

Go tell it on the mountain

Text&Musik: Trad., Bearbeitung: Georg Weilguny

Go and tell it, tell it on the mountain
Go and tell it, tell it on the mountain...

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere,
Go tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.

When I was a sinner
I prayed both night and day
I asked the Lord to help me
And he showed me the way.

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere,
Go tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.

When I was a seeker
I sought both night and day,
I asked the Lord to help me,
and he taught me to pray

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere,
Go tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.

Go and tell it, tell it on the mountain
Go and tell it, tell it on the mountain...

He made me a watchman
Upon the city wall,
And if I am a Christian,
I am the least of all.

Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere,
Go tell it on the mountain,
that Jesus Christ is born.



LONGFIELD GOSPEL *Christmas*

Ein "altes" Lied im neuen Gewand, ein freudiger Opener für eine freudvolle CD - das ist es, was meiner Meinung nach dieses Lied ausmacht. Und dem Solist (Michael Kellner) ist die Freude am Singen anzuhören...

Happy X-mas

Text&Musik: John Lennon und Yoko Ono



So this is Christmas
And what have you done
Another year over
And a new one just begun
And so this is Christmas
I hope you have fun
The near and the dear ones
The old and the young

A very merry Christmas and a happy New Year
Let's hope it's a good one
Without any fear

And so this is Christmas (*War is over*)
For weak and for strong (*If you want it*)
the rich and the poor ones (*War is over*)
The road is so long (*Now*)
And so Happy Christmas (*War is over*)
For black and for white (*If you want it*)
For yellow and red ones (*War is over*)
Let's stop all the fight (*Now*)

A very merry Christmas and a happy New Year
Let's hope it's a good one
Without any fear

So this is Christmas (*War is over*)
And what have we done (*If you want it*)
Another year over (*War is over*)
And a new one just begun (*Now*)
And so Happy Christmas (*War is over*)
We hope you have fun (*If you want it*)
The near and the dear one (*War is over*)
The old and the young (*Now*)

A very merry Christmas and a happy New Year
Let's hope it's a good one
Without any fear
So this is Christmas...

War is over if you want it
War is over now

Auf der Suche nach Liedern für diese CD ist mir auch dieser "Klassiker" untergekommen und ich habe ihn für Chor arrangiert. Unglaublich, dass das Lied bereits 40 (!!!) Jahre alt ist - so zeitlos, wie es sich präsentiert. Mir hat es besonders der Schlusschor angetan, den ich für diese CD im Vergleich zum Original noch etwas ausgeweitet habe, weil er mir wichtiger denn je erscheint: Es liegt an uns, an unserer Einstellung Frieden gegenüber. Frieden kann man nicht mit Gewalt erzwingen, man muss ihn wollen. Mit Angst und Fremdenhass können nur dann Geschäfte gemacht, Politik betrieben und Kriege geführt werden, solange wir das auch zulassen.

Annunciation

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny

Holy
Holy
Holy
Holy

Holy is our Lord and God and holy what he said
And holy is the son of God so don't be afraid
"Peace on earth" the angel said, just follow the star
you will find a baby in a manger not far

Holy
Holy
Holy
Holy

As he spoke the Angels sing from heaven above
praising god for giving us the greatest gift of love
The shepherds were the first who saw the newborn king
telling everyone and that's the reason why we sing

Holy
Holy
Holy
Holy

"...⁸And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ^[a] the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

(Tenor) Jesus my savior, my joyful redeemer

(Altos) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

(Sopranos) Glory to the newborn King, Glory Hallelujah

(Bass) Holy...

"Annunciation" bedeutet "Verkündigung". Die Zeilen im Mittelteil stammen aus dem Evangelium nach dem Evangelisten Lukas Kapitel II, Vers 1-20, die mir auch gleichzeitig als Inspiration für das ganze Lied dienen. Ich habe mich zu Beginn der CD in diese Stellen eingelesen und mich erinnert, wie es mir ergangen ist, als ich davon zum ersten Mal gehört habe: Ich war fasziniert von dem Gedanken, wie es ist, wenn der Himmel sich öffnet und "Engelschöre" erklingen...Das hat mich nie mehr losgelassen, und in diesem Lied habe ich versucht, diese Situation zu "vertönen" - mit den mir zur Verfügung stehenden "Engelschören" :-)



Jesus Christ

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny

Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
Is born

You give me strength – You give me strength to hold on
You are my friend - *You'll never leave me alone*
You give me hope - *you give me hope when I'm longing for you*
You will take care - *you will take care when my heart cries for you*

Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
is born

Show me your way - *show me your way to the light*
ease my pain - *and ease my pain in the night*
and hold my hand - *and hold my hand to touch me inside*
you will be there - *you will be there and you will be my guide, will be my guide -*

Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
Jesus Christ
is born



"Jesus Christ" ist ein weiteres Weihnachtslied, das ich für diese CD geschrieben habe. Musikalisch betrachtet ist es eine Art Hommage an den "Oslo Gospel Choir" und seinen Chorleiter Tore Aas, den ich sehr schätze (ich hatte bereits das Glück, ihn persönlich kennenzulernen) und dessen Lieder bei LONGFIELD-Konzerten immer wieder zur Aufführung kommen, weil sie einfach gut sind - und mich inspirierten...

