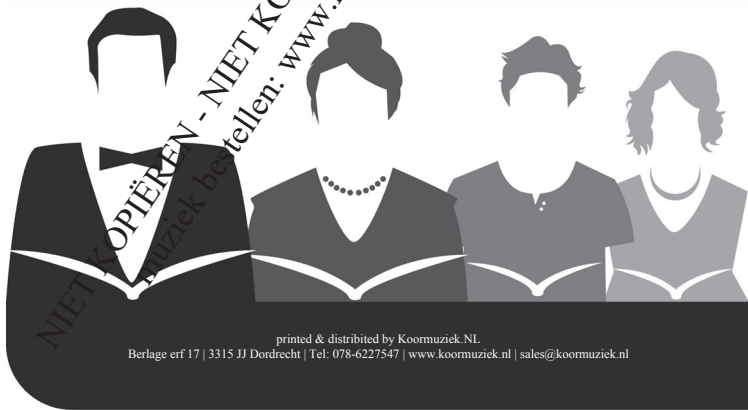


NKOSI JESU (King Jesus, We thank You)

T&A
Traditional Zulu Text
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Phonetic Pronunciation

Nkosi Jesu, Siyabonga	Een-koh-see Jay-soo, see-yah-bohn-gah
Sigubha ukuzalwa kwakho	ee-goo-bah oo-koo-zahl-wah k-wah-koh
Uletha ukuthula kithina emhlabeni emhlabeni	oo-leh-tah oo-koo-too-lah kee-see-nah ehm-hl*-ah-beh-nee
Siyabonga zalelwe lolusuku lolusuku	See-yah-bohn-gah zah-leh-weh loh-loo-soo-koo
Zalelwe kuthina	Zah-leh-weh goh-tee-nah
Siyathanda wena	See-yah-koo-tham-dah weh-nah

*the "hl" sound is made by pressing the tongue just behind the upper teeth as if to say "l." While holding it there, blow air over both sides of the tongue.

NKOSI JESU (King Jesus, We Thank You)

Translation: King Jesus, we thank You.
We celebrate Your birth.
You bring peace to the world.
Born on this day,
Born for us.
We love You.

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Tribal feel ♩ = 75

* Recorder (or similar instrument)



CHILD'S SOLO (mp Children)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga



N - ko - si Je - su, Je - su Si - ya - bon - ga. Si - gu - bha u -

CHOIR mp

**Hmmm

Performance Time: 4:33

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(Recorder ends)



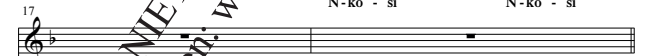
(Solo ends)



(Tenors)



(Basses)



(Sopranos)



(Altos)



19 (Children)
With joy! *f*

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

(Choir)
With joy! *f*

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

ko - si N - ko - si N -

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N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

ko - si N - ko - si Je - su. N -

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N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

ko - si N - ko - si

**may be sung by altos*

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N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga. Za -

ko - si N - ko - si Je - su.

27 *p* (Choir only) *p*

lel - we, za - lel - we lo - lu - su - ku. Za -

29 (Children) *p*

Za - *p*

lel - we, za - lel - we ku - thi - na. Za -

31 (Children) *mf*

lel - we, za - lel - we lo - lu - su - ku, si - ya - than - da we -

(Choir) *mf*

lel - we, za - lel - we lo - lu - su - ku, si - ya - than - da we -

**Cued note is an alternative tenor voicing.*

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34 Recorder

f

(Children) *f*

na. N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

(Choir) *f*

na. N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

N - ko - si ko - si N -

37 (Children)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga.

(Choir)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga.

si N - ko - si Je - su N -

39

(Children)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

(Choir)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga

ko - si N -

41 (Children)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga. (Choir only)

(Choir)

N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga. Za -

ko - si N - ko - si Je - su.

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p lel - we, za - lel - we lo - lu - su - ku, Za -

45

(Children) *p* Za -
p
lel - we, za - lel - we ku thi - na. Za -

47

mf
(Children) *mf*
lel - we lo - lu - su - ku. Si - ya - than - da we -
lel - we lo - lu - su - ku. Si - ya - than - da we -

*Cued note is an alternative substitute tenor voicing.

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f CHILD'S SOLO (opt. Children)
na. N - ko - si su

53

(Solo or Children)
Si - ya - bon - ga, N - ko - si Je - su, Si - ya - bon - ga. Si -

56

(Children)
gu - bha u - zal - wa kwa - kho, (kwa - kho) - U -
mf (Choir)
Hah Oh

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(Children) *f*
le - tha u - ku - thu - la ki - thi - na em - hla - be -
(Choir) *f*
Hah Oh

62

f (Children)
ni.
(Choir)

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(stomp) (clap)
a cappella f (Children)
N - ko - si Je - su
(Choir) *f*
N - ko - si Je - su,
N - ko - si N -

67

(sim.)
Si - ya - bon - ga, N - ko - si Je - su,
ya - bon - ga, N - ko - si Je - su,
si N - ko - si N -

*may be sung by altos

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69 (Recorder)

69 (Children)

(Choir) Si - ya-bon - ga. N - ko - si Je su,

Si - ya-bon - ga. N - ko - si Je su,

69 ko - si Je - su, N - ko - si N -

73 (Children)

(Choir) Si - ya-bon - ga. N - ko - si Je su,

Si - ya-bon - ga. N - ko - si Je su, (div. csg)

73 ko - si Je - su, N - ko - si N - ko - si

71 (Children)

(Choir) Si - ya-bon - ga, N - ko - si Je - su,

ya-bon - ga, N - ko - si Je - su,

71 ko - si N - ko - si N -

75 (Children) (end stomp/clap)

(Choir) N - ko - si Je - su, N - ko - si Je - su,

si - su, N - ko - si Je - su,

75 su, N - ko - si Je - su, N - ko - si

77 $\text{♩} = 64$ (Children)

N - ko - si Je - su.

(Choir) *ff* N - ko - si Je - su.

79

ko - si Si - ke - A - fri - ka. (slide off note on beat 4)

ko - si si - ke - lel' i - A - fri - ka.

79 *fff*

*"Nkosi Sikelel' iAfrika" translation: God bless Africa.