

From the eastern mountains AMNS 327 Melody: Evelyns (in E flat)

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From the eastern mountains  
pressing on they come,  
wise men in their wisdom,  
to his humble home;  
stirred by deep devotion,  
hasting from afar,  
ever journeying onward,  
guided by a star.

There their Lord and Saviour  
meek and lowly lay,  
wondrous light that led them  
onward on their way,  
ever now to lighten  
nations from afar,  
as they journey homeward  
by that guiding star.

Thou who in a manger  
once hast lowly lain,  
who dost now in glory  
o'er all kingdoms reign,  
gather in the peoples,  
who in lands afar  
ne'er have seen the brightness  
of thy guiding star.

Gather in the outcasts,  
all who've gone astray;  
throw thy radiance o'er them,  
guide them on their way:  
those who never knew thee,  
those who've wandered far,  
guide them by the brightness  
of thy guiding star.

Onward through the darkness  
of the lonely night,  
shining still before them  
with thy kindly light,  
guide them, Jew and Gentile,  
homeward from afar,  
young and old together,  
by thy guiding star.

Until every nation,  
whether bond or free,  
'neath thy star-lit banner,  
Jesu, follow thee  
o'er the distant mountains  
to that heavenly home,  
where nor sin nor sorrow  
evermore shall come.

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