Born on this day

Text&Musik: Mariah Carey und Walter Afanasieff

Today a child is born on earth
(Today a child is born on earth)
Today the glory of God shines everywhere for all of the world

Oh Jesus - born on this day
He is our light and salvation
Oh Jesus - born on this day
He is the King of all nations

Behold the lamb of God has come
(Behold the lamb of God has come)
Behold the Savior is born, Sing of His love to everyone

Oh Jesus - born on this day
Heavenly child in a manger
Oh Jesus - born on this day
He is our Lord and our Savior

Today our hearts rejoice in Him
(Today our hearts rejoice in Him)
Today the light of His birth
Fills us with hope and brings peace on earth

Oh Jesus - born on this day
He is our light and salvation
Oh Jesus - born on this day
He is the King of all nations

Today a child is born on earth
(Today a child is born on earth)

He is light, He is love, He is grace
Born on Christmas day



Ingrid Diem singt dieses Lied meiner Meinung nach auf ganz besonders einfühlsame Art und Weise. Das hat - neben Ihrer künstlerischen Qualität - auch persönliche Gründe: Am 23. Dezember 2009 kam Ihre Tochter zur Welt, ein Geschenk Gottes... und sie war auch bei den Aufnahmen dabei.

Mary's boy child

Text&Musik: Jester Hairston, Arr. Georg Weilguny

Long time ago in Bethlehem, so the Holy Bible said,
Mary's boy child Jesus Christ, was born on Christmas Day.

Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,
And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

While shepherds watch their flocks by night,
they see a bright new shining star,
they hear a choir sing a song, the music seemed to come from afar.

Hark, now hear the angels sing, a king was born today,
And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

Now Joseph and his wife, Mary, came to Bethlehem that night,
they found no place to bear her child, not a single room was in sight.

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And man will live for evermore, because of Christmas Day.

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Es macht einfach Spaß, dieses Lied zu singen! Wir hatten Spaß bei den Aufnahmen und bei den Choreographien - und "live" vermag es Menschen ein Lächeln ins Gesicht zu zaubern und zu erfreuen. Das wussten schon Boney M, die die wahrscheinlich bekannteste Version dieses Lieds aufgenommen haben. In "unserer" Version wollte ich diese Freude noch steigern...

Eternally

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny

*Yo, this is for all the desperate and lonely people in the world
because there is hope for everyone
no matter who you are, no matter what you did, even if you messed up everything*

Lord, take me by the hand
let me be your friend
let your light shine over me (say)
Lord, guide me through the night
let me see the light
even when it's hard to see (*that's right, keep on*)

Lord, thank you for your love
thank you for your grace
you are always there for me
Lord, everything you made
Every word you said
fills my heart eternally

Chapter One, for all the desperate, this is the story about a mother who had lost her baby three months after it's birth; it was so painful for her that she thought about committing suicide because she felt like there's no sense in her life. At this time she started praying to God and asked him for help. One year later she got pregnant again and on christmas day she gave life to a beautiful girl - she said

Lord, take me by the hand
let me be your friend
let your light shine over me (say)
Lord, guide me through the night
let me see the light
even when it's hard to see (*keep on, keep on*)

Lord, thank you for your love
thank you for your grace
you are always there for me
Lord, everything you made
Every word you said
fills my heart eternally

Chapter Two, for all the lonely people in the world, when nobody's there to keep you warm at night. I tell you: Don't give up, because the Lord loves you, more than anyone in the world. And remember: No matter who you are, no matter what you did, even if you messed up everything, the Lord will forgive you. But most of all he will give you power to hold on and get through hard times - eternally

*always remember: no matter what you did, no matter who you are, no matter where you're going through, he knows you, and if you let him in, he's always at your side
don't give up
when you're desperate, he will give you hope, when you're lonely, he will be your friend, when you feel like givin' up, he will be there, I promise, he will be there, eternally -
eternally...*

Ich habe mir nie einen rachsüchtigen, donnergrollenden und bedrohlichen Gott vorgestellt, der will, dass man "bereut" und der die Menschen "richtet"...obwohl das immer wieder Thema zahlreicher Auseinandersetzungen in der Menschheitsgeschichte war und gerne so interpretiert und dargestellt wurde, um Menschen zu unterdrücken und gehorsam oder gefügig zu machen. Es ist dieser alle Menschen liebende Gott, der mich so erfüllt, dieser alles verzeihende Gott, der einem Hoffnung gibt und der Grund dafür sein kann, sich "zu ändern" oder einfach sein Leben nach besten Wissen und Gewissen zu leben - auch wenn man dabei manchmal Fehler macht.

