

# Swaziland

**Nikki Giovanni**

I am old and need to remember,  
you are young and need to learn.  
If I forget the words, will you remember the words?  
I hear a drum speaking of a stream  
    "The path is crossing the stream,  
    the stream is crossing the path,  
which came first?" the drums asked.  
    "The music is with the river,  
if we meet does it matter if we took the step toward you?"  
    "The words ask are you fertile."  
The music says, "Let's dance."  
I am old and need to remember,  
You are young and want to learn.  
    Let's dance together.  
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