Influencer Sadie Robertson has told millions of social media followers that Jesus is the “thrill of hope” as she reflects on Christmas in a Church of England Youth Reflection.

The video, part of Church of England’s Comfort and Joy campaign, was released on Christmas day at 8pm on Instagram.

The American star said her favourite carol was O Holy Night, especially in such a tough year.

She said: “I think that message is so good for today.

“It says, ‘a thrill of hope the weary world rejoices.’ And I know and today’s world especially 2020 there has been weariness in our world, and we all crave a thrill of hope. I just encourage with you that.

“I hope all of you have a very merry Christmas and I pray that you feel hope in the midst whatever season you are at in your life and celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus.”

For the first time, the Church of England has produced short reflections aimed at teenagers and young people, which sit alongside their regular reflections for adults.

These youth reflections, featuring a series of famous faces, are released on the Church of England’s Instagram account to IGTV.

Watch the full video here.

Find out more about Comfort and Joy from the Church of England.