LONGFIELD GOSPEL *Christmas*

Christmas

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny



**Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born
Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born**

Mary, mother Mary
Gave birth to a child
Lying in a manger
Born on earth to our delight

**Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born
Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born**

Father, our Father
Father, hear our song
Let us love each other
Peace on earth will come along

**Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born
Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born**

Jesus, little Jesus
See them on their knees
Help us, be our saviour
Teach us how to live in peace

**1 People, all you people
We are family
Let us celebrate him
Let us live in harmony**

**Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born
Christmas, yes it's christmas
Jesus Christ is born**

**HALELUJAH – PRAISE HIS NAME
HALELUJAH – PRAISE THE LORD**

"Christmas" war das erste Weihnachtslied, das ich für LONGFIELD GOSPEL geschrieben habe. Ich verbinde unzählige Erinnerungen in den letzten Jahren mit diesem Lied, das so vielen Menschen - singend und zuhörend - Freude bereitet hat. Ohne den Erfolg von "Christmas" gäbe es diese CD nicht, daher ist es auch der Titelsong geworden. An dieser Version haben alle 3 Chöre mitgewirkt.

Dear Santa

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny

Dear Santa, just let me explain
I have to talk to you
Dear Santa, it's christmas time
I need a wish come true
I wrote you a letter, I hope you are
able to read the words so far
Dear Santa, don't get me wrong
and listen to my song
(let me say)

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa, I'm down on my knees,
I hope that you will hear
Dear Santa, I'm begging you please,
I say it loud and clear
Can't you see, my heart is on fire
Dear Santa, I wanna sing in a choir,
wanna clap my hands, wanna shout and dance -
that's all I ask from you

Dear Santa...

Dear Santa, one more time
I have to say to you
Dear Santa, I'm standing in line
to see my dream come true
It's easy to see that my greatest desire
is to raise my voice in a gospel choir
Please - make it true - Dear Santa Claus!

Dear Santa...



Was wünscht man sich vom Weihnachtsmann? Unzählige Lieder geben unterschiedlichste Antworten. "Dear Santa" behandelt auf humorvolle Weise den Wunsch, in einem Gospelchor zu singen, zu tanzen und Spass zu haben. Dahinter steckt auch ein Körnchen Wahrheit: Sowohl für Michael Kellner, den Solisten dieses Lieds, als auch für mich, war es während unserer Studienzeit in den USA tatsächlich eine Ehre (und ein großer Wunsch), in den dortigen Gospelchor aufgenommen zu werden und mitsingen zu dürfen....Der Wunsch wurde erfüllt.

The night that Christ was born

Text&Musik: Kirk Franklin

Listen to the angels
Rejoicing ever so sweetly
Receiving heaven's glory
The night that Christ was born

Can't you see the people
Coming from every nation
Pleading for salvation
The night that Christ was born

Ooooh
Aaaah
Ooooh
The night that christ was born

(Solo:) Listen to the angels
Rejoicing ever so sweetly
Receiving heaven's glory
The night that Christ was born

Can't you see the people
Coming from every nation
Pleading for salvation
The night that Christ was born

Ooooh
Aaaah
Ooooh
The night that christ was born

Oh such a wonderful savior
To be born in a manger
So that I can share His favor
And my heart be made anew

Listen to the trumpets
Shouting through the darkness
Crying 'holy, holy'
The night that Christ was born

The night that Christ was born
The night that Christ was born.

Danke, lieber Kirk Franklin, für dieses schöne Lied. Danke auch für Deine anderen Lieder, die so vielen Menschen etwas bedeuten. Als Zeichen unserer Wertschätzung haben wir es neu aufgenommen und auf diese CD gegeben. Zu Weihnachten wünschen wir uns noch viele Lieder wie diese von Dir, weil wir sie so gerne singen.



