

# St. Gregory the Great CA

**The Fabric of Our Being  
Presentation  
by  
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## The Fabric of Our Being

Tightly woven into Canada's fabric  
Generations strong  
Yes we've been here all along  
Certainly not of our own free will  
But in search of freedom's song

Not newcomers on the fringes as some would have  
us believe

Look closer to the center if you please  
You will see us living the Canadian dream  
Once a nightmare to our ancestral stream  
Crossing many rivers valleys and streams  
We've come a mighty long way

Though it's been a hard road to travel

We will not unravel

But will revel in the beauty and multicultural fabric  
of our home and native land

Generations strong

You best believe

We've been here all along.



Author: Nadine Williams

# Our Mission:

In celebration of The International Decade for People of African Descent, each class was tasked with collaboratively creating 2-3 tiles of bright artwork. The guiding principles of the artwork were to design, showcase and recognize the following:

ABC: Amazing Black Canadians

Mother Tongue...celebrating languages in the class

The Fabric of Our Being- how students connected to the poem Fabric of Our Being

The theme of the decade- Recognition, Development, Justice

Our students worked together on their creations and each class completed their tiles, Ms. Williams collected them for design and print on a quilt. They can also be displayed on canvas or plaque.

# Fabric of Our Being Quilt

by St. Gregory the Great CA  
(Draft)



# Unveiling

York Region Police Headquarters would like to include the unveiling of the quilt at their annual Black History Ceremony on Saturday February 10th at YRP Headquarters in Aurora at 11am.

We will have our schoolwide unveiling with our students and hang our quilt in the front entrance hallway.



