

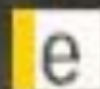


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and

aunts

**Mary Ponnamma George  
Elisabeth Baby Mathews**

Who sacrificed their todays  
to secure our tomorrows,  
Who have now blended with nature,  
that nurtures and sustains our lives

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