

Builder of Ages
Richard Adams, 2004.
William Sherwin, 1877.

Builder of ages, planner divine,
Drawing the length and breadth of space and time;
Yet also monarch with kingdom to build,
And golden capital still yet unfilled.

Surveyor, architect, craftsman sublime,
He drew the blueprint ere the start of time,
Building with living stones fair temples bright,
Fixing our hearts into His halls of light.

First came the cornerstone, Jesus, our Lord;
We hear this mighty Rock call from the Word:
"Build up My Church," says He, "it cannot fail;
As long as you believe, you will prevail."

"As you are gathered here, so here am I,
Lift up your hearts and song unto the sky;
Call in My citizens, do not delay;
Bring in My kingdom of the perfect day."

So, in this year to come, we vow to build
Two things for Christ our king, with spirit filled:
First, we will make a house, fit for a king;
And build within ourselves hearts fit to sing.