A Father's Blessing by John Paul Jackson*

Some of you did not have great father figures.
Some of you had fathers who passed away before they could give you a blessing.
Others of you, for one reason or another, are unable to receive a blessing from your father.
To you, I want to offer the blessings of the Heavenly Father through myself, an earthly father.

This type of blessing is seen in Numbers 6 as
God blessed the children of Israel under the pronouncement of Moses.
It goes on to say that upon blessing the people, God would place His name and
Bless those who heard it. That means you!

Therefore, may the Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

And from me, from my heart, as a father, and a grandfather, I’d like to bless you in this way:

May you reach the purpose for which you were created.
May you have courage above your peers.
May you have more passion for the things of God than others think is necessary.
May you dream more than others think is practical.
May you expect more than others think is possible.
May you choose wisely without earthly bias.

You have people to influence that you have not yet met.
You have lives to change that are waiting for your arrival.
You are strategically placed, wherever God takes you by His grand design
Just so you can become everything He made you to be.

That place is the place you can grow best.
That place is the place where you can be the most fruitful.
The place where the future is changed because of your presence.

May you see vistas that others don’t even know exist.
May you see God, and every petal of every flower, and every blade of grass
For each of them are designed by His hand.

May you bless your children and
May they become giants in the faith under the mighty hand of God.
You won’t fail. You were made by God to be here for such a time as this.

*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ljdHRW26Rho