

# Reaching Out

A POEM BY GRACE LIM-NGO AND SHALOM LIM

DON'T JUST LOOK AT ME WITH  
QUESTIONS IN YOUR EYES  
BUT LOOK MY WAY AGAIN,  
LET ME CATCH YOUR EYE  
AND ASK, IF YOU WOULD BE MY FRIEND.

I MAY HAVE LOST A GENE,  
BUT I HAVE NOT LOST MY DREAMS  
AND LIKE YOU, I LONG FOR BEAUTY  
THAT TRUE FRIENDSHIPS CAN BRING.

I WANT TO LOVE AND BE LOVED,  
I CAN BE STRONG FOR YOU,  
I HAVE THE FAITH THAT CONQUERS;  
THE ABILITY TO ENJOY LIFE, SAME AS YOU.

ONLY LOOK BEYOND MY WHEELCHAIR,  
COME NEAR AND DISCOVER ME,  
LOOK NOT AT ME WITH PITY  
BUT REACH OUT –  
AND ASK, IF I WOULD YOUR FRIEND BE.

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