Change "Forever" by

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Listen closely, to the winds and the waves, And you will hear ancient Chumash members, Singing about Dark Water crossings, To the Islands under light from a fine moon. Songs about brave tribal men, But also about a brave Lone Woman, on an island.

The sun rises, and morning fires cast gentle wafts of smoke Along the coastline and warm Chumash families, As they prepare for a busy day.

Tribal members teach their children

And care and love each other, learning the important, Precious things of life.

Franciscans bring new dynamics and change, Not all in good ways. Proven traditions of a thousand years, overlooked, Focusing on water and land production, Harnessing the free-spirited mountain water, Turning golden fields, green.

An education center is born on the mesa, Extending high school and the potential of all students. Rich and poor, far and near, young and old, Brown and white, ready or not – All students, come, and are forever changed and, intern – Change, forever...