

Tongo

Words & Music:
Traditional Polynesian

CALL :

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Jim-biddy-by-um, by-oo-way!
Tongo!
Oo-ah-lay!
Mah-lay-pah-ma-lou-way!
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RESPONSE :

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The song as listed above was learned orally, so I spelled the words best as I could phonetically. Correspondent Rob Jones sent me the correctly spelled version below, AND included a MIDI file and music score, to boot! Yay!

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Chimne ba e ba e o!
M ba le kimbayo!
Tongo!
Oo-ah-way!
Bale ka lowaway!
Bale ka lowaway!

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