

# Nephi's Christmas Ballad

Words and Music by Adrienne Foster Potter

1. A thou - sand years be - fore his birth the  
2. But as the ho - ly day came near the  
3. As he was born in Beth - le - hem the

pro - phets told the signs, the star, the lights, the  
wick - ed int - er - fered. and set a day to  
pro - mised star ap - peared. A - cross the world the

won - ders that would tell of God's de - signs. The  
slay the saints be - cause no signs ap - peared. So  
sun went down as twi - light would have neared. But

spi - rit then bore wit - ness that the words they spoke were  
 Ne - phi knelt and bowed his head the and raised a might - y  
 dark - ness nev - er came that night and right - eous hearts re -

true to faith - ful fol - low ers of Christ who  
 prayer and as heard the Sav - ior speak - ing in a  
 joyed as from the saints a - round the world a

heard and felt and knew. And far a - cross the  
 voice so still and rare, "Oh lift your head, and  
 thank - ful prayer was voiced. A new babe in the

o - cean in a diff - erent pro - mised land, a -  
 be of cheer, be - hold the time is near, for  
 man - ger and a new star in the sky, and

noth - er tribe sur - vived and thrived just as the Lord had  
 on the mor - row I will come and as soon the signs ap -  
 now a new law gi - ven us by which to live and

*two hands on bass*

planned. They wor - shipped as their - fa - thers had and  
 pear, and Now all the words that spoke my ho - ly  
 die! Now all the old is done a - way and

wait - ed for the day when light would fill the  
 pro - phets who were killed, and all the things that  
 ev - ry thing is new and and all the words the

day and night and chase the dark a - way.  
 I've made known to are men will be ful - filled."  
 pro - phets spoke are pro - ven to be true!

He came just as He said He would to

save the sons of men. He came and lived and

loved and died and He will come a - gain.

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