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SNOWFLAKES AND GLORY: A CONTEMPORARY NATIVITY FOR BLACK CHURCHES

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Summary

This 15-minute children's skit takes place in a small Black church classroom on a December Sunday. A group of kids is supposed to practice a simple Christmas reading and mini-nativity, but they keep getting distracted by questions about snow, winter, and what Christmas really has to do with their own lives.

Their teacher, Ms. Jackson, uses paper snowflakes to show that just like no two snowflakes are the same, no two children are the same—and God made each of them on purpose. The kids then act out the nativity story with colorful, playful costumes, learning that the same God who sent Jesus on that first Christmas also made each of them "fearfully and wonderfully."

With light humor, off-key carols, and sweet childlike honesty, the skit shows that Christmas is about God's love coming close to every generation and every child.

Theme

Christmas, identity in Christ, and spiritual growth – every child is uniquely created, deeply loved, and invited to the light of Jesus.

Characters

(7–10 actors; some kids can play more than one role.)

- **Narrator** – Clear, warm voice; guides the audience through the story.
- **Ms. Jackson** – Children's teacher, bright holiday sweater, gentle, firm when needed, deeply loves Jesus and the kids.
- **Amari** – Curious, thoughtful child; asks big questions.
- **Zoe** – Energetic, loves singing and dancing.
- **Caleb** – Practical, likes facts and asking "why."
- **Nyla** – Shy but very observant; speaks up more as the skit goes on.
- **Micah** – Funny, a little dramatic, keeps things light.
- **J.J.** – Youngest child, very honest and adorable.
- **Mary** – Role in nativity, played by Nyla or Zoe.
- **Joseph** – Role in nativity, played by Amari or Caleb.
- **Wise Men 1–3** – Roles in nativity, played by any of the kids plus Micah and J.J.

(You can combine roles depending on the number of children.)

When

Modern day – a Sunday school classroom and a simple switch into Biblical times during the nativity reenactment.

Props & Costumes

Keep it simple and child-friendly:

- Bright holiday sweater for Ms. Jackson
- Simple church classroom setup (chairs, small table, maybe a “Sunday School” sign)
- White paper and child-safe scissors (for paper snowflakes – can be pre-cut or cut onstage)
- A few large pre-made paper snowflakes taped around
- Simple nativity costumes:
    - Scarf or shawl for Mary
    - Simple robe or oversized shirt and scarf for Joseph
    - Colorful robes or large T-shirts with gold stars taped on for the Wise Men
- A small box or basket for “baby Jesus” with a cloth inside
- Construction-paper star on a stick or hanging
- Simple microphones made of paper towel rolls (optional)

Why

The main verse and message of the skit:

“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.” – Psalm 139:14

The children learn that the God who sent Jesus at Christmas is the same God who made each of them unique and precious.

How

The stage is split into two simple spaces:

1. **Church Classroom:** Chairs in a semicircle, table with paper, scissors, and a Bible.
2. **Nativity Space:** When it’s time, the kids step to one side, put on simple robes and scarves, and stand around a small “manger” to create the nativity scene.

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Transitions are done by Narrator and Ms. Jackson; no major set changes needed—just movement and imagination.

Time

15 minutes

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Scene 1: Snow Questions in Sunday School

(Lights up. A simple church classroom. Chairs in a half circle. A table with paper and scissors. A few big paper snowflakes are taped on the wall. Ms. Jackson is arranging papers. Kids wander in and sit: Amari, Zoe, Caleb, Nyla, Micah, and J.J.)

Narrator:
On a chilly December morning, in a small church on the corner of the block, a group of children gathered for Sunday school.
They were supposed to practice their Christmas reading…
But their minds were on something else.

Ms. Jackson:
(cheerful)
Good morning, my snowflakes!

Zoe:
(twirling)
Ooooh, I like that. I'm Zoe the snowflake.

Micah:
I'm Micah, the snowball. I roll and cause drama.

J.J.:
I'm J.J. the snowman! With hot chocolate.

Caleb:
You can't drink hot chocolate if you're a snowman. You'd melt.

J.J.:
(gasps)
Oh. Then I'm J.J. the cookie.

(They giggle. Nyla smiles quietly.)

Ms. Jackson:
Alright, my cookies and snowballs, let's settle down. We have a special Christmas skit to practice, remember?

Amari:
Ms. Jackson… do we actually get snow here? Like in the pictures?

Ms. Jackson:
Sometimes. Not always like the movies, but God sends what we need. Why, Amari?

Amari:
'Cause all the Christmas books have snow. And snowmen. And snow angels. But I've never seen a real snowflake up close.

Zoe:
I saw one! On the internet. Does that count?

Caleb:
Internet snow is not the same as real snow, Zoe.

Nyla:
(softly)
My cousin in another state sent me a picture. The snow looked like glitter on the ground.

Micah:
Man, if snow looked like glitter, my mom would be outside with a broom yelling, "Who spilled this?"

(They laugh.)

Ms. Jackson:
Snow is special. Did you know scientists say no two snowflakes are exactly alike?

J.J.:
For real? Not even the tiny ones?

