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Foreword

I've always loved a good melody. From Broadway songs to pop hits to classic church hymns, it's the tune that stays in my mind and makes me happy. Traditional American spirituals, those timeless, soulful melodies, were unfortunately less familiar to me when I was growing up in Chicago. It wasn't until I started working with the good folks at Hope Publishing that I discovered the rich musical history of the spiritual.

And what beautiful songs they are! For a long time I've wanted to create arrangements for flutes using these wonderful traditional melodies because they were so perfectly suited to the instrument's ability to project emotion. The result is my first flute book for Hope, *Soaring Spirits – 20 Spirituals & Hymns for Two Flutes*.

Included are rollicking versions of "Do Lord," "Standin' in the Need of Prayer," and "Promised Land," alongside quietly pretty arrangements of "All Night, All Day (Angels Watching Over Me)," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," and "Were You There." There are gospel renditions of "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me," and "Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child." Besides the spirituals, there are some favorite old hymns such as "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Softly and Tenderly," and "Just As I Am" to round out the collection.

Flutists with intermediate to advanced skills should be comfortable playing these pieces. The melody is always passed between the two parts to give each player a chance to shine. And yes, even though I wrote these for two flutes, they should sound fine with two violins or with one flute and one violin.

I hope you and a flutist friend will enjoy playing these duets for church, musical programs, lessons, or just for fun!

— Judy Nishimura

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All Night, All Day

(Angels Watching Over Me)

Arranged by
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Traditional Spiritual

Sweetly ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 88}$)

rit.

a tempo

5

9

13

18

rit.

mp

mf

mp

mf

mp

Do Lord

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Traditional Spiritual

With energy (♩ = c. 100)

Slower (♩ = c. 88)

20

24

Tempo I (♩ = c. 100)

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mp

mp

mf

mf

f

f

35

38

Do Lord

Down by the Riverside

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Traditional Spiritual

Lively ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 126$)

1
Down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
Down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,

2
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,

3
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,
I sat down by the riverside, my darling, my darling,

27

33

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3

mf

mf

39

3

44

48

tr

f

3

tr

f

3

53

3

3

Down to the River to Pray

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Traditional Spiritual

Cheerful, with bounce ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 120$)

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37

mf

43

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mf

49

f

f

56

63

70

ff

ff

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

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Smoothly ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 88}$)

Slower ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 76}$)

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21

25 accel. e cresc.

28 poco rit. Tempo I ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 88}$)

32

35

38 mf rit. mp rit. mp

Go Tell It on the Mountain

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Traditional Spiritual

Flowing ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 108$)

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6

rit.

rit.

a tempo

11

mp

a tempo

mp

15

rit.

21

mf

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a tempo $\text{=}\frac{3}{8}$

mf

a tempo $\text{=}\frac{3}{8}$

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straight 8ths

f

f

mf

mp

p

pp

p

pp

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

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Traditional Spiritual

Gospel style (♩ = c. 66)

6

11

15 Same tempo, like a waltz
 mf lilting

18

21

24

Same tempo, like a scherzo

28

32

36

40

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

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Traditional Spiritual

Languidly ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 76}$)

mp

rit.

a tempo

mp

rit.

a tempo

6

10

14

18

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Musical score for two voices (Soprano and Alto) and piano (Bass). The score consists of five systems of music.

System 1 (Measures 22-25): The vocal parts enter at measure 22. The piano part begins with eighth-note chords. Dynamics: *mf*, *mf*.

System 2 (Measures 26-29): The vocal parts continue. The piano part features eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mf*.

System 3 (Measures 30-33): The vocal parts continue. The piano part features eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *f*, *f*.

System 4 (Measures 34-37): The vocal parts continue. The piano part features eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mf*, *rit.*, *a tempo*, *rit.*, *mp*, *p*.

System 5 (Measures 38-41): The vocal parts continue. The piano part features eighth-note patterns. Dynamics: *mf*, *rit.*, *a tempo*, *rit.*, *mp*, *p*.

Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child

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Traditional Spiritual

JOYFULLY (♩ = c. 108)

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5

9

13

17

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29

32

36 tr.

40 f ff ff

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

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Upbeat, lively ($\text{J} = \text{c. } 136$) $\text{Eighth note} = \text{Sixteenth note}^3$

The musical score consists of two staves of music. The top staff begins with a dynamic of mp . The bottom staff begins with a dynamic of mp . The music is in common time, with a key signature of one flat. The notation includes eighth and sixteenth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns grouped together. There are several measure rests and a fermata over a measure. The score is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. Measure numbers 1 through 17 are visible on the left side of the staves. The music is set against a large, semi-transparent watermark that reads "HOPE Publishing Company Since 1892" and "FOR PROMOTIONAL USE ONLY".

