## America's 16<sup>th</sup> President – Abraham Lincoln

February 12, 1809 a baby boy was born. He was born in a small log cabin in Kentucky. In the cabin was one door, one window, a chimney and a DIRT FLOOR. The mother of the boy was Nancy, she had a daughter already – Sarah. Now she had a son. She was happy but tired! The boy was named after his grandfather who had been killed by Hostile Native American years earlier. ABRAHAM.

One of the first visitors to see the new baby was Nancy's Aunt, Uncle, and their son Dennis. Dennis was very curious and asked if he could hold the baby. He was nine years old himself and not been around babies much. Nancy gave her permission but warned to be careful. Dennis was the first boy Abraham ever saw. Dennis picked up Abraham very carefully but Abraham started to cry. He would not stop!! Dennis handed the baby back to his aunt and said take him!!! "He won't come to much." Oh how wrong Dennis was!! That baby would become one of the greatest presidents America has ever known. That baby was Abraham Lincoln!!!

Read <u>A Picture Book of Abraham Lincoln</u> by David Adler – it should be available in your building library thanks to a grant by the Regional Office of Education #9.