

# Different Kind of Christmas

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Snow is falling Christmas Eve  
Lights are coming on up and down the street  
The sound of carols fills the air  
And people rushing home, families everywhere Putting candles in the windows  
Lights upon the tree  
But there's no laughter in this house  
Not like there used to be  
There's just a million little memories  
That remind me you're not here  
It's just a different kind of Christmas this year In the evening fires glow  
Dancing underneath the mistletoe  
A letter left from Santa Claus  
Won't be the same this year in this house because There's one less place set at the table  
One less gift under the tree  
And a brand new way to take their place inside of me  
I'm unwrapping all these memories  
Fighting back the tears  
It's just a different kind of Christmas this year There's voices in the driveway  
Families right outside the door  
And we'll try to make this Christmas like the ones we've had before  
As we gather round the table, I see joy on every face  
And I realize what's still alive is the legacy you made It's time to put the candles in the windows, the lights upon  
the tree  
It's time to fill this house with laughter like it used to be  
Just because you're up in heaven, doesn't mean you're not near  
It's just a different kind of Christmas  
It's just a different kind of Christmas this year

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