

NIGERIA

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Moderato

1. Ni - ger - i - a we hail thee, Our own dear na - tive land, Though
2. Our flag shall be a sym - bol That truth and jus - tice reign, In
3. O God of all cre - a - tion, Grant this our one re - quest, Help

tribe and tongue may dif - fer, In bro - ther - hood we stand, Ni -
peace or bat - tle hon - our'd, And this we count as gain, To
us to build a na - tion Where no man is op - pressed, And

- ger - ians all, and proud to serve Our sove reign Mo - ther - land.
hand on to our child - ren A ban - ner with - out stain.
so with peace and plen - ty Ni - ger - ia may be blessed.

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