

BUSHED OUT:

Some questions about America's 43rd president

If George Bush understood poetry
would he have invaded Iraq?

If he cared more about lives than money
would he have been less eager to attack?

Warrzzz great if you dun't mind
killing fer profit
err learning ta hate on demand.

It can seem ok if yawh unly kare about
short-term sekurity
'n yer own devious plans.

To those who see it up close, however,
war izz a mutant form ah horrrrar
& mega-savagery.

Itz ah legacy of Cain and Abel
dat shows
kumpassion iz what we need.

- T Newfields

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Sam: Writing stuff like this iz a waste of energy. It does nothing to reduce the economic injustices causing conflicts.

Tim: Probably so, but perhaps not. (shrugging his shoulders) Who are we to know?

Terri: Perhaps we need to think of writing as a beginning, not an end. If this poem inspires a few people, great. If not, soon enough it will disappear.