

## **Colorado Joining, 1995**

*Jim & Annette Campbell*

*Greg & Lois Harris*

*Art & Jeanette Mark*

*Ralph & Jeanne Wiley*

*Alan & Linda Harris*

Five couples,  
each married within a love  
they cannot explain--

Five couples,  
amply tested by fear and the unexpected--

Five couples,  
totaling more than 500 years  
on this sweet, dangerous earth--

Five couples,  
homes scattered across the map  
like peppers across a pizza--

Five couples  
congregated for a week in the same house  
like ten peas in a pod--

Five couples  
who know the grieving and groaning of loss--

Five couples  
who know the ecstasy of tearful laughing--

Five couples  
discovering their unknown way  
as they walk together  
in grace and joy and love.