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Week at a Glance

MONDAY 8/22

Is the glass half full or half empty? You get to decide on *World Plant Milk Day*, a holiday dedicated to unique milk alternatives such as oat, almond, and coconut (some people might call you nuts for drinking it though!).

TUESDAY 8/23

Don't turn a blind eye to *International Blind Dog Day*. Due to the fact that smelling is a dog's primary sense, our sightless four-legged friends can still live their lives to the fullest!

WEDNESDAY 8/24

How many planets are in our galaxy? The answer (8 planets) is different from what lots of us learned growing up. On August 24 in 2006, *Pluto was "demoted" to a dwarf planet* because of its inability to clear neighboring objects out of its orbit.

THURSDAY 8/25

There's no place like home! *The Wizard of Oz debuted* on this day in 1939 and is one of the most well-known movies in history, though not an initial sensation. It lost Best Picture to *Gone with the Wind* and wouldn't gain popularity for almost 20 years.

FRIDAY 8/26

Out of left field! In the afternoon of August 26 in 1939, a doubleheader between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers was the *first televised Major League Baseball game*.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Merriam-Webster defines a **Yoooper** as "a native or resident of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan" – used as a nickname." The silly-sounding term comes from the common nickname of Michigan's Upper Peninsula as the U.P. When you say "U.P." quickly, it sounds like "Yoop." And so the next logical step is to call those northern Michiganders "Yoopers"!

- For the 76 years between Pluto being discovered in 1930 and the time it was reclassified as a dwarf planet, **it completed less than a third of its orbit around the Sun.**

- Providence, Rhode Island has the most donut shops per person in the US. There are **23.25 doughnut shops per 100,000 people.**

- In 1952, the **Los Angeles Dodgers** became the first team to include numbers on the front of the jersey.

IN OTHER WORDS...

"Suffering in itself, of course, is distressing. It's a negative experience. Who likes it? Who wants it? Even so, when Christ exchanged the meaning of the cross for something new, He was able to open up a whole new realm of possibilities in our own suffering."

—Joni Eareckson Tada

Weekly Verse

"Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior."

Habakkuk 3:17-18 (NIV)

SUMMER READING

May we recommend these new releases for some great summertime reading! After the last two years, you may feel very ready for Joni Eareckson Tada's newest word of encouragement—**Songs of Suffering: 25 Hymns and Devotions for Weary Souls**. In that same spirit, a timely reminder from Max Lucado that **Help Is Here: Finding Fresh Strength and Purpose in the Power of the Holy Spirit**. Amen!



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