

## *By And By*

My very first impression?  
When I saw your strange expression,  
Wonder what's wrong with this guy?  
Guess I'll be knowin by and by.

It was only a very small favor,  
And wouldn't require very much labor.  
Are you able to tell me whether  
My friends and I can camp together?

Once we settled and began to nest,  
I soon began feeling like a pest.  
First one need and then another,  
Embarrassed to be such a bother.

Thought I had found a way to repay,  
Offered to cut your hair that day.  
But once again, your strange expression,  
Left me with a pitiful impression.

But by and by as I heard you pray,  
I was impressed with your gentle way.  
And when I heard your beautiful song,  
I was convinced that I must be wrong.

As we watched you walk with my friend,  
I wondered, could they have a happy end?  
I said, He'll make someone a good husband.  
Not thinking for myself but for my friend.

By and By I learned you would teach,  
My little daughter heaven to reach!  
My heart overflowed with gratitude,  
Which kept me in a joyful mood.

Daily as our paths crossed at school,  
I prayed, "Lord don't let me act the fool.  
Why does my stomach turn upside down?  
Please keep me from playing the clown."

Every time I see him I want to smile.  
Not even a sign from him all the while.  
I thought with husbands that I was through,  
Never again would I say, "I Do."

Then one day while cutting your hair,  
An invitation—a weekend to share.  
Would I go with you and risk my job?  
Of Course! I thought as my heart did throb!

As we drove along, I had a plan,  
I would conveniently place my hand,  
Waiting and hoping and wishing much,  
Finally at last our hands would touch.

You were surprised but I was delighted.  
My heart would simply not be quieted!  
Could I possibly be the one,  
Who the heart of this man won?

Then by and by, as we continued to pray  
We set the date and without delay!  
The sixteenth of March we became a pair,  
Looking forward to the memories we'd share.

God has blessed us, what more can I say,  
We put our trust in Him, He leads the way.  
We determined to give Him our best,  
He said He'd provide us all the rest.

To God be the honor, glory and praise,  
For seeing us through all of our days.  
A good husband you've made, that's for sure  
Determined to love with a love that's pure.

I'm thankful to God for my life with you  
We've just begun, there is eternity too!  
I'm planing to meet you at the gate,  
Make sure you're there and don't be late!