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**By the side of the road**

Now people who would rather live in splendor  
Brag about their silver and their gold  
People who would trade God's promise  
For its treasure to hold  
Now people who would rather live in mansions  
People who would rather live abroad  
But I'd rather have a little log cabin  
By the side of the road

I'd rather live by the side of the road  
And try to point souls to the heavenly cross  
Than to be a king or millionaire  
And live in mansions and bright array  
I'd rather do my neighborly deed  
Or help some traveler or a friend in need  
I'd rather live by the side of the road  
And help some pilgrim along life's way

I'd rather have a cabin by the roadside  
Where the pilgrim along life's way  
Help to point souls to Jesus to that city on high  
Every day I want to help scatter roses  
Every night I want my light to shine abroad  
With a welcome from my little bay wind  
By the side of the road

•@ \* Refrain