

## St. Marks - 1838 Emancipation Song

### Chorus

Emancipation came in 1838  
The actual date was August first  
That was the day that changed our fate  
We knew that we were past the worst

Finally the chains were broken  
About this there is no debate  
Freedom is the word that's spoken  
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### 1<sup>st</sup> Verse

24 hours working every day  
No sleep or rest for them today  
Toussaint leading the Haitian Revolution  
Trying to find a real solution  
Samuel Sharpe and Paul Bogle  
Were two fighters who are noble  
Working hard through days and nights  
Fighting for our equal rights

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Verse

Always telling slaves what to do  
But they didn't have a clue  
Help us overcome our hurt  
No more beating no more dirt  
Slaves shouted out when they were set free  
They can walk on the street finally  
Announce good news to their family  
Live their lives in harmony

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## Rap

Ships filling up like pastry  
Slavery aint no way for me  
Harriet Tubman came from zero  
To become a true black hero  
Slaves going through too much pain  
Getting whipped with chain and cane  
Owners showed no dedication  
To improve the situation

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Verse

Let's bond together come on my friend  
It's a new beginning slavery's end  
The sun is shining brighter than ever  
Now we can be happy together  
Celebration with everyone  
All the pain has finally gone  
Giving a good feeling to ya  
Everybody shouting Hallelujah

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