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Original Language

Translation

## Ya Abai Wuha

## Waters of the Nile

የአባይ ውሃ ሞልቶ ይፈሳል  
 ቦይ ለ ቦይ  
 ምነው በህልሚ መጣ  
 ደህና አይደለህም ወይ

The waters of the Nile have filled up,  
 and it is overflowing its banks.  
 I saw you in my dreams my love.  
 Are you not well tonight?

ከአመት እስከ አመት  
 አባይ ይፈልቃል  
 ሰላም ፍቅር ካለ ለሁሉም ይበቃል

Year after year the Nile has  
 never failed to be a wellspring of life.  
 If we have love & peace, it's more than  
 enough for all of us.

ከተዋደድን እኛ  
 ከአንጀት ከልባችን  
 ይበቃናል አባይ ለሁላችንም

If our love is true and from  
 the bottom of our heart,  
 the Nile is enough to sustain all of us.

ለኔ ብቻ ይሁን ማለት አይበጀንም  
 ይዋል ለሁላችን ለጋራ ጥቅም

It makes no sense to say "let it be mine"  
 when we can all drink from the Nile and  
 satisfy our needs.

ሸጊዬ ሸጊዬ ሸጊዬ ሸጋው  
 ድንገት ሳላስበው መጣ ለግላጋው

Oh handsome beautiful brother of mine,  
 You have come so unexpectedly.

እሳ አበላህለው  
 አባይ ዳር ነው ቤቴ  
 ዶሮ መረቅ እማ ከወዴት አባቴ

I can feed you fish tonight,  
 I live by the Nile.  
 But please don't ask me for chicken soup,  
 I wouldn't know where I would get it.

ሆይ ና ና የአገሬ ልጅ  
 ሆይ ና ና የወንዜ ልጅ

Please come to me, my country boy.  
 Please come to me, my river mate.