For the week of:

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Week at a Glance

MONDAY 1/24

National Peanut Butter Day is to recognize the staple that is in every pantry! Marcellus Gilmore Edson first patented peanut butter in 1884 and probably didn't know the impact it would later make.

TUESDAY 1/25

In 1905, in Pretoria, South Africa, *a 3,106-carat diamond is discovered during a routine inspection*. Weighing 1.33 pounds, and christened the "Cullinan," it was the largest diamond ever found.

WEDNESDAY 1/26

Happy 185th Birthday, Michigan! On this day in 1837, "The Great Lakes State" was granted statehood after the conclusion of the Toledo War and became the 26th state.

THURSDAY 1/27

International Holocaust Remembrance Day is a day that commemorates the victims of the Holocaust. This day was chosen to recognize the date that Auschwitz concentration camp was liberated.

FRIDAY 1/28

On January 28, 1958, LEGO submitted a patent application for the plastic bricks we know and love today with interlocking studs and tubes. To mark the date, we celebrate *National LEGO Day!*

DID YOU KNOW?

• There are six cities in the U.S. named Peanut: Peanut, California; Lower Peanut, Pennsylvania; Upper Peanut, Pennsylvania; Peanut, Pennsylvania, Peanut, Tennessee; and Peanut West Virginia.

• Shortly after the Revolutionary War in 1784, several counties in what is now northeastern Tennessee (at the time, they were part of North Carolina) declared themselves the **independent state of Franklin**. The name choice wasn't coincidental – the residents were trying to sway Benjamin Franklin (and his followers) to recognize the state, but the vote for statehood failed in Congress.

• Michigan's state motto is: "If you seek a pleasant peninsula, look about you."

• The UK's James May built a LEGO house out of **3.3 million bricks**. It contained a working toilet, shower, and bed. The house was torn down shortly after.

IN OTHER WORDS...

"A precise prayer gives Christ the opportunity to remove all doubt about His love and interest. Your problem becomes His pathway. The challenge you face becomes a canvas upon which Christ can demonstrate His finest work. So offer a simple prayer and entrust the problem to Christ."

—Max Lucado

Weekly Verse

Now listen, you who say, "today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money." Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

James 4:13-15 (NIV)

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DEVOTIONS AT NRB

Please join the team from Mercy Ships on Wednesday (3/9) at 8AM for a light breakfast and encouragement from the Word. It has been an extraordinary journey for the ministry with The Global Mercy sailing to its first port of ministry soon. Come and rejoice with us!

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