
O let us bless the Lord most
High, the God whom we adore,
Give thanks unto His holy
Name, and praise Him
Evermore.

O praise and glorify His name,
Our rock, our shield, our
Guide, whose constant love
And mercy will always
Remain with us.

O Bless the Lord, whose
Gracious power has saved from
All disgrace and led His
Chosen people in their
Glorious mission.

O praise the Lord who gives us
Each day our daily bread. Let
Praises always ascend to Him
Whose kind hand feeds us.

O blessed be this home
Where songs ascend on high,
Where feasts and blessings
Never will fail with His blest
Presence nigh.

O praise and glorify His name,
Our rock, our shield, our
Guide, whose love and mercy
Ever the same shall with us
Ever abide.

Bendigamos al Altísimo,
Al Señor que nos crió,
Demosle agradecimiento
Por los bienes que nos dio.

Alabado sea su Santo Nombre,
Porque siempre nos apiado.
Load al Señor que es bueno,
Que para siempre su merced.
Bendigamos al Altísimo, Por
Su Ley Primeramente,
Que liga a nuestra raza
Con el cielo continuamente.
Alabado....

Bendigamos al Altísimo,
Por el pan segundamente,
Y tambien por los manjares
Que comimos juntamente.
Pues comimos y bebimos
Alegremente,
Su merced nunca nos falto.
Load al Señor que es bueno,
Que para siempre su merced.
Bendita sea la casa esta,
El hogar de su presencia,
Donde guardamos su fiesta
Con alegría y permanencia.
Alabado.....



BENDIGAMOS

BENDIGAMOS, a Spanish table hymn, was first discovered in Bordeaux, France where a Sephardic Marrano community existed in the 17th century. It is sung in Amsterdam and the West Indies and was introduced to the New York community by Reverend Joseph Corcos, *Hazzan* of Congregation Shearith Israel from 1919 until 1922. A Moroccan native, Corcos brought Bendigamos from Curacao to Jamaica and then to New York. The song is sung to the *Shirah*, the Song of the Red Sea (see page 21). A French version, *Bénissons la Toute Puissance*, was sung in Paris, Bordeaux, and Bayonne, France to the same melody since the middle of the 19th century.

Allegro moderato

The musical score consists of four staves of music in 3/4 time, treble clef, and F major. The lyrics are written below each staff, corresponding to the musical notes. The score includes chords indicated above the staff: F, Gm, C, C7, Bb, and F. The lyrics are:

Ben - di - ga - mos al al - ti - si - mo Al sen -
or que nos cri - o De - mos -
le a - gra - de - ci - mien - to por los
bien es que nos Di - o