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## "Treasure"

By Mary Cummings

"Treasure"!!!!?

My first thought was of undersea divers searching ancient wrecks for Spanish gold pieces – or finding something like the Dead Sea Scrolls!!

Then I thought, what is my treasure? Well, of course, my children, grand children and my great grand children. But, precious as they are, they are not mine, and I cannot and must not try to possess them. They are God's treasure, though He allows me to enjoy them and to give and receive love from them.

What other treasures does God have? He fills the whole universe, what could He possibly need? Job says that He keeps snow, wind, rain and hail

in His treasures. I suppose to use as He needs?

God says that He has chosen Israel for Himself. They are the apple of His eye, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth – just because He loves them! He



chooses us, too, and has adopted us into His family!! He has put His seal of ownership on us!! We are His treasure – how awesome is that!!? Isaiah 33:6, says "the fear of the Lord is His treasure". I'm not quite

sure what that means? I wonder, what are my treasures?

The beauty of the earth is mine to enjoy. I can sit on the

shore, listen to the waves, and feel the soft breezes. [The sea is His and He made it and His hands prepared the dry land] I can listen to a wren singing her heart out, I can delight in a sunset, I can look at the perfection of a flower. I can feel the touch of love from an outstretched hand!

My favourite flowers are roses, lavender, lilies of the valley and sweet peas, because they smell so wonderful! They grow out of the earth, yet each has its own exquisite fragrance!! How does God create that? Scripture says that He gives us all things richly to enjoy. Still, I am in awe, as He speaks His love language through creation!!

But His heart is always to bless!! And, I suddenly realize how precious are His gifts of sight, hearing, smell and *Cont'd ...pg. 2*

## Profile - Charles Fournier

By Hans Veenliet

I would like to introduce this month's profile and it is an honour and a privilege to introduce my friend and brother in Christ, Charles Fournier the Warrior. Although you may think that he is just a quiet and gentle man, lying beneath is the heart and soul of a fearless warrior and a treasure to get to know. Let me explain....

Recently we had the opportunity to get together and chat about some of the events in his life. Although he was born and raised in Hamilton Ontario, Charles's 'new life' began on August 4<sup>th</sup> of 1990 when his high school gym teacher drew

him to the Lord and came into his spiritual destiny. Soon after that, Charles lived through five very difficult years where he struggled with various undiagnosed health issues. This brought him to the place of having to trust God more each day... not an easy beginning for a new believer.

On a personal note, Charles is an avid movie collector and enjoys playing video games, reading comic books and playing keyboards. Although right now his job is a meter reader in the Flam- borough area he's quick to



Photo by Claire Dam

tell you that his dream is to go to the moon! Another *Cont'd ...pg. 2*

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touch... gifts which I take so much for granted. "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits!!"

The Bible is an amazing treasure for us, for me. Of course, we have to search and ask and dig. He says that He will give us "the treasures of darkness, the hidden riches of secret places." As we discover what He is like, and connect with Him, we have the privilege of receiving revelation, and discernment for our lives to-day!! Then, we can have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show His excellence, and His power and that it's all about Him!!

One important treasure I have is Truth –a rock to stand on. And together with a mustard seed of faith and a little bit of wisdom, I can move forward in Him!! Wisdom is

more precious than rubies- [Proverbs] – I want more!!!

What does Jesus say about treasure? Well, He tells us not to lay up treasures on earth, but to bank them in heaven. What does that mean? It means to love God, and love others by investing in the eternal- that's what matters!!

Jesus says where our treasure is, there will our heart be also. He also tells us to seek the Kingdom of God. He tells the story of the man who discovered treasure in a field, and he sold everything to buy the field. (It must have been a large treasure or else He could have dug it up and carried it away. But, no. He only got a glimpse and it was enough to get Him very excited!)

Jesus also told us that the Kingdom is like the most beautiful pearl, worth selling everything to own. Father God points us to His very most excellent Treasure. Twice, in the Gospels, He announces His pleasure in Jesus! "This is My Be-

loved Son, listen to Him! He is the Way, the Truth and the Life! In Him are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge! He reflects the glory of God and bears the very stamp of His nature, upholding the universe by His Word of power! He is the fullness of the Godhead – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is Everything – Alpha and Omega, All in All!

And my heart responds, "Thou and Thou only, Lord of my heart, high King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art!!!"

Before I started to write this, I spent time journaling to ask the Lord what He would have me say. This is what I heard, "Just tell them how much I love them; how I love to bless them; how I joy over them with singing!"

I hope you get His message! You are His treasure!!



Current prophetic word :

"This Season the Lord is Revealing Hidden

TREASURES

Deep Within Our Hearts and Spirits. Dare to Believe!"

