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ODE TO THE CHILD

(The Child Survival and Development Revolution)

UNICEF HYMN

for orchestra choirs and soprano included



EDIZIONI FONIT CETRA-MILANO

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- 1) Prelude
- 2) The Mother's Song
- 3) Unicef Hymn

Music: Jean Marie Benjamin

Lyrics: Jan Van Zoelen
Leonie Gane

S. = Sopr. Solista
CH-E. = Coro bambini
| S. = Soprani
| MS. = Mezzosoprani
| C. = Contralti

| T. = Tenori
| B. = Baritoni e Bassi

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Prelude

Largo $\text{♩} = 50$

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 7/4. The music begins with a piano (*p*) dynamic. The first measure contains a complex chordal structure. The second measure features a melodic line in the upper staff and a bass line in the lower staff. The third measure continues the melodic development, and the fourth measure concludes the system with a fermata over a chord. A fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic marking is present above the third measure.

A And. $\text{♩} = 68$

The second system, marked with a boxed 'A', contains measures 5, 6, and 7. The tempo is marked 'And.' (Andante) with a quarter note equal to 68. The key signature remains two flats. The music features a steady melodic line in the upper staff and a supporting bass line in the lower staff. Measure 7 ends with a fermata.

The third system contains measures 8, 9, 10, and 11. Measure 8 begins with a fermata. The music continues with a melodic line in the upper staff and a bass line in the lower staff. Measure 10 has a 2/4 time signature change. Measure 11 ends with a fermata. A piano (*p*) dynamic marking is present below measure 10.

The fourth system contains measures 12, 13, 14, and 15. Measure 12 starts with a fermata. The music continues with a melodic line in the upper staff and a bass line in the lower staff. Measure 13 has a 3/4 time signature change. Measure 14 has a 4/4 time signature change. Measure 15 ends with a fermata. A boxed 'B' and the marking 'trpt.' are present above measure 14.

16 vi.

aria

20 [C] tranquillo e nobile.

Tranquillo e nobile

24

S
MS.
C.

AND THEN THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN WILL RISE UP OVER THE

T.
B.

27

S. MS. C. HI-GHEST MOUN-TAIN A-BOVE THE VALLEY OF

T. B. [A33]

31

S. MS. C. SI-LENCE TO SPREAD ITS WORDS ON THE WIND

T. B.

34 D

S.
MS.
C.

T.
B.

35. D

36. D

37. D

38 *ott. 3=3*

39 *cl.*

40 *ob.*

41 *ob.*

CH. E. 42 E

S.
MS.
C.

T.
B.

mf THEN ON THAT MORNING OF

43 *c.s.*

44 *c.s.*

45 *c.s.*

45

CH. E.

GLORY

WHEN INNOCENCE WILL DE - LI - VER MAN -

S. Ms. C.

T. B.

48

CH. E.

-KIND

HARK TO THE VOICE OF THE

S. Ms. C.

T. B.

51

CH.E.

CHILDREN

S.
Vrs.
C.

T.
73

om.

trpt.

c. In.

arco

55 [G] *And. Solenne* =

59

64

64 *+f*

69

69

74

74 *cl.*

78 [H]

S.
MS.
C.
p
SO U - NITE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD SIDE BY

T.
B.
p

83.

S. *MS.*
C.

SIDE IN THE BRO-THER-HOOD OF MAN

T. *B.*

f. *Trpt.* *ob + cl.*

88

S. *MS.*
C.

CHILDREN CRY AND OF HUNGER DIE

T. *B.*

ob. *cl.* *f. ob.* *3*

92

I

S.
MS.
C.

CLAIN THEIR RIGHT TO GROW UP IN HEALTH AND FREEDOM

T.
B.

96

cresc

3

S.
MS.
C.

PEACE AND HARMO - NY

T.
B.

cresc.

now ritard ...

100

S.
MS.
C.

105

107

T.
B.

111

cor. **K**

ob.

fe.

