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Dedicated to the children who lived in the path of Hurricane Katrina
and to Grace.....in all her forms.

Grace Fell Like the Rain

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♩ = 80

Piano

f *sim.* *mp*

S 1

A

Pno.

f *mf*

6

11

S 1

A

Pno.

for-ty nights, — for-ty days — and for-ty nights, — it's rain - in', rain - in', the rain just keep

for-ty nights, — for for-ty days — and for-ty nights, — rain - in', rain - in', the rain just keep

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16

S 1
fall - in'. The peop-le climb ___ up in a tree, ___ climb so high up

A
fall - in'. The peop-le climb ___ up in a tree, ___ climb ___ so high up

Pno.

21

S 1
in a tree. ___ They're look - in', look - in' for help. They're call - - - in'.

A
in a tree. ___ look - in', look - in' for help. They thought they

Pno.

26

S 1
Were not fan - ti - ci - zin'. Dis - as - tuh's on ___ the hor - i -

A
saw the wat - er ri - sin'. They were not fan - ti - ci - zin'. Dis - as - tuh's on ___ the hor - i -

Pno.

32

S 1
- zon! _____ Did-n' it rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us how it rained in the storm. _

A
- zon! _____ Did-n' it rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us how it rained in the storm. _

Pno.

37

S 1
_ Did - n' it rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us how No - ah was warned. ___ Did-n' it

A
_ Did - n' it rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us how No - ah was warned. ___ Did-n' it

Pno.

42

S 1
rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us, on that ter - ri - ble morn - in', you can run, run, run, _

A
rain! Tell, ___ tell ___ us. You can run, run, run, _

Pno.

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47

S 1

— but that won't save you from the storm. —

A

— save you from the storm. —

Pno.

52

Pno.

57

S 1

Aft - er for - ty nights — and days the rain went a - way.

A

Aft - er for - ty nights — and days the rain went a - way.

Pno.

mp

sub

62

S 1

But it came back a - noth - er day. God's

A

It came back a - noth - er day. God's

Pno.

pp *cresc.*

66

S 1

child - ren are drow - - nin', no place to stay.

A

child - ren are drow - - nin', no place to stay.

Pno.

5 5

5 5

69

S 1

The rain put them in harm's

A

Did-n' it

Pno.

f

5 5 5

89

S 1

from the storm. *mf* Oh, oh child - ren,

A

from the storm. *mf* Oh, oh child - ren,

Pno.

mp tenderly

94

S 1

dry your tears. Oh, oh child - ren, have no

A

dry your tears. Oh, oh child - ren,

Pno.

99

S 1

fear. Oh, oh child - ren, through the rain,

A

no fear. Oh, oh child - ren, through the rain, that's when

Pno.

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8

105

S 1

saw your pain. And the peo - ple came — right aft - er the — rain. And

A

when the world saw your — pain. Peo - ple came aft - er the rain.

Pno.

112

S 1

they de - liv - ered grace. ——— And when the sto - ry gets told a - gain,

A

They were the face of grace. ——— And when the sto - ry gets told a - gain,

Pno.

mf

118

S 1

at the end ——— grace walks in to gath - er child - ren who had been a - band - doned ———

A

at the end ——— grace walks in. ——— And a - band -

Pno.

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S 1
ain't no - bo - dy in a tree — be - cuz, be-cuz — we heard you call - - - in'.

A
time no - bo - dy in a tree — just be-cuz — we heard you. Now when you

Pno.

144

S 1
See the wat - er ri - sin' help will be ar - ri - vin'. Grace will fall — just like the

A
see the wat - er ri - sin' help will be ar - ri - vin'. Grace will fall — just like the *gra-*

Pno.

150

S 1
rain! — Did-n' it rain, rain, rain child - ren! Did-n' it rain an' rain an' rain

S 2
Did-n' it rain! — Did-n', did-n' it rain an' rain an' rain

A
rain! — Did-n' it rain, rain! Did-n' rain an' rain an' rain an'

Pno.

mp

155

Clapping

155

S 1
child - ren! Did-n' it rain! No - ah, No - ah, Oh, Lord! Did-n' it

S 2
child - ren! Did-n' it rain! Did-n' rain, did-n' rain an' rain an' rain, Oh, Lord!

A
rain an' rain an' rain an' rain! Did-n' it rain, Oh, Lord!

Pno. *8va* *8va-*

160 (optional)

Clapping

160

S 1
rain, rain, rain child - ren! Did-n' it rain an' rain an' rain child - ren!

S 2
Did-n' it rain! Did-n', did-n' it rain an' rain an' rain child - ren! Did - n' it

A
Did-n' it rain, rain! Did-n' rain an' rain an' rain an' rain an' rain an'

Pno. *8va*

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Clapping

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

Did-n' it rain! No - ah, No - ah, Oh Lord! Grace is

rain! Did-n' rain, did-n' rain an' rain an' rain, Oh Lord! Grace is

rain! Did-n' it rain, Oh Lord! Grace is

ovz

f

169

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

fal - lin', fal - lin', fal - lin'. Grace is fal - lin' aft - er the rain...

fal - lin', fal - lin', fal - lin'. Grace is fal - lin' aft - er the rain...

fal - lin', fal - lin', fal - lin'. Grace is fal - lin' aft - er the rain...

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Clapping

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

185

fal - lin', fal - lin', fal - lin'. Grace is fal - lin'. Aft - er the

Didn', didn' it rain an' rain an' rain child-ren! Didn' it rain! Didn' rain, didn' rain an' rain an' rain! Aft - er the

rain, rain! Didn' rain an' rain an' rain an' rain an' rain an' rain! Didn' it rain! Aft - er the

191

Clapping

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

191

rain, Grace fell like the rain.

rain, Fal - lin' grace fell like the rain.

rain, Grace is fal - lin'. Grace fell like the rain.