

# Gabriel Of Sedona And The Bright And Morning Star Band "The Freedom Song"

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Gabriel of Sedona

THE FREEDOM SONG

(including Ogoni lyrics and translations)

"A tribute to Ken Saro-Wiwa, the people of Nigeria, and  
freedom fighters of  
the world."

Throughout the sad history the braveheart stood in the  
way

Of the noble lords in pompous dress who had the evil  
say

Counterpoint: OGANI (Village/tribe)

KUWAMBÃfÂ‰ (Beautiful Music)

And all the families of the meek who seek-to live in  
love, in peace

Cannot keep what belongs to them-the nobles want  
their fleece

And those that know the pain and loss from those who  
rule in sin

Must join together hand in hand until all justice wins

And I see the spark of freedom in their eye

And I see the spark of freedom in their eye

Yes, I see the hope of freedom in their eye

Yes, I see the Light of freedom in their eye

JumbÃfÂ©

Counterpoint: YEKE (freedom)

Ken Saro-Wiwa, Ken Saro-Wiwa, Ken Saro-Wiwa

Oh Wiwa, Oh Wiwa

JumbÃfÂ© Saro-Wiwa

Counterpoint: OMO OLUWA TI JI DIDE OSE

(the Son of God Rising)

Ah - Ah - Ah - Ah - Ah

JumbÃfÂ© (Chief)

And good men run the gauntlet to try the righteous rule

While others of the lesser code make them out a fool

And those that have the power can wear the whitest

robes

While the meek and truly humble can only sing life's  
Odes

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A Thank-You in Swahili to Ken Saro-Wiwa:

asante mjomba mungu kumekucha

asante = thank you

mjomba = messenger

mungu = [of] God

kumekucha = the Son has risen

Ken Saro-Wiwa was a freedom fighter who was

executed by the Nigerian

government. The term JumbãfÂ© means "Chief" in  
Nigerian.

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