

# Hold On!

TTBB voices unaccompanied

traditional African American  
additional text D.P.

arranged by David E. Poole

**Gotta Swing** ♩ = 112

*p*

Tenor 1  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold on! \_\_\_ Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, Whoa, \_\_\_ my \_\_\_ chil-dren, \_\_\_

Tenor 2  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on! \_\_\_ Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, Whoa, \_\_\_ my \_\_\_ chil-dren, \_\_\_

Baritone  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on! \_\_\_ Hold on, \_\_\_ Whoa, \_\_\_ my \_\_\_ chil-dren, \_\_\_

Bass  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on! \_\_\_ Hold on, \_\_\_ Whoa, \_\_\_ my \_\_\_ chil-dren, \_\_\_

5 *mf*

Solo  
If you

T 1  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold on.. \_\_\_ Hold on child - ren, chil-dren hold on. \_\_\_

T 2  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on.. \_\_\_ Hold on child - ren, chil-dren hold on. \_\_\_

B 1  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on. \_\_\_ Hold on child - ren, chil-dren hold on. \_\_\_

B 2  
Hold on, \_\_\_ hold on, \_\_\_ hold \_\_\_ on. \_\_\_ Hold on, \_\_\_ chil-dren hold on. \_\_\_

# Hold On!

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Solo

plow, don't lose your track, can't plow straight and keep a' look - in back. Keep your  
 plowin' an' don't you tire, ev'-ry rung goes high-er and higher.

T 1

8 *pp*

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on, hold on, Whoa, my children,

T2

8 *pp*

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on, hold on, Whoa, my children,

B1

9 *pp*

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on, Whoa, my children,

B2

9 *pp*

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on, Whoa, my children,

finger snaps

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Solo

hand on a that plow. Hold on. Keep on

T 1

8

Hold on, hold on, hold on.. Hold on child - ren, children hold on.

T2

8

Hold on, hold on, hold on.. Hold on child - ren, children hold on.

B1

13

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on child - ren, children hold on.

B2

13

Hold on, hold on, hold on. Hold on, children hold on.

13

finger snaps

# Hold On!

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Solo

2. *f*

Hold on! Hold on!

T 1

2. *f*

chil - dren hold on. Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

T 2

2. *f*

chil - dren hold on. Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

B 1

2. *f*

chil - dren hold on. Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

B 2

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2. *f*

Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

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T 1

8

Keep your hand on - a that plow, Hold on!

T 2

8

Keep your hand on - a that plow, Hold on!

B 1

21

Keep your hand on - a that plow, Hold on!

B 2

21

Keep your hand on - a that plow, Hold on!

Hold On!

25 *f*

Solo

Ma - ry had a gol - den chain, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev' - ry link was my Je - sus' name, -  
walk - in' by the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ Heard my Lord say - in' "fol - low me."

T1 *mp*

Ma - ry had a gol - den chain, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev' - ry link my  
Pe - ter walk - in' by the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ heard my Lord say

T2 *mp*

Ma - ry had a gol - den chain, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev' - ry link my  
Pe - ter walk - in' by the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ heard my Lord say

B1 *mp*

Ma - ry had a gol - den chain, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev' - ry link my  
Pe - ter walk - in' by the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ heard my Lord say

B2 *mp*

Ma - ry had a gol - den chain, \_\_\_\_\_ Ev' - ry link my  
Pe - ter walk - in' by the sea, \_\_\_\_\_ heard my Lord say

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Solo

\_\_\_\_\_ Keep your hand on \_\_\_\_\_ that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

T1 *mp*

Je - sus' name, \_\_\_\_\_ Keep your hand on the plow, \_\_\_\_\_ hold on! \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_  
"fol - low me." \_\_\_\_\_

T2 *mp*

Je - sus' name, \_\_\_\_\_ Keep your hand on the plow, \_\_\_\_\_ hold on! \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_  
"fol - low me." \_\_\_\_\_

B1 *mp*

Je - sus' name, \_\_\_\_\_ Keep your hand on the plow, \_\_\_\_\_ hold on! \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_  
"fol - low me." \_\_\_\_\_

B2 *mp*

Je - sus' name, \_\_\_\_\_ Keep your hand on the plow, \_\_\_\_\_ hold on! \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_  
"fol - low me." \_\_\_\_\_

# Hold On!

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Solo

T 1

T 2

B 1

B 2

2. *f*

Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_

Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_

Whoa, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

Whoa, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

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2. *f*

Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_

Whoa, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_

Hold on! \_\_\_\_\_

Whoa, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

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T 1

T 2

B 1

B 2

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Keep your hand on - a that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

Keep your hand on - a that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

Keep your hand on - a that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

Keep your hand on - a that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

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Keep your hand on - a that plow, \_\_\_\_\_ Hold \_\_\_\_\_ on! \_\_\_\_\_

hand claps

42 *solo on repeat only* ***ff***

Solo

T1 ***f*** I wan - na get to heaven. ——— tell me, tell me, ———

T2 ***f*** If you wan-na get to hea-ven I'll tell — you how: ——— keep your — hand on the gos - pel plow,

B1 ***f*** If you wan-na get to hea-ven I'll tell you how: ——— keep your hand on the gos - pel plow,

B2 *melody:* ***f*** If you wan-na get to hea-ven I'll tell — you how: ——— keep your — hand on the gos - pel plow,

42 If you wan-na get to hea-ven I'll tell — you how: ——— keep your hand on the gos - pel plow,

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Solo

T1 tell — me how. ——— Got my hand, ——— Got my hand, — my

T2 — keep your hand on that plow, ——— hold — on! ———

B1 — keep your hand on — a that plow, ——— hold — on! ——— Hold on!

B2 — keep your hand on — that plow, ——— hold — on! ——— Hold on!

46 — keep your hand on — that plow, ——— hold — on! ——— Hold on!

# Hold On!

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Solo *f*

hand on the plow. Hold on! Hold on!

T1 *f*

Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

T2 *f*

Hold on! Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

B1 *f*

Hold on! Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

B2 *f*

Hold on! Hold on! Whoa, Hold on!

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Solo *p* *cresc. poco a poco*

Keep your hand on - a that plow, Keep your hand on - a that plow,

T1 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

T2 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

B1 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

B2 *pp* *cresc. poco a poco*

Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

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Keep your hand on - a that plow, Keep your hand on - a that plow,

T 1

hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

T 2

hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

B 1

hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

B 2

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hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your hand on the plow. Keep your hand, your

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Solo

*ff rit. even eighths*

Keep your hand on - a the plow, Hold on!

T 1

*ff rit. even eighths*

hand on the plow. Keep your hand on the plow., Hold on!

T 2

*ff rit. even eighths*

hand on the plow. Keep your hand on the plow., Hold on!

B 1

*ff rit. even eighths*

hand on the plow. Keep your hand on the plow., Hold on!

B 2

63

*ff rit. even eighths*

hand on the plow. Keep your hand on the plow., Hold on!