112

The Mother's song

119 *ADAGIO (lento e cantabile)*

VI. *c. ingl.*
 voce SOPRANO

123

Arpa *fla* *oboe*

127 *M* *delicato e tenero*

S. *p* SLEEP LITTLE ONE LAY YOUR WEARY HEAD
 GEN - TLY THE SUN WILL LIGHT UP THE SKIES

131

SAFE THEN IN MY ARMS CLOSE TO MY BREAST
LITTLE BABY O - - PEN YOUR EYES

135

DON'T YOU CRY AND DON'T YOU BE A - FRAID HUSH LITTLE
AND TELL ME THE SECRETS OF YOUR DREAMS WHERE LITTLE

139

BA - BY SLEEP LITTLE AN - GEL
BA - BY WHITE DOVES ARE SAILIN G

142 *f*

UN - - TIL THE MOR - NING SWEET DREAMS MO THER
 - - - - - VER THE RAIN - BOW SWEET DREAMS ALL THE

146

S. LOVE WILL WATCH NO - THER LOVE WILL WATCH
 WORLD WILL WATCH ALL THE WORLD WILL WATCH

CH.E.

S.
MS.

C

T.
B.

149

0 (CHORUS)

S. CHE. *pp* O - VER YOU HUSH NOW SOF-TLY SLEEP

S. MS. C. *pp*

T. B. *pp*

152

S. CHE. SLEEP SOFT LITTLE ONE *pp* SLEEP SOFT LITTLE

S. MS. C.

T. B.

SOPRANO

155 ONE

S
CH.E

20

S
MS
C

T
B

156

S

SLEEP NOW

CH.E
S
MS
C

[P]

T
B

Unicef-Hymn

And. quasi All^o

Musical notation for the first system, consisting of a treble staff with chords and a bass staff with a melodic line.

Musical notation for the second system, continuing the treble and bass staves.

R *mf*

CH. E. *mf*

S. *mf*

M.S.

C.


169

SO U - - NITE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD CHIL - DREN
 SO U - - NITE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD CHIL - DREN

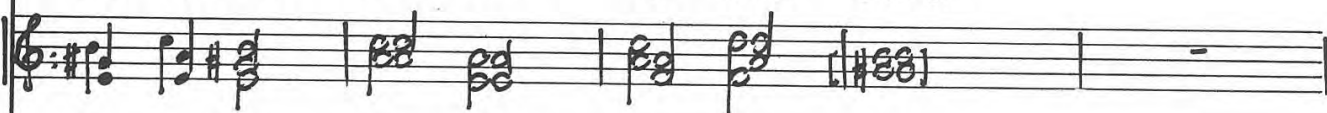
Musical notation for the third system, including vocal parts with lyrics and piano accompaniment.

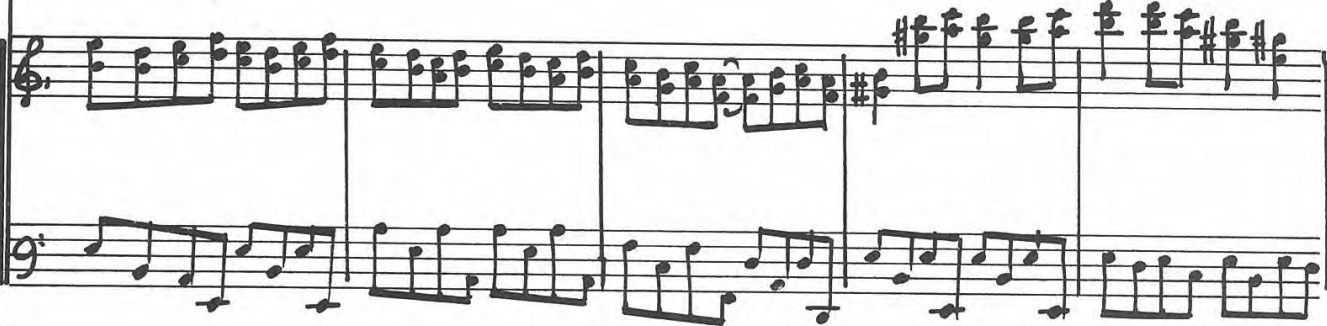
Musical notation for the fourth system, continuing the piano accompaniment.

