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Our cover artist Beverly Bergemann Bless us Lord, this Christmas, with captures the beauty of the Poinsettia. Known as the Flower of the Holy Night, the Poinsettia is named after Joel Poinsett, the first U.S. Ambassador to Mexico.

quietness of mind; Teach us to be patient and always to be kind. - Helen Steiner Rice (1900-1981)

This American writer and poet reminds us to take time from the hustle of the season to remember the important things during Christmas.

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