



Manchester Community Choir

Song Words 2012-2013 (for rehearsal and private practise use only)

Fey Oh

Fey Oh! Sove lavi mwan, nan mize mwan ye oh
Fey Oh! Sove lavi mwan, nan mize mwan ye oh
Pitit mwan malad mwan kouri kay gon gon, si mi lo
Pitit mwan malad mwan kouri kay gon gon, si ou bon gon gon
W'a sove lavi mwan, nan mize mwan ye oh

Notes: Haitian Creole song about getting medicine for a sick child

Haere Mai

Haere mai, haere mai, e nga iwi e, haere mai

I Am A River

I am a river Flowing to the ocean
I am a river Passing through this land
Flow like a river, Flow like a river
Flow like a river Passing through this land

Notes: Sung for Water Aid Manchester 2011

Ipharadisi

Ipharadisi, I khaya labafile
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Kulapho sopumla khona ipharadisi

Notes: South African Freedom Song in Zulu



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O Ye Narimbo

Oh ye narimbo
Oh ye narimbo
Babancula, babancula
Babancula, babancula
A lo di e
A lo di e, gamata , gudimie

Notes: Song of welcome

Shona Malanga

Shona, shona malanga shona
Dibana dibana dibana
Oh oh oh oh, oh oh oh
Ayoyo yoyo / Ey ya ya ya
Oh a luta continua.

Notes: Portuguese freedom fighters song.



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Peace Train

First verse

All Mm – Mm Mm – Mm Mmmmmm Mm – Mm

Alto: I've been happy lately, thinking about the good things to come,
and I believe it could be, something good has begun.

STB Mm – Mm Mm – Mm Mmmmmm Mm – Mm

Sop: And I've been smiling lately, dreaming about the world as one,
and I believe it could be, some day it's going to come.

ATB Mm – Mm Mm – Mm Mmmmmm Mm – Mm

SAT M m m mmm M m m mmm M m m m m m M m m mmm

Bass: Some day it's going to come, take me home again,
Doo doo do-doo doo doo, come on Peace Train.
Some day it's going to come, take me home again,
Doo doo do-doo doo doo, come on Peace Train.

All: Peace Train sounding louder, glide on the Peace Train,
oo ah ee ah oo ah, come on Peace Train.
Peace Train sounding louder, everyone jump on the Peace Train,
oo ah ee ah oo ah, come on Peace Train.

SAT: Ngise khaya, ngise khaya, ngise kha ngise kha, ngise khaya.
Ngise khaya, ngise khaya, ngise kha ngise kha, ngise khaya

Bass: Come take me home, come take me ngise kha, ngise kha, ngise khaya
Come take me home, come take me home, come take me ngise kha, ngise
kha, ngise khaya

Second verse

Alto: Out on the edge of darkness, there rides a Peace Train.
Peace Train take this country, come take me home again

STB Mm – Mm Mm – Mm Mmmmmm Mm – Mm

Sop: And I've been crying lately, thinking about the world as it is.
Why must we go on hating? Why can't we live in bliss?

ATB Mm – Mm Mm – Mm Mmmmmm Mm – Mm

SAT M m m mmm M m m mmm M m m m m m M m m mmm



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oo ah ee ah oo ah, come on Peace Train.

Notes: Written by Cat Stevens. Re-recorded as Peace Train '03 with Rasheed Bhikha, Native Deen, Incwenga Voices, Yusuf Islam, Qatrunada.



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Tar Barrel In Dale

Tar barrel in dale, fire in snow, toast the new year, bid farewell to the old

The old year out, the new year in, please won't you let the lucky bird in.
With bottle in hand and a piece of black coal, a stranger's a friend when first-footing
you go.

Tar barrel in dale, fire in snow, toast the new year, bid farewell to the old

At midnight's approach the band you can hear, the fiery procession of guisers
draws near.

*With friends and good company, with voices so clear, singing in harmony, bringing
in the new year.*

Tar barrel in dale, fire in snow, toast the new year, bid farewell to the old

Off the heads of the guisers the blazing barrels are hurled, on to the bonfire; smoke,
sparks and flames swirl.

*And it's cheers and rejoicing, the rites of Old Father Time, we'll link arms together,
sing Auld Lang Syne.*

Tar barrel in dale, fire in snow, toast the new year, bid farewell to the old

All throughout the year when we sing this song, *old friends and new friends, sing
along.*

*May good fortune be with you, from all sorrows refrain, 'til that happy time, when
we all meet again.*

Tar barrel in dale, fire in snow, toast the new year, bid farewell to the old

Note: Words in italic are sung in harmony, the others are sung in unison.

Words & music by George Unthank, celebrating the *Tar Barrel* Procession in Allendale.

Kothbiro

Oomaam pumimjya, Kothbiro, Kaylurodo ketaala

Notes: Written by Kenyan Ayub Ogada, and heard in the film *The Constant Gardener*



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Let's Give Peace A Chance

Verse 1

S1S2 There is a spirit moving through the land

S1S2 And with one will, we will rise and take a stand

S1S2 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance

Verse 2

S1 There is a fire burning in my heart

S2ATB ooo

S1TB It's my desire to be a beacon in the dark

S2ATB aaah

S1 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance

S2ATB voice of people everywhere, let's give peace a chance

Chorus

S1 We rise up, we hold firm, sing out and be heard

S2ATB rise up, hold firm, sing out and be heard

S1 We're calling on all nations in every corner of the world

S2ATB aaah aaah aaah aaah.

All Give peace a chance!

All Give peace a chance!

Verse 3

S1 There is compassion moving in my bones

S2ATB compassion moving in my bones

S1TB Every man, woman, and child should have a home

S2A man, woman, and child should have a home

S1 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance

S2ATB voice of people everywhere, let's give peace a chance

Verse 4

S1 There is a vision, deep down in my soul

S2ATB a vision, deep down in my soul

S1TB No more division, on this we have to hold

S2A division, on this we have to hold

S1 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance



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S2ATB voice of people everywhere, let's give peace a chance

Chorus

Verse 1 repeated

S1 There is a spirit moving through the land

S2ATB a spirit moving through the land

S1TB And with one will, we will rise and take a stand

S2A will, we will rise and take a stand

S1 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance

S2ATB voice of people everywhere, let's give peace a chance

Verse 2 repeated

S1 There is a fire burning in my heart

S2ATB a fire burning in my heart

S1TB It's my desire to be a beacon in the dark

S2A desire to be a beacon in the dark

S1 I am the voice of people everywhere, saying let's give peace a chance

S2ATB voice of people everywhere, let's give peace a chance

Chorus with a third 'Give peace a chance'



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Big Yellow Taxi

They paved paradise, and put up a parking lot

With a pink hotel, a boutique, and a swinging hot spot

Don't it always seem to go, that you don't know what you've got 'til it's gone

They paved paradise, and put up a parking lot, (oooh bop bop bop)

They took all the trees, and put 'em in a tree museum

Then they charged all the people a dollar and a half just to see 'em

Hey farmer farmer, put away your DDT

Give me spots on my apples, but leave me the birds and the bees, please

Late last night, I heard the screen door slam

And a big yellow taxi took away my old man.

Notes: written and originally performed by Joni Mitchell in 1970. Arranged for Manchester Community Choir by Liz Powers

Kudekukuru

Bass: Kudekukuru

Tenor: Mali ayo mali o

Alto: Mali ayi ayi ayi o, mali ayi ayi o

Sop call/echo: Mali ay mali ayo

Sop yodel: Mali ay layi o

Notes : This is the "Rainforest song", written in the style of the Baka people of Cameroon, Gabon and Congo by John Bowker.