



**...july 1, 2012...**

**is it the shoes that speed my feet  
or my feet that speed the shoes  
along this rain-drenched midnight highway  
spinning me back home?**

**you were once my brother's daughter  
i was once your sister's son  
now you are my sister's brother  
and i am now some uncle's child –**

**is it afternoon we watch  
inside the stars of yesterday  
erasing hours into years  
returning to our child selves?**

**you are parent to the child  
of a sister not my own  
and i am child to a parent  
who is waiting to be born –**

**is it now that is forever  
or forever in the now –  
my feet are moving slower – faster –  
trying to catch up with you.**

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