

From The Mountaintops

by

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Instrumentation

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| 1 – Conductor Score | 3 – Trumpet 3 |
| 10 – Flute | 2 – Horn in F 1 |
| 2 – Oboe | 2 – Horn in F 2 |
| 2 – Bassoon | 6 – Trombone |
| 5 – Clarinet 1 | 2 – Euphonium (+ 2 T.C.) |
| 5 – Clarinet 2 | 4 – Tuba |
| 2 – Bass Clarinet | 2 – Mallet 1 |
| 2 – Alto Sax 1 | 2 – Mallet 2 |
| 2 – Alto Sax 2 | 1 – Concert Snare |
| 2 – Tenor Saxophone | 1 – Concert Bass Drum |
| 2 – Bari Sax | 1 – Suspended Cymbal |
| 3 – Trumpet 1 | 1 – Crash Cymbal |
| 3 – Trumpet 2 | |

From The Mountaintops

Praise God from heaven. Praise Him from the mountaintops. -Psalm 148:1

Originally composed for the Amador High School Band, in Amador County CA, this is one of my favorite compositions because it expresses the feelings that come with teaching the Amador Band on the field during football season - feelings of gratitude and praise. You see, the students at Amador are wonderful and we are surrounded by the gorgeous foothills east of the Sierra Nevadas.

The fanfare sections were first sketched out in my college days. Then after I began teaching full time, I was inspired to expand the ideas. The main melody developed quickly. It's melodic rhythm is loosely based on Psalm 148:1. Lyrics could be sung to the first phrase, "I will praise Him from the mountaintops."

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Christopher J. Tootle currently teaches students music in the Amador County Unified School District. Mr. Tootle holds Bachelor of Music Degrees in Trumpet Performance and Music Education from the California State University of Sacramento where he studied trumpet with Gary Dilworth and conducting with Dr. Robert Halseth. He also holds a One-Year Diploma in Music Pedagogy from the Franz Liszt Academy of Music – Zoltán Kodály Pedagogical Institute of Music in Hungary. His professional accomplishments include guest lecturing at the University of the Pacific Conservatory of Music, arranging and performing horn charts for the Calvary Chapel of Budapest Gospel Choir, performing at Sacramento churches, and founding beginning band programs at Florin and Fite Elementary Schools in the Elk Grove Unified School District. Mr. Tootle currently directs 5-12th grade bands for the Amador County Unified

School District. The demands of teaching and managing Band education for the ACUSD and teaching at three elementary schools, Ione Jr. High and Amador High School keep Mr. Tootle very busy. Annual performances include 3 football games, 2 community parades, Winter and Spring Concerts for all JH & HS concert bands, shared concerts with college and university ensembles, 1-2 educational performance trips per ensemble, and at least one trip to either Forum Music Festivals or Disneyland Magic Music Days per year. His extra-curricular musical commitments include teaching private lessons, performing with the Amador Community Band and the Mother Lode Friends of Music Orchestra, and co-managing the Amador-Calaveras Bi-County Honor Band. Mr. Tootle also performs trumpet and trombone as a member of Bump City, the only Tower of Power tribute band officially approved by Tower of Power. Mr. Tootle's commitment to his students is only surpassed by his dedication to his wife Szonja and his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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With Energy

$\text{♩} = 90-100$

Flute

Clarinet 1

Clarinet 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Tenor Sax

Bari Sax

Trumpet 1

Trumpet 2

Trumpet 3

Horn in F 1

Horn in F 2

Trombone

Euphonium

Tuba

Mallet 1

Mallet 2

Concert Snare

Bass Drum

Suspended Cymbal

Crash Cymbal

V.S.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

10

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

11

12

13

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

14 15 16 17 18

The musical score consists of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the ensemble. The instruments listed on the left are: Flute (Fl.), Clarinet 1 (Cl. 1), Clarinet 2 (Cl. 2), Alto Saxophone 1 (Alto Sax 1), Alto Saxophone 2 (Alto Sax 2), Tenor Saxophone (Ten. Sax), Bassoon (Bari. Sax), Trumpet 1 (Tpt. 1), Trumpet 2 (Tpt. 2), Trumpet 3 (Tpt. 3), Horn 1 (Hn. 1), Horn 2 (Hn. 2), Trombone (Tbn.), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba (Tba.), Mallet 1 (Mal 1), Mallet 2 (Mal 2), Snare Drum (S.D.), Bass Drum (B.D.), Suspended Cymbal (Sus. Cym.), and Crash Cymbal (Cym.). The score is divided into five measures, numbered 14 through 18 at the top of each staff. Measure 14 contains rests for most instruments. Measures 15-18 feature various rhythmic patterns, including eighth-note chords and sustained notes with grace notes. Measure 18 concludes with a series of eighth-note patterns on the S.D., B.D., Sus. Cym., and Cym. staves.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

