

**We Believe**  
**(Inspired by Kupu Whakaponono)**

By the Father of Lights  
Who is father to all  
From whom every good gift  
From his open hand falls  
For the Spirit He sends  
That the world may know Christ  
Though He's sovereign of all  
To the least He gives life

**We believe, we belong**  
**In the the true and living God**  
**He iwi kotahi tatou**  
**We believe, we belong**  
**In a love before all loves**  
**This family of God now made know**  
**We believe.**

In Christ we believe  
In Christ we confess  
He's the bringer of life  
The defeater of death  
He is God of our God  
He is flesh of our flesh  
In Christ we are free  
Reconciled now to bless

By the Spirit we see  
By the Spirit we're shown  
How the Christ dwells with us  
Through the Scripture is known  
By the Spirit we're drawn  
Into cruciform love  
With our hands reaching out  
And our hearts reaching up

Welcome young and the old  
Welcome women and men  
From all iwi and clan  
And from enemies, friends  
We are stewards of earth  
We are servants of peace  
And we look forward in hope  
Till our joy is complete