

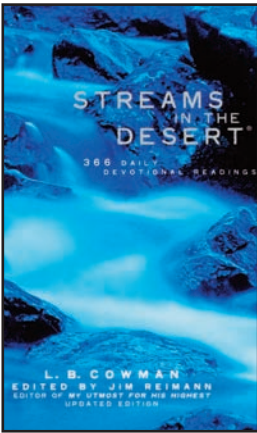
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# Characters of Christmas:

## Joseph

Matthew 1:18-25





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4. **Stand in the Gap** (Missions Training Center). Volunteers will serve as mentors in this program where we will follow God's direction as He transforms individuals, families and community. Each group consists of 6-8 people. (Sue Hurst; [sue.hurst@hfbc.org](mailto:sue.hurst@hfbc.org); 713.681.3521)
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