Something awesome is afoot in the heavenlies and is destined to manifest in the earthly arena in your life in short order! This is a season in which the Lord is going to reveal "Hidden

Treasures" deep within the hearts and spirits of His elect. God says, "They have been buried below layers of debris in their souls, which I am now cleansing and healing in order that they can more readily recognize the leading of My Spirit in their lives. "I will not leave

undone what has gotten them stuck in ruts. I will not leave unclear what has left them without solutions and resolutions to their crisis. I will not

leave their unanswered questions unanswered, because I will give them their meat in due season. I will heal them at a deeply, spiritual level, as well as at a level of their emotional well-being. This will be a **SUMMER OF MIRACLES"**

Mark Chironna



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dream he expressed is that he would love to be raptured on a sunny day during a stroll in the park.

Charles has been coming to HCF since last fall and has expressed his enjoyment here. When I asked Charles what it was that drew him in, he shared with me

that it was the freedom of expressing oneself in worship and in dance. He saw that HCF was a safe place to worship with flags, in dance and even going to the front altar and laying before the Lord on the floor. It was accepted here, and although in his heart he yearned to have that freedom himself, he felt that it would take some time for him to

get there. But in time he too has also felt free to express his love and joy for the Lord his beloved Saviour.

Right away last fall he plugged in to the Prophetic Boot Camp. When I first met Charles I saw that he was like a man that was stepping in to a pool of cold water. At first he stepped in the pool gingerly

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By Hazel Joy

POETRY

The Reflection of Your Beauty,  
The Reflection of Your Face  
May it Rest on me Lord ,  
Rest upon my Face.

Cover me with Your Glory the  
Foundation of who You Are.  
No Variance or Shadow Covering  
my Heart.

Make my Heart Precious, Precious  
in your Sight.  
Reflecting your Glory, Reflecting  
Your Light.

May, Truth and Grace, be seen

upon my Face.  
May my words be simple, Sweetness  
to the hearer ,  
And building up their Faith.

Oh my Sweet Sweet Jesus, Eternal  
Beauty Bring,  
When in ever moment I take time  
to sing.

A Love song to My Savior , A  
Love Song to My King.  
Oh Kinsman My Redeemer ,to  
You alone help me cling.

I desire to be ready, ready for  
my Groom.

Prepare in me a Heart that  
Gives You all it's Room.  
Take me from this dark,  
dark world.  
Swallow me in the Light of  
YOUR LIFE.

Our Wedding, almost ready,  
the Heavenly Music Resounds,  
To usher in the Bride Of Christ.  
Eternal Matrimony an Eternal  
Home

To ever be Eternal.  
Where my soul finds  
it's Everlasting Home.

AUGUST'S THEME IS "One in Him"

Send us your dreams, noems, songs, quotes, thoughts before July 20th at newsletter@hcfchurch.ca

“Musings”

By Josalyn Hagen

In our house the word treasure is often used by one of our children in reference to finding a stick of ‘long lost’ gum or when their dad comes home from work and presents them with a truck brochure from a truck stop that he came across throughout his day! There is much joy when these simple things are received and the importance of the treasure is definitely in the eye of the beholder.

As parents, we generally do all we can to meet the physical, emotional and educational needs of our children and we love to lavish excess on them so they experience overwhelming joy. In the book of Proverbs it suggests that the most important asset we can impart to our children is the hunger for wisdom. In fact the Bible states that, “Happy is the person who finds wisdom and gains understanding. For the profit of wisdom is better than silver, and her wages are better than gold. Wisdom is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her...all her ways are satisfying...happy are those who hold her tightly.” (Proverbs 3:13-18) Here, Solomon is talking about wisdom being better than the finest earthly treasure. He also introduces the fact that seeking wisdom has many benefits. Some of

these benefits include a long life, wealth, honor, joy and peace. From what Solomon says we can be sure that wisdom ultimately leads to blessing. This convinces me that we as parents need to cry out for the sake of our children for wisdom in this hour. Wisdom is not genetic unlike intelligence and personality but it is something we learn from God as we lean into him. We start learning this when we trust and honour the Lord; as we study the Bible we receive revelations of God’s wisdom.

In the beginning of the book of Proverbs ‘Wisdom’, being portrayed as a woman, is shouting in the streets amongst the crowds, ‘Come here and listen to me! I’ll pour out the spirit of wisdom upon you and make you wise. I called you so often, but you didn’t come. I reached out to you, but you paid no attention...’ (Proverbs 1:23-24) Wisdom is begging for attention in this verse. Wisdom just wants to be wanted and she is stating that we have to be willing to attentively turn our ear and then a blessing is promised: the promise to receive the spirit of wisdom.