20

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

Musical score for "From the Mountaintops" - Complete Score, page 6. The score consists of 18 staves, each representing a different instrument or section of the ensemble. The instruments listed from top to bottom are: Flute (Fl.), Clarinet 1 (Cl. 1), Clarinet 2 (Cl. 2), Alto Saxophone 1 (Alto Sax 1), Alto Saxophone 2 (Alto Sax 2), Tenor Saxophone (Ten. Sax), Bassoon (Bari. Sax), Trumpet 1 (Tpt. 1), Trumpet 2 (Tpt. 2), Trumpet 3 (Tpt. 3), Horn 1 (Hn. 1), Horn 2 (Hn. 2), Trombone (Tbn.), Euphonium (Euph.), Tuba (Tba.), Bassoon 1 (Mal 1), Bassoon 2 (Mal 2), Snare Drum (S.D.), Bass Drum (B.D.), Suspended Cymbal (Sus. Cym.), and Crash Cymbal (Cym.). The score is divided into measures 24 through 28. Measure 24 starts with a melodic line in the Flute and continues with various instruments taking turns. Measures 25-26 show more complex harmonic patterns with sustained notes and grace notes. Measures 27-28 feature prominent eighth-note patterns in the Bassoon and Bass Drum, with the Snare Drum providing rhythmic support.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

29

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

30

31

32

V.S.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

33

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

34

35

36

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

Musical score for "From the Mountaintops" - Complete Score, page 9, measures 37 to 41.

The score includes parts for:

- Fl. (Flute)
- Cl. 1 (Clarinet 1)
- Cl. 2 (Clarinet 2)
- Alto Sax 1 (Alto Saxophone 1)
- Alto Sax 2 (Alto Saxophone 2)
- Ten. Sax (Tenor Saxophone)
- Bari. Sax (Baritone Saxophone)
- Tpt. 1 (Trumpet 1)
- Tpt. 2 (Trumpet 2)
- Tpt. 3 (Trumpet 3)
- Hn. 1 (Horn 1)
- Hn. 2 (Horn 2)
- Tbn. (Trombone)
- Euph. (Euphonium)
- Tba. (Tuba)
- Mal 1 (Mallet 1)
- Mal 2 (Mallet 2)
- S.D. (Snare Drum)
- B.D. (Bass Drum)
- Sus. Cym. (Suspended Cymbal)
- Cym (Crash Cymbal)

The score shows various musical markings such as dynamic levels (e.g., *f*, *p*, *v*, *>*, *o*) and performance techniques (e.g., slurs, grace notes, fermatas). Measure 41 concludes with a repeat sign and the instruction *V.S.*

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

10

42

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

43

44

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

11

Musical score for "From the Mountaintops" showing measures 45 through 48. The score is arranged for a large ensemble including Flute, Clarinet 1, Clarinet 2, Alto Saxophone 1, Alto Saxophone 2, Tenor Saxophone, Bassoon, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Mallets 1, Mallets 2, Snare Drum, Bass Drum, Suspended Cymbal, and Crash Cymbal. The score features continuous eighth-note patterns with dynamic markings like $\text{f} \cdot$, $\text{p} \cdot$, v , $\text{b} \text{p}$, and p . Measures 45-47 show woodwind entries with melodic lines and eighth-note patterns. Measure 48 concludes with a rhythmic pattern involving mallets and drums.

V.S.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score

49

Fl.

Cl. 1

Cl. 2

Alto Sax 1

Alto Sax 2

Ten. Sax

Bari. Sax

Tpt. 1

Tpt. 2

Tpt. 3

Hn. 1

Hn. 2

Tbn.

Euph.

Tba.

Mal 1

Mal 2

S.D.

B.D.

Sus Cym.

Cym.

From the Mountaintops - Complete Score