

## A CELEBRATION

GABRIEL FAURÉ . . . . . Cantique de Jean Racine

Roger Lloyd . . . . . Introduction

Solomon Ezra . . . . . A father's contemplation

### Traditional Japanese music

Cousin Shenell . . . . .

'Thanksgiving'

Glad that I live am I;  
That the sky is blue;  
Glad for the country lanes,  
And the fall of dew.

After the sun the rain,  
After the rain the sun;  
This is the way of life,  
Till the work be done.

All that we need to do,  
Be we low or high,  
Is to see that we grow  
Nearer the sky.

Cousin Yinnon . . . . .

Reading from the DHAMMAPADA

Note: Dhamma in this context means 'VIRTUE'. Pada is 'STEPS'

It also, therefore, means the following of precepts to achieve  
VIRTUE or 'The Path to Virtue'

### DHAMMAPADA

One is not a learned one  
Merely because one speaks much.  
The one secure, without enmity, without fear,  
Is called a "learned one".

One is not a dhamma-bearer  
Merely because one speaks much,  
But who, having heard even a little,  
Sees dhamma for himself,  
And dhamma does not neglect,  
He, indeed, is a dhamma bearer.

One does not become an Elder  
Because one's head is gray-head;

Ripened by his age,  
"Grown old in vain" is he called.

In whom there is truth and dhamma,  
Harmlessness, restraint, control,  
Who has the stains ejected, and is wise,  
He indeed is called "Elder".

Not because of speech making  
Or by attractiveness of appearance  
Does one, envious, avaricious, deceitful,  
Become a commendable man.

But in whom this is extirpated,  
Destroyed at its roots, abolished,  
He, having ill will ejected, wise,  
Is called "commendable".

### Appreciations from friends and colleagues

Cousin Christopher . . . . . JOYCE GRENFELL'S POEM

" If I should go before the rest of you,  
Break not a flower, nor inscribe a stone,  
Nor, when I'm gone, speak in a Sunday voice,  
But be the usual selves That I have known.

Weep if you must:  
Parting is hell,  
But life goes on  
So...sing as well!"

Hymn . . . . . The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm

FINALÉ . . . . . Selection from Fauré's Requiem

Libera me  
In Paradisum