Pausing, on a precarious perch,  
A moment of calm respite;  
Balancing ‘midst life’s pressures,  
From a source of delicate strength;  
Welcoming a transitory serenity,  
Embracing a moment of tranquility;  
Lingering in the ephemeral now,  
Preparing for the path ahead.

Growing from a shared base;  
Seeking the path to stand out;  
The route uncertain in advance;  
Twists and turns to surmount;  
Strength of spirit lends balance;  
Bringing forth beauty in life.

Willing to fly to new heights;  
Pausing to perch to survey below;  
A stately presence balanced well;  
Does not disturb the quiet calm;  
Yet poised and ever alert;  
Ready for the travels yet to come.

Bowed and bent from storms past:  
Creating a new sense of balance;  
To flourish and foster renewal;  
Reflecting in a gentle stream;  
What was, will always be a part;  
What will be, still to be determined.

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