## IN BETWEEN

So, here I stand amid the briny surge That jostles surf upon the shore, Review another breaker's jade converge With bristling foam. My gaze is keen Upon the far horizon, like a door That blocks my seeing what's in store, Fast sealed to hide the future scene. . . .

My feet are barely bathing at the brink Of possibilities to come, Yet waves are rolling faster than I think I ever saw them as a teen Or in mid-life. My toes feel numb, As sheets of white to sea succumb, Recede, no longer to be seen. . . .

No trekking backward trails across the land, But time to scavenger the beach, Find shells and shiny treasures in the sand, Explore the habitat marine, While creature gems remain in reach. . . . Still much to learn. . . . God loves to teach, As I await Him, in between.

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