

I Will Stand With You (2020) Liner Notes

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Heather wrote this song after she learned that a friend of hers had been verbally attacked because of her color while she was driving down the street. The lyrics to the song arose during Heather's morning meditation, and she composed the music a week later. Benjy composed the piano accompaniment for this song.

Three great musicians joined them on the recording: <u>Bibi McGill</u> on electric guitar, <u>Tyia Wilson</u> on vocals, and <u>Jared May</u> on bass.

The song is dedicated to the elimination of racism in our country and around the world. It is being released as a free download in order to encourage people to donate to organizations working for racial equity.

Lyrics

A bundle of sticks is stronger than a single branch
It cannot bend or break in the wind
A bundle of sticks will hold together
To keep the sky from falling in
I will stand with you, I will stand with you

I will stand with you in the rising tide of hate Nothing's stronger than a tidal wave Of love all across this land I will stand, I will stand, I will stand with you

Do not call my friend names in the street Do not lock them up in jail Do not shoot them in their home Do not take their life away

I will stand with you, I will stand with you, I will stand with you

Musical Credits

Heather Wertheimer: Vocals, acoustic guitar

Benjy Wertheimer: Piano

Bibi McGill: Electric guitar

Tyia Wilson: Vocals

Jared May: Bass

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