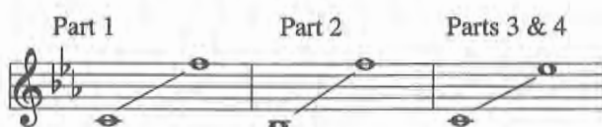


◆ HANUKKAH DEDICATION

Range:



COMPOSERS ARE REAL PEOPLE

David Eddleman was born in 1936. As well as being a composer, he has been active as a singer, a flautist and a conductor. He studied music education and voice at Appalachian State University and composition at Virginia Commonwealth University and Boston University.

Eddleman has been a teacher at the junior high, high school, college and university levels and has been influential in the development of materials for classroom music. His associates enjoy his friendly, open personality and his sense of humor. In 1993, he composed **Hanukkah Dedication**.

A SIGN OF THE TIMES

Each evening during the eight days of Hanukkah (The Festival of Light), Jewish people light the candles of the menorah. A beautiful story is told of a small group of Jewish resistance fighters who were led by Judah Maccabee against the Syrians over two thousand years ago. During the war, the Temple in Jerusalem was defiled by the Syrians who were ruled by King Antiochus. Once the Temple was reclaimed, Judah Maccabee had to clean up the Temple and find fresh olive oil for the lighting of the menorah. He was unable to get the fresh oil for eight days but, by a miracle, one small uncontaminated jar of oil lasted the entire eight days until the fresh supplies came.



During the two thousand years before the State of Israel was established in 1948, there had been no such thing as a Jewish soldier. The thought of Jews being able to overcome their persecutors was a great comfort to the Jews during this time and so this story was very important to them. The lighting of the menorah continues to have special meaning for the Jewish people.

THE LYRICS

Each type of Jewish song has lyrics which tend to refer to different aspects of their lives.

To Miriam
Hanukkah Dedication

Four - part (equal), accompanied

D. E. **Moderately and crisp** David Eddleman

Keyboard

f

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Part 1 *mf-p*

Time once more for eight lit-tle can - dles burn - ing oh, so bright!

Part 2
mf-p

Time once more for eight lit-tle can - dles burn - ing oh, so bright!

Parts 3 & 4

unis. p (Sing second time only)

Eight lit-tle flames burn - ing bright!

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mf-p

Duration: ca. 2:15

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