



A Brief Bio

One pastor summed up Dr. Alicia Britt Chole's ministry by saying, "My first thought was, 'She has such a sweet spirit.' My second thought was, 'I think she just removed my appendix!'"

Alicia's unique and refreshing speaking style connects with people of all ages. A gifted wordsmith, Alicia is passionate about investing in others.

Some of her favorite things are thunderstorms, pianos in empty rooms, bear hugs from her family, and anything with jalapenos. Her book, *Anonymous*, is highly regarded by leaders around the world. In a culture obsessed with a minute of fame, Alicia brings ancient truth to life.

A Bio (the amplified version)

As a young atheist, Alicia Britt Chole's existence was dramatically interrupted by Jesus, "the God who pursues even those who deny Him." Today, Alicia is an author and spiritual mentor who speaks nationally and internationally to leaders, pastors, professionals, college students, women, and churches. All who have heard her agree: Alicia is an unusually disarming combination of realism and compassion, intellect and approachability, humor and art.

Leaders and learners alike describe Alicia's messages as piercing but welcome surgeries. Golden-year believers comment: "*I've been in church for decades... but I've never heard truth presented in this way.*" Twenty-somethings say, "*Alicia writes like she speaks and speaks like she writes: poetry that cuts to the heart.*" "*Her words cut through*

a lot of religious junk, in a creative, humble, authoritative way and connect the soul to the Father.”

After hearing Alicia at a church, an acquisitions VP at a division of Thomas Nelson asked her to write her first book, *Pure Joy*, in 2003. In 2006 she released her first “heart” book entitled [*Anonymous: Jesus’ Hidden Years and Yours*](#) which has received breathtaking reviews from leaders around the world. In all, Alicia has authored six books, three DVD studies, and the 52-week spiritual formation journey [*The7thYear*](#).



Alicia’s articles, quotes, and writings have appeared in *Charisma/Spirit-led Woman*, *Enrichment Journal*, *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, Jennifer Rothschild’s *Self Talk*, *Soul Talk*, Dianne Wilson’s *Gone*, Dr. Jane Goleman’s *Progress Notes*, Greg Ogden’s *Transforming*

Discipleship, Lance Witt’s *Replenish*, Jackie Johnson’s *When Love Ends*, Lisa Jane’s *Angel Kisses*, Thomas Nelson’s *2009 Inspirational Daily Planner*, *The Beauty Of God’s Blessing*, *God’s Promises Day By Day*, and *Joy For The Journey*. She has been a featured expert blogger on Conversant Life, a voice on Wired Parish, and she has been interviewed by dozens of radio stations including KTIS, Premiere Drive UK, The Bob Duktko Show, Thor Tolo, Georgean Rice, Mark Daniels, Moody with Prime Time Chicago, Moody Radio South, Ron Meyers, Jennifer Keitt, and Brian Mason. TV appearances include The Harvest Show and At Home Live.

Her next article is scheduled to appear in *Today’s Christian Woman* (2015), and her next book, *40 Days of Decrease*, will be released for Lent, 2016 by Thomas Nelson.

Alicia has been facilitating the spiritual formation of leaders and learners for 30 years. She is the founder and CEO of *onewholeworld, inc* (whose mission is to provide

substantial resources for the globally minded) and the co-founder of [Leadership Investment Intensives](#) (a 501c3 devoted to investing in the life and legacy of leaders). Additionally, along with her incredible husband (Dr. Barry J. Chole), Alicia designed [Rivendell](#), a prayer retreat home in Branson, MO, which has been haven to thousands.



Alicia lives with her husband of 25 years, their three amazing children (all Choles through the miracle of adoption), four somewhat less than amazing dogs, one truly strange cat, and eight confused chickens off of a dirt road in a country home devoted to writing and reflection.

In full-time ministry since 1987, Alicia holds a B.A. in Plan II pre-law (1983) and an M.A. in Education (1994) from the University of Texas-Austin and a DMin in Leadership and Spiritual Formation from George Fox Evangelical Seminary (2015).

