

The following songs/poems were written by Gabby and me for various programs, mostly related to camp and camp conferences. Some were for Older Adult's Day, Ladies Retreats, etc. We often borrowed tunes for them.

PROMISE ME

Oh promise me, dear, that you'll be true; and I will try to be true to you.
But if I don't do the way I should, I'm just a dummy, so knock on wood.

GET A LIFE (Over Hill, Over Dale)

Get a life, get a life, that can handle all the strife. Follow Jesus and troubles are gone.
There's no fear in His care and your burdens He will share. You'll have life, love and joy from now on.
You will come to see that the way you want to be, Is possible when following the Lord.
And where ere you go, you will always know that you can GET A LIFE with the Lord.

I CAN RELATE TO THAT

Anybody here think they've got trouble? *I can relate to that.*
And think you have to keep working double? *I can relate to that.*
Do your plans and programs move too slow, and kids want answers that you don't know, and the trees that you planted didn't grow? *I can relate to that.*

Does your family feel like they're being neglected? *I can relate to that.*
Does it seem like you're always being inspected? *I can relate to that.*
Did the Dean just call that he wouldn't be there, and the churches don't want to do their share, and you're getting to the place where you just don't care? *I can relate to that.*

Do you often have to turn to the Lord? *I can relate to that.*
So you study and pray and read God's Word. *I can relate to that.*
Do you see the way He shows His care, when you're in trouble He's always there, and you know that He's with you everywhere. *I can relate to that.*

WE'RE BUSY DOING NOTHING, working the whole day thru, Trying to find lots of things not to do.
We're busy going nowhere, isn't it just a crime?
Why is it we're unhappy, when we have so much extra time?

We find we're doing some things we really don't need to do.
It's God's eternal values we need to keep in view.
It's souls that really matter when you get to the end of the line.
How much longer? It's just a matter of time.

So we'll start doing something significant for the Lord. It really doesn't matter if we said we'd retired.
We'll keep on serving Jesus as long as he lets us live. Just as long as we have anything to give.

We're busy doing something, working the whole day thru, Finding significant things we can do.
We're on our way to heaven and to new life sublime. How much longer? It's just a matter of time.

AGE IS JUST A SILLY STATE OF MIND

The time goes by and to some it's cruel and to some it's kind,
But AGE is just a silly state of mind.
It's mind over matter that really counts so I think you'll find
That AGE is just a silly state of mind.
They say we're getting older; it's something we all must do.
But I say we're getting better and we're getting wiser, too.
So hold on to your hats and forget the stats and I think you'll find
That AGE is just a silly state of mind.

RAINBOW CHRISTIAN CAMP (When it's Springtime in the Rockies)

The storm is past, the rain at last is over; The passing clouds now crowd the eastern sky.
The sun breaks thru and streaks the clouds with glory; The colors of a Rainbow reaching high.
The world's aglow in all reflected colors; The grass and trees from raining still are damp;
God's beauty of creation now reminds us Of things we learned at Rainbow Christian Camp.

Let me be a Rainbow Christian in a happy, loving way; Let me share God's love with others.
Let me learn the way to pray. Let me study from the Bible; Let it be my guiding lamp.
Let me sing my love of Jesus, and of Rainbow Christian Camp.

LOOK TO THE RAINBOW

The Rainbow reflecting the Son from above is a promise of justice and mercy and love.
It reminds us of God and His marvelous grace and Jesus who willingly died in our place.

'Tis a promise of God in a storm-clouded world, like a banner of hope with its colors unfurled.
A delight to the eye and a joy to the heart, to cling to whenever your world falls apart.

Chorus: Look, look, look to the Rainbow, Eyes to the skies and the promise He gave.
Look, look, look to the Rainbow, Follow the Savior who rose from the grave.
Follow Christ Jesus, follow the Savior, Follow Christ Jesus, the One who can save.

