Hungry Eyes (Re-Recorded)

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A canvas-covered cabin in a crowded labour camp

Stand out in this memory I revived

'Cause my daddy raised a family there, with two hard-working hands

And tried to feed my mama's hungry eyesHe dreamed of something better, and my mama's faith was strong

And us kids were just to young to realize

That another class of people put us somewhere just below

One more reason for my mama's hungry eyesMama never had the luxuries she wanted

But it wasn't 'cause my daddy didn't try

She only wanted things she really needed

One more reason for my mama's hungry eyesI remember daddy praying for a better way of life

But I don't recall a change of any size

Just a little loss of courage, as their age began to show

And more sadness in my mama's hungry eyesMama never had the luxuries she wanted

But it wasn't 'cause my daddy didn't try

She only wanted things she really needed

One more reason for my mama's hungry eyesOh, I still recall my mama's hungry eyes

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