

## **Eddy Grant**

# **"Gimme Hope Jo Anna"**

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Well Jo'anna she runs a country  
She runs in Durban and the Transvaal  
She makes a few of her people happy, oh  
She don't care about the rest at all  
She's got a system they call apartheid  
It keeps a brother in a subjection  
But maybe pressure will make Jo'anna see  
How everybody could a live as one  
(Chorus:)  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
'Fore the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope, Jo'anna  
Hope before the morning come  
I hear she makes all the golden money  
To buy new weapons, any shape of guns  
While every mother in black Soweto fears  
The killing of another son  
Sneakin' across all the neighbours' borders  
Now and again having little fun  
She doesn't care if the fun and games she play  
Is dang'rous to ev'ryone  
(Chorus:)  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
'Fore the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope before the morning come  
She got supporters in high up places  
Who turn their heads to the city sun  
Jo'anna give them the fancy money  
Oh to tempt anyone who'd come  
She even knows how to swing opinion  
In every magazine and the journals  
For every bad move that this Jo'anna makes  
They got a good explanation  
(Chorus:)  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna

Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
'Fore the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope before the morning come  
Even the preacher who works for Jesus  
The Archbishop who's a peaceful man  
Together say that the freedom fighters  
Will overcome the very strong  
I wanna know if you're blind Jo'anna  
If you wanna hear the sound of drum  
Can't you see that the tide is turning  
Oh don't make me wait till the morning come  
(Chorus:)  
Do give hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
'Fore the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope before the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
'Fore the morning come  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Gimme hope, Jo'anna  
Hope before the morning come

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