NEWSLETTER

HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY



SUMMER LISTENING:

Love, Henri Podcast

Join us weekly to engage Henri Nouwen's spiritual wisdom in today's context. Henri's letters launch important conversations with our wonderful guests.



Dear Friends,

Writing from our offices in Toronto, embracing the warmth and renewal of summer, I find myself reflecting on the profound wisdom of Henri Nouwen. This season invites us to slow down, to savor moments of stillness, and to reconnect with the beauty of creation.



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Henri reminds us that summer is not just a season of outward growth, but also a time for inner nourishment

and spiritual reflection. That helps us grow in gratitude, which is, as Henri wrote, "the explicit effort to acknowledge that all I am and have is given to me as a gift of love, a gift to be celebrated with joy."

This season, I encourage you to take moments of quietude, to let the sunshine illuminate your soul, and to find joy in the simplicity of life's everyday gifts. Whether you find yourself on a beach, in a garden, or simply at home, I hope you will discover renewed strength and inspiration in Nouwen's timeless teachings.

Wishing you a summer filled with peace, joy, and abundant blessings.

With gratitude,

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Bruce Adema, Executive Director

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Henri's book, The Wounded Healer, showed me that our wounded God uses wounded servants like me to bless the wounded people in my life. Henri's insight gave me the courage to continue along the path to ministry. **~ Bruce Adema**

Lifesigns: Intimacy, Fecundity, and Ecstasy in Christian Perspective was the first Nouwen book I read and was absolutely revolutionary for me. I think it is in the category of "read it once a year to re-center" for me. **~ Wendy VanderWal Martin**



JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL ROAD TRIP WITH HENRI NOUWEN!

We're taking an imaginary journey to places in North America that were significant to Henri Nouwen. We'll start July in New Mexico and wind up August in Alabama. Covering 14 states and 2 provinces, our road trip will visit key places Henri taught, wrote, and rested. At each stop, we'll invite your support, through prayer and finances, for key projects that advance our mission of spiritual transformation through the work of Henri Nouwen.



Thank you for coming along for the ride!



SPANISH MINISTRY:

We are nearing completion on a full set of audio recordings of the **Daily Meditations** from *You are the Beloved* en español!

We look forward to setting up partnerships with Hispanic media everywhere to share Henri's spiritual wisdom through the Spanish-speaking world.

2024 MEDITATION SERIES:

Eager to expand your spiritual practices? Plan to join us for four free sessions with special guest, **Carolyn Arends**!

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LEGACY GIVING:

Remembering the Henri Nouwen Society in your will can contribute to the sustainability of this ministry!

Henri often addressed the topic of death. He said, "When we are able to die with grateful hearts, grateful to God and our families and friends, our deaths can become sources of life for others."

If you are one of our long-time, faithful supporters, you may receive a call inviting a conversation about legacy giving. Please give this prayerful thought and consideration. We cherish the opportunity to support you in making plans to bear good fruit long into the future.

FATHER TO THE FATHERLESS:

We are so excited to announce that the 9-part video series and workbook are complete and ready to be launched in Canadian prisons in **September**!

The coming year will focus on expanding the program to the U.S. and internationally.

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MATT CHAPMAN WRITER AND PRESENTER, FATHER TO THE FATHERLESS



One of my favourites is You Are the Beloved. It gathers inspiring excerpts from many of Henri's works into one devotional with daily readings, similar to Henri's book Bread for the Journey, written in the final year of his life - also a favourite. **~ Stephen Lazarus**

Each time I read it, The Return of the Prodigal Son renews in me a deep peace and joy in the sure knowledge that despite my earthly fatherlessness, I am a beloved child of God, and that ultimately, that is infinitely more than enough. **~ Tammy Friesen**

