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DESTINY CALL TO ACTION: Thanksgiving



With the Thanksgiving holiday approaching, we are entering a season of thankfulness and appreciation for all that God has provided. This is a time for us to reflect and to review with gratitude all the challenges we overcame and how they became lessons to our greater, stronger, wiser and better selves.

Please don't waste this season with vain self-appraisals. Let's not be like the rich man who thought everything he had was based on his own wisdom, his own strength, and his powerful connections. He soon learned that when troubles came, he couldn't think his way out, he couldn't power his way out and his friends didn't help because they had troubles too. Realizing that all he had comes from above, from his Heavenly Father, he cried out "Lord Help Me", and immediately God sent him peace and understanding.

Please use this Thanksgiving season to be like the thankful rich man who now has peace and understands that all good and perfect gifts come from above. Yes, we may have wisdom, and yes, we may have strength, and yes, we may have friends and family. But these are gifts that have come from a generous loving Father who loves us so much that He will open up the windows of heaven and give us much more than we could think or ask. Have a Happy Thanksgiving.

WALKING IN DESTINY SCRIPTURES



Ephesians 5:20

Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

Philippians 4:7

And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Malachi 3:10

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT



Looking for a place to learn about God and gain insight into His word? Here are a few suggestions:

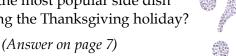
- ▶ 'Girl Talk' | Every Sunday, 2pm 3 pm on: Facebook: WTGB or online: https://tgbtgb.org/girl-talk-2/
- Ascension Church | Services held inside Tinley Temple Methodist Church 750-62 S. Broad Street, Phila., 19146 | Pastor John Brice
- Change Church | 895 Rancocas Road, Westhampton, NJ 08060 Sunday morning worship - 1130am | Pastor Dharius Daniels
- Ebenezer Baptist Church | 1002 N. 10th Street, Phila., 19133 Sunday morning worship – 11am | Pastor Malcom Medlev
- Mediator Lutheran Church | 2845 N. 28th Street, Phila., 19132 Sunday morning worship – 11am | Pastor Regina Goodrich
- New Covenant Church of Philadelphia | 7500 Germantown Avenue, Phila., 19119 Sunday morning worship – 9:30am | Executive Pastor Bob Oliver
- Polite Temple Baptist Church | 38 E. Price Street, Phila., 19144 Morning Worship - 11:15am | Pastor Bernadine Waterman
- Providence Baptist Church | 87 E. Haines Street, Phila., 19144 Sunday morning worship - 10am | Pastor A. Gregory Jackson
- Apostle Tomy Jordan and Pastor Stephanie D. Jordan from Abiding Love Deliverance Center, NC are streaming live on Zoom every Saturday at noon. ID: 306 155 0388, Password: JESUSJOY Dial 646-558-8656 to join them for Prayer on Tuesdays at 6pm and Wednesdays for Bible Study at 7 pm. Contact information: 267-290-0654 or abidinglovedeliverancecenter@gmail.com





Trivia Question What's the most popular side dish

eaten during the Thanksgiving holiday?







RESOURCES IN PHILADELPHIA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS

At the time of publication, listed resources were available. Contact to verify that what you are interested in is still happening or available.

Please share the following with friends, family, neighbors, your social and ministry circles, etc.

Feel free to post on your personal social media and church bulletin boards.

FOOD RESOURCES

We are listing known food distributions, but you can also contact churches in your neighborhoods. Many of them hold weekly distributions. If you know of a resource not listed here, feel free to let us know and we will add them to future issues of the newsletter. Thank you.

- ▶ Einstein Healthcare Network & Philabundance | 11th St @ W. Clarkson St, Phila PA 19141 <u>Tuesday</u> mornings 9:30 – 10:30 am / On the Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia campus A weekly produce market where fresh fruits and vegetables are distributed at no cost.
- ▶ <u>Gompers Free Food Distribution</u> | Samuel Gompers School, 5701 Wynnefield Ave, Phila PA, 19131 (267) 593-5590 1 <u>Wednesdays</u> 11:30am 1pm : November 6, 13, 20 and 27.
- Two Fish, Five Loaves Food Distribution | New Covenant Church of Phila, 7500 Germantown Ave., Phila PA 19119
 Saturdays, November 16 and 23 1 1:30 pm until supplies exhausted.
- ► <u>Free Produce Distribution</u> | Mi Salud Wellness Center, 200 E Wyoming Ave, Phila PA, 19120 <u>Mondays and Wednesdays</u> at 6pm | first come first served until food runs out | 215.220.4421 https://www.misaludwellness.org/

FARMERS' MARKETS

- ▶ <u>Chestnut Hill Farmers' Market</u>: <u>Saturdays</u> November 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30: 10am 12pm Winston Road between Germantown Avenue & Mermaid Lane, Phila., PA 19107 / 215.733.9599
- ▶ <u>Germantown Farmers Market</u>: <u>Bi-weekly Saturdays</u>, 11/2 and 11/16: 11 am 3 pm 5501 Germantown Avenue, Phila., PA 19144
- ▶ Rittenhouse Saturday Farmers' Market: 11/9, 11/16 and 11/23: 10 am 2 pm 18th & Walnut Streets, Phila., PA 19107 / 215.733.9599
- Fitler Square Farmers Market: 11/9, 11/16 and 11/23: 9 am 2 pm 2227 Pine St., Phila., PA 19103 / 215.575.0444

To find more food resources go to the following food, meal and other public benefit finders:

- https://www.phila.gov/food/
- ► Share Food Program, Food Map by County: https://www.sharefoodprogram.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Pantry-Sheet_61724.pdf
- ▶ PA Food Pantries: https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/dhs/resources/ending-hunger/food-pantries.html

ALL AROUND RESOURCES & ASSISTANCE

▶ Prevention Hotline | dial 211

211 is a source for local social service info, providing all Pennsylvania residents access to customized health, housing and human services in one place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Individuals can call 211, or send a text to 898-211, or enter a live chat at <u>pa211.org</u> or visit https://www.pa211.org/ and get connected to trained personnel who will help with your request.

While the hotline provides critical support, individuals facing immediate danger should always contact 911.

HOUSEHOLD RESOURCES

▶ Smoke Alarms

Philadelphia residents call 3-1-1 to receive a free smoke alarm installation. You can also <u>submit a request to Philly 311 online</u>.

▶ Philadelphia Water Department Financial Assistance Programs

If you're having problems paying your water bill or maintaining your service, Philadelphia Water Department has programs that may help you. For a view of the options available visit: https://water.phila.gov/financial-assistance/





EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES & OPPORTUNITIES

▶ Community Safety Project: The Village of Arts and Humanities - info@villagearts.org 215-436-9750 Thu November 21 and December 19, from 6 to 7:30 p.m., join our resident-led Community Safety Project designed to prevent violence without police involvement. It's a chance to connect with your neighbors and create a better future. Register here.

Philadelphia School District Re-Engagement Center

The School District of Philadelphia's Re-Engagement Center (REC) aims to provide students who have previously dropped out (or those in school and at risk of dropping out) with the chance to return to school by offering a range of "educational pathways". For more information call <u>215-400-6700</u> or go to: https://www.philasd.org/opportunitynetwork/reengagement/

<u>DadLab</u> | Meetings held online with Zoom Sponsored by Einstein Medical Center of Philadelphia

This is a group designed for new fathers to learn about being a dad. Transitioning to fatherhood can be overwhelming. Sharing your experiences and learning from others can help you build confidence and bond with your baby. You won't be lectured on the "right" way to father.



You'll have an opportunity to share your fathering experiences, concerns and questions and connect with other dads. New moms and partners are also included because everyone benefits when co-parents communicate and coordinate their care. For meeting times, call or text DadLab Director Jay Cherney at 215-690-1029 or email him at cherney.jay@gmail.com. Or contact Co-facilitator Clarence B. Iszard at 484-471-7005 or issardc@einstein.edu.

▶ Project Home/Honickman Learning Center Comcast Technology Labs

Check the website for FREE community events, adult learning classes, workshops, job fairs, wellness programs, volunteer opportunities, art shows: https://www.projecthome.org/events

- ▶ Take A Free Class The Free Library of Philadelphia offers a wide variety of free classes at branches around the city. Additionally, the Office of Children and Families provides free adult education classes through a citywide network of community providers.
 - Adult education at the Free Library
 - Other programs and services at the Free Library
 - Adult education through the Office of Children and Families

COVID & HEALING RESOURCES

Covid numbers are increasing again. Please be mindful about when/where you should wear a mask, whether or not to be in crowds of people, and testing (and isolating yourself if you feel ill).

COVID RELIEF FOR FUNERAL EXPENSES

Philadelphians who have lost loved ones due to covid, can receive FEMA aid to cover funeral expenses, up to \$9,000 per person lost. To apply, call 844-684-6333 or visit https://www.usa.gov/covid-funeral-assistance

Covid-19 Vaccinations

Covid-19 vaccinations and boosters are available in numerous locations throughout Philadelphia and its surrounding cities and counties.

To find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you:

- go to: https://www.phila.gov/services/mental-physical-health/get-vaccinated/get-your-covid-19-vaccine-or-booster/
- Search vaccines.gov,
- Text your ZIP code to 438829, or
- Call 1-800-232-0233.
- Many neighborhood pharmacies continue to offer vaccines. Check with your local pharmacy.
- To request an in-home appointment, call 215-685-5488 (press 2 for Spanish or 3 for all other languages). Dial 711 for TRS/TTY assistance.

Covid-19 Testing

There are many covid testing sites available. Go to: https://www.phila.gov/covid-testing-sites/ or access the Testing Locator at testinglocator.cdc.gov.

Your Destiny is Here, Inc. provides resource information as a public service for persons in need. While we try to keep the information timely and accurate, we make no guarantees. Services provided by listed organizations and businesses are the sole responsibility of the organization or business.

Children's Corner

1st Things First - The Word of the Month is "GRATITUDE"

Gratitude is when you feel thankful for the good things in your life; the state of being thankful.

2nd Thing - How many common words can you make out of the word **GRATITUDE**? Give it a try and come back next month to compare your list with ours.

3rd Thing - Last Month's word was REGISTER. We made 35 common words out of the letters in the word REGISTER. How does your list compare with ours?

1.	get	8. reset	15. seer	22. steer	29. tier
2.	greet	9. retire	16. set	23. stir	30. ties
3.	grit	10. rise	17. siege	24. tea	31. tiger
4.	grits	11. riser	18. sir	25. tear	32. tire
5.	ire	12. sea	19. sire	26. tee	33. tires
6.	regret	13. sear	20. sit	27. terse	34. tree
7.	regrets	14. see	21. site	28. tie	35. trees

Now on to some fun activities!

- ▶ 101 Family Day Trips and Staycations Around Philadelphia https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/content/101-family-day-trips-philadelphia
- ▶ <u>AAMP Family Fun Days</u> / Saturday November 9 and December 14, 10 am to 5 pm African American Museum in Philadelphia, 701 Arch Street, Philadelphia PA 215-574-0308
- Oak Lane Library, 6614 North 12th Street, Philadelphia PA 19126, 215-685-2848
 Events: https://libwww.freelibrary.org/calendar/event/138769
- Philadelphia Zoo, 3400 W Girard Ave, Phila., PA 19104 https://www.philadelphiazoo.org/events/
- Science History Institute, 315 Chestnut St., Phila., PA 19106
 Every Saturday 10 am 5 pm / Stories of Science (for science lovers of all ages)
 For other events: https://www.sciencehistory.org/visit/events/
- Philly Fall Day Trips Guide: https://mommypoppins.com/philadelphia-family/fall-activities/fall-activity-guide-for-philadelphia-kids

FAMILY EVENTS

- Love Your Park Saturday Clean-ups at various parks around the City https://loveyourpark.org/events
- November 2024 in Philly: The 60 Biggest Events, Festivals & Exhibitions https://www.visitphilly.com/articles/philadelphia/top-things-to-do-in-philadelphia-in-november/
- Metro To Do Events for October https://events.metrophiladelphia.com/?start_date=2024-11-01&end_date=2024-11-30

To find more activities and events:

- https://philly.kidsoutandabout.com/
- https://www.visitphilly.com/uwishunu/things-to-do-in-philadelphia-this-week-weekend/
- https://www.phila.gov/the-latest/all-events/?category=Philadelphia%20Parks%20%26%20Recreation

DISCOVERY



Search for words associated with Thanksgiving

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WORD LIST

appreciation better blessing connection Father generous God good grace gratitude greater holiday loving perfect prayer rich season stronger Thanksgiving

TRIVIA QUESTION & ANSWER





What's the most popular side dish eaten during the Thanksgiving holiday?



Unsurprisingly, stuffing (or dressing) takes the top spot as the favorite side dish to enjoy on Thanksgiving.

How do you like your stuffing/dressing: wet or dry, cornbread or white bread, sage sausage, Italian sausage, oysters or other?

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