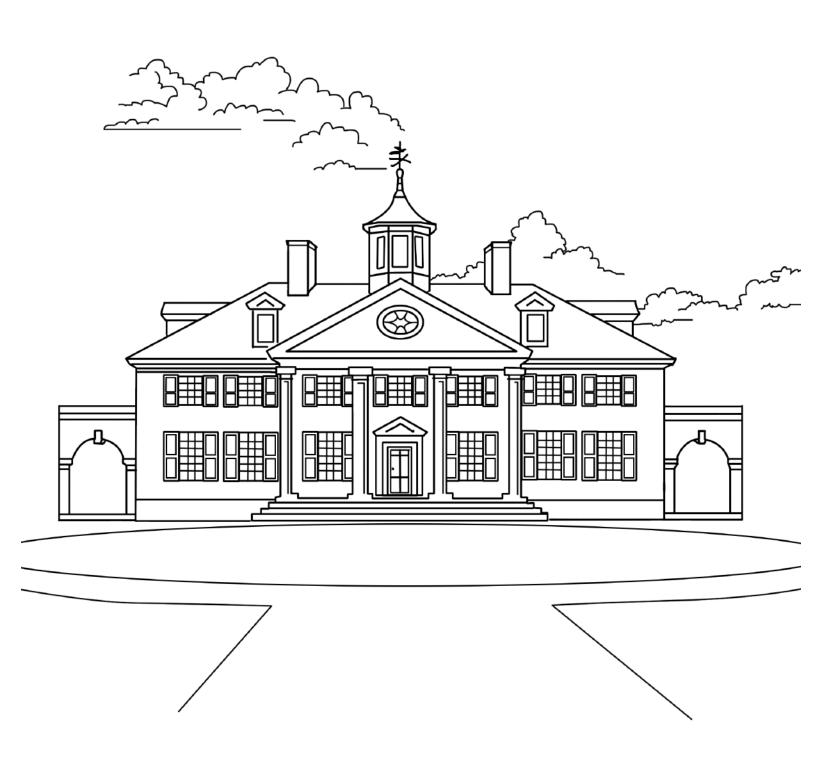




GOOD DAY! MY NAME IS MARTHA WASHINGTON.
I AM SO GLAD YOU HAVE COME TO VISIT ME AT CHRISTMAS TIME.



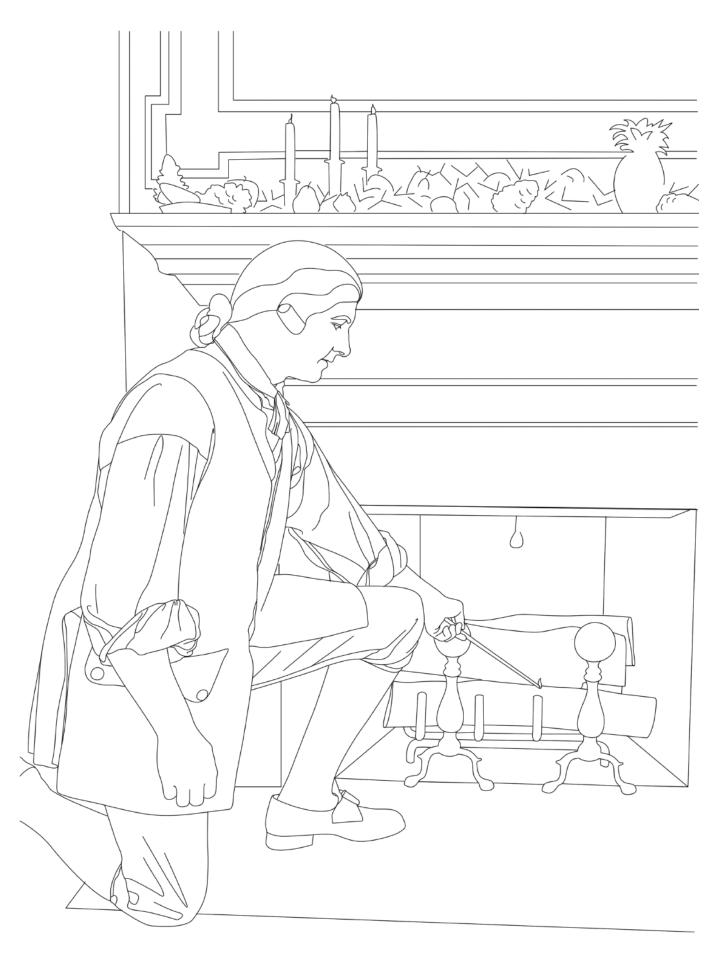
I LIVE AT MOUNT VERNON IN VIRGINIA WITH MY HUSBAND GEORGE.



