## I Made the Prison Band

## **Merle Haggard**

Deep inside this lonely prison

Where the pleasures are so few

Where the walls are strong and the days are long

And there's nothin' newI learned to play the guitar

And I'm doin' the best I can

I guess I could be worse

'Cause I made the prison band

I made the prison bandNow there's ol' bashful Bill on the doghouse base

Willie on the steel guitar

He hails from Pocatello

And he drags a pretty mean barAnd back on the drums there's two-time Tom

A rim shot tempo man

The boys call me their singin' emcee

'Cause I made the prison band

I made the prison bandI'd been plannin' a break since Christmas

I had the details all worked out

But now I know that I ain't gonna go

And there's no doubtI had my try-out Sunday

And the outcome changed my plans

I gotta rehearse for the Friday night show

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