M-O-T-H-E-R

R is for the Rainbow shining brightly,
A is for my aching stomach ache.
I is indigestion I have nightly,
N is for another piece of cake.
B is bromoseltser that I'm taking,
O is for this orfal stomach pain.
W I can't wait until tomorrow To eat till I get sick again.

WHILE STROLLING THROUGH THE PARK by Gabby

While strolling through the camp one day, in the very merry month of May, I was taken by surprise,
by a pair of squirrely eyes, and they very nearly took my breath away.
One look was all he gave to me, and I felt lucky as can be. For if that squirrel has seen me when,
I was just an acorn, then, I never would have got to be a tree...or me.

HE DOES NOT COMPEL US TO GO

When the Canaanites hardened their hearts against God and grieved Him because of their sin,
He sent along Hornets to bring them to task and to help him his own people win.
The hornets persuaded them that it was best to go quickly and not to go slow.
They did not compel them to go 'ginst their will, but they just made them willing to go.

Chorus: He does not compel us to go, no, no. He does not compel us to go.
He does not compel us to go 'ginst our will. but He just makes us willing to go.

If a nest of live hornets were brought to this room And the creatures allowed to go free;
You would not need urging to make yourself scarce, You'd want to get out, don't you see?
They would not lay hold and by force of their might Throw you out of the window, oh no.
They would not compel you to go 'ginst your will, But they'd just make you willing to go.

Chorus:

When Jonah rejected God's order to preach And to Tarshish decided to sail,
God started a plan that would bring him in reach And sent on his ship a great gale.
The sailors cast Jonah right over the side. A great fish gulped him down, as you know.
Then the fish spit him out at the edge of the tide, And Jonah was willing to go.

76 TROMBONES

Seventy-six 3rd grade boys went to Rainbow Camp. Sixty-eight 3rd grade girls went there, too.
And we nearly lost our heads...as they filled all the beds, But we did the best that we could do.
So the kids totaled one hundred forty-four, And that is what they call a gross,
So it was gross, gross, gross, and the ones who learned the most
Were the faculty who really knew the score.

There's the swimming pool & water slide & playing field, Tether ball, volleyball, & other games to play.
The geodesic dome & study shelters, too; Where that you, learn to study and to pray.

There were missionary stories told at chapel time, Vespers time, campfire time, with Bible stories told.
And so we end another day and learn to walk the Jesus way And hear the Word that never will grow old.

UNITY (Chim Chimminy Chim Chim)

Unity, unity, that is our cry; the church must have unity or it will die.
If unity ever can hope to succeed, Then you'll have to let me write you out a new creed.
I'll do all your thinking, So that's all you'll need.

Unity, unity, the way to agree, Is...don't read your Bible, Just listen to me.
The Bible's for scholars, you can't understand; So I'll give you the answers: Just hold up your hand.
Then we'll all be united; Oh, won't it be grand!

And we must stay united, and you must stay true, Cause if you don't then I'll just excommunicate you!
And then the true church will consist of just me; And maybe the Lord, but we'll just have to see.
When I read Him my creed, Well...He may not agree. And excuse me for singing so sarcastically.

A LITTLE WHITE DUCK

There was a little white church, sitting in the country; a little white church, sitting in the country.
They hired a preacher cause he preached so good From the Word of God so they understood.
And so he came to the church, out in the country. Hal-le-lu!

So the preacher, he preached, standing in the pulpit. the preacher he preached, standing in the pulpit.
He preached so hard that he made some mad. When they told him so, he said, "That's too bad.
But it's in God's Word and so I had to preach it." Praise the Lord.

So the noisy few started up a ruckus, yes, the noisy few started up a ruckus.
They made such a fuss that the others said, "Well, it's him or them and it's just too bad."
So the preacher got fired for preaching like he ought to. Woe is me.

