

BABE of BETHLEHEM

Ye To	na - tions all A - bra-ham on the	you prom - ise	I call, Come came, And
3	6 6 7 6 5	6 6 7 2'	3' 5' 3' 2' 7

ra - tion, And ev - er, A	don't re - fuse this light to shine in	glo - rious news I - saac's line, By	Of Je - sus and sal - dis -
6 5 3 3	6 6 7 6 5	6 6 7 2'	3' 5' 3' 2' 7

va - tion. To cov - er. Hail,	all the earth pro - prom - ised morn! The	claim the birth Of Sav - ior's born, The	Christ the great Mes - glo - rious Me - di -
6 6 2'	3' 3 4# 5' 2'	3' 3' 4# 5' 5'	6' 3' 3' 2' 7

si - ah, As a - tor, God's	was foretold by bless - ed Word made	proph - ets old, I - flesh and blood, As	sai - ah, Jer - e - mi - ah. sumed the hu man na - ture.
6 5 3 3	6 6 7 6 5	6 6 7 2'	3' 5' 3' 2' 7 6 6

This tune, Milton, may first have been printed in Walker's Southern Harmony, which quickly sold 600,000 copies after its 1854 printing. Its format is Shape Note. I've seen it notated in both 6/4 and 6/8.

The suggested speed is a dotted quarter or half (2 beats/measure) at 76-80.

The traditional speed for a jig which will be danced puts the beat at about 116.