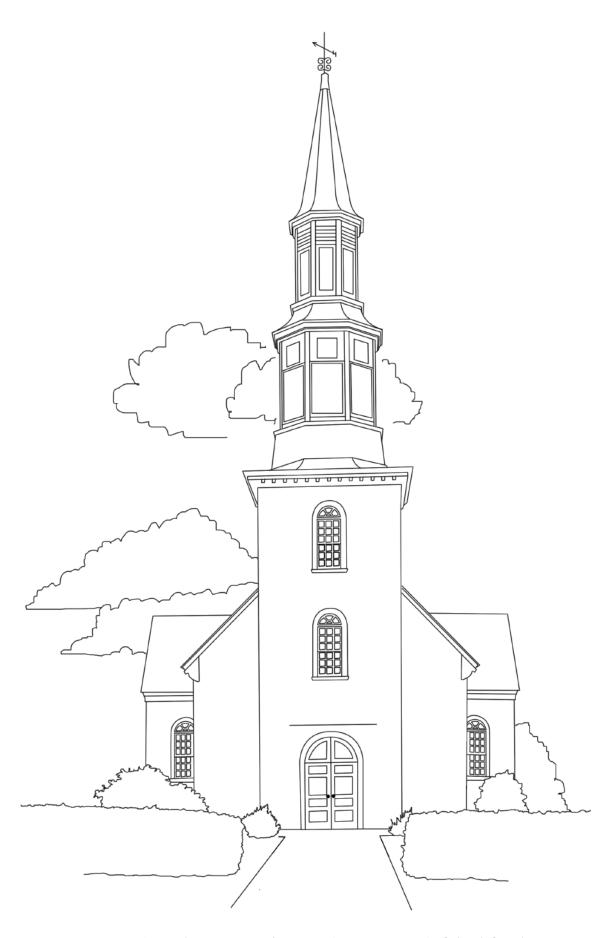
WELCOME TO OUR HOME!
GEORGE AND I ARE GETTING READY FOR THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS.
THE FIRST DAY IS DECEMBER 25TH.



I LOVE DECORATING OUR HOME WITH GARLAND, FRESH FRUIT AND CANDLES.



GEORGE IS STARTING A FIRE WITH THE YULE LOG. WE KEEP IT BURNING FOR THE NEXT 12 DAYS.



GEORGE AND I GO TO CHURCH ON CHRISTMAS DAY.





DURING THE NEXT 12 DAYS, WE GATHER TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

MY FRIEND SARAH PLAYS THE HARPSICHORD FOR OUR GUESTS.





JACKY AND PATSY HAVE SO MUCH FUN PLAYING DRESS UP. LOOK AT THE PRETTY HAT PATSY IS TRYING ON!



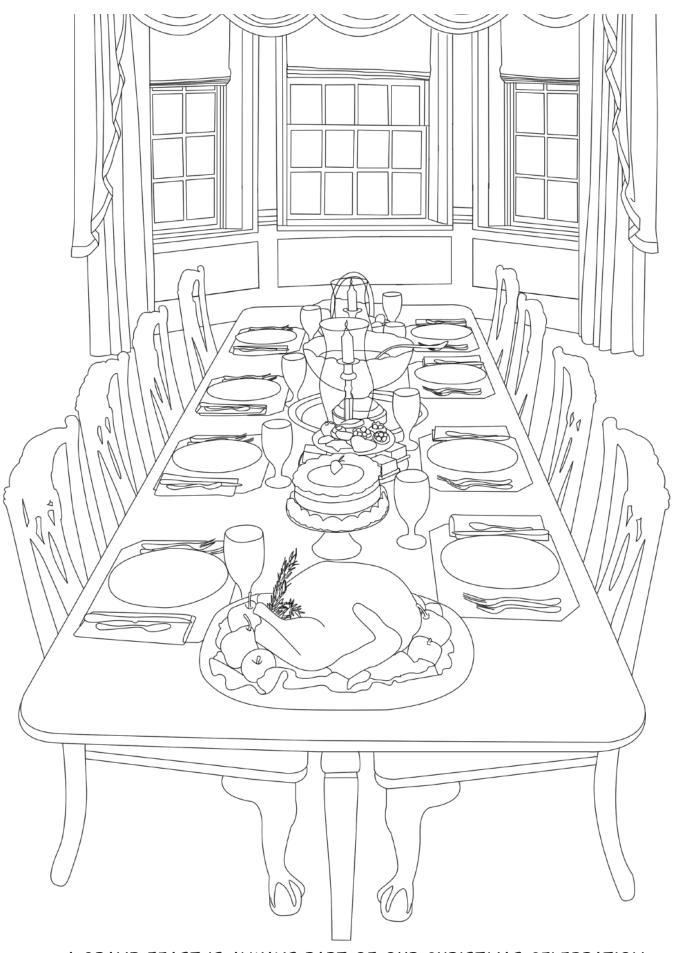
LOOK! JACKY IS DRESSED UP LIKE A SOLDIER.
HE LIKES TO PLAY "MAKE BELIEVE." DO YOU LIKE TO PLAY "MAKE BELIEVE?"



