

How Much Longer
by Al Bradbury (capo +3)

Every step she takes is pain
Since her knees started to go
But they make her walk a mile a day
And scold her 'cause she walks too slow

C G am -
C - G F
C G am -
C - G F

In a snapshot from a summer evening
She's dressed to kiss and to be kissed
She said "That was when I used to live
Now I just exist"

C - G -
F - CG
C - G -
F G F -

Doot doot doo doo doo doo...

C G F - | C G C F |
C G am - | F G C - |

She said, My job buys these groceries
And the bills I gotta pay
My job keeps this kid in shoes
I can't just walk away

C G am -
C - G F
C G am -
C - G F

I gotta lay low, stay cool
Going to night school
Get a better job one day
Meanwhile I can't walk away

F C F G
F C F G
am em
am em

Doot doot...

How much longer, how much longer will you take it, Beverly?
How much stronger, how much stronger will we all together be?
Maybe once you had no option, now the choice is in your hands
People here are talking union, Beverly, where do you stand?

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Doot doot...

Kimberly works part-time now
Since they took her hours away
And when her daughter comes to town
She fights for a vacation day

Here she is now pushing sixty
Trying to make it on three jobs
She said "I have no more faith in people,
Only faith in God"

I gotta lay low, stay calm
Look to Jesus for my balm
God will help me if I pray
Meanwhile I can't walk away

Doot doot...

How much longer, how much longer will you take it, Kimberly?
How much stronger, how much stronger will we all together be?
Maybe once you had no option, now the choice is in your hands
People here are talking union, Kimberly, where do you stand?

Doot doot...

Debra's working as a cook
She stands for fourteen hours a day
The doctor says she'll lose her feet
If she keeps going on this way

Sarah got so sick one morning
That she threw up on the floor
The boss would not let her go home
He made her work two hours more

How much longer, how much longer will we take it, you and me?
How much stronger, how much stronger will we all together be?
Maybe once we had no option, now the choice is in our hands
People talking revolution, tell me friend, where do you stand?

Doot doot...