

*God alone may lead my spirit
far away from want and fear,
for the Lord is my true Shepherd
and I know the Lord is near.*

I am led beside God's peaceful water
and I sleep in the arms of the earth.
Who guides me along paths of honour?
Who refreshes my life from my birth?

Though I wander the valley of dying,
I shall know that I walk in Your sight,
with Your staff that is ever before me
and Your rod to guard at my right.

You have spread Your banquet before me
in the unbroken sight of my foes,
while my head is anointed with kindness
and the cup of my life overflows.

Only mercy and goodness pursue me
while that breath and that justice endure.
And I'll dwell in the house of God's keeping
Who has opened the mouths of the poor.