GIVE A LITTLE WHISTLE

If you've tried to change the world and it all turned out wrong, Do it later (whistle) Do it later. (whistle)
Don't give up, just hang in there and let your faith be strong, And do it later " Do it later. "
God always answers prayer. Sometimes He says "Yes."
Sometimes it's "Wait a while." But His answer's always best.
So read God's Word and do His will and stay close by His side.
And do it later...Now and later. And let the Holy Spirit be your guide.

HAKUNA MATATA

Be strong and courageous, In all of your ways. Be strong and courageous, For the rest of your days.
That's the way to be, eternally. Be Strong and Courageous.
If you'll do what the Lord said to do, Then He'll do what He said He'd do for you.
He will hear you when you pray And He'll guide you on our way,
And He'll show you how to stay sound and true. Be Strong and Courageous.

I'M MY OWN GRANDPA

You ought to give your heart to Jesus, and this very day. Don't put it off till later, do it now without delay.
You must not wait until tomorrow---that may be too late.
Tomorrow never gets here...it's a poor excuse to wait.
'Cause when tomorrow gets here, it will really be today, when it's no longer later,
It is now that you will say, "I should have done it sooner but I thought that I could wait
And do it all tomorrow only now it is too late." So---
You'd better do it now, you'd better do it now. Not tomorrow, but today; and not later, I say,
You'd better do it now. **Do it now!**

OH THEY SAY I'M A DUMMY and I guess it is so, but at least I know which is the right way to go.
Well, they say there're no values that are moral and true, And there's no way to tell what's the right thing
to do.
If it makes 'em feel good and it makes 'em feel sweet, Let 'em try driving down the wrong side of the
street.
Here's another example that I think I have found, Let 'em jump in the lake and we'll see if they'll drown.
And a final example: Their hand we will call, Let 'em jump off the roof and we'll see if they'll fall.

ELIJAH HID FROM JEZEBEL, a fact I hate to mention.
God sent an earthquake, wind and fire, to get his full attention.

And then God spoke in a still, small voice, "Whatcha doing here, Elijah?
I've got 7,000 that are loyal out there...so don't expect me to hide-ja!"

So if your faith is getting weak and you're dealing with depression,
That still small voice again will speak, "Whatcha doing here, Oh Christian?"

I LIKE TO GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

I have to go to church on Sunday and stay there all day long,
'Cause if I got out in the world, I might do something wrong.
I want the Lord to be proud of me 'cause I work so hard each day,
And never take a Sabbath rest or take out time to play.
I'm gonna work like a maniac even though a heart attack may be a-coming soon.
In spite of the 4th Commandment, I'm working night and noon;
Burning the candle both ends against the middle...A bright light I will be, but I'll be OK, you'll see;
'Cause the Lord can't do without me.

KISSES BY THE NUMBER, HEARTACHES BY THE SCORE

So you'll be going on to Heaven, and leaving me behind;
As long as I have someone else, I guess that I won't mind.
I'll have to get along without you...that will be okay;
I'll use somebody else's voice for what I have to say.

I know that all of us will miss you; it won't be the same.
My personality will have to undergo a change.
But I will go on teaching others, just like you taught me,
So they can go to Heaven, too, for all eternity. YE HAH!

GET ME TO THE CHURCH ON TIME

I like to stay up late and party, Having myself a dandy time,
But next day I'm sluggish, and feeling like rubbish, So get me off to bed on time.

I'll be so sleepy in the morning, Ding, dong the rising bell will chime.
I may not want to, But it's what I should do, So get me off to bed on time.

When I stay up late, I don't feel good. So make me go to bed just like I should.

I'll be so grateful in the morning If you will save me from this crime.
I may kick and hollar, or offer you a dollar, But get me off to bed, just see me off to bed,
Yes, make me go to bed on time.

NAY SA BAD

Chorus: Praise the Lord, every day, Praise the Lord every way. His love endures forever, Praise the Lord.
For He works for our salvation within every situation. So no matter what may happen, Praise the Lord.

'Twas a time when great Jehoshaphat was feeling mighty blue,
An enemy was coming and he knew not what to do.
So while Judah prayed and fasted, he asked God which way was right,
A prophet brought the answer, they would win without a fight.

