

C F C C F C

We shall overcome, We shall overcome

C F G Am D G D7 G7

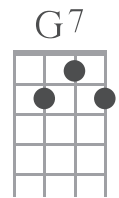
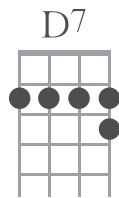
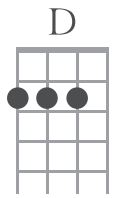
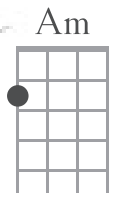
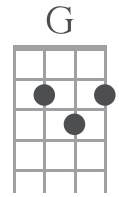
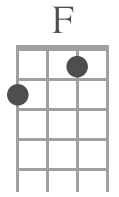
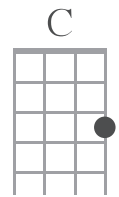
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C F C

Oh deep in my heart (I know that)

F G Am C F C G C F C G7

I do believe We shall overcome some~day



We Shall Overcome



We'll walk hand in hand...

We shall live in peace...

We shall all be free...

We are not afraid...

We will all play Ukes...

We shall overcome

"This song was originally one of two African American Spirituals: "I'll Overcome Some Day" or "I'll be All Right."
 In 1946, several hundred employees of the American Tobacco Company in Charleston, South Carolina were on strike. They sang on the picket line to keep their spirits. Lucille Simmons started singing the song on the picket line and changed one important word from "I" to "we". Zilphia Horton learned it when a group of strikers visited the Highland Fold School, the Labor Education Center in Tennessee. She taught it to me and we published it as "We Shall Overcome" in our songletter, People's Song's Bulletin. in 1952, I taught it to Guy Carawan and Frank Hamilton. Guy introduced the song to the founding convention of SNCC (Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee) in North Carolina. ...and then it swept the country. - Pete Seeger