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hi everyone my name is eboni paul. i actually just started writting about two years ago. my family and move to austin texas after hurricane katrina. we were stuck in new orleans like two weeks aftreer the storm. that was the most tramatic point in my life.8 months after the storm my grandmother pass away. she was my life. after she die i felt like i didn't have a purpose, so i began to do thing i knew wasn't right. i attempted to commit suicide a couple of times. after i attempted my father pass away. i feel like it is my fault. my mom put me i a hospital. i got some meds and i am doing much better. my poem misery is being publish in a book. i have finish school.i am starting class at ACC which is austin community college. i am going to major in criminal justice. i am going to be a intern at life works which is a program to help kids with problem. so my life is finally starting to look up. to everyone that's having problem fight through it because after all the fighting you become stronger and happier! ! !

# A Poem To Daddy

I miss you being here  
So I hold you memory close and dear  
I miss you being here protecting me from my fears and interrupting my tears  
People thought because you did drugs  
It took away our feelings of being loved  
But we knew you loved us  
Even when you fussed  
You taught us to care and encouraged us to share  
You were the best dad in the world  
Because look you raise three beautiful s  
I remember the times you would comb our hair  
And protected us from anybody who dared  
I know god wanted his angel back  
But when miss you and that's a fact  
I wish you was here  
Or either me there  
One minute more I hardly can bear  
My love is everlasting once it starts  
But I know you close you are in my heart

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# Depression

i can't stop wondering why  
i sit still and cry  
hoping everyday  
i change my destructive way  
preventing others in  
but yet committing my on sin  
thinking everthing is immoral  
because i am drowned in sorrow  
no one knows the tears i shed  
while lying in my bed  
every night i prey  
to feel better the next day  
but never stopping to think  
maybe this is my way

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# In The Dark I Sit

In the dark I sit  
A picture on the wall  
Eyes staring observing me  
Talks to me tells me I'm valueless  
A nothing a nobody  
I yell at it tell it to stop  
But it just ignores me  
In the dark I sit  
A picture on the wall  
Eyes staring observing me  
Talks to me tells me I'm valueless  
I'm nothing a nobody  
I try to ignore it I try to block out the voices  
But I have to give in  
In the dark I sit  
A picture on the wall  
Eyes staring observing me  
Talks to me tells me I'm valueless  
I'm nothing a nobody  
I try not to listen try to deny it  
But it speaks the truth  
In the dark I sit  
A picture on the wall  
Eyes staring observing me  
Talks to me tells me I'm valueless  
A nothing a nobody  
I begin to believe it begin to listen to the voice  
But then I realize they come from within  
In the dark I sit  
A picture on the wall  
Eyes shut now dead now  
No longer speaks to me the picture is worthless  
A nothing a nobody  
It's finally quite it's finally peaceful  
But now it's just dark

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# Let Me Fly

let me fly  
set me free  
just please let me be me  
your criticism makes me feel insane  
it makes me feel less than human  
why judge me  
why have grudge against me  
when you don't even know me  
so you say i am living in vein  
but god created me he gave me these feelings  
it's not me to blame  
let me fly  
set me free  
just let me be me

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# Loveless Love

The shine less sun awakes the morning world  
Still you lay in bed  
pillow damp from the tears you shed  
Your hopeless heart screams for love and affection  
But still you lay without protections  
Now you are approaching your biggest fears  
You are In possession of a loveless love  
You get down on you hands and knees every night  
And prey that things will be right  
Pray that your love will be back tight  
You know in you mind  
That your relationship has exceeded it's time  
But you hold on anyway  
afraid to let go but don't want to stay  
So finally you lay in bed  
Pillow dry from the tears you didn't shed  
Suddenly the moon shine bright  
You have move past you fright  
You see your life in a recharged light  
You that things will be alright  
The ecstatic sun shines so bright  
Awaking the morning world  
And you are an improved girl

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# Misery

Misery brought on by my father's neglectful ways,  
Disrespect to him will shorten my days.  
I find love within drugs,  
Rather than fathers hugs.  
Even though he was always there,  
His actions made me feel like he didn't care.  
Praying to the lord to take my soul,  
Ebony, hold on be bold those are the words I was told.  
No one knows the tears I shed,  
Lying down in my bed.  
Everyday death passes through my mind,  
Smiles and laughter is what I hide behind.  
On the outside you would take me as strong and sturdy because of the words I  
speak,  
But internally I'm timid, delicate, and weak.  
I don't want to die but I don't want to live,  
So much of me I am willing to give.  
There's not one day I don't think about giving up,  
But in this life I'm stuck,  
However I would try to stay,  
Maybe I will find happiness one day.

