The Lord saw in you a heart that was gentle and kind, so He blessed you with His treasure to love and nurture for a time. You raised me in the Lord, knowing that of yourself it would be demanding. You put my feet on the right path and gave me knowledge and understanding.

You thought nothing of yourself, always putting your child first, leading me steadily to the Lord, with a hunger and a thirst. Time passed quickly by, and as you watched me grow, too soon the time had come for you to let me go.

So you gave me back to God, not knowing all I would go through, but you put your trust in Him to finish the work in me He began to do. The time for nurturing has passed, but the loving will never end. It will go on and on, just as it first began.