

| G C | G/D D | G C | G/D D |
 (band comes in)
 | G C | G/D D | G C | G/D D |
 | G C | G/D D | G C | G/D D |

[Verse 1]

G C G/D D G C
 Jo-oseph's face was black
 G/D D
 as night
 G C G/D D
 And the pale yellow moon shone
 | G C | G/D D |
 in his eyes
 G C G/D D
 His path was marked by the
 G C
 stars in the southern
 G/D D
 hemisphere
 G C G/D
 And he walked his days under
 D | G C | G/D D |
 African skies

[Chorus]

G C G/D
 This is the story of how we
 D | G C | G/D D
 begin to remember
 |
 G C G/D
 This is the powerful pulsing
 D | G C | G/D D |
 of love in the vein
 G C G/D
 After the dream of falling and
 D | G C | G/D D |
 calling your name out
 G C
 These are the roots of rhythm
 G/D D | G C
 and the roots of rhythm
 | G/D D |
 remain

[Interlude]

| G C | G/D D | G C | G/D D |
 | G C | G/D D | G C | G/D D |

[Verse 2]

G C G/D D
 In early memory
 G C G/D D
 Mission mu--sic
 G C G/D D |
 Was ringing 'round my nursery
 G C | G/D D |
 door
 G C G/D D
 I said take this child, Lord
 G C G/D D
 From Tucson, Arizona
 G C
 Give her the wings to fly
 G/D
 through harmony
 D G
 And she won't bother you no
 C G/D D
 more

[Chorus]

G C G/D
 This is the story of how we
 D | G C | G/D D |
 begin to remember
 G C G/D
 This is the powerful pulsing
 D | G C | G/D D |
 of love in the vein
 G C G/D
 After the dream of falling and
 D | G C | G/D D |
 calling your name out

G **C**
 These are the roots of rhythm
 G/D **D** | **G C**
 and the roots of rhythm
 | **G/D D** |
 remain

| **G C** | **G/D D** | **G C** | **G/D**
 (backing track fades out,
D |
 percussion faded last)

[Middle 8]

G **C** **G/D** **D** | **G C**
 Ta um ba um ba um ba oh oh oh
 | **G/D D** |
 G **C** **G/D** **D** | **G C**
 Ta um ba um ba um ba oh oh oh
 | **G/D D** |
 G **C** **G/D** **D** | **G**
 Ta um ba um ba um ba oh oh oh
C | **G/D D** |
 oh oh oh
 G **C** **G/D** **D** | **G C**
 Ta um ba um ba um ba oh oh oh
 | **G/D D** |

[Verse 3]

G **C** **G/D** **D** **G** **C**
 Jo-oseph's face was black
 G/D **D**
 as night
 G **C** **G/D** **D**
 And the pale yellow moon shone
 | **G C** | **G/D D** |
 in his eyes
 G **C** **G/D** **D**
 His path was marked by the
G **C**
 stars in the southern
G/D **D**
 hemisphere
 G **C**
 And he walked the length of his
G/D **D** | **G C** | **G/D**
 days under African skies
D |

[Outro]

| **G C** | **G/D D** | **G C** | **G/D D** |