

Light of the World: Christmas Music Program

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Preacher: Special

[0 : 00] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[2 : 30] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[5 : 00] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[7 : 30] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[9 : 59] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[12 : 29] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[14 : 59] Thank you.

Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[17 : 29] Thank you.
Thank you.
I want to welcome you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[19 : 59] He said it.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[22 : 29] Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[24 : 59] Thank you.
I need you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[27 : 29] Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[29 : 59] Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
[32 : 29] Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.
Thank you.

Thank you.

[34 : 59] Thank you.

We're here.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[37 : 29] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[39 : 59] Thank you.

Thank you.

Jesus.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[42 : 29] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[44 : 59] And you're in the Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[47 : 59] I'm in a good, Do you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

[50 : 59] Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

Thank you.

So, one of the cool, I'm in the day, One, one of the day,

[54 : 29] To every heart, Light, Every, you're in the day,

Thank you, I'm in the day, God, joy from God our heavenly father this blessed angel came and unto certain shepherds of the angels to say now that he left the hands of the Son of God by name oh tidings of love and joy, love and joy, oh tidings of love and joy yee-haw star of wonder, star of night, starling royal beauty cry let sure leading, still proceeding guide us to thy perfect life born a king of heaven's place gold I bring to crown him again king forever forever please together over us all to pray oh star of wonder, star of night star with royal beauty bright hardly be all to the light so the

Hier Brother these sans find by Christ Lord Hallelujah, worship and come, O Zion.

Oh, Zion, wonder, Zion of night. Zion, with royal beauty bright.

Westward leading, still proceeding. Night of the perfect light. God rest ye merry gentlemen.

[59 : 35] God rest ye merry gentlemen. Yee-haw!

Well, that's a hard act to follow.

Yeah, you feel sorry for the next person, right? I'm reading a poem as well, and its author is unknown. It's about the Christmas star. A diamond shines no brighter than that lovely Christmas star.

It shines in all its brilliance. It's seen from near or far. A symbol of the Christ child as he lay upon the hay, it tells to all the waiting world, a king was born that day.

O Bethlehem star, keep shining. Give us faith and hope and love. Keep our thoughts forever turning to the Savior up above. Give us strength and hope and courage to do our best by far and never falter in our faith as we watch that Christmas star.

[61 : 02] Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. And while you are thankful, thank you.

Wow. Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

[65 : 33] Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

Amen. Amen.

Amen.

The next song is one of our band members' favorites here on electric guitar, Matt Ash. and I'm trying to think of who I haven't introduced you to yet. I've got Bill Wilson back here on guitar, Adrian Almeda on violin, my husband John Himes on drums, John Zimmerman on guitar, and I think I already introduced Tom Crossey but on bass and vocals.

[69 : 25] I'm gonna make a wish this Christmas, I'm gonna say a little prayer, I'm gonna stop here for a moment before the moment disappears.

The world's in a hurry this December, city streets and shopping malls, I wish we could slow down and remember the meaning of it all.

Wherever you are, no matter how far, come back to the heart, the heart of Christmas.

Live while you can and cherish the moments and the ones that you love. Make sure they know it and oh, this is the heart of Christmas.

Let's make it feel the way it used to.

[70 : 53] Let's find the wonder of a child. You can see the magic all around you. Come on and open up your eyes.

You can find it in the warm embrace of your family. Calling up an old lost friend. You can even find it in the eyes of a stranger.

When you reach out a helping hand. Wherever you are, no matter how far, come back to the heart, the heart of Christmas.

Live while you can. Cherish the moments and the ones that you love. Make sure they know it and oh, yes, it's the heart of Christmas.

In the shadow of a steeple. In the star that lights the way. You will find him in the manger.

[72 : 11] The heart of Christmas has a name. I'm gonna make a wish this Christmas.

I'm gonna say a little prayer. Wherever you are, no matter how far, come back to the heart, the heart of Christmas.

Live while you can. Cherish the moments and the ones that you love. Make sure they know it and wherever you are.

No matter how far, come back to the heart, the heart of Christmas. Live while you can. Cherish the moments and the ones that you love.

You're patient in knowing it. You're missing the heart of Christmas.

[73 : 32] And now one of Nan's favorites, where we got the title of our program from.

She's gonna be singing Light of the World. Right after Jared. More grace. Good evening.

Good evening. Today, these scriptures come from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians and from the Gospel according to John. For God who said, let light shine out of darkness, made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

2 Corinthians 4.6 Then Jesus cried out, when a man believes in me, he does not believe in me only, but in the one who sent me.

When he looks at me, he sees the one who sent me. I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in the darkness. John 12.44-46 When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, I am the light of the world.

[74 : 50] Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. John 8.12 Thank you, Jared. John 9.12 Thank you, and thank you.

The world waits for a miracle.

The heart longs for a little bit of hope. of hope, oh come, oh come, Emmanuel. A child prays for peace on earth, and she's calling out from a sea of earth, oh come, oh come, Emmanuel.

And can you hear the angels singing, glory to the light of the world, glory to the light of the world is here.

The drought breaks with the tears of a mother, the baby's cry is the sound of love, come down, come down, come down, Emmanuel.

[76 : 37] Oh, he is the song full of suffering, he is Messiah, the Prince of Peace has come, he has come, Emmanuel.

Oh, glory to the light of the world.

Glory to the light of the world. Glory to the light of the world.

Glory to the light of the world. Glory to the light of the world. Glory to the light of the world. For all who wait. For all who hunger.

For all who pray. For all who wander. Behold your King.

