

Ke Kali Nei (Waiting for Thee) (Charles King)

Eia au ke kali nei
Aia la i hea ku'u aloha

Eia au ke huli nei
A loa`a `oe e ka ipo
Maha ka `i`ini a ka pu`uwai

Ua sila pa`a `ia me `oe
Ko aloha makamae e ipo
Ka`u ia e lei a`e nei la

Nou no ka `i`ini (nou ka `i`ini)
A nou wale no (wale no)
A o ko aloha ka`u e hi`ipoi mau

Na'u `oe (na'u `oe)
E lei (e lei)
Na'u `oe e lei

A he hali`a kai hiki mai
No ku`u lei onaona
Pulupe i ka ua

Auhe a `oe ka `i`ini a loko
Na loko a`e ka mana`o
Hu`e lani ana i ku`u kino

Ku`u pua ku`u lei onaona
A`u i kui a lawa ia nei
Me ke ala pua pikake

A o `oe ku`u pua (`O `oe ku`u pua)
Ku`u pua lei lehua (lehua)

A`u e li`a mau nei ho`opa`a
Ia iho k ealoha

He lei (he lei)
`Oe na`u (`oe na`u)
He lei `oe na`u

*Here I am waiting
Where is my beloved*

*I've searched for you
Now that I've found you
Calm the desire of my heart*

*Sealed forever to you
Sweetheart you are so precious
I pledge my love to you alone*

*I desire you (desire)
True to you alone (alone)
With you joy will ever be mine*

*You're mine (you're mine)
Oh, my lei (Oh, lei)
You're mine, my lei*

*Fond remembrance of the one who came
My fragrant lei
Drenched in the rain*

*Listen you, my heart's desire
To the thought within me
Open the heaven within my body*

*My flower, my fragrant lei
I will string and bind
Like the fragrant jasmine flower*

*You are my blossom (you, my blossom)
My lei of lehua (lehua)*

*My desire is always to be with and close
To my love*

*My lei (my lei)
You're mine
My lei, you're mine*