Kevin Welch and I wrote this song in Nashville. I had a riff and an idea about papa don't go down that road... and had initially thought of the song in a blue grass style. It ended up being about the meth labs in the South and all the people hooked on the drug. Kevin recorded it 10 years ago with Kieran Kane and Fats Kaplin for their album, "Lost John Dean".

Satan's Paradise

Papa don't go down that road
Don't you know it's paved with sin
If you go down that road
You won't ever get back again
They will try to sell you lies
Sell you satan's paradise
Papa don't go down that road again

Brother don't go down that road
Don't you go down after him
If you go down that road
You won't ever come back again
He's as poisoned as they come
Can't you see, what's done is done?
Brother don't go down that road after him

Sister don't go down that road
Where so many have lost their way
Sister don't go down that road
If you do, I only pray
You'll return to see the sky
With your soul still in you eye
Sister dear, I only fear
That you can't win

There's a blue light down that road
Over the hill and out of sight
In that shack down that road
Something's cooking day and night
I know well and so do you
It's that lonesome devil's brew
Baby, don't go down that road tonight

I don't know you anymore

Don't be coming 'round my door