[77 : 47] Behold Messiah, Emmanuel, Emmanuel Glory to the light of the world Glory to the light of the world Glory to the light of the world Behold your King Behold Messiah, Emmanuel Emmanuel The world waits for a miracle

A heart longs for a little bit of hope Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel As with any program this large, all the details and the pieces It just takes a lot of people to put it together So I want to give a shout out to anyone who helped me behind the scenes You will be reaping the benefits of our cookie baker soon And they came through in a clutch I used social media and I gained the amount that I needed Who knew?

Thank you We're going to sing one more song for you called Give This Christmas Away with the Band And then we will be inviting the men of Him up And they'll be performing the first two verses in choruses But then for the very last one I'm going to invite the entire group of us to sing along with them So I hope you will join in at the very end And then don't go anywhere because Pastor Kathy will be giving a closing prayer And then she will let you go out into the fellowship hall Where I hope you will enjoy some fellowship and some cookies What if I told you You have the power To give someone hope

Far beyond their wildest dreams What if I told you It's right there in your hands In your hands It's hard to imagine How something so small Could make all the difference Tear down the tallest wall What if December Looked different as soon What if we all just Give this Christmas away If there's love in your heart Don't let it stay there Give this Christmas away And your life will be changed By the gift you receive When you give this Christmas away

It's feeding the Lord It's feeding the Lord It's serving the Lord It's telling the orphan You're not forgotten anymore It's doing what love does It's doing what love does Even when no one's watching you I'm watching you Give this Christmas away If there's love in your heart Know that it's feeding the Lord Know that it's failing Give this Christmas away And your life will be changed By the gift you receive When you give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away

[82 : 45] For God so loved the world He gave His only Son His only Son His only Son His only Son He can lead His hands His feet His love His love His love His love What if I told you You have the power To give someone hope Far beyond their wildest dreams What if December No different this year Yeah, what if we all just Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away Your love In your heart Don't let it stay there Give this Christmas away

And your life will be changed By the gift you receive When you give this Christmas away Christmas Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away Give this Christmas away You have the power Just give it away Give it away Give it away Give it away Give it away Thank you

Thank you Thank you Hi friends, we're calling an audible, which I know makes everybody happy.

But have you been blessed tonight? Have you been blessed tonight? The reason why we're doing this is because if you've been blessed tonight, one of the things we wanted to do was take a moment and thank the folks through whom this blessing has come.

These are folks who have blessed many people. Blessed many people not because they sought attention but because they had a calling on their heart and a genuine passion for Jesus.

[85 : 52] The online ministry that began during COVID in this particular church has ministered to many. And it has ministered to many during a time of extreme crisis. And it was a primary vehicle through which folks stayed connected and many folks have found new connection.

And so the folks who have been a part of that ministry, some of whom you have seen already, because we want to take a moment and acknowledge Jason and Mike and Savannah.

And there are two other leaders who are here, as well as Nan, who is backing behind the piano. The whole gathering band is also a part of this. So we want to make sure we shout them out.

But we also have two folks who lead devotions for us. They may not sing and perform, but they also feed people's spirits. And so Kelly is one of our leaders, as well as Becky Heideman. And so we have a small token for all of them. I'm not going to just walk around and give them to them now.

But we wanted to make sure we showed you their faces and we took time to thank them for the way they have blessed us. And so we, the pastoral team, wanted to make sure we took a moment and paused and said how much we appreciate you, what a blessing you are to us and all these people.

[87 : 01] So thank you for what you do. And Nancy Himes, you.

Last weekend, Nancy sang the song, Be Born in Me.

And some of the words come to mind when I think of the call that we talked about and God talked to us. And thank God, God talked big time to Nancy because she accepted this new call on her life in this ministry.

And I think of Nancy in these words, Oh God, be born in me, be born in me. Trembling heart, somehow I believe that you chose me.

I'll hold you in the beginning and you will hold me in the end. Every moment in the middle, make my heart your Bethlehem. Be born in me.

[88 : 18] I am not brave. I'll never be the only thing my heart can offer is a vacancy. I'm just a girl, nothing more. But I am willing and I am yours.

Be born in me. Be born in me. And so it is with Nancy. Amen. Thank you.

I won't add much to that. I'm the person of fewer words throughout the service. But I will add that I'm glad you guys are the ones singing at the very end because she has a tendency to make me leak.

So as I said again, the first two verses in choruses, the men of him will be sharing their gifts with us. And then I'll give you a cue and you can stand and we're all going to join in for verse three in the very last chorus.

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[90 : 37] Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Come now where I try so proud In the glory of the Savior He'll close to the child's the dear That society of the dear and dear He'd been for Hail, hail To the new old King That our voices sing Him our praises Hail, hail to the guiding light And for us to die to our Savior Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah

Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hall Hallelujah Enough Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Amen, amen, amen.

Hallelujah A couple of things. Cookies. If you've got anything, cookies to share, stick around. You can take some home with you.

Never mind making cookies. You can just take them home. Friends, this is the light, the hope, the peace, the joy, and the salvation of the world.

People who come from different church addresses and different backgrounds and different needs and different abilities. Coming together to celebrate the greatest gift on earth, the gift of Jesus Christ.

[93 : 45] So thank you and remember that you are the light of the world. And together we can heal this land by hand in hand across the bridges, across the different addresses.

Shining the light of Jesus for the world to see. Let's pray. Lord, take us and use us. Guide us and keep us. Comfort us.

In the night when it gets too dark, shine that star so bright that we can always find you. Bless us on this journey. And we give thanks and praise to you for everything. In Jesus' holy name. Amen.

Lord, amen. at night's ■■■■■■ Keep the water voices singing our praises The guiding light that brought us tonight to God's sake Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah

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