

CONVERGENCE MUSIC PROJECT

MUSIC FOR A JUST AND GENEROUS CHRISTIANITY

Just One Candle

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"All the darkness in the world can't extinguish the light of just one candle" Francis of Assisi

The closest I've flown to the face of a war
Was in Sarajevo on a wing and a prayer
The bombs didn't fly from the hills any more
But the people were haunted there was fear in the air

And the city was cratered from the shells and the rounds
Like rain on a puddle... like the face of the moon
They buried the bodies 'til they filled up the ground
In the grass on the highway, they just ran out of room

But the people have gathered in the middle of town
With the songs they hold sacred of a time coming soon
From their different traditions they are singing the sound
Of their future together and they're singing in tune

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I got word overseas that an old friend had died
She was bright eyed and laughing and gone far too young
My body and spirit felt hollow inside
And I wanted to cry out but no sound would come

So I walked through the night in a dangerous town
Where the gunfire can sound like the Fourth of July
But by chance I looked up and the stars shining down
Tore the wind from my lungs and the rain from my eyes

Because just like my friend those stars are now gone
And that light has been traveling for thousands of years
So the light that we shine seems to go on and on

Like those rays crossed the cosmos to refract through my tears

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You can say love is a powerless tool
That the real world is heartless and that hope is for fools
But I've watched for the sunrise and the truth that I've found
It's not light that is fragile—it's the other way 'round

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