Exo. 2:1-10

Moses Was Born

1 During this time, a man from the household of Levi married a girl from the tribe of Levi. 2 The woman became pregnant and gave birth to a son. When she saw that it was a very beautiful baby, she hid the child for three months. 3 But, when she could no longer hide the baby, she got a basket of papyrus for him and coated it with tar and caulking to shut out the water. Then she placed the baby inside the basket and put the basket among the reeds near the edge of the Nile River. 4 The baby's sister stood at a distance to find out what would happen to the baby.

5 Pharaoh's daughter came down to the Nile River to take a bath. She noticed the basket among the reeds. She sent one of her slave-girls to get it. (Those girls were already walking alongside the Nile.) 6 She opened it and saw the child. And, look, the baby boy was crying. She felt sorry for him. She thought, "This is one of the children of those Hebrews!"

7 Then the sister of the baby asked Pharaoh's daughter, "Do you want me to go and find a Hebrew nurse, so that she may nurse the child for you?"

8 Pharaoh's daughter answered her, "Yes, go."

So, the young girl went and called for the child's mother. 9 The Pharaoh's daughter said to the baby's mother, "Take this child away and nurse it for me. **I** will pay you." So, the woman took the child and nursed it.

10 The boy grew. Then his mother brought him to Pharaoh's daughter. The boy became the Pharaoh's daughter's son. She named him "Moses," because, she said, "I drew him out of the water."