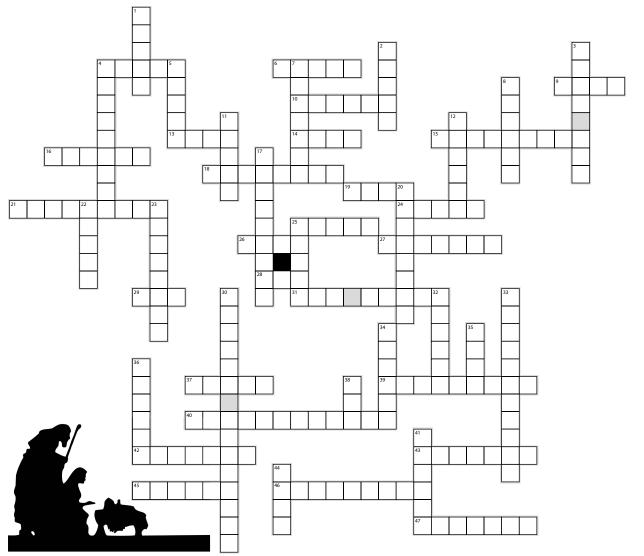
## The MAMMOTH Christmastime Crossword

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Crossword questions that refer to verses in the Bible were created with the King James Version. Some of the questions in this crossword are indirectly related to the Christmas story. To brush up on your knowledge of the facts surrounding the first Christmas, see Matthew 1:18–25; 2:1–12; Luke 1:26–38; 2:1–20. Note: Gray boxes indicate a space between two words.



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## Across

- 4. What the wise men studied in order to find Jesus' birthplace.
- Prophet who predicted that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem.
- 9. Another name for "wise men."
- 10. Another term for nativity scene.
- 13. Guide for the traveling wise men.
- 14. French for "Christmas."
- 15. The reason God sent Jesus to earth.
- 16. The man who blessed Baby Jesus at the temple.
- 18. The town Joseph and Mary lived at the time of Mary's engagement.
- 9. One of the two Gospels that relate the events of the first Christmas.
- 21. King famous for a loving, Christmastime deed.
- 24. One of the gifts that was given by the wise men to Jesus.
- The number of months Mary stayed with Elizabeth while pregnant with Jesus.
- 26. The woman priestess who gave thanks when seeing Baby Jesus at the temple.
- 27. Mary said, "My soul doth \_\_\_\_ the Lord."
- 28. The period before an event.
- 29. How many months pregnant was Elizabeth when an angel came to Mary announcing that she would be the mother of Jesus?
- 31. How old was Jesus when He visited the temple for the first time?
- 37. The king of Judea at the time of Jesus' birth.
- 39. Town where Jesus was born.
- 40. Another of the gifts to Jesus from the wise men.
- 42. Last name of the protagonist of A Christmas Carol (novel by Charles Dickens).
- 43. The angel sent to tell Mary that she would be the mother of Jesus.
- 45. Decorations that twinkle and glow.
- 46. A tree used to symbolize everlasting life.
- 47. The sea (in this case, actually a lake) near the place where Joseph and Mary lived at the time of their engagement.

## Down

- The town of Bethlehem was within the land of the tribe of
- 2. The province where Zacharias and Elizabeth lived.
- 3. The first two words that the angel said to Zacharias.
- 4. Angels appeared to them to announce Jesus' birth.
- 5. A gift you can give to Jesus that never stops giving.
- 7. What Zacharias was burning in the temple when an angel appeared to him?
- 8. Circular decoration made with green leaves
- The method God used to warn Joseph and the wise men of Herod's evil plans.
- 12. Jesus' first "bed" on earth.
- 17. Joseph's profession.
- 20. One of Jesus' names, meaning "God with us."
- 22. The country Joseph, Mary, and Jesus fled to after receiving a warning from an angel.
- 23. The name for the shortest day in winter.
- 25. The reason Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem.
- 30. Roman emperor at the time of Jesus' birth.
- 32. Winter snow transport.
- 33. The offering Joseph, Mary, and Baby Jesus brought to the temple.
- 34. Building where Jesus was born.
- What Zacharias became when he didn't believe his elderly wife, Elisabeth, could have a baby.
- 36. Songs sung during Christmas.
- 38. The type of lodging establishment that Mary and Joseph were unable to secure rooms at when arriving at the town of Joseph's ancestors.
- 41. Traditional Christmas drink.
- 44. The first thing Zacharias did when an angel spoke to him.