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New Deal String Band "METHODIST PIE"

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1: I went down to camp meeting the other afternoon, For to hear them shout and sing And tell each other how they love one another And make "Hallelujah" ring.

2: There was old Uncle Daniel and his brother, Ebenezer, Uncle Rufus and his lame gal, Sue, Aunt Polly and Melinda and Old Mother Bender. Well, you never saw a happier crew.

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Oh little children, I believe!
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I'm a Methodist 'til I die!
I'm a Methodist, Methodist!
'Tis my belief. I'm a Methodist'til die!
Tiil old grim Death comes a- knocking at the door, I'm a Methodist 'til I die!

3: Well, they all go there for to have a big time And to eat up that grub on the sly, Have applesauce butter with sugar in the gourd And a great big Methodist pie!

4: You ought to hear the ringing when they all go to singing
That "Good Old Bye-and-Bye"!
There's Jimmy McGee in the top of a tree
Shouting "How's this for high?"

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5: Well, they all join hands and they march around a ring.

And keep a-singing all the while. You'd think it was a cyclone coming through the air. You can hear them 'bout half a mile!

6: Then the bell rings loud and that whole big crowd

Breaks ranks and up they fly, While I take aboard the sugar in the gourd And I finish off the Methodist pie.

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