So, are we, as parents crying out for wisdom in these days? Are we crying out for

wisdom in how to parent our children and for wisdom in encouraging them in their own destinies? Are we crying out for insight and understanding for ourselves and for our children? Proverbs 2 says to “search for them as you would for lost money or hidden treasure. Then you will understand what it means to fear the Lord, and you will gain knowledge of God. For the Lord grants wisdom! From his mouth come knowledge and understanding. He grants a treasure of good sense to the godly.”

With wisdom and understanding we will be able to discern what is ‘right, just, and fair, and [we] will know how to find the right course of action every time’ (2:9)

Are we as parents modeling good judgment and pointing our children towards crying out for wisdom so they experience peace, joy and have the ability to discern?

So, although my kids may still consider a truck brochure or lost gum to be a treasure, I want to nurture in them, through prayer and example the value of the Lord’s wisdom, a treasure worth more than rubies indeed.



“God has been around a long time, and He has had a long time to think about you. He’s been living in the experience of knowing you long before you were ever born. For trillions of years, God has been thinking about you and the Holy Spirit searches that whole archive and brings incredible **TREASURES** to you at precisely the right moment—if you’re listening.”

**Bill Johnson**

“A box without hinges, key or lid, yet golden **TREASURE** inside is hid.”

**J.R.R. Tolkien**

Profile ..... cont’d

until he saw that it’s actually quite warm, and then he jumped right in. Charles is that young man, who has yearned after the deeper things of God and is bravely going deeper every day. In the prophetic boot camp he experienced things that were new and hard to grasp and after observing from a distance for a time, the Lord proved Himself to him and he pressed in.

This past January, Charles was in my small group in the Healing of the Heart sessions and I have been impressed with his courage and

tenacity. He has fearlessly gone deep with God, boldly pressing in to the deep healing which has brought freedom to his heart. Sometimes we have to fight to contend for our healing and wholeness and Charles has embodied that as he’s now entering into a new stage in his life. Recently the Lord spoke to Charles prophetically that he was being called as a warrior, and being made fit for battle. A timely word as we as a body are being transitioned from a hospital ward to an army base and being equipped for battle. This is an

exciting word and an exciting time ahead for a young man entering into the fullness of his destiny and the treasure that it holds.



**Financial Update**

Watch for the date of our upcoming Annual Meeting.

**YTD:** \$84,018.00  
**June:** \$5,890.00

Thank you for your ongoing tithes and offerings.

**CURRENT BALANCES:**

Roof Fund: \$85,450.00  
Israel Fund: \$1,710.00  
Gardens: \$596.00  
Arimathea Project: \$702.70  
Prayer Room: \$1,523.00



"TREASURE IN THE FIELD" by Teresa Dittrich  
www.forerunnerart.com

## July 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><b>NOTE: All prayer watches are held in the Prayer Room EXCEPT for Sun. Pre-service Prayer (downstairs in main bldg.) &amp; Thurs. a.m. &amp; Sun. corporate Prayer (main sanctuary)</b></p>			<p><b>1</b> 9-10 am—"The Hour to Change the Nation" Prayer for Canada 6:30-8:30 pm Corporate Prayer</p>	<p><b>2</b> Prayer—9:30 am</p>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
				Hamilton Outpouring @ Eastgate Christian Fellowship		
<p><b>5</b> Prayer 9am <b>Service 10am</b> <b>Communion</b> 1-2 pm Corporate Prayer</p>	<b>6</b>	<p><b>7</b> 2-4 pm Israel Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>8</b> 6:30-8:30 pm Corporate Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>9</b> Prayer—9:30 am</p>	<b>10</b>	<p><b>11</b> <b>HCF</b> <b>Yard Sale</b></p>
				'Canadian Oil' Conference @ TACF with Patricia King		
<p><b>12</b> Prayer 9am <b>Service 10am</b>  1-2 pm Corporate Prayer</p>	<p><b>13</b> 7:30-8:30pm Children's Prayer</p>	<p><b>14</b> 2-4 pm Israel Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>15</b> 6:30-8:30 pm Corporate Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>16</b> Prayer—9:30 am</p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>Helen's Sailing</b> <b>Fundraiser 7 p.m.</b> <b>at RHYC</b></p>	<b>18</b>
<p><b>19</b> Prayer 9am <b>Service 10am</b>  1-2 pm Corporate Prayer</p>	<b>20</b>	<p><b>21</b> 2-4 pm Israel Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>22</b> 6:30-8:30 pm Corporate Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>23</b> Prayer—9:30 am</p>	<p><b>24</b> 10 pm—6 am Corporate Prayer Night Watch</p>	<b>25</b>
<p><b>26</b> Prayer 9am <b>Service 10am</b>  1-2 pm Corporate Prayer</p>	<p><b>27</b> 7:30-8:30pm Children's Prayer</p>	<p><b>28</b> 2-4 pm Israel Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>29</b> 6:30-8:30 pm Corporate Prayer Watch</p>	<p><b>30</b> Prayer—9:30 am</p>	<b>31</b>	