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Anticipation. It seems that this time of year is filled with anticipation. Some synonyms of anticipation are; *contemplation, expectancy, and prospect.* It's about looking forward to something.

But, there are also some other related words; *alarm, apprehension, dread, foreboding, misgiving.*

I'm not sure why that is, but I often feel all those things. I look forward to Christmas, and all the reality of celebrating Christ's birth. I'm guessing shepherds, wisemen and even Joseph and Mary felt all these words too.

They must have wondered what God was up to and what it would mean for them when the baby Jesus was born.

It can be an uneasy place to be. I can only imagine that the people at Jesus' birth, much like any of us, were

uneasy wishing for things to be different, hoping for change...but, living in that place where there's confusion about what change will mean or look like.

I think part of anticipation has to do, not just with looking forward, but looking back.

—This time of year I often feel apprehension of the upcoming year... haven't even finished this one and I feel anticipation about the next year. I think I want to feel like I've finished well before moving on.

It could also be that 2014 brought a lot of change to our family as we left Cru. There was definitely some expectancy, but God has been incredibly faithful and it has been exciting.

The big news this month is that two:10 received our letter of exemption from the IRS. This means that two:10 is a recognized 501c3...it means we are exempt from taxes and can offer deductions for gifts to donors. **This was big!** After sending 70 pages to the IRS for our determination we prayed and prayed. And in just under 3 months [6-9 is the norm] we heard back from them. So...THANK YOU for your prayers. It is a big hurdle for any non-profit and felt like we were wading into unknown territory.

—For 2015, we are asking you to pray for us as we move forward creating opportunities for Millennial age folks to do life differently...to do relationships differently. To pursue them, connect with them and love them in ways that point to a God who doesn't drift and who is pursuing them.

Please pray we would be able to create new tools to help churches as they send mission teams both locally and globally. There are a number of churches asking for material that would help train and send people well, and we

need to put this together by late spring. We are excited to have the opportunity to multiply our efforts in new ways!

Finishing 2014 well

As we anticipate 2015, we wanted to catch you up on how we finished 2014 in pledges and gifts. We've raised \$750 towards our \$5000 goal of meeting all of our start-up costs for two:10. That is a great start and you can still play a part by making a gift by Dec 31. If you remember, we were looking for 18 folks to give \$278. We are down to 15.25 folks now! If you'd like to contribute please go to : <https://two10.webconnex.com/donate> and make a one time gift.

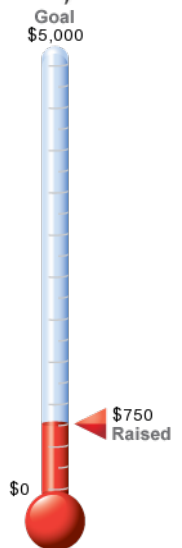
And now we can assure you it's tax-deductible!

We pray you have a joy-filled holiday and please don't hesitate to email us any prayer needs at our email addresses below.

With much love,

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