King Jehoshaphat appointed some to praise and some to sing,
To march against the enemy and make the heavens ring.
On the morning of the battle, they marched proudly without fear.
And if you could stop and listen then this song is what you'd hear.

So the Lord ambushed the enemy and routed them that day.
They killed each other fighting and left loot along the way
That took three days to gather up and carry it all along.
So Judah played their harps and horns and sang this happy song.

Now you needn't grouse or grumble when your trouble multiplies.
There's a rainbow shining somewhere, keep your eyes turned to the skies.
For God works for good in all your life in many secret ways,
Remember great Jehoshaphat and lift your voice in praise.
(Chorus)

WISH YOU WERE HERE

When Paul the Apostle appeared before Agrippa, he hardly had time to shave,
But he took his stand on the Word of God and he showed that he was brave.
He said, "King Agrippa, I know you believe that what I've been saying is true,
Yet altogether like me, but free, is what I'm hoping for you.

*And he said, "I know I love God and He loves me, and I know His Word is true;
And I know that things will be like He says they'll be and He'll do like He says He'll do.
So I'll take my stand on the Word of God and that's what I want for you.
Wish you were here. Wish you were here."*

When Daniel was thrown in the lions den, it must have been a wonderful sight.
The stone was shut and the lions then curled up to spend a peaceful night.
Daniel said, "King Darius, may your life be long, Now hear what I have to say.
God stopped those lions for I've done no wrong or I never would have seen today."
And he said, *Chorus.*

When the three Hebrew children wouldn't bow to the idol, they were given a second chance;
When they still wouldn't bow, King Nebuchadnezzar decided he would singe their pants.
With the fire so hot that the guards were roasted, It must have been a terrible joke:
For the three Hebrew children came out untoasted, and the never even smelled of smoke.
And they said, *Chorus.*

When the Children of Israel arrived at Canaan, they sent 12 spies to see
If it was really the promised land like God had said it'd be.
The ten came back all scared to death, but Joshua and Caleb were true;
And the only ones to live to cross Jordan were just those faithful two.
And they said, *Chorus.*

Now listen my friend and I'll give you a clue about what I've been trying to say.
God's got a great plan all ready for you if you'll just follow His Way.
You'll never be sorry if you follow the Lord, and I know what I'm saying is true.
Cause I've tried and tested and proved His Word and that what I'm wanting for you.
So you can say, *Chorus.*

HI HO, HI HO, IT'S OFF TO WORK WE GO

I work and work and work so hard so I can make more dough
But never seem to have enough. Where it goes, I don't know.
A TV and a VCR, Designer clothes and fancy car, Lots of fun, just for me; I deserve it don't you see?
I owe, I owe, That's why I'm feeling low. It sure is never easy come, but it's easy go!

IF I ONLY HAD A BRAIN (Yes, I Know that I'm a Dummy)

Yes, I know that I'm a dummy, with sawdust in my tummy, and splinters in my head.
Even so, I'm presuming that I must be partly human, otherwise I would be dead.

I have finally got the notion, I owe all my devotion to where I get my life.
So I think I would advise you, if you'll do the same as I do, you'll avoid a lot of strife.

You and me, we both agree, there's more to life than stuff.
Simply living is not enough. There's a goal for the soul.

So I can't do any walking, and never any talking, without the help of Rod.
So this word to you I'm giving, if you want real joy in living, you must do the will of God.

WE ALL HAVE STRINGS

We all have strings that hold us down, that make us smile or make us frown.
Rod pulls my strings, yes, that is true; who pulls your strings for you?
No matter where you go, someone pulls your strings, you see.
God or the devil, so, which one will your master be?
God is the best. Yes, that is true. So let Him pull your strings for you.
Yes, let God pull your strings and see, how great your life can be. How happy life can be.

