

**Ringin' The Bells For Jim**  
**Johnny Cash**

[Verse 1]

**A** **D**  
The father heard church bells at midnight  
**E** **A**  
A wrong time for church bells to chime  
**D**  
He went to the tower, found a little girl there  
**A** **E** **A**  
Said, Why ring the bells at this time?

[Chorus]

**D**  
I m just ringin' the bells for Jim  
**E** **A**  
Please father, ringin' the bells for Jim  
**D**  
I m sorry, I m cryin' but my brother Jim is dyin'  
**A** **E** **A**  
So, I m ringin' the bells for Jim

[Verse 2]

**A** **D**  
Please father, pray for him this Christmas  
**E** **A**  
He s sick and he s in so much pain  
**D**  
The doctors all say, he ll be gone any day  
**A** **E** **A**  
So, I must ring the bells again

[Chorus]

**D**  
I m just ringin' the bells for Jim  
**E** **A**  
Please father, ringin' the bells for Jim  
**D**  
I m sorry, I m cryin' but my brother Jim is dyin'  
**A** **E** **A**  
So, I m ringin' the bells for Jim

[Verse 3]

**A**  
On the day after Christmas  
**D** **E** **A**  
She brought him said, Father, heed little Jim  
**D**  
You see, he got well, when he heard the church bells

**A**                **E**                **A**  
I was ringing the bells for Jim

[Chorus]

**D**  
I m just ringing the bells for Jim

**E**                                **A**  
Please father, ringing the bells for Jim

**D**  
I m sorry, I m crying but my brother Jim is dying

**A**                **E**                **A**  
So, I m ringing the bells for Jim