

For the week of:
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Get the low-down from a high-up perspective!

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MONDAY 10/23

On October 23 in 2001, **Apple announced the first iPod**, which was a handheld music player that boasted its ability to put “1,000 songs in your pocket.” This device underwent many models and upgrades until it was discontinued in 2022.

TUESDAY 10/24

Look out below! In 1901, **Annie Edson Taylor became the first person to survive a plunge over Niagara Falls** while riding in a barrel. The 63-year-old widowed schoolteacher was seeking fortune and possibly fame out of this stunt, though neither occurred in abundance during her lifetime.

WEDNESDAY 10/25

It's **International Artist Day**, which is all about celebrating talented artists throughout history as well as the artist within each of us! Why not take time today to explore your local art museum, explore a new genre of music, or attempt to make your own masterpiece? The famous painter Henri Matisse said “creativity takes courage,” so don't be afraid to take chances today!

THURSDAY 10/26

From pumpkin spiced lattes to pumpkin pie, fall wouldn't be the same without our favorite squash. Pumpkins are a fruit (yes, a fruit!) that are entirely edible and full of healthy vitamins and minerals. And if you don't like the taste of these gourds, they also make for some cozy harvest decorations. There's something for everyone to love on **National Pumpkin Day!**

FRIDAY 10/27

All aboard! On this day in 1904, **the New York City subway system opened to the public**. More than 100,000 people took their first ride that day, costing them only a nickel. The popularity of this metro system has grown and now an average of 4.5 million city goers ride the subway in the Big Apple everyday!

DID YOU KNOW?

- There have been 5 different versions of the **iPod**—the iPod, the iPod mini, iPod Nano, Shuffle, and of course the precursor to the iPhone, the iPod Touch.
- Four of the five Great Lakes (Superior, Michigan, Huron, and Erie) drain into the Niagara River before emptying into Lake Ontario. These five Great Lakes make up almost **one-fifth of the world's fresh water supply**.
- For the first four decades of competition, the Olympics awarded official medals for **painting, sculpture, architecture, literature and music**, alongside those for the athletic competitions.
- A Minnesota horticulture teacher set a world record in on October 9, 2023, for the heaviest pumpkin after growing a giant gourd **weighing 2,749 pounds**.
- Laid end to end, NYC Transit train tracks would stretch from **New York City to Chicago**.

... And the Latest from Ambassador

Proverbs 11:17

Know what it says? The merciful man does good for his own soul. And that's the daily message on **The Mercy Minute** now hosted by Raeanne Newquist, part of the team at Mercy Ships. You can catch up with The Global Mercy's work in Sierra Leone online and in Update! Contact Rebecca@ambaa.com for info!

“If you're feeling spiritually adrift right now, I have good news for you: the Gospel doesn't change.”

Adriel Sanchez
Core Christianity