Santa Claus is coming to town

Text&Musik: J. Fred Coots and Haven Gillespie

You better watch out, you better not cry
you better not pout, I'm telling you why

- Santa Claus is coming to town
- Santa Claus is coming to town
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list, And checking it twice
Gonna find out who's naughty or nice

- Santa Claus is coming to town
- Santa Claus is coming to town
Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping
He knows when you're awake
He knows if you've been bad or good
So be good for goodness sake

You better watch out
you better not cry
you better not pout
I'm telling you why

- Santa Claus is coming to town
- Santa Claus is coming to town
Santa Claus is coming to town - (SOLO)

He sees you when you're sleeping
He knows when you're awake
He knows if you've been bad or good
So be good for goodness sake

You better watch out
you better not cry
you better not pout
I'm telling you why

- Santa Claus is coming to town
- Santa Claus is coming to town
Santa Claus is coming
Santa Claus is coming
Santa Claus is coming - to town



Auch dieses Lied strotzt vor Freude und Humor und fand deswegen seinen Weg auf diese CD. Wer den Anblick von glänzenden Kinderaugen vor einem Weihnachtsbaum kennt, wer "Vorfreude" vor der Bescherung schon einmal gefühlt hat, der versteht auch die Ausgelassenheit, mit der dieses Lied dargebracht wird. Auch DAS ist Weihnachten, und das ist gut so.

I Know That It's Christmas

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny



I know that it's christmas
when I look at you
I know that it's christmas
I know that it's true
It's true that it's christmas time, when chime bells are ringing
My love for you grows more and more with every song they're singing

Hey-o
Hey-o
Hey-o
Hey-o

I know that it's christmas
to wake up with you
I know that it's christmas
when dreams come true
It's true that it's christmas time when snow falls from above
And christmas-songs remind me that I thank god for your love

Hey-o
Hey-o
Hey-o
Hey-o

B: Joy to the world, the Lord has come...

MS: Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht...

OS: Still, Still, Still, weil's Kindlein schlafen will...

A: Come they told me parapapam, our new born king to see parapapam...

B: Hey-o...

Weihnachten ist....wenn man aufwacht und das Geschenk schon im Arm hat.

Psalm 151

Text und Musik: Georg Weilguny

Oh Holy night
all full of light
all angels sing:
"Born is the King"

Son of God
Prince of Peace
Jesus Christ the savior is born

Oh Holy night
all full of light
words from afar:
"Hallelujah"

King of Kings
Lord of Lords
Jesus Christ the savior is born

Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ the savior is born
Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ the savior is born
Jesus Christ the savior is born
Hallelu, Hallelu, Hallelujah!
Jesus Christ the savior is born

King of Kings
Lord of Lords



Es gibt bekanntermassen 150 Psalmen. Als ich dieses Lied komponierte, wollte ich "etwas im Stil eines Psalms" erschaffen, und so entstand dieses Lied, an dem ich lange gearbeitet, mit jedem Akkord und jedem Wort gerungen habe. Als es fertig war, suchte ich nach einem passenden Titel...und habe ihn gefunden. Ich kann mir - bei allem Respekt - keinen besseren vorstellen.

Amen

Text & Musik: Trad./ Bearbeitung: Georg Weilguny

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

*Hallelujah, Honor and Glory to the newborn King Jesus Christ
Let all the angels sing and dance, come on, say "Amen"*

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Let me hear you, singing and shouting, say Amen

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Sing Amen, sing Amen to the story, it's a story 'bout Jesus and Christmas time

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

See the baby lying in a manger one Christmas morning - Amen

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

*See him at the seaside, he's preaching and healing, to the blind and the feeble, and the hungry -
yeah*

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Shouting Hallelujah, in the Kingdom with my savior, one Christmas morning - Amen

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

*Amazing Grace (Thank you Lord),
how sweet the sound (Thank you Jesus)
that saved a wretch like me (and merry Christmas! Let all the Angels sing)
I once was lost but now I'm found,
was blind but now I see (Peace on earth for everyone, say "Amen")*

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen

Merry Christmas. Amen.



LONGFIELD GOSPEL *Christmas*

"Amen" ist das einzige Lied auf dieser CD, bei dem alle 3 Chöre UND alle 3 Solisten mitgewirkt haben. Im Studio haben wir (Ingrid Diem, Michael Kellner, Georg Weilguny) beim Einsingen großen Spass gehabt, weil wir gemeinsam eine Version entwickelt haben, die jedem Raum lässt zum Singen und Improvisieren. Es war schön, aufeinander zu hören und - sehr oft spontan - die Ideen der anderen zu übernehmen und weiter zu formen. Ganz im Sinne von lebendiger Gospel-Musik, wie sie sein soll und wie wir sie sehen. Danke an dieser Stelle an meine langjährigen Solisten und Wegbegleiter für Euer Vertrauen und Euer Talent - ihr seid großartig!