Kind Words (from kind people)

From church pastors

Within the working of God, there are lives that God develops to entrust revelation that is so powerful that it can literally change the course, not just of an individual, but of a people, and set in motion a movement based upon a transformed understanding. God has developed such an individual in the person of Alicia Chole and has entrusted her with a gift rare and precious in its nature. *Dr. Claude Alexander, Lead Pastor, [The Park](#)*

Alicia is a remarkably gifted author and speaker who communicated the truth of God's Word with a most delightful and profound skill. *Dr. David J. Niquette, Senior Pastor, [Christ Community Church](#)*

Alicia has the unique ability to build bridges to many different types of people through her effective communication, sense of humor and education. I believe God has built up Alicia as a voice which reaches multiple generations and offers insights to discovering the truth about God. I highly recommend Alicia. [*Dary R. Northrop, Senior Pastor, Timberline Church*](#)

From hosts of leadership events

In the new, always-connected, world we live in, Alicia's message couldn't be more crucial to the health of the emerging pastor. We have been honored to share her message and books with hundreds of pastors in the last year. I'm thankful for her personal investment in so many. [*Justin Lathrop, Founding Co-Director of YoungPastors*](#)

Alicia Chole is a dynamic spiritual guide and sage for the 21st century seeker of God. [*Dr. Frank Anthony Thomas, Professor of Homiletics, Christian Theological Seminary*](#)

A true communicator of the heart of God, Alicia is an eloquent speaker who exudes thoughtfulness, intentionality, and candid insight for the raw realities of life. Having her speak at our District Youth Director Conference was such a wonderful experience. [*Scotty Gibbons, National Youth Ministries Strategist*](#)

For the first time in over 35 years of ministry, our CBMC asked a woman to be our speaker. Alicia is an extremely intelligent and gifted communicator. I unreservedly recommend her to you. [*John Bell, leadership team of CBMC, Fort Collins, CO*](#)

Alicia Chole is eloquent, mesmerizing, profound, and captivating. [*Dr. George O. Wood, General Superintendent, Assemblies of God*](#)

Alicia's unique combination of gentleness, humility, authority, and affirmation blessed our team and attendees not only during her presentation, but in her offstage interactions as well. What a gift she is! [*Constance Rhodes, Founder and CEO, FINDINGbalance*](#)



From university deans and pastors

Alicia connects with unbelievers, new believers, and mature believers alike. I highly recommend her as a retreat speaker. *Glen Davis, [Campus Minister, Stanford](#)*

Alicia's ministry has been an empowering force to many of our 1200 students here at Christ For The Nations Institute. We look forward to having her come back, and share her precious gift of Intimacy and Love with the Father. She carries a mantle for breakthrough to those bound by chains of despair, hurt, and hopelessness. *Dr. John Hollar, Executive Director, [CFNI](#)*

Alicia has a wonderful spirit and an insightful and challenging message. Her presentation style and message really connect with our students. I would not hesitate to have Alicia join us again. *Dean Paulson, former Director of Campus Ministries, [Northwestern College](#)*

Alicia is Spirit-sensitive, brilliant, articulate, truth-telling with amazing grace. Many of our students in Washington, DC are exposed to some of the most well-renowned authors, speakers, government leaders and researchers. It is not easy to capture them but Alicia easily won them and ministered to them in a most profound way. *Stefanie Chappell, Campus Minister, Area Director, DC*

The content of Alicia's Christ-centered messages and consistent vision for heading through crisis, pain & doubt with our trust in the work of God's Spirit, as well as her style of presenting it, was marked with integrity, simplicity, thought-provoking power, life-transforming potential, and relevance to not only our emerging adult students, but to myself as well. *Rusty St. Cyr, associate pastor of spiritual life, [George Fox University](#)*

From directors of women's conferences

My first introduction to Alicia Britt-Chole was reading her book, *Anonymous*, after a recommendation from a friend. The book had a tremendous impact on me and I knew I wanted her to speak in the lives of women at our church. Alicia has a unique ability to lead people into a greater place of intimacy with Jesus and to encourage them to become spiritually in tune with Him so they can live and minister from a place of overflow instead of striving. *Kerri Weems, [Celebration Church, FL](#)*

Alicia Chole is an outstanding communicator. She connects with the audience quickly and effectively. Her application of the Word is relevant to all in the audience, and she has a gift that allows her the ability to capture everyone's attention. *Lori Patrick, [Freshwinds, Canada](#)*

About two years ago we came across Alicia Britt Chole's book, "Anonymous" and have been telling everyone we know to read it ever since. Alicia's writing has left a heart imprint on so many of our women. Alicia is a gifted communicator and it was our honor and privilege to have her speak at our 2013 IMAGINE Women's Conference. We could have listened to Alicia speak for hours! *Pastor Dianne Wilson, [Newport Church, CA](#)*

Alicia was a plenary evening speaker for our first and third national conferences. A captivating teacher and an exquisite wordsmith, Alicia is an exceptionally gifted woman who powerfully inspires both young and old to grapple with truth and greater intimacy with God. *Dr. Beth Grant, Director, Co-Founder of [Project Rescue](#)*

To invite Alicia to speak or to schedule an interview, visit www.aliciachole.com or call 417.425.7775.

