

Great Counselor, We've Waited Long

2024 Advent Hymn, for Royal Lane Baptist Church, Dallas, TX,
and Harry Wooten, Minister of Music

Great Counselor, we've waited long,
oppressed by systems harsh and wrong;
Uncommon Wisdom, through our night,
bring light and justice by your might.

O, Mighty God, with awesome pow'r,
transform us in this crucial hour;
in faithful witness to your deeds,
we live in faith not bound by creeds.

O, Everlasting Father-God,
may we your children share abroad
that we no longer orphaned are;
salvation comes, led by a star.

In Mourning Light, we gather here,
with burdened hearts this time of year;
our sorrows double midst the cheer;
God, ease our hurt and calm our fear.

O Prince of Peace, our Savior be;
restore creation's equity;
no pabulum peace, but true shalom
shall make our longing hearts your home.

O, hark, each herald-angel sings,
for unto us a child God brings;
from this time forth, forevermore,
we dwell in Christ, whom we adore!

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