

## LAURELTON CENTER

Our life upon this mountain side, alas draws to an end!  
We leave behind our home, our job, and perhaps a special friend.  
Within these walls of mountain stone reside our memories,  
Our tears, our laughter, our accomplishments to name a few of these.

In June of 1998, we close the doors behind.  
Embarking on our brand new lives, not knowing what we'll find.  
For some of us the road ahead will try our faith and heart.  
For others, it will give to us new chances, a new start.

No matter where we go from here, whatever our fate may be,  
For each of us, a part of us, will reside here eternally,  
Within the walls of mountain stone, and on the gentle breeze  
Through empty rooms and hallways, with the rustle of the leaves.

So now we say goodbye to you, Laurelton Center, our dear friend.  
Our home, our lives, our history, must now draw to an end!  
We hope all those who enter, upon these grounds henceforth,  
Will hear the sounds we've left behind, and know what they are worth.

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