

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN

A global ecumenical prayer movement for justice, peace and reconciliation

Verse 1.

As I was walking down the street, I saw a penny at my feet; I picked it up, but could not see How it was any use to me.

Chorus (repeat between each verse)
Round and round your Least Coin goes;
Love and prayer for all it shows!

Verse 2.

"Don't be so sure!" a small voice said— A bird was sitting on my head— "What Shanti started long ago Has never stopped to grow and grow."

Verse 3.

"On every continent today, Whenever Christian women pray, They always give their pennies, too, The way that Shanti said to do."

A Little Bird Told Me

Verse 4.

As, one by one, the pennies mount, What they achieve can really count! "In Thailand, you should really know it, Kids eat fresh food and help mom grow it!"

Verse 5.

"In Togo, ladies manage money To sell their handmade pots, or honey; They celebrate with dance and song— They never fear they'll count change wrong!

Verse 6.

In Guatemala, I've been told
Shy Mayan women now are bold
To teach and preach and spread God's word—
Or that's the story I have heard!"



Verse 7.

"So when you love and when you pray For needy families far away, Your Least Coin gift shows how you care, And brings a smile both here and there!"

Verse 8.

The bird flew off and home I ran; To save my pennies is my plan But, even more, to work and pray To build a peaceful world today.

-By Anna Hanson Bedford

A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME

