

For the week of:  
**11|20|2023**

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## MONDAY 11/20

Today is **Universal Children's Day**, a holiday started by a pastor in 1857 that is dedicated to the wellness and encouragement of young boys and girls. It's also a special time to celebrate children's admirable faith and reflect on Mark 10:15 which says, "whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it."

## TUESDAY 11/21

On this day in 1877 Thomas Edison announced his **invention of the phonograph**. His experiment succeeded after Edison recorded a recitation of "Mary had a Little Lamb" and the phonograph repeated his voice back. This invention was one of the 1,093 patents that Edison acquired throughout his lifetime!

## WEDNESDAY 11/22

Today we're whipping up a recipe of kindness! The day before Thanksgiving is one of the biggest baking days of the year, which is where the idea for **National Tie an Apron on Day** started. This unique holiday encourages people to fix up some baked goods, wrapped in an apron and topped with a thoughtful note, and give them to those who could use extra love this season. This labor of love puts the "give" into Thanksgiving!

## THURSDAY 11/23

Gobble 'til you wobble! Have a wonderful day spending sweet time with family and enjoying delicious dishes! And don't forget to set aside time to express gratitude for your loved ones and the Lord's continual blessings. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 reminds us to, "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." **Happy Thanksgiving!**

## FRIDAY 11/24

Calling all deal-lovin' shoppers! Did you know that in 2015 one man camped outside of a retail store for 33 days before **Black Friday**? We're not sure if any deal is worth that level of dedication, but we hope that you're able to ring in Christmas cheer today with some early holiday shopping!

## DID YOU KNOW?

- An average baby will **triple** their birth weight in the first year.
- In the 1980s, **phonograph** use on a standard record player declined sharply due to the rise of the cassette tape, compact disc, and other digital recording formats.
- Apron styles can be practical, fashionable, and sentimental. The word comes from Old French **naperon**, meaning a small piece of cloth.
- Buffalo, New York, was the first city to host a **Turkey Trot** on Thanksgiving morning in 1896. Only six runners participated in the race that year, running on stretches of dirt road for roughly five miles.
- Shoppers spent **\$9.12 billion** online during Black Friday in 2022 and 47% of Black Friday sales happened through mobile phones in 2022.

## ... And the Latest from Ambassador

### HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Just a reminder that Focus on the Family's classic **The Legend of Squanto** story (Radio Theatre content) is permissioned to all for airing this week. Ask Rebecca@ambaa.com for details to access, download and air. It's a fascinating account of the origin of Thanksgiving and one American Indian's journey to freedom!

God is always near us.  
Always for us.  
Always in us.  
We may forget Him,  
but God will never forget us.

**Max Lucado**

