

## **Popsicle-stick puppet activity for *FLOATING ON MAMA'S SONG***

### **THINGS YOU'LL NEED:**

- Printed line drawings page (*goat, cow, and pig - see attached*)
- Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
- Scissors
- Construction paper or cardstock
- Glue
- Popsicle sticks

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Color the animal pictures. (*This is a good time to talk about the animals in the picture, and what part they played in the story.*)
2. Cut the pictures out, leaving about a half-inch margin around each picture. (*The margin will make it easier to glue the pictures onto the construction paper backing.*)
3. Using a thin layer of glue spread evenly, glue the pictures onto the construction paper or cardstock. Allow the glue to completely dry before continuing.
4. Cut the pictures out with their construction paper (or cardstock) backing. This time, cut close to the black line rather than leaving a margin.
5. Turn one of the pictures over so that the construction paper is facing up. Be sure that the picture is oriented correctly from top to bottom.
6. Spread a thin layer of glue over the top inch of one side of a popsicle stick. Press the glue-covered part of the popsicle stick firmly against the bottom inch of the construction paper backing.
7. Repeat Steps 5 and 6 for each of the puppets you are making. Allow the puppets to dry for about 15 minutes before using.