ANNIVERSARY SONG (at David & Sondra Parker's anniversary)

We are so glad for the day you were wed, Since for twenty-five years you've been sharing a bed.
No thought of divorce has entered your head, but sometimes you did think of murder instead.
In sickness and health you labored as one; For richer or poorer you always had fun.
So keep right on loving, 'cause we're keeping score. We're waiting for twenty-five more.

TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF

You've helped Rainbow Christian Camp, by giving and the things you do.
Take good care of yourselves, we appreciate you. Doodle-ee-do!
We're an arm of the church of Christ so this camp belongs to you.
And we need your help as we steer this ship: you're a part of the crew. Diggery-do!
For we are Bible based, that's true. Christ centered, that, too. Mission minded in all we do.
And we're counting on you to help us stay faithful.
We try our best working at the camp, but we know we can't please you all.
Still it's one of the finest in the land. It's the best I ever saw. Halleluyaw!

THE GREAT MASTER BUILDER (theme of the National Camp Conf. At Black Mtn., NC. 1996)

The great master builder made the faraway hills, He made the violets and the daffodils.
He made these mountains with their smoky haze, Then threw in a rainbow for the rainy days.
He made Christian Service Camps and when He was thru, He smiled down from heaven
And He made me and you. Now we've got a great job and we're doing his will.
Even though all the work seems to be going uphill...there are too many jerks and I'm getting my fill...
There are some of the churches that won't pay their bill.
We're working much harder than ever before, We're building and growing so we can reach more.

THIS OLD HOUSE

It's about time that we remember when we used to go to camp,
And we found our way to Jesus with the Bible as our lamp.
It's about time that we consider what the Camp is doing now;
Reaching many folks for Jesus, teaching why and showing how:
How we need to get to know God better, how we need to study from God's Word.
Learn how we can share with others all the blessings of our Lord.
It's about time that we got started living out this little rhyme.
It's about time we lived for Jesus like we meant it. IT'S ABOUT TIME.!

It's about time we started planning for the new millennium,
(Time to quit our silly spending, buying stuff that's really dumb.)
How we best can serve the churches and their children as they come.
Reach the next new generation, help to guide them on their way.
They will break our hearts tomorrow unless we reach their hearts today.
Don't be like the rich young ruler and don't follow in his lead.
But be like the hungry widow who was giving of her need.
*(So turn loose of sinful pleasure, try to do your giving well.
If you don't, the coming children might as well just go to ----)*
Do not waste your wealth on pleasure, give your treasure to the Lord,
So the coming generation gets to know the living Word.

It's about time we started giving so the Camp can really grow.
Give our time and give our money as our blessings overflow.
It's about really getting committed to the cause of Christ today.
It's about loving one another as we walk the narrow way.
We've got to have cooperation if we're really going to grow,
As we're building for the future at the Camp we call Rainbow.
We need a winterized Retreat Center that can be used in any clime.
We've been talking about it for years now. Let's get started. IT'S ABOUT TIME!
Finale: It's about time we lived for Jesus like we meant it. IT'S ABOUT TIME!

EVERYTHING'S UP TO DATE IN KANSAS CITY (Written about our trip in 1991)

We flew off to Australia in November, and stopped off in New Zealand on the way.
We took a lot of notes so we'd remember the lessons that we learned from day to day.
We visited with Christian camps and churches on the go, just to see how much that we could learn.
And then we tried to share with them what we already know so that they could do some learning in return.
Cause it's a long way down to Perth, Australia. It's just about as fer as you kin go.
We visited the Randalls and let Gabby talk and sing, then flew off to Zimbabwe to go missionarying.
Then home to Indiana with the pictures that we bring and that's about as fer as you can go (around the world) It's just about as fer as you can go.

I DON'T NEED ANYTHING BUT YOU

I'm pulling your strings, *I'm doing your talking*, I tote your around, *It surely beats walking*.
You're a pretty good wood-wind, *You're a good wood-worker, too. And I don't need anything but you.*

We're two of a kind, *But I'm just a dummy*, I do the straight lines, *I'm the one that is funny*.
We can do all things through Christ, *And that's what we're gonna do*.
Jesus, we don't need anything but you.

