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**AIN'T
GIVIN'
UP**



Ain't Givin' Up

My Baby left me
She tried to put me down
She took all my money
And finally left the town
But here I am
I'm strong as a man can be
That's why I shout out loud
I ain't givin' up on me

Taxman knockin' on my door
Tryin' to get some doe, I said:
"Don't you know, I'm a Bluesman, so
Don't you come back no more"
But here I am
I'm strong as a man can be
That's why I shout out loud
I ain't givin' up on me

Ain't givin' up on me ...
As long as I live, I ain't givin' up on me

Went to the doctor
Asked him to cure my ill
He said "All you need"
Is confidence and a strong will
But here I am
I'm strong as a man can be
That's why I shout out loud
I ain't givin' up on me

Ain't givin' up on me ...
As long as I live, I ain't givin' up on me



Todor "Tosho" Todorovic Guitar, Lead Vocals



Guns

Schoolboy bought a pistol
A rifle and a gun
Went to the schoolyard
Shot down everyone

President came calling
Congressman came too
Said prayin' to the Good Lord
Is all we can do

Guns in the kitchen
They got guns in the hall
Guns in the bedroom
Hanging on the wall

You can't stop the bullet
When the gun is sold
Need no thoughts and prayers
What you really need
Is some gun control



The News

Ev'ry time I turn on the radio and listen to the news
This world is gettin' crazy, and I do not have a clue
I'm tired people, so tired listenin' to the news
Cause the world is mad and all I do is sing the Blues
Sing the Blues

Who should I believe, who is tellin' the truth
Way to many sources, way to much to loose
I'm tired people, so tired listenin' to the news
Cause the world is mad and all I do is sing the Blues
Sing the Blues

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Messenger, Radio,
TV, Paper, Tabloids, don't know which way to go
I'm tired people, so tired listenin' to the news
Cause the world is mad and all I do is sing the Blues
Sing the Blues





Florian Schaub Drums, Percussion

A man with glasses and a beard, wearing a dark long-sleeved shirt and headphones, is seated and playing a red and black electric bass guitar. He is in a studio environment with various pieces of equipment visible in the background. The lighting is warm and focused on him.

Sticks And Stones

You've been talkin'
All over town
Tryin' to put me down
I'm not afraid
Of whatever you say
You should know by now

Sticks and stones can break my bones
Words can never hurt me
Sticks and stones can break my bones

You've been callin'
My telephone
When I'm not at home
All my friends
Got a message you sent
But my friends they know

Sticks and stones can break my bones
Words can never hurt me
Sticks and stones can break my bones

You've been playin'
Your low down game
You've been cheating and lyin'
Though it's a shame when you
Slander my name
It's just a waste of time

Sticks and stones can break my bones
Words can never hurt me
Sticks and stones can break my bones

Arnold Ogrodnik Bass, Doublebass

One Shot

One shot and a bottle of beer
I wanna get high, that's why I'm here

Hey little girl, sittin' on the end
Come on over, let's all be friends
I'm so delighted with your company
Come on here, and have a drink with me

Hey you guys, say how are you
Are you regulars here and how do you do
Let's all get drunk an get tatoo'd
The round is on me, lets have a few

One shot and a bottle of beer
I wanna get high, that's why I'm here

Been working all week and just got payed
Let's have some fun before it's to late
A couple of hours I'll be on my way
From tomorrow on we'll all get straight

One shot and a bottle of beer
I wanna get high, that's why I'm here





Uwe Nolopp Trumpet, Flügelhorn



I'm Mad

My baby called me
She's working overtime
Then I saw her downtown
With an old friend of mine
Now I'm mad
Mad as anybody can be
And I just found out
That my baby's playin' tricks on me

My baby called me
Her car was broken down
I heard she's running round
With ev'ry man in town
Now I'm mad
Mad as anybody can be
And I just found out
That my baby's playin' tricks on me

My baby called me
Her mama came home to stay
I saw her in a Cadillac
At the break of day
Now I'm mad
Mad as anybody can be
And I just found out
That my baby's playin' tricks on me

My baby told me
Her older brother kissed her
I just found out
She only has a sister
Now I'm mad
Mad as anybody can be
And I just found out
That my baby's playin' tricks on me

Volker Winck Sax



Seda Devran Backing Vocals



Maria Nicolaides Backing Vocals



The Band:

Todor "Tosho" Todorovic: Guitar, Lead Vocals

Mike Titre: Guitar, Slide Guitar, Harp,
Lead Vocals on Sticks And Stones

Arnold Ogrodnik: Bass, Doublebass

Florian Schaub: Drums, Percussion

The Fab. BC Horns:

Uwe Nolopp: Trumpet and Flügelhorn

Volker Winck: Sax

The Soul Sistaz:

Seda Devran : Backing Vocals

Maria Nicolaides: Backing Vocals

Very special guest : John Hondorp Hammond B3

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Blues Company Logo by Jan Karow

Backing vocals arrangements

by Seda Devran & Maria Nicolaides

Horn arrangements by Volker Winck

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Tosho played his Gibson L5 (1980), Gibson L5S (1972), Hopf (1951) and his Ibanez 2457 (1977) with ELIXIR strings through a Fender Blues Junior.

Mike played his Fender Stratocaster Jimmy Vaughan, Telecaster Standard (1984), Dean Chrome 6 Resonator, Gretsch 6120 and a Danelectro Pro as well as Hohner Harps through a russian custom build amp, and a Fender Pro Junior.

Arnold plays his custom Maruszczuk Jake 4 P Bass and his Fender Jazzbass (1973) through a Maruszczuk Barabass Amp.

Florian plays Pellwood Drumsticks,
Murat Diril Cymbals and Drums of different Brands.

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11. Precious Lord

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