



At this most wonderful time of the year, the colors and celebrations may become muted amidst all the chaos, but no matter how dark the world appears, we shall prevail!



Christmas Bells

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow - 1807-1882

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime,
A chant sublime
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Then from each black, accursed mouth
The cannon thundered in the South,
And with the sound
The carols drowned

Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

It was as if an earthquake rent
The hearth-stones of a continent,
And made forlorn
The households born
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head;
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong,
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;
The Wrong shall fail,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men."

[Casting Crowns - I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day \(Lyrics\)](#)



From our families to yours, we wish you a Christmas season filled with love, joy, and peace!

We want to thank everyone for your show of support at our first TakeBackTeam Informational Meeting. We look forward to our next community meeting and will share details on it very soon. In the meantime, please help us spread the word about the TakeBackTeam. We appreciate your support!