Ms. Jackson:
Not even the tiny ones. Each one has its own design.

Zoe:
That's like us, right?

Caleb:
Yeah, but we all have noses and stuff.

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Nyla:
(a little louder)
We still look different. Hair, skin, smile, everything.

Amari:
And sometimes people make fun of that.

(The mood softens. Ms. Jackson hears the shift.)

Ms. Jackson:
That's true.
But you know what?
God doesn't make copies.
He makes originals.
Just like snowflakes.

Micah:
So we're like God's snowflakes?

Ms. Jackson:
Exactly.
And that's part of what I want to talk about today.
We're going to learn about Christmas… the birth of Jesus…
and what snowflakes have to do with it.

Zoe:
Christmas and snowflakes?

J.J.:
And cookies?

Ms. Jackson:
(laughs)
Maybe cookies later. But first… I need some helpers with a little paper project.

(Lights gently dim and rise again to show a small time jump as they prepare.)

Scene 2: Paper Snowflakes & God's Design

(The kids are now gathered around the table. Ms. Jackson hands out white paper. Scissors can be mimed or real child-safe scissors.)

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Ms. Jackson:
Alright, class. We're going to make paper snowflakes. You can fold your paper and cut shapes out. They don't have to be perfect.

Caleb:
But what if mine looks weird?

Ms. Jackson:
Then it will be perfect for you.

(The kids start "cutting." If you want to avoid real scissors onstage, they can pretend and then pull out pre-cut snowflakes.)

Zoe:
Mine is going to be fabulous. I'm cutting hearts.

Micah:
I'm cutting… something that might be a heart… or a potato.

J.J.:
I made a circle with holes. It's modern art.

Nyla:
(looking at hers)
Mine is small… but pretty.

Amari:
Can we see each other's when we're done?

Ms. Jackson:
Yes. On three, everybody open your snowflake.
One… two… three!

(Each child opens their snowflake and holds it up. They "ooh" and "ahh.")

Zoe:
Whoa! They're all different.

Caleb:
Mine has triangles.

Micah:
Mine looks like it went through a storm, but I like it.

Nyla:
Mine has little stars in it.

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J.J.:
Mine has… holes.

Amari:
They're all special.

Ms. Jackson:
Exactly. None of your snowflakes look the same.
And that reminds me of something the Bible says.

(She picks up a Bible from the table.)

Ms. Jackson:
Listen to this:

(Reads slowly.)

Ms. Jackson:
"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." – Psalm 139:14

Nyla:
Fearfully and wonderfully made…

Zoe:
That means God took His time with us.

Caleb:
Not just "mass-produced" people.

Micah:
So when someone says I'm weird…

Ms. Jackson:
You can say, "Yes. Fearfully and wonderfully weird."

(They laugh.)

J.J.:
God made me special.

Ms. Jackson:
Yes, J.J. He did.
And at Christmas, we remember something extra special:
The God who made you…
also sent His Son Jesus to be with you.

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Amari:
That's the part I don't always get.
We hear about baby Jesus… and wise men… and shepherds…
But sometimes it feels like a story from another world.

Ms. Jackson:
That's why we're going to act it out today.
Not just read it… But step into it.
Because the story of Jesus' birth is for kids like you, too.

Zoe:
Do we get costumes??

Ms. Jackson:
Of course.
Who wants to be Mary?

(Nyla raises her hand timidly.)

Ms. Jackson:
Nyla, I'd love for you to be Mary.

(**Nyla** smiles shyly.)

Ms. Jackson:
Amari, you'll be Joseph.
We need three wise men…

Micah:
Me!

Caleb:
I'll be one.

J.J.:
I want to be wise!

Ms. Jackson:
Perfect. Zoe, you can be a narrator and a choir all by yourself.

Zoe:
Oh, I was born for this.

Narrator:
As the children put on simple costumes and prepared their hearts,

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They were about to see that the glory of Christmas is not just for long ago…
But for every snowflake-child God has made.

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Scene 3: Acting Out the Nativity

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(The kids move to one side of the stage. Nyla puts on a shawl as Mary. Amari wraps a scarf as Joseph. Micah, Caleb, and J.J. put on colorful star T-shirts or robes as the Wise Men. A small box with cloth serves as the manger.)

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Narrator:
In a quiet town called Bethlehem,
on a night that seemed just like any other…
God was doing something new.

Zoe:
(as "Narrator-Choir," gentle, maybe humming a carol tune)
"O come, O come, Emmanuel…"

(**Mary** and **Joseph** step beside the manger.)

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Narrator:
Mary and Joseph had traveled far.
They were tired.
But God had given them a promise:
A child would be born…
a Son…
And He would save His people from their sins.

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Mary (Nyla):
(looking at the "baby")
I'm just a girl from a small town.
But God chose me to carry His Son.
That means He sees me.
He knows me.
He must have a plan.

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Joseph (Amari):
I didn't understand everything either.
But the angel told me:
"Do not be afraid."
So I'm going to take care of this family
with God's help.

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(**Zoe** hums or softly sings the first line of “Silent Night,” maybe off-key. The others smile.)

