FOR SAMUEL AND APRIL

Through the vows ordained by our Lord above,
April, you're now our new daughter to love!
We're glad that you found your life's soul-mate, Son!
Your journey as "one flesh" has just begun!
Enjoy the full joy of your wedded bliss,
Beyond the thrill of your marital kiss,
By letting your hard and tough spaces meet
And making your dull and rough places greet.
God allows friction in marriage to hone,
To sharpen the couple who serve His Throne.

— David L. Hatton, 9/8/2012