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Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
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Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
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List of Abbreviations

AF	Amniotic Fluid
CDC	Centers for Disease Control
CFU	Colony Forming Units
CI	Confidence Interval
ELISA	Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay
EOD	Early Onset Disease
EOS	Early Onset Sepsis
GA	Gestational Age
GBS	Group B Streptococcus
IAP	Intrapartum Antibiotic Prophylaxis
LOD	Late Onset Disease
LOS	Late Onset Sepsis
NM	Not Mentioned
NPV	Negative Predictive Value
NVOG	Nederlandse Vereniging voor Obstetrie en Gynaecologie (Dutch Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology)
NvK	Nederlandse Vereniging voor Kindergeneeskunde (Dutch Society of Paediatrics)
OIA	Optical Immunoassay
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
PPROM	Premature Prolonged Rupture of Membranes
PPV	Positive Predictive Value
PROM	Prolonged Rupture of Membranes
RAPD	Randomly Amplified Polymorphic DNA