



SOUTH AFRICA

From Whence We Come

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Hear the names
From whence we come
Honour the tribes
That make us one

We hear your name -
Venda, Lobedu, Pedi
Ndebele, Kgatla, Ngwato
Tlokwa, Kwena, Hurutshe -
We speak your fame

We hear your name -
Ngwaketse, Thembu, Ndlambe
Ncika, Gcaleka, Bomvana
Mpondo, Mpondomise, Zizi -
We speak your fame

We hear your name -
Behle, Qwabe, Mthetwa
Ndwandwe, Hlubi, Phuthing
Pulana, Thembe, Swazi -
We speak your fame

We hear your name -
Portugal, Holland, Britain
Malaysia, France, Germany
India, Italy, Middle-East -
We speak your fame

Hear the names
Of our mother tongue
Speak of the words
That make us one





We hear you speak -
Venda, North Sotho, Swazi
South Sotho, Tsonga, Tswana
Ndebele, Xhosa, Zulu -
Your words we keep

We hear you speak -
Afrikaans, Arabic, English
German, Greek, Hebrew,
Hindi, Italian, Portuguese -
Your words we keep

These are the streams
From whence we come
These are the dreams
That make us one

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