

Run Away Child

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Nali ku bumba, ne minwe shandi (I created you with my own hands)
Nali ku pela ishina lyandi (I gave you my name)
No ku ku panga umwana wandi (And made you my heir)
Nali ku bumba no ku ku pela ubumi (I created you and gave you life)
U ku ku samfya, u ku ku wamya, no ku ku temwa (I washed you, cleansed you and loved you)

Refrain:

Nomba wile kwi, wemwana wandi (Now where have you gone, My child)
Nomba wile kwi ulubile kwi, (Where have you gone, where are you disappeared to)

‘Cause I want you back
You should think of my love and my grace,
I’m the only thing you need
You should think of my love and my grace,
I’m the only thing you need
Come back, come back, come back Runaway Child
Come back, come back, come back
I held you in my arms, I saw you smiling
I fell in love with you, I thought you loved me too
And I know it’s not easy but I’ll give you strength to fight
Don’t you hide when you’re hurting; let me heal you with my love
(Refrain)

Oh the things you feel, I feel too
Oh the things you see, I see too
But my child, I’m all you need
so please come back home, please come back
(Refrain)

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