POOR RICH MAN

He was one of the wealthiest men on the island No formal education but he had a strong man's backbone Five babies and no bank account Hand me downs but he did not mind He had extremely little but did not care Poor he was but never short of love The one thing he was certain he had was my mother's faith and love People laughed but he paid no attention He had faith, courage and strength like my mother's love Endurance and faith was part of his DNA Five miles he walked to work without a complaint Sun beaming down on his dark burnt skin Sweat rolling down on his chin Three dollars in his pocket after a long, hard day He walked back five miles with all his love and good hope Content and happy he was, for he had his babies and mother's love

Zahied Tony Mohammed (2014) ©