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# “IN FLANDERS FIELDS”

BY JOHN MCCRAE

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

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# “IN FLANDERS FIELDS”

BY JOHN MCCRAE

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.

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# “IN FLANDERS FIELDS”

BY JOHN MCCRAE

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

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# CONNECTION WITH THE LAST STANZA

- TAKE UP OUR QUARREL
- WITH THE FOE
- TO YOU
- FROM FAILING HANDS WE THROW
- THE TORCH
- BE YOURS TO HOLD IT HIGH
- IF YE BREAK FAITH

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**“WE SHALL KEEP THE FAITH”**

**BY MOINA MICHAEL**

Oh! you who sleep in Flanders Fields,  
Sleep sweet - to rise anew!  
We caught the torch you threw  
And holding high, we keep the Faith  
With All who died.

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**“WE SHALL KEEP THE FAITH”**

**BY MOINA MICHAEL**

We cherish, too, the poppy red  
That grows on fields where valor led;  
It seems to signal to the skies  
That blood of heroes never dies,  
But lends a lustre to the red  
Of the flower that blooms above the dead  
In Flanders Fields.

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**“WE SHALL KEEP THE FAITH”**

**BY MOINA MICHAEL**

And now the Torch and Poppy Red  
We wear in honor of our dead.  
Fear not that ye have died for naught;  
We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought  
In Flanders Fields.

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# VAIN, EMPTY, VOID, FRUITLESS

- KENOS
- KENOO
- KENOPHONIA
- KENODOXIA
- KENODOXOS
- MATAIOS

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# CONNECTION WITH PAUL'S FEARS

- TAKE UP OUR QUARREL

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# Galatians 2:1–2 (CSB)

## **PAUL DEFENDS HIS GOSPEL AT JERUSALEM**

<sup>1</sup> Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along also.

<sup>2</sup> I went up according to a revelation and presented to them the gospel I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to those recognized as leaders. I **wanted to be sure I was not running, and had not been running, in vain.**

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# CONNECTION WITH PAUL'S FEARS

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- WITH THE FOE

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# Colossians 2:8 (CSB)

<sup>8</sup> Be careful that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit based on human tradition, based on the elements of the world, rather than Christ.

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# 1 Thessalonians 3:1–5 (CSB)

## ANXIETY IN ATHENS

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, when we could no longer stand it, we thought it was better to be left alone in Athens. <sup>2</sup> And we sent Timothy, our brother and God's coworker in the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you concerning your faith, <sup>3</sup> so that no one will be shaken by these afflictions. For you yourselves know that we are appointed to this.

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# 1 Thessalonians 3:1–5 (CSB)

## ANXIETY IN ATHENS

<sup>4</sup> In fact, when we were with you, we told you in advance that we were going to experience affliction, and as you know, it happened. <sup>5</sup> For this reason, when I could no longer stand it, I also sent him to find out about your faith, **fearing that the tempter had tempted you and that our labor might be for nothing.**

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# Philippians 2:12–18 (CSB)

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, my dear friends, just as you have always obeyed, so now, not only in my presence but even more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

<sup>13</sup> For it is God who is working in you both to will and to work according to his good purpose. <sup>14</sup> Do everything without grumbling and arguing, <sup>15</sup> so that you may be blameless and pure, children of God who are faultless in a crooked and perverted generation, among whom you shine like stars in the world,...

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## Philippians 2:12–18 (CSB)

...<sup>16</sup> **by holding firm to the word of life. Then I can boast in the day of Christ that I didn't run or labor for nothing.** <sup>17</sup> But even if I am poured out as a drink offering on the sacrificial service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. <sup>18</sup> In the same way you should also be glad and rejoice with me.

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# 1 Corinthians 15:12–14 (CSB)

## RESURRECTION ESSENTIAL TO THE FAITH

<sup>12</sup> Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say, “There is no resurrection of the dead”? <sup>13</sup> If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised; <sup>14</sup> **and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain, and so is your faith.**

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# 1 Corinthians 15:58 (CSB)

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, **because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.**

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# 1 Corinthians 15:9–11 (CSB)

<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, **and his grace toward me was not in vain.** On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

<sup>11</sup> Whether, then, it is I or they, so we proclaim and so you have believed.

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