SKIP TO MY LOU

I went to church the other day, while there I heard somebody say,
“There may be needy folk out there, but I don’t know and I don’t care.”
Oh, I don’t know and I don’t care, I don’t know and I don’t care, I don’t know and I don’t care
About anything today.

There’s many of us who know God’s word, there’s millions more who’ve never heard.
So we should go, God’s word to share; ‘cause they don’t know, but we do care.
They don’t know but we do care, they don’t know but we do care, they don’t know but we do care.
So let’s share God’s Word today.

ODE TO JOY

Here we sing to praise our Savior, here we study from God’s Word.
Here we learn to bear God’s message to a world that needs the Lord.
Here we rise with joy of living in the early morning damp:
Learn to live in full surrender, here at Rainbow Christian Camp.

MARCHING THROUGH GEORGIA

Reaching out to others is what we’re supposed to do.
Jesus said to reach the world and teach and baptize, too.
We read it in the Bible, so these thoughts aren’t really new.
But we must tell the next generation.

*They’re tall, they’re strong, but they don’t seem to know.
What’s right and wrong, so we must really show
by living out the basic moral values everywhere we go.
To reach and teach the next generation.*

We must show them how to live by living as we ought.
They are with us every day and more is caught than taught.
Be a good example, let them see what God hath wrought.
We must show the next generation.

WHEN IT’S ROUND-UP TIME IN TEXAS

When it’s time to go to church camp For the kids of every age.
Where we go to learn the Bible and give Jesus center stage;
There we meet the missionaries who have been to foreign lands,
Where they taught God’s word so the heathen heard of the blessings from God’s hands.
There’s the smell of good food cooking and the laughter of your friends,
And the flicker of the campfire when the fun and vespers ends.
How it beckons and I reckon it would fill my heart with praise
To be free again just to be again in those happy church camp days.

CALIFORNIA, HERE I COME

I believe the Lord will come in this new millennium, .
No warning, the dawning of a new age.
No sighing, no dying, no more care if you can be there.
Christ is coming in a cloud, shout and trumpet will be loud,
We’ll be rising with a crowd as a part of God’s kingdom.

MY GRANDFATHER'S CLOCK

My Grandfather's clock was too large for his wrist, so it sat 90 years on the floor.
Yet he carried that clock lest his schedule be missed, even though its weight made his back sore.
He would not pack a watch in his pocket or his pouch, for he never had done so before.
He was changeless as time without reason or rhyme, while around him were changes galore.
90 years without changing; tick, tock, tick, tock,. While the world's rearranging; tick, tock, tick, tock.
And his grave was the rut that he dug for himself, 'cause he never would rise to explore.

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG

Where do you think we're going? What do you think we're gonna do?
How do you think we're gonna get there? I haven't really got a clue.
But we must never fail to plan or we might as well plan to fail.
It's not just how the wind is blowing; it's how we set the sail.
With Jesus only as our Pilot, we can weather any gale.
(Chorus)
We study the Word of God, we worship the Son of God, we live by the Will of God each day.
To seek and to save the lost, to serve Christ at any cost, to help others follow His Way. (Repeat verse.)

PAPER DOLL (Stewardship)

I'm gonna start to do a better job of Stewardship, by taking care of everything I own.
I know God loaned it all to me just to see how good I'd be, at making Him some profit on the loan.
When I came into this world, I had nothing; and nothing's what I'll take when I check out.
So I'm gonna put God first in everything I do, 'cause that's what Stewardship is all about.
It's all His anyway...yes, that's what Stewardship is all about.

THE LAST ROUNDUP

We're heading to the next level, moving on up with faith and hope and love.
Leaving old ways that no longer work behind.
Looking for the best new methods we can find. Heading on up, to the next level.