A musical score for two voices and piano. The score consists of six systems of music, each starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal parts are in common time.

- System 1 (Measures 21-24):** The vocal parts play eighth-note patterns. The piano part features eighth-note chords.
- System 2 (Measures 25-28):** The vocal parts continue their eighth-note patterns. The piano part has eighth-note chords.
- System 3 (Measures 29-32):** The vocal parts play eighth-note patterns. The piano part has eighth-note chords. Dynamics: *mp*.
- System 4 (Measures 33-36):** The vocal parts play eighth-note patterns. The piano part has eighth-note chords.
- System 5 (Measures 37-40):** The vocal parts play eighth-note patterns. The piano part has eighth-note chords.
- System 6 (Measures 41-44):** The vocal parts play eighth-note patterns. The piano part has eighth-note chords. Dynamics: *mf*, *f*.

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Just As I Am

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WILLIAM B. BRADBURY

Flowing, with emotion (♩ = c. 92)

6 rit. a tempo
rit. a tempo

12

17

22

mp

28

mf

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37

5 7

43 f

f

48 mp

mp

53 rit. p

rit. p

Let Us Break Bread Together

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Traditional Spiritual

Calmly ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 76}$)

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21

25

Since 1892

29

32

35

rit.

a tempo

mp

rit.

a tempo

mp

38

rit.

p

rit.

p

Promised Land

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Traditional Spiritual

Moderato ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 96$)

5

9

13

17

Musical score for two staves, measures 21-40.

Measure 21: Treble clef, key signature of one sharp. Dynamics: *poco rit.*, *poco rit.*, *mp*. Measure 25: Treble clef, key signature of four flats. Dynamics: *a tempo*, *a tempo*, *mp*. Measure 30: Treble clef, key signature of four flats. Dynamics: *A little faster* ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 108$), *mf*, *mf*. Measure 34: Treble clef, key signature of three flats. Measures 37-40: Treble clef, key signature of three flats. Measure 40 dynamics: *f*, *ff*, *f*, *ff*.

Promised Land

Softly and Tenderly

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THOMPSON
WILL L. THOMPSON

Dreamily, legato ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 84}$)

6 poco rit. a tempo

11

16 mp mp

21 mf mf

27

32

f

rubato 6 6 7

rit.

f

rubato

36

a tempo

mp

a tempo

mp

40

44

p

rit.

p

rit.

Softly and Tenderly

Standin' in the Need of Prayer

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Traditional Spiritual

Lively ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 120$)

6

12

17

21

Sheet music for "Standin' in the Need of Prayer". The music is written for two staves, likely a soprano and alto or tenor. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The tempo is indicated by a quarter note followed by a dash.

The music consists of six staves of music, numbered 26 through 48. Staff 26 starts with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 27 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 28 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 29 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 30 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 31 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 32 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 33 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 34 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 35 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 36 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 37 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 38 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 39 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 40 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 41 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 42 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 43 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 44 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 45 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 46 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 47 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$. Staff 48 begins with a dynamic of $\text{f} \text{--}$.

Sweet By and By

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JOSEPH P. WEBSTER

Musical score for "Sweet By and By" featuring two staves of music. The top staff uses a treble clef and the bottom staff uses a bass clef. Both staves are in common time and key signature of one sharp. Measures 25 through 54 are shown, each consisting of two measures of music. Various dynamics are indicated throughout, including *f*, *mf*, and *mp*. Measure 37 includes a dynamic marking *f* under a bracket over the second measure. Measure 49 includes a dynamic marking *mf* under a bracket over the second measure. Measure 54 includes a dynamic marking *mp* under a bracket over the second measure.

Sweet By and By

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

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WALLIS WILLIS

Slowly, very rubato ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60$)

Faster, in tempo ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 70$)

5

9

14

17

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As the beginning ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 60$)

poco rit.

This Little Light of Mine

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Energetic march ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 122$)

28

33

Lightly (♩ = c. 112)

38

42

47

53

poco rit.

poco rit.

mf

mf

f

f

ff

ff

Were You There

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Traditional Spiritual

Flowing ($\text{♩} = \text{c. 92}$)

rit.

rit.

a tempo

a tempo

a tempo

p

mp

p

mp

21

poco rit.

cresc.

poco rit.

mf

a tempo

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a tempo

31

mp

36

mp

40

p

mp

44

rit.

p

rit.

p

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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CONVERSE
CHARLES C. CONVERSE

Laid back groove ($\text{♩} = \text{c. } 72$)

1

2

3

4

poco rit.

a tempo

mf

poco rit.

a tempo

mf

7

10

f.

13

f

f

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Broadly (♩ = c. 76)

cresc.

f

cresc.

f

Slower (♩ = c. 68)

mp

mp

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