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“Christmas Town” at the Creation Museum: Celebrating Christmas with a Live Nativity, Dramatic Lights and Actors, and a Re-Creation of a First-Century Marketplace

PETERSBURG, Ky., December 19, 2011— The popular annual Christmas festivities at the Creation Museum—“Christmas Town”—have already welcomed over 11,600 people in its first four days.

With a live nativity display on the museum’s highly decorated grounds, “Christmas Town” presents the true meaning of Christmas. In addition, [“Christmas Town”](#) provides visitors a glimpse into the amazing events surrounding the wonder of Christ’s birth. Last year, Christmas Town attracted 22,000 visitors over eight days.



With four more days to come, December 26-27 and 30-31, dramatic presentations—plus the activities mentioned above—include:

- The story of Elizabeth, the mother of John the Baptist, and the joy she felt when she was told she would bear a child of promise;
- Anna, the widow in the temple who looked upon the Christ Child the day that Mary and Joseph presented baby Jesus to the Lord;

- The temple guard, Hyam, whose life was transformed from shame to hope with his search for the “child born King of the Jews”; and
- The Magi—a wise man will share how and why he followed the star.

The museum’s gardens have been transformed into a “Garden of Lights” featuring a breathtaking display of more than 60,000 Christmas lights. A first-century marketplace offers gifts and souvenirs, from oil lamps and pottery to handmade scarves, hats, toys, and baskets.

The museum’s acclaimed planetarium will present its special ticketed program, “The Christmas Star,” about the mysterious star in the east that heralded the birth of Jesus and guided the wise men to Him. Next door, “Noah’s Café” will serve a turkey dinner.

“Christmas Town” is open 5-8 p.m. ET, Dec. 26-27 and 30-31, and all outdoor events (except for the camel rides) are free and open to the public.

NOTE: This Saturday, December 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., as a “thank you” gift to the community for another great year at the museum, the Creation Museum will be open free.

More information about the special Christmas events, plus details on purchasing tickets for the planetarium and the Creation Museum, can be found at <http://www.creationmuseum.org> or by calling (888) 582-4253.

Answers in Genesis is a biblical apologetics ministry which conducts more than 300 teaching meetings each year, hosts an award-winning website, and produces the “Answers” radio program heard on more than 600 stations throughout the world. The high-tech Creation Museum has attracted 1.5 million visitors and dozens of the world’s major media in 4-and-one-half years. For more information, see <http://www.creationmuseumnews.com>.

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