

If Love Can Sing - The beginning story of the New Hope Singers International

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If love can sing then love must be eternal!

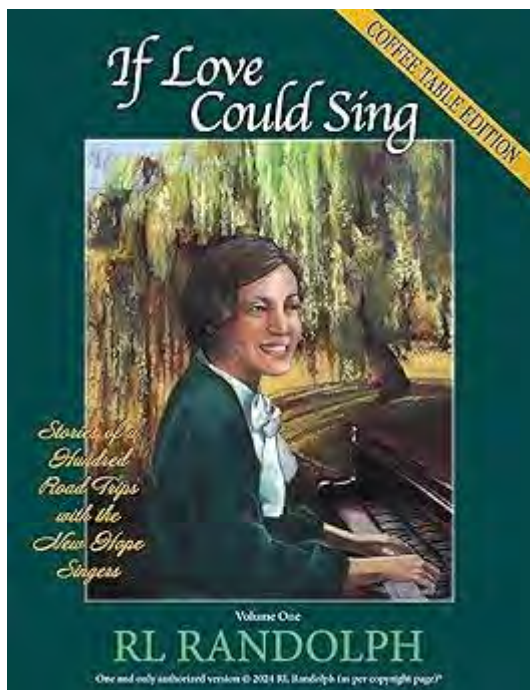
At the beginning of our relationship, my husband Dietrich and I sent letters to each other via post as there were no cell phones or texting then.

Receiving those most precious letters signed "your eternal husband" was "music to my ears." I also signed my letters "your eternal wife."

Later when arriving home after a long day at work, taking me in his arms he would exclaim, "My eternal wife" as I was waiting by the door!

Love is eternal because God's attributes are unchanging, eternal, and absolute. Then true love is also absolute, eternal, and unchanging. That's why before Dietrich passed, he said to me "Forever together."

The same goes for my family. Families are forever.



Randolph Remmel recently published this book

["If Love Could Sing"](#)

which tells the beginning of the story of the New Hope Singers International.

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Who were these people? What did they stand for? What was it they kept singing about?

A truly uncommon phenomenon: This was a contingent of deep-hearted and idealistic young people from a dozen different nations and pretty well from any religious or spiritual background you might ever imagine (perhaps some you mightn't ever), all working together, day by day, side by side, and night by night, from time to time enduring trials that no one had anticipated.

They entertained greater numbers of people than any of them had thought likely, collaterally reaping successes and joys that would characterize the best years of their lives. Together they promoted a vision that, taken to heart and realized, must inevitably lead to lasting world peace.

If Love Could Sing is a story - every bit as true as unbelievable - of what you can do, whoever you are and wherever you might find yourself, when you've got a passion for hope, a vision for the future, and the courage to meet unexpected challenges. It is a story that would make your forebears proud.

The New Hope Singers International had it all - passion, vision, courage - plus a powerful dream. Irrepressibly youthful, with unflinching determination, they performed internationally, ultimately traveling over four-hundred thousand miles in thirty-six months.

Recording artist Lew Fox briefly sums up this remarkable group, "Beginning as an initially ragtag assortment of nationalities, accents, dispositions, and musical gifts, the New Hope Singers International emerged an ensemble that would entertain thousands as they sang in all the contiguous United States. They were led by a remarkable couple."

When American musician, poet, and author Sidney Lanier (1842-1881) observed, "Music is love in search of a word," he may just have been foretelling the story that's given rise to this book - the dedication to that search; the power of that love.



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Copies of this book will make great holiday gifts for young people who, reading of the endless adventures lived by their remarkably international, multicultural forebears, are certain to marvel at what their parents' generation has done to advance the ideals they'll hope to see characterizing the world they're going to inherit.

If Love Could Sing is all about heroes.

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Once word had begun getting out, the sky was the (only imaginary) limit...



This photograph (from page 110) presents the extravagantly colorful international wardrobe the choir was glad to acquire early in 1976, once they had paid off all their debts and still had a little money in the bank.



"A most delightful reading trip for me."

"Randolph has written one of those rare books that make you feel better simply by reading it. He has combined an unadorned view of a cross-section of America with a truly uplifting vision of hope and optimism for the future."

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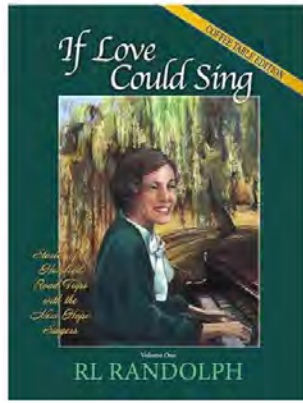


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