

Chapman Beth Nielsen**"This Gift"**

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It's Christmas again
Families and friends
Chasing from store to store
Here's last minute me
Hoping to see
Just what you're wishing for
We are more than just friends
As the gift should show
Standing here, all at once I know
This gift I bring
It's yours for the taking
Wrapped in love
It took a lifetime making
From my heart
Straight to your longing
This gift I bring
Is simple and free
And comes with a guarantee
I give you me
It may not be much
A smile or a touch
But it's all yours for all time
It's here for today
And won't go away
'Cause I'm not the leaving kind
Here's my fragile heart
It is yours to break
You may say no
But that's a risk I'll take
This gift I bring
It's yours for the living
Wrapped in love, it's the gift I'm giving
From my heart
Straight to your longing
This gift I bring
Is simple and free
And comes with a guarantee
From now on
When the wind is blowing
And the tears are flowing like rain
You'll be safe

In the shelter of this gift
It's yours for the taking
Wrapped in love, it took a lifetime making
From my heart
Straight to your longing
I hope you smile
I guess we'll see
This gift I bring
It's yours for free
It comes with a guarantee
I give you me
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Acoustic guitar: Gary Chapman
Electric guitar: Mark Oakley
Synthesizers: Tim Akers
Bass: Danny O'Lannerghy
Drums: John Hammond
Percussion: Eric Darken
Pedal steel guitar: Tommy White
Orchestra: Nashville String Machine
Orchestral arrangement: Ronn Huff

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