

To Beth: Age 13, from her Dad, Jim Reese

My Dear Beth:

Congratulations
On becoming thirteen!
It's great to be a teenager!
Your Mom and I know
Because we've been teenagers
For twenty-four years!

We pledge to you
Our deep love
Our fervent prayers
Our time
Our counsel and discipline
Our total selves
To help you become
Everything God wants you to be.

May these teenage years
Be wonderful for you
As you get to know yourself
As you get to know your world
As you get to know your Lord.

We love you,

Your Dad

Proverbs 3:5-6