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Such a great evening! I'm still searching for the clips from WIS and ABC Columbia. Here a two more – the WACH Fox clip includes some great remarks from attendees. 😊

WACH Fox <http://wach.com/news/local/haley-kicking-off-holiday-season-with-49th-tree-lighting>

The State <http://www.thestate.com/news/local/article47259770.html>

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Job well done! KV

WYFF: 49th Annual Governor's Carolighting kicks off SC's holiday season

<http://www.wyff4.com/news/49th-annual-governors-carolighting-kicks-off-scs-holiday-season/36728138>

South Carolina's holiday season officially kicked off Monday evening with a tree-lighting ceremony on the Capitol grounds. The 49th Annual Governor's Carolighting featured multiple musical guests from across the state and WYFF News 4's Nigel Robertson as the master of ceremonies.

Note: During Gov. Nikki Haley's Christmas message, she mentioned the shooting death of Walter Scott that led to a criminal charge against the police officer who killed him. Haley said the incident led to the signing of a bill that requires all law enforcement agencies to have body cameras.

ColaDaily: Gov. Haley reflects on 2015 at Carolighting: 'We got through this entire year never losing our faith'

<http://coladaily.com/2015/12/01/got-entire-year-never-losing-faith-gov-haley-reflects-2015-carolighting/>

Allen Wallace

The 49th annual Governor's Carolighting included the usual festivities, but the tone was more somber than usual, given the events of the past year in South Carolina. The Emanuel AME Church Choir performed, and Gov. Nikki Haley spoke about the tragedy at that Charleston church as well as October's devastating floods and the debate that ended with the removal of the Confederate flag from State House grounds.

Note: "We got through this entire year never losing our faith," Haley said to the hundreds gathered on the north lawn of the State House for Monday night's event.

WLTX: Hundreds Attend 49th Annual Governor's Carolighting

<http://www.wltx.com/story/news/local/2015/11/30/hundreds-attend-49th-annual-governors-carolighting/76594560/>

Loren Thomas

Twinkling lights are shining from the South Carolina State House as hundreds gathered for the 49th Annual

Governor's Carolighting. "This is a wonderful time of the season, just to gather with family and friends," says Karen Shiver, Columbia resident.

Note: "This was a tough year for South Carolina," says Governor Nikki Haley.

Note: During the Governor speech she spoke on the many struggles that the state went through this year, including the Walter Scott shooting, the shooting at Mother Emanuel AME, the Confederate Flag debate and the historic flood. "We have learned so much as a state, because we got through this entire year never losing our faith," says Governor Haley

WSPA: Emanuel AME Church Choir Sings At 49th Annual Governor's Carolighting

<http://wspa.com/2015/11/30/watch-live-49th-annual-governors-carolighting/>

Governor Nikki Haley and her family kicked off the holiday season with the 49th Annual Governor's Carolighting on the north steps of the South Carolina Statehouse Monday evening. The event began at 7:00 p.m. and was open to the public. This year's tree was donated by Pinetum Christmas Tree Farm in Maryland as a gesture of hospitality and good will after the flooding in October.

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