

A Spiritual Christmas

for Handbells (3, 4, or 5 octaves) and optional Handchimes (3 octaves)

Handbells used: 24, (30), (36)

optional

Handchimes used: 16

The image shows musical notation for handbells and optional handchimes. The handbell part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a melodic line in the treble and a supporting line in the bass. An 'optional' section is marked with a bracket above the treble staff. The handchime part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a melodic line in the treble and a supporting line in the bass.

PERFORMANCE NOTES:

3-octave choirs omit notes in ().

4-octave choirs omit notes in [].

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Incorporating CHILDREN, GO WHERE I SEND THEE -
MARY HAD A BABY - GO, TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Freely ♩ = ca. 84

The image shows the piano accompaniment for 'A Spiritual Christmas'. It consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) in 4/4 time. The tempo is marked 'Freely' with a quarter note equal to approximately 84 beats per minute. The music is divided into seven measures, numbered 1 through 7. Measure 1 is marked 'mf'. The piano part features a melodic line in the bass and a supporting line in the treble, with various chords and arpeggios.

Duration: approx. 3:40

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With spirit ♩ = ca. 126

8 9 10

poco rit.

f
Mallet

11 12 13

R

14 15 16

17 18 19

20 21 22

23 24 25

* [F5] R *mf* *f*

* F5/G5: In most instances where malleting occurs, G5 is not included in the line, freeing the other hand to lift F5 on melody notes.

Measures 26-28 of a musical score. Measure 26 features a right-hand (R) part with a series of chords. Measure 27 is marked *ff* and includes downward-pointing triangles above the notes. Measure 28 is marked *mp* and includes a right-hand (R) part.

Measures 29-32 of a musical score. Measure 29 features a right-hand (R) part. Measure 30 features a right-hand (R) part. Measure 31 features a right-hand (R) part. Measure 32 features a right-hand (R) part and is marked *ff*.

Measures 33-35 of a musical score. Measure 33 features a right-hand (R) part. Measure 34 features a right-hand (R) part. Measure 35 features a right-hand (R) part and includes square brackets [] above the notes.