Narrator:
Out in the fields, shepherds were watching their sheep…
when suddenly…

(Ms. Jackson or a child can step to the side as an Angel, holding a small star or just lifting hands.)

Angel (Ms. Jackson or child):
Do not be afraid.
I bring you good news of great joy for all people.
Today in the city of David, a Savior has been born to you.
He is Christ the Lord.

(**Micah**, **Caleb**, and **J.J.** as Wise Men step forward.)

Wise Man 1 (Micah):
We saw His star in the east.
We knew… a King has been born.

Wise Man 2 (Caleb):
So we brought gifts.
We didn’t come to show off.
We came to worship.

Wise Man 3 (J.J.):
I brought… snacks.

(Everyone laughs.)

Ms. Jackson:
(stage whisper)
J.J., in the story, it’s myrrh… but snacks are fine for today.

Wise Man 3 (J.J.):
I brought myrrh-flavored snacks.

Wise Men kneel by the manger, each holding a small box.

Wise Man 1 (Micah):
Gold… for our King.

Wise Man 2 (Caleb):
Frankincense… for our God.

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Wise Man 3 (J.J.):
And myrrh… to show His life won't be easy…
But His love will be strong.

Narrator:
And right there, in that simple place…
with no snow,
no shining lights,
no big stage…
God's glory showed up.

Mary (Nyla):
He looks so small…
But He's God's big promise.

Joseph (Amari):
Emmanuel.
God with us.

Zoe:
(stepping forward)
Can we sing for Him?

Ms. Jackson:
Yes, let's sing one simple verse together.

(All kids sing one verse of a carol like "Silent Night" or "Away in a Manger," softly, even a little off-key. That's part of the charm.)

Narrator:
The song wasn't perfect.
Some notes were too high.
Some were too low.
But their worship was real.
And that's what God loves.

Scene 4: Snowflakes, Glory, and the Christmas Verse

(They step out of "nativity" mode, taking off extra costumes but staying onstage. The manger and snowflakes can both remain visible.)

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Ms. Jackson:
(looking at the kids)
You all did so well.
How do you feel?

Amari:
It felt… special.
Like I could imagine really being there.

Nyla:
I felt small…
but also important.

Caleb:
I realized the first Christmas wasn't fancy.
It was just… real.

Micah:
And God showed up right in the middle of it.

Zoe:
So where do the snowflakes come in again?

Ms. Jackson:
Good question.
Remember what we said:
No two snowflakes are the same.
And no two kids are the same.

(She gestures to the paper snowflakes still in their hands.)

Ms. Jackson:
God made each of you with care.
Different talents, different looks, different personalities.
And then… He sent Jesus.
Not just for "good kids," or "Bible times kids"…
But for *you*.

J.J.:
So… Jesus came for J.J., too?

Ms. Jackson:
Yes, J.J.
Jesus came for you.

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Nyla:
Even when I feel shy?

Ms. Jackson:
Even then.
God made you on purpose.

Caleb:
Even when people say I'm "too much" or "too smart"?

Ms. Jackson:
Especially then.
He gave you that brain for a reason.

Zoe:
Even when people say I'm "too loud"?

Ms. Jackson:
God can use your voice to praise Him.

Micah:
Even when I joke too much?

Ms. Jackson:
(smiling)
God can use your joy to make others smile.

Amari:
So Christmas is not just about what happened back then…
It's about what God is still doing in us now.

Ms. Jackson:
Exactly.
The same God who made you "fearfully and wonderfully"…
sent Jesus so you could know His love.

(She lifts the Bible again.)

Ms. Jackson:
Let's read our verse one more time.
Say it with me if you can.

(All kids gather closer, each holding their paper snowflake.)

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Ms. Jackson & Children (together):
"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." – Psalm 139:14

Narrator:
The children looked at their snowflakes…
then at each other…
and realized that God's glory wasn't just in the manger long ago—
It was also in the way He made each of them.

Zoe:
My snowflake is different…
And so am I.

Caleb:
And that's not a mistake.

Nyla:
God designed me.

Micah:
God designed my jokes.

J.J.:
God designed my appetite.

(They laugh.)

Amari:
And God designed a plan to bring us back to Him… through Jesus.

Ms. Jackson:
That's the heart of Christmas.
God loved the world so much, He sent His Son.
And that Son…
loves *you*.

(She looks out toward the audience.)

Ms. Jackson:
He loves every child in this room.
Every grown-up, too.
Every snowflake soul He ever made.

Narrator:
So when you see snow…

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or paper snowflakes on a wall…
or a Christmas play with kids singing a little off-key…
remember this:
You are wonderfully made.
And the baby in the manger
came for you.

Ms. Jackson:
(to kids)
On the count of three, let's tell everyone what we've learned.
One… two… three—

All Children (together, holding snowflakes up):
We are fearfully and wonderfully made…
And Jesus is God's gift to us!

Ms. Jackson:
And now, from our class to you…

All Children (turning to audience):
Merry Christmas!

(Lights fade as they wave their snowflakes and maybe hum a carol softly.)

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