We're heading to the next level, finding new ways to teach and sing and grow.
Building new buildings with year round camp in mind.
Looking for the best staff and programs we can find. Heading on up, to the next level.

We're heading back to the Basics, heading on back to stuff that really counts;
Studying God's word and committed to each other in love.
With eyes to the skies and our blessing that come from above. We're heading on back, to the Basics

SAFE AM I

I was big, HE WAS BIG. Very big, VERY BIG. When I used to be a tree.
I was tall, HE WAS TALL. Oh, so tall, OH, SO TALL. And as strong as I could be.
Then I was cut down, and landed on the ground, where I learned humility.
Then I was carved, HE WAS CARVED. Into a doll, HE'S A DOLL. And I'm now a good dummy.

SHINE YOUR SHOES (Mickey Mouse's Birthday Party)

Shine your shoes, comb your hair, come along with me, (January 2001)
To the Christian Camping Leaders' meeting. What a place to be!
I need you, you need me, we help each other grow.
We need each other so we network, sharing what we know.

We're gathered here so we can share the good things and the bad.
To tell the blessings we've received and the many trials we have had.

So lift your eyes to the skies from whence our blessings come.
Praise God and always love each other. Heaven is our home.

KING OF ALL KINGS (King of the Road)

This world's a scary place 'cause Nobody wins in this Rat Race. You know that
No matter how hard you try, *SOMEDAY YOU ARE BOUND TO DIE*.
But there is somebody I have found To show me how to get around it all.
Jesus Christ my Savior, *HE'S THE KING OF ALL KINGS*.

It's not philosophy, He's as real as you and me. We know that
He died for all our sin, *BURIED, THEN HE ROSE AGAIN*. It shows that
He loves me, this I know, For the Bible tells me so. Yes, He is
Jesus Christ my Savior. *HE'S THE KING OF ALL KINGS*.

Born of a virgin in old Bethlehem, Grew up in Nazareth as a carpenter, then
Down to the river to be baptized by John, Tempted by Satan and His work is begun.

He lived a perfect life, although his teaching caused much strife. They said that
He even raised the dead, *CAST OUT SORROW, GAVE THEM JOY INSTEAD*. And then
He taught that we should love, our neighbor and our God above. I know that
Jesus Christ's my Savior, *HE'S THE KING OF ALL KINGS*.

Believe that Christ is lord. Quit your sin and you'll be heard confessing Jesus
Christ is God's last word, *HE'S THE LIVING SON OF GOD*. Then you'll be
Baptized, wash away your sin, and you will be born again, showing that
Jesus Christ is Savior. *HE'S THE KING OF ALL KINGS*.

REINVENTING CAMP (Cherry Pink & Apple Blossom White)

We all are busy reinventing camp because the world is changing fast.
We made improvements in our camps last year, but they won't last.

We try to make things better for our camps in all the ways we can afford.
But our mission always stays the same: To please the Lord.

So we're having lots of fun as the work is getting done,
And we're reaching lots of youth as we teach them of God's truth.
We are seeking to survive as we keep the camp alive
And to help the churches grow so their gifts will overflow.

We'll all be reinventing camp next year, and of that you may be sure.
And we must keep our moral values high—our motives pure.

AS TIME GOES BY

You must remember this, *when life is filled with stress*
And you begin to sigh. The Gospel still is true and changeless
AS TIME GOES BY.

And if your love is true, *God's grace will see you through.*
On that you can rely. No matter what the future brings
AS TIME GOES BY.

Have faith in Jesus, *repent of all your sin. Be buried in water to rise again with Him.*
Your sins forgiven, the Spirit dwells within. That no one can deny.
We tell the old, old story of Jesus and His glory, *Because He came to die.*
The way, the truth, the life is Jesus
AS TIME GOES BY.

