

## **Organ starts with Away in a Manger**

Leader Mexican legend presents the poinsettia with its origin in a miracle. It is told that a poor boy, with nothing to offer Christ during his church's observance of Christmas, fell to his knees before God in prayer, despairing that he had no gift to bring. As the boy stood, there growing from the ground at his feet, was the first "flower of the holy night", flor de noche buena. With great joy, he broke branches from the plant with flaming bracts, golden buds, and dark green leaves. These were the beautiful gifts he lay at the altar, celebrating the birth of the Christ child.

Come, bring your gifts of the flowers of the holy night to  
decorate the sanctuary as we sing to honor the birth of our  
king.

**SING AWAY IN A MANGER**