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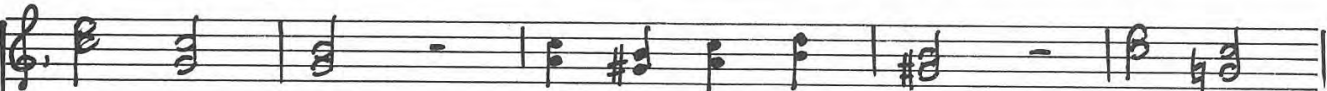
CH.E. 

CALL ON THE BRO - THER -- HOOD OF MAN
 MO - THER TO HELP THE LI T TLE CHILD


S
MS
C 




179

CH.E. 

SIDE BY SIDE STAND UP NOW AND FIGHT FOR THEIR
 EACH NEW LIFE IS THE MAN TO BE LET THE

S
MS
C 



124

CH.E

RIGHT TO GROW UP IN HEALTH AND FREEDOM PEACE AND HARMO-
CHILD BE THE STAR OF HOPE AND JUSTICE FAITH AND DIGNI-

S.
MS.
C.

The first system of music features a vocal line for a children's choir (CH.E) and a piano accompaniment (S. MS. C.). The vocal line is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "RIGHT TO GROW UP IN HEALTH AND FREEDOM PEACE AND HARMO- CHILD BE THE STAR OF HOPE AND JUSTICE FAITH AND DIGNI-". The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand. Below the piano part, there is a guitar accompaniment part with a treble clef and a 9/8 time signature.

CH.E

- NY _____
- TY _____

S
MS
C

OTIAV. ³ ³ ³ ³

c.ing.
Tpts

The second system of music continues the vocal line (CH.E) with the lyrics "- NY" and "- TY" followed by blank lines for notes. The piano accompaniment (S. MS. C.) continues with chords. Below the piano part, there is a guitar accompaniment part with a treble clef and a 9/8 time signature. The guitar part includes a triplet of eighth notes marked "OTIAV." and a section labeled "c.ing." and "Tpts".

190

CH.E.

S

T

[S]

195

CH.E.

S

T

200

CH.E.

FAR AND WIDE GA - THER FOR MAN - KIND
 MEND THE EARTH WHERE IT'S TORN A - PART

S.M.S.

T.B.

T

204

CH.E.

ONE AND ALL YOU WILL MEET THE BRAND NEW DAY IN
 E - VER - MORE WILL THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE SHINE U -

S.M.S.

T.B.

208

CH.E

JOY AND LI - BER - TY
-PON HU - MA - NI - TY

S
MS
C

T
A

211

CH.E

SO U - NITE FOR THE VOICE OF THE CHILDREN CALLS ON YOU

S
MS
C

T
A

LENTO *Maestoso*

O D E T O T H E C H I L D

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PRELUDE

And then the voice of the children
will rise up over the highest mountain
above the valley of silence
to spread its words on the wind

Then on that morning of glory
when innocence will deliver mankind
hark to the voice of the children

So unite peoples of the world
side by side in the brotherhood of Man
children cry
and of hunger die
claim their right
to grow up in health and freedom
peace and harmony

THE MOTHER'S SONG

Sleep little one
lay your weary head
safe in my arms
close to my breast
don't you cry and don't you be afraid
hush little baby
sleep little angel
until the morning
sweet dreams
mother love will watch
mother love will watch over you
chorus: hush now softly sleep
sleep soft little one

Gently the sun
will light up the skies
then little baby
open your eyes
and tell me the secrets of your dreams
where little baby
white doves are sailing
over the rainbow
sweet dreams
all the world will watch
all the world will watch over you
chorus: hush now softly sleep
sleep little one
sleep now softly sleep

UNICEF-Hymn

So unite
peoples of the world
children call on the brotherhood of Man
side by side
stand up now and fight
for their right
to grow up in health and freedom
peace and harmony

So unite
peoples of the world
help the mother to help the little child
each new life
is the Man to be
let the child
be the star of hope and justice
faith and dignity

.../...

So unite
children of the world
hand in hand every nationality
far and wide
gather for mankind
one and all
you will meet the brand new day
in joy and liberty

So unite
children of the world
and your voice will rise up triumphantly
mend the earth
where it's torn apart
evermore
will the light of your love shine
upon humanity

FINALE

So unite
for the voice
of the children
calls on you