STAY TRUE (She really meant to keep it 'till she married)

Oh, we always want to stay true to the Bible, And try to keep our moral values high.
Our love of God is something that is final, 'Cause someday we will meet Him in the sky.
We need a lot of Christians working with us, To help us reach the ones who've gone astray
And model here the life and love of Jesus As we teach them of the Life, the Truth, the Way.
We'd like to have you come and walk beside us And help us in this ministry for God.
So your support can help to energize us As we walk along the path that Jesus trod.

So please pray for us and pray for all who come here, That we'll reach kids where ever they may be.
That they'll like it when they come And they'll have a lot of fun,
And they'll learn to follow Jesus and be happy. Yes, they'll get to know the Savior and be happy!

RETHINK CAMP (Tune: "Sisters")

Think Camp, Think Camp, whatever we are doing, we rethink camp.
Whether going shopping or to see a show, we think about Church Camp as we go.
Work late, can't wait to get up real early and facilitate.
Folks think we should be always there to deal with problems when they occur.
Change keeps coming and we keep running to rethink Camp and improve.
Methods are many and changes plenty but the Message must never move. No sir.
Families neglected. This wasn't really what we had expected.
But they know we balance everything out the best we can.
Directors are praying as they listen to what people are saying.
We all want God's leading to help us rethink our plan. RETHINK

METHUSELAH'S RETIREMENT author Gabby (tune: A Capitol Ship)

Methuselah felt great at eight hundred forty-eight but thought that he ought to retire.
He laid back his head on his soft featherbed and wondered when he would expire.
He was still feeling fine at eight hundred forty-nine but also decidedly bored.
It was then that he heard that his grandson had word of a flood to be sent by the Lord.

I'll go work so that boat of young Noah will float since he's only four hundred and eighty.
Then he'll have time to preach and of righteousness teach, for the message is really quite weighty.
So back with his kin he was working again for one hundred and twenty more years.
With his heirs all inside, the Ark rose with the tide just after he died, it appears.

CHORUS

If the time has come when you are three-score and ten and you feel like you really should quit,
Take some time off away to fast, read and pray. See if God has some work you will fit.
If you finally know that it's time you should go, don't be such a strict analyzer.
They don't want you dead so don't lose your head and end up like John the Baptizer.

John was a good man and he followed God's plan. God's got another plan for you.
Plans may be changed and get re-arraigned when you know what he'll show you to do.
You'll find there is fun in the work to be done, from the world Christ set you free.
They may think it odd that you speak for God with a dummy carved from a tree.
A fool of God like me.

CHORUS: Just see what God can do. His promises are true.

Come rain or shine one step at a time He'll guide you on your way.
We know God works for good to all who've understood
that He took our place by His saving grace and washed our sins away.

NOT A PROBLEM (Inspired from a dream about Bruce)

If temptation bothers you by knocking at your door,
Think of all the blessings that the Lord has got in store.
Pray that He will help you those temptations to ignore.
Remember that with God, it's not a problem.

(Chorus)

Not a Problem, makes no difference what they say.
Not a Problem, as you go from day to day.
Not a Problem, just remember when you pray.
God can handle anything, it's not a problem.

When trials and tribulations crowd into your lives my friends,
Realize they come to give you patience to defend
Your faith and hope that God will guide you to your journey's end.
Remember that with God, it's not a problem.

When you're sick & tired from feeling sick & tired and blue,
And you're down and out from feeling bad the whole day through
Pray that God will give you strength in everything you do.
Remember that with God, it's not a problem.

FAMILY OR FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY (tune: Seven Old Ladies Locked in the Lavatory)

(Chorus) Family or friends of the family,
What you do here may determine their destiny.
Be kind to friends and don't make them your enemy
Show them that you really care.

How do you make your friends part of the family?
You must not drag them down into the baptistery,
But if you love them and live your life faithfully
They'll want what you have to share.

Tolerance is not accepting what's wrong,
It's enduring someone who's believed it so long
That you have to teach them how they can belong
To God's family as God's Word declares.

Show your friends how to be part of the family:
Trust in the Lord and obey unconditionally,
Follow the plan of salvation deliberately,
God's grace and power to declare.