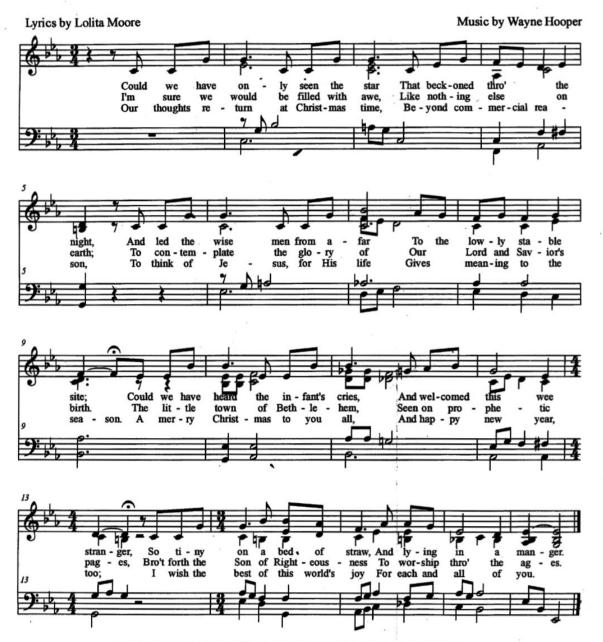
Could We Have Seen



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Merry Christmas, One and All!

We know the year is coming to an end when our mail box begins to fill with your cards and letters. And we eagerly tear them open to enjoy this long distance contact with everyone of you.

Our main excitement this year of 2004 has been helping The Voice of Prophecy in celebrating 75 years of broadcasting the good news that "Jesus Is Coming Again!" It doesn't seem possible that I joined the King's Heralds 60 years ago in January of 1944. And since I am the oldest patriarch around, they asked me to go to each event, do some M. C. chores; lead the opening theme song with orchestra, choir and organ; dialogue with Del Delker (57 years as soloist) about what it was like to work with

H. M. S. Richards, the program founder; and then at the finale, lead the congregation in my song, "We Have This Hope." One of the big thrills on this was at The Crystal Cathedral, with 3000 people, double brass choir in 2 balconies, 100 voice choir directed by Bunny Thornburgh, La Sierra University Orchestra, and Kimo Smith at the giant pipe organ. The reverberating sound in that magnificent glass acoustic space was fantastic!

We (Harriet also) traveled to, and did this program at 8 different places:
Mar. 27, Union College, Nebraska; Apr. 3, Walla Walls College, WA;
Apr. 17, Southwestern Adventist University, Keene, TX (where Ray Rurner, original
King's Heralds bass (96!) sang for us;) Aug. 14, Carmichael CA SDA Church; Aug
21, Southern Adventist University, TN; Oct. 9, Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, CA;
Oct. 23, Andrews Unviersity, MI; Nov. 13, Takoma Park, MD, where we were guests
of school friends Bob & Evy Osborn while doing a week of sight-seeing around
Washington. Going thro' airport security, renting cars and driving to strange
destinations nearly always brought challenge and adventure - and fun! At every
place we had a great time with old friends and many relatives.

As I write this, Harriet and I are both in the middle of having cataract surgery at Loma Linda Medical Center. One eye was done Nov. 30, and tomorrow morning Dec. 14 Dr. Gimbel, head of Opthalmology there, will do the other eye. Great technology means no pain, tiny recovery time, no eye patch. We stay over night with sister Alma, have a check up next morning, and drive on home. On the eye already done, the result is fantastic!

Our love, and best wishes for a Joy-Full Happy New Year!

Wayne & Harriet Hooper