put together with the other submissions, so only part of what you submit will be used, but we need some options.
- Submit whatever you feel comfortable with (videos, photos, or even just audio!). We will use whatever we are given! You can also submit multiple videos if you would like.
- The script (found on the next page) has the stage directions (when people need to enter) in italics.
- Most importantly, HAVE FUN!!!!!

A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled.

This was the first enrollment.

when Quirinius was governor of Syria.

So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town.

Mary and Joseph walk in.

And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there,

the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son.

She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

*Place baby in the manger.* 

Enter the shepherds and their sheep.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock.

Angel enters.

The angel of the Lord appeared to them

and the glory of the Lord shone around them,

and they were struck with great fear.

The angel said to them,

"Do not be afraid;

for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy

that will be for all the people.

For today in the city of David

a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord.

And this will be a sign for you:

you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes

and lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel,

praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest

and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."