

“Soy del pueblo” song lyrics (excerpt)

Written by Carlos Puebla; performed by Flor del Pueblo

Yo canto porque el presente
No es de pena, ni es de llanto,
Por eso es que cuando canto,
Canto lo que el pueblo siente.

(Estrillo)

**Soy del pueblo, pueblo soy.
Y a donde me lleve el pueblo voy.**

Por el pueblo voy pasando,
Y oyendo su sentimiento,
Lo recojo y al momento
Se lo debo algo cantando.

Lo poco que doy yo ofrezco
Con alegría y encanto,
Al pueblo le doy mi canto
Porque al pueblo pertenezco.

I sing because the present
Is not for sorrow, is not for crying,
That's why when I sing,
I sing what the people feel.

(Refrain)

**I am of the people; I am the people.
Where the people take me, I go.**

I go among the people,
And hearing their feelings,
I gather them at the moment,
And I owe them something in my singing.

What little I have to give, I offer
With joy and enchantment,
I give my song to the people
Because I belong to the people.