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Week at a Glance

MONDAY 2/14

Happy Valentine's Day! This day of love is celebrated in so many ways and it's always exciting to see what new traditions are included or created each year. Show someone how much you love them!

TUESDAY 2/15

On this day, in 1903, toy store owner and inventor Morris Michtom placed two stuffed bears in his shop window, advertising them as *Teddy bears*, named after Teddy Roosevelt!

WEDNESDAY 2/16

National Almond Day! Almonds are native to the Middle East and thrive in warm, dry climates with mild winters. Did you know that eighty percent of the world's almonds are grown in California?

THURSDAY 2/17

While the Suez Canal didn't officially open until November 1869, today marks *155 years since the S.S. Dido became the first ship to pass through the canal from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea.*

FRIDAY 2/18

Clyde Tombaugh, a newly hired assistant at Lowell Observatory, *discovered Pluto on this day in 1930!* Pluto's planethood has since been revoked, but he remains the favorite "planet" of many!

DID YOU KNOW?

- The first heart-shaped box of chocolates was introduced in 1861. It was created by **Richard Cadbury**, son of Cadbury founder John Cadbury, who started packaging chocolates in fancy boxes to increase sales.
- After years of remarkable work as an attorney, **Thurgood Marshall** became the first African American to serve in the U.S. Supreme Court. Officially nominated by President Lyndon B. Johnson in 1967, he served as a justice until 1991.
- Before 1940, the U.S. military had barred Black people from flying planes, but after lobbying from civil rights organizations and the press, the first squadron of Black pilots was formed in Tuskegee, Alabama. Between 1941 and 1946, more than **1,000 Black pilots trained at Moton Field**. The Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site preserves Moton Field and its Hangar One, including one of the red-striped planes flown by the Tuskegee Airmen.

IN OTHER WORDS...

"A wonderful blessing awaits when you obey Jesus! He will reveal himself to you - his loveliness, his worthiness, his heart. Follow the hard path of obedience and you will see Jesus as you never have before!"

—**Joni Eareckson Tada**

To hear more from Joni, air *Joni and Friends* (4:00) and *Diamonds in the Dust* (1:00).

Weekly Verse

"We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing. Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring."

2 Thessalonians 1:3-4 (NIV)

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Connect with the crew from Focus during NRB—check our website for details on several receptions, or contact Katie@ambaa.com for more info. Greet John Fuller, the team from the Average Boy podcast, leadership for 2022's "See Life" event (June) and others. We'd love to see you there!



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