DOWN TO THE RIVER TO PRAY

Words and Music
Traditional

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Intro  easy swing

Tenor  Lead

Women

Bari  Bass

Tenor  Lead

Men

Bari  Bass

Verse 1

Oh, Brothers!  Let's go down to pray!

Oh, Sisters!  Let's go down to pray!

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Chorus 1

Oh Brothers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.
Oh Sisters, let's go down, down to the river to pray.  When I went down to the river to pray, to pray, to pray.

Oh Sisters, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

When I went down to the river, oh oo ah oo.

When you shall wear a starry crown, Good Lord, show me the way. Oh

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Lord, show me the way.

Take me away!

Now,

Chorus 2

Oh Fathers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. Oh Mothers,

let's go down, down to the river to pray, to pray.

Down to the river to

let's go down, down to the river to pray, to pray.

Down to the river to

let's go, let's go.
Coda

Oh Brothers, pray now, Oh Fathers, pray now, Oh,Children,

( clap on off-beats to m.59 )

pray.

Oh Sisters now, pray.

pray now,

Oh Moth-ers now, pray.

Oh, Children, pray now,

pray, now,

Oh let’s go down, now Oh, Brothers!

Oh Children now, pray to the riv-er now, Oh!

Oh, Sisters!

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slowly

A-men! I pray!

Let’s go down to pray!

Down to the riv-er to pray!

A-men! I pray!

Let’s go down to pray!

Down to the riv-er to A-men! I pray!

A-men! I pray!