

# *Flash Back to the Reign of Junta*

## *From 1974 to 1991*

*In the dark house,  
Son abducted from mother's bosom  
Daughter from Father's arm  
Snatched by merciless Satan  
Shooting at a close range  
Tossed at their door steps.  
Weeping in terror  
Mother said to her children,  
Do I have to pay ransom  
To bury my loved ones?  
Alas! It's the Apocalypse!  
The prophesy is fulfilled  
The monster has risen from the sea.  
Her husband became helpless  
Lost self-respect  
Stricken with pain, bruised and hurt  
Staring in the eyes of his children  
Scared for his beautiful wife.  
Speak Menelik,  
You saw it while riding your horse  
St. George by your side  
And Taitu from your sanctuary,  
All the wickedness and atrocity.  
What went wrong?  
They stretched their hands to YOU.  
That, you unleashed the Beast  
To massacre the GOLDEN YOUTH  
From Enteto to Legahar  
Kottebie to Emanuel, all over the city!  
Even the howl of Gonder heard from afar  
Attested by forty-four Saints  
Observed by Fasiledes.  
The stench of death everywhere  
Student, teachers, and all walks of life.  
Mekele too, harbinger of joy and laughter  
Crying for help  
Countless sons and daughters  
Lying on the street  
Transformed in to the house of Mourning!  
Testify Yohans from your palace  
It was the Holocaust!!! Likewise prison cells  
Innumerable inmates dwelling in terror  
Slaughtered every morning  
Pleading for mercy  
Like the lamb of Easter.  
Hallelujah!!!  
Seventeen years of Human tragedy  
A dark hole in Ethiopian History*

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