DURING THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS, WE MAKE ALL KINDS OF TASTY TREATS, ESPECIALLY GINGERBREAD!



I MAKE SPECIAL GIFTS FOR MY CHILDREN.



A GRAND FEAST IS ALWAYS PART OF OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION HERE AT MOUNT VERNON.

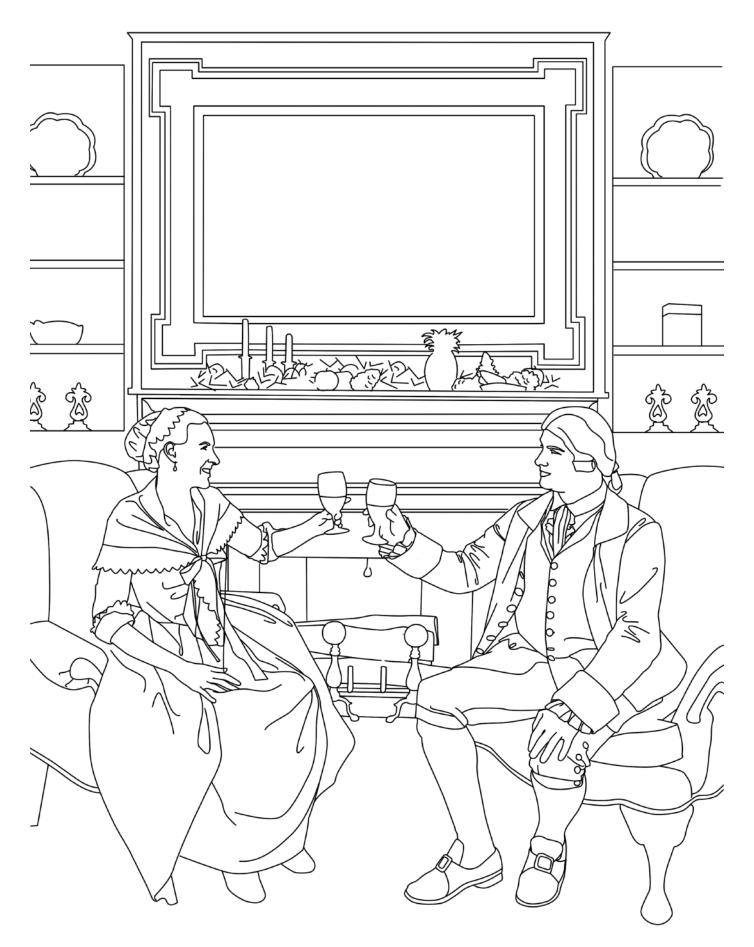


GEORGE AND I WERE MARRIED ON THE 12TH NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS. WHEN WE CELEBRATE OUR ANNIVERSARY I MAKE A BIG CAKE FOR OUR GUESTS.



I PUT A TINY BABY JESUS IN THE CAKE.

IF IT IS IN YOUR PIECE OF 12TH NIGHT CAKE, YOU WILL BE CROWNED KING OR QUEEN OF THE 12TH NIGHT BALL!



WHEN THE 12TH NIGHT BALL IS OVER, OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS COME TO AN END.

WE TOAST TO EACH OTHER'S HEALTH AND A HAPPY YEAR TO COME!



WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY Colonial Christmas FROM THE AMERICAN VILLAGE



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