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# My Heart I Would Spare

my heart i would spare

for your attention

for your love

for you

my heart i will spare

for your smile

for your eloguence

for you

my heart i would spare

for your guidance

for your wisdom

for you

my heat i would spare for you

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# My Hopeless Dreams

Just seeing her beautiful face  
Makes my heart beat with a race  
She smiles at me  
And sets my spirit free  
When she talks I feel it deep in my veins  
Exactly what she's saying  
Are maybe I'm insane  
To know we will never be  
And see a another person getting love and affection from thee  
Is when I begin to see my hopeless dreams  
I close my eyes and see perplexing pictures  
The images I vaguely see are not what the seems to be  
There is people in the picture  
What I thought was you and me  
Is him and thee  
It's really a man  
And he is the one holding your hand  
I'm sad that my vision isn't true  
And he is the one you are giving your love to

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# Pain

So much pain built up inside  
That's it's impossible for me to hide  
Dieing for someone to show they care  
But to stay in this pain-filled life is unfair  
I put my ambitions and dreams on hold  
On hold until my happiness starts to unfold  
I constantly hurt the people I love  
By hiding the cuts and burn marks under my glove  
To my love ones this unfair  
But being drowned in my sorrow I just can't bare  
I only wanted someone to say that they'll help  
Help me win this terrible hand I've been dealt  
But tonight  
I've chosen to end this everlasting fight  
I have chosen to take my life  
I know this is wrong  
But I have been living this life far to long  
This depression has consumed me piece by piece  
And consumed each piece day by day  
I've lost the battle to change my destructive way  
But before I go I have something to say  
I never meant to hurt anyone  
But I think it's time to join my father and his son  
To everyone that loves me I am sorry  
But it's time for me to leave this land  
I have marked the skin above my hand  
For the last time  
To all who reads this  
Teach your kids this isn't faith  
But for me it's a little to late

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# Rainbow

i am the rain that keeps the kids inside  
and makes everyone sad  
you are the sun that dries up the rain  
and brings happiness to all  
we are not seen together alot  
but when we are  
it's remarkable  
across the sky me and you  
we have a creation  
a rainbow  
a beautiful reflection of colors  
that brings joy to all

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# The Decision

I want to hold her close in my arms  
Invite her into my warm sheets and shelter her when it storms  
I want to take her out the dating game  
And give her my last name  
For she captivated my heart  
And unconsciously lock it away from the start  
For thee to hold my heart in possession  
Causes me to have involuntary obsession  
But I have locked away my vulnerability  
And impaired my capability  
Of telling you how I really feel  
Which causes my feelings to intensify and build  
Forcing me to question if what am feeling is real  
What I mostly regret  
Is not telling you what's on my chest  
Sometimes I feel like I am going to hold this to death  
I have two options be brave  
Or keep this embedded in my humanly grave  
Even though being brave is something I sadly lack  
I tired of these feeling continuing to stack  
As time goes on it increases the stake  
And demands me to acknowledge the decision I must make

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# The Unconditional Betrayal

You were the 3d form of a vengeful letter never sent  
You took in all my wicked emotional words after I vent  
You consoled me after I attempted to be dead  
You sweeten my bitter thoughts I was thinking in my head  
You open your heart after I was hurt  
You calm me down after I went totally berserk  
You told me that you would love me no matter what  
You stole my heart after you said this part  
"nothing I could ever do are say could ever make you stop your unconditional  
way I will always love you  
But I guess that part wasn't true"  
This is what I found out  
You can be hurt by the only person you care about  
I guess you only meant that day  
Because you change after I told you I was gay  
Our very close relationship has become very distant  
I tried to keep it close but you were very persistent  
But I guess the words I'm gay  
Can change your unconditional way  
Hey... before I go I have something to say  
I hope we can mend our broken bond and become friends again  
Because I miss my unconditional friend

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