



Dear Friend of [Abiding Above](#),

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I know you had a wonderful Christ-filled Christmas!

Our society is becoming increasingly secular but that does not affect our power of choice to keep Christ in Christmas and to make Him first in all that we do throughout each year. Let's influence our society for Jesus Christ in 2015!

One way this can be done is to purpose in your heart to say a word for Jesus wherever you go. This does not have to be done in an abrupt and obtrusive way. When He is your Life, it is the most natural thing to speak of Him.

The Bible tells us to, *"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."* [1 Peter 3:15](#)

Billy Graham, speaking to the Southern Baptist Convention said this, *"For too long we have been cursing the darkness, it is time for us to rise above the darkness, it is time for us to rise above the tares and to influence the world for Jesus Christ."*

Let's encourage one another to abide above the darkness in 2015, so that we may not lose our light and witness.

Jesus said, *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."* [Matthew 5:16](#)

My friend, as we abide above, Jesus, Who is our life, will shine through all that we say and do. Our speech either increases the darkness or reveals the light of our heavenly Father. Let's be in 2015 who we already are in Christ, children of God's Holy light.

Praise God for this New Year and the opportunity to love Him with all of our hearts and minds. To love God with one's whole heart naturally leads to a life of service for our Lord.

We look forward in anticipation to serving Him in 2015, as we walk by simple faith through the doors He is opening for us.



Chris Hodges
President & CEO

I want to thank you again for your prayers and financial support this past year. Let this prayer ring in your heart as you look to the New Year:

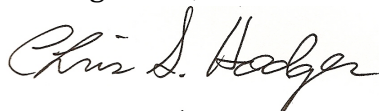
*“Lord help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray
My prayer shall be for – Others.
Help me in all the work I do
To ever be sincere and true
And know that all I do for you
Must needs be done for – Others.
Let “Self” be crucified and slain
And buried deep; and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again
Unless to live for – Others.
And when my work on earth is done
And my new work in heaven’s begun
May I forget the crown I’ve won
While thinking still of – Others.
Others, Lord, yes others
Let this my motto be ‘Help me to live for others
That I may live like Thee.’”*
C.D. Meigs

Pray for us as we continue to go on more radio stations to fulfill the mission God has given us:

“To share the gospel with every person, to encourage spiritual growth in every believer, by the power of the Holy Spirit and to the glory of God.”

May God continue to bless you and your family as you walk along with Him Who is your Life.

Abiding above,



Chris S. Hodges

President

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Colossians 3:1-3