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Gimikwenden Ina (Do you remember?)

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COREY PAYETTE'S  
GIMIKWENDEN INA  
DO YOU REMEMBER  
FROM  
CHILDREN OF GOD

ARRANGED FOR SATB CHOIR  
WITH DRUM AND PIANO



*Gimikwenden Ina* is a song taken from Corey Payette's *Children of God*. In this musical, Tommy and Julia, the children of an Oji-Cree family, are sent to a residential school in Northern Ontario. As the school tries to "take the Indian out of the child," Tommy struggles not to forget his language, his family, his culture.

GIMIKWENDEN INA  
AANIIN EZHINIKAAZOYAN  
AANDI WENJIBAAYAN  
GINIKWENDEN IN

Do you remember  
What you are called?  
Where you are from?  
Do you remember?

GINIKWENDEN INA  
NINDEDEYAG NIMAAMAAYAG  
NIMISEYAG NISAYEYAH

Do you remember  
Our fathers and mothers,  
Our sisters and brothers?

#### DO YOU HEAR THEM CALLING YOU?

This song is written in the Ojibwe language. The Ojibwe are part of the Anishinaabeg group of Indigenous peoples, the 2nd largest in North America. Territories extend from Quebec around the great lakes into the US and to Manitoba. Ojibwe people speak Anishinaabemowin language, which is still widely spoken today, but is in decline. Note that the G's at the end of a word are not pronounced (that is, NINDEDEYAG NIMAAMAAYAG / NIMISEYAG... will sound NINDEDEYAH NIMAAMAAYAH / NIMISEYAH...)

Drums are the heartbeat of Indigenous culture. Most commonly made of deer, moose, and buffalo hides, hand drums are commonly used in ceremony, social dances, both traditional and contemporary. In this arrangement the hand drum should be played by the tenor who sings the solo beginning in bar 42. The hand drum should be held high during the last repeat to cue the end of the song.

Starting in bar 75 there is the option for some improvisations. These should be fast, high, percussive howls and shouts. The predetermined improvisers should be familiar with the traditions this music is drawing on.

FROM  
CHILDREN OF GOD

# GIMIKWENDEN INA

DO YOU REMEMBER

MUSIC & LYRICS BY  
COREY PAYETTE  
ARRANGED BY  
ELLIOT VAUGHAN

Tentatively  $\text{♩} \approx 76$

Soprano (S): Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
Alto (A): Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
Tenor (T): Treble clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
Bass (B): Bass clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
The vocal parts begin with a rest. The Tenor part starts singing at measure 8 with lyrics "Gi-mi-kwen-den' na". The Bass part joins in at measure 10 with lyrics "Aa-niin\_ e-zhi-ni-kaa - zo - yan\_".

Tentatively  $\text{♩} \approx 76$

Bass: Bass clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
Drums: Bass clef, key signature of one sharp (F#).  
The bass part starts with a sustained note at measure 8. The drums provide a steady rhythmic pattern throughout the section.



The vocal parts continue with a rest. The Tenor part begins singing again at measure 5 with lyrics "(solo) Aan-di wen-je baa yan". The Bass part joins in at measure 7 with lyrics "Gi-mi kwen den' na". The Tenor part continues singing at measure 8 with lyrics "the others". The Bass part joins in again at measure 10 with lyrics "AAH". The vocal parts end with a rest. The bass part concludes with a sustained note at measure 12.

9

*mp*

Gi-mi-kwen - den ' na \_\_\_\_\_ Nin de - de - - yag ni - maa - - maa - - yag -

*mp*

Gi-mi-kwen - den ' na \_\_\_\_\_ Nin de - de - - yag ni - maa - - maa - - yag -

*tutti pp*

*mp*

MM MM

*pp*

*mp*

MM MM

MM MM

8 8 8 8



13

*solo:* Do you hear them call - ing you? ——————  
 Ni-mi-se - yag ni-sa - ye - yah \_\_\_\_\_ *the others:* OOH

*mp*  
 Ni-mi-se - yag ni-sa - ye - yah \_\_\_\_\_ OOH  
*mp*  
 MM OOH

*mp*  
 MM OOH

—————  
 8 8 8 8

2

21

- thers,  
our sis-ters and bro - thers?  
OOH

- thers,  
our sis-ters and bro - thers?  
OOH

Ni-mi-se - yag ni-sa - ye - yah Doyou hear them call - ing you?

