

Mama Here, Mama Gone

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Basinets and babies
St. Vincent's Infants Home
Orphaned in limbo
Helpless and alone
Paradise receding
Paradise withdrawn
A tiny heart is beating

Mama here
Mama gone
Mama gone

Cut loose and falling
Thru the crevasse cradle crack
Rock a bye baby
Mama ain't coming back
This night has no ending
This darkness no dawn
Descending, descending

Mama here
Mama gone
Mama gone

Day and nights of falling
Thru darkness without dawn
Baby's arms quit reaching

Mama here, Mama gone
Mama here, Mama gone