

IN THE HOUSE OF GOD

1978. "I Married You" by Walter Trobisch gave rise to this song. He describes marriage in terms of the tent image, and relates it to Psalm 27:4-5. This song has been used for a wedding or two, but a lot of church musicians, especially organists have trouble handling the rhythm and syncopation. It's a guitar based, or percussion based song. And although it was published in the Key of D, we've always done it in Eb. D is a bit low for it.

1. Your love surrounds me like a tent around me
on a dark and stormy night.
Though fear is creeping as the darkness deepens,
I will stay beside this light.

I will live with you forever,
I will live inside your shelter.
I will live with you forever
in the house of God.

2. When death was coming I was helpless, running,
but I had no place to hide.
O, Jesus heard me cryin, Jesus saw me dyin,
he came to my side.

3. You left your father, O my baby brother,
for the manger and the cross.
Your death is life for me, you killed my enemy,
O death has finally lost.

4. The broken people and the poor and feeble
find a place of shelter here.
There's room for more to come
and join the Father's Son,
his love will take your fear.

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