Ni-mi-se - yag ni-sa - ye - yah Doyou hear them call - ing you?

25      Più mosso  $\text{♩} \approx 100$

*AAH*

*AAH*

*MM*

*MM*

Più mosso  $\text{♩} \approx 100$

*f* — *p*

*f* — *p*

=

27

*mp*

*mp*

yah\_\_\_\_ hey\_\_\_\_ yah\_\_\_\_ way\_\_\_\_ hey\_\_\_\_ yah\_\_\_\_ hah\_\_\_\_

yah\_\_\_\_ hey\_\_\_\_ yah\_\_\_\_ way\_\_\_\_ hey\_\_\_\_ yah\_\_\_\_ hah\_\_\_\_

*f* — *p*

*f*

29

*f* *AAH* *mp*

*f* *AAH* *mp*

*MM* *yah\_ hey yah\_ way hey yah hah\_*

*MM* *yah\_ hey yah\_ way hey yah hah\_*

*sim.*

*f > p* *f > p* *f > p* *f*

**≡**

33

*f* *AAH*

*f* *AAH*

*AAH* *yah\_ hey yah\_ way hey yah hah\_*

*AAH* *yah\_ hey yah\_ way hey yah hah\_*

*sim.*

*f > p* *f > p* *f > p* *f*

37

*AAH*

*AAH*

*AAH*

*AAH*

*sim.*

*f > p*   *f > p*   *f > p*   *f = p*

v φ v φ v φ v φ

41 Resolute  $\text{♩} = 34$

*solo*   **p**

hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi

**fff**   **p**

Resolute  $\text{♩} = 34$

**fff**

**p**

46

yah yah      hi    yeah    hi    yeah    hi    yah yah    yah    hi    yeah    hi    yeah    hi

=

50      *Più mosso* ( $\text{♩} \approx 40$ ) *sempre accel. poco a poco*

*solo p*      *cresc.*  
hi yeah hi yeah hi yahyah    hi yeah hi yeah hi yahyah    hi yeah hi yeah hi  
yah    hi yeah hi yeah hi yahyah    hi yeah hi yeah hi yahyah    hi yeah hi yeah hi

*solo p cresc.*  
hi yeah hi yeah hi

*cresc.*

*Più mosso* ( $\text{♩} \approx 40$ ) *sempre accel. poco a poco*

56

(tutti) *Più mosso (♩ ≈ 60) sempre accel. poco a poco*

***mf***

hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi

***mf tutti***

yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi

***mf tutti***

yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi

***mf tutti***

yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi

***mf***

*Più mosso (♩ ≈ 60) sempre accel. poco a poco*

***mf***

28

二

61

This musical score page contains five staves. The top four staves represent vocal parts, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal parts consist of three identical melodic lines stacked vertically, each featuring a mix of eighth and sixteenth notes. The lyrics for these parts are: "yeah hi yeah hi yah yah", "hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah", "yah yah", and "hi yeah hi yeah hi". The bottom staff is for the piano, indicated by a bass clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). It shows a continuous harmonic progression of chords, primarily consisting of the root position of the C major chord.

66 *f* = 80

yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi  
yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi  
yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi  
yah \_\_\_\_\_ *f* hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah hi  
*f*

*f* = 80

71

*ff* select singers may add improvisations

yeah hi yeah hi yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi  
yeah hi yeah hi yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi  
yeah hi yeah hi yah yah yah hi yeah hi yeah hi yah \_\_\_\_\_ hi yeah hi yeah hi  
*ff* select singers may add improvisations

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*ff* select singers may add improvisations

*ff*

*ff*



83

yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi

yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi

yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi

yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi yah yah      hi yeah hi yeah hi

*raise drum to indicate final repeat*

*sing along*