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DESTINY – INDEPENDENCE



As we celebrate the 4th of July, Independence Day, we should think about how God created us for Unity with others and with Him.

On this day, many people reflect on the American colonies' need to be independent based on being treated unfairly, which started the Revolutionary War in 1775. The colonists successfully declared their independence on July 4th in 1776, even though the war didn't end until 1783, when Great Britain finally recognized the colonies' independence. Their unity resulted in their freedom.

African Americans had a similar experience when President Lincoln sought to end the United States' Civil War, reconnecting the northern and southern states, and freeing all enslaved Blacks. Despite his issuing the Emancipation Proclamation in 1862, confederate states refused to free Blacks for another three years. Even though there was opposition, freedom won out. The end of slavery was declared on June 19, 1865, which is now known as Juneteenth.

This demonstrates how independence for a nation looks different from independence for individuals. When countries or territories seek independence they have to take into consideration the viewpoint of not just the rich and the powerful, but all of the people.

God created us to live and work with each other. What a difference we would make in the world if our independence led to unity - respecting one another and living in peace. Now that would be something to celebrate!

WALKING IN DESTINY SCRIPTURES



I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

1Corinthians 1:10

Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. *Romans 14:19*

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves. *Philippians 2:3*

CALL TO ACTION – INDEPENDENCE



What are the pros and cons of independence within your relationship with God? Self-dependence and self-reliance may sound like a good thing, the perfect way to live, but is it really?

What does independently serving God mean to you: quiet meditation, silent prayer, private bible study? Separation from fellowship, unshared testimonies, and lost pastoral support? Take some time this month to think about the consequences of walking independently in your relationship with God. Does your independence move you closer to or farther away from God's destiny for your life?



TRIVIA QUESTION

A newborn kangaroo is about the size of a . . .



Watermelon



Grapefruit



Plum



Lima Bean



(Answer at end of the newsletter)



What can you serve but never eat?

A Tennis Ball!



DISCOVERY



**Where there is unity,
there is strength.**

Search for words related to
or opposed to unity.

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TOGETHER
UNDIVIDED
UNITY



EVENTS

► **Family Fun by the River | Pleasant Hill Park**

1pm – 3:30pm on Thursdays - July 14th and 21st

Happening in the field near the playground at Pleasant Hill Park. There will be kid's field games (corn hole, horseshoes, hula hoops, balls, giant Jenga, giant connect 4 etc.), arts and crafts, fun nature activities and more! No sign up necessary! ***Will be canceled if there is rain or very hot weather.** https://www.facebook.com/events/407763354577694/?event_time_id=407763371244359

► **Learn to Fish - Frankford Boat Launch**

5:30pm – 7:30 pm on Thursdays – July 14th and 28th

Learn how to fish for FREE! Rods, tackle, bait and basic instruction will be provided. First come, first served. They have rods to loan out and worms for bait. You are welcome to bring your own rod. (Drive in on the access road just south of the Dietz and Watson facility. You'll see a sign for 'employee parking'. **When you reach the river turn left and you'll see us.**)

Registration encouraged but not required.

*Register via eventbrite: <https://learntofish-fbl.eventbrite.com>

For more information and possible future updates, check the event Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/events/5007781869259103/?event_time_id=5007781882592435



► **Salsa & Bacheta Dance Party @Love Park | Arch Street, Phila, 19102**

7pm – 10pm on Fridays - July 15th, 22nd and 29th

Join Sempre Salsa Philly and Dance Republic for a group Dance Lesson immediately followed by the opportunity to "dance the night away" to the sounds of Philly's top Latin DJs and/or the region's best salsa bands.

► **Learn Archery | Pennypack on the Delaware**

11am - 1pm on Saturday, July 23rd

Lets Go Outdoors is offering FREE Drop-In Archery events. These programs are an opportunity to have fun learning how to SAFELY use a bow and arrow to shoot a target, with the added bonus of getting to know a local park or organization. Taking place at either Pennypack on the Delaware. For more information and to register; visit: <https://www.letsgooutdoors.net/rfn-lgo-programs.html>



RESOURCES (In Philadelphia and the surrounding areas)

At the time of publication, resources listed were obtainable.

Covid-19 resources change daily. We recommend you call and verify that what you are interested in is still available.

Please share the following with friends, family, neighbors and within your social and ministry circles. Feel free to post on your personal social media and church bulletin boards.

FOOD

The City of Philadelphia and its partners provide free food and meals to supplement existing food pantry networks.

- ▶ To find children, youth, and senior meal providers near you:

[VIEW THE FOOD SITES MAP](#)



- ▶ Check out this link below and put in your zip code to find other locations near you.
<https://www.philabundance.org/find-food/>
- ▶ Click here to **Find meal sites for residents experiencing hunger and homelessness**
- ▶ For summer meal sites for children and teens call the Summer Meals Hotline, at 215-770-4659, or go to the website for more information - <https://www.hungercoalition.org/summermeals>
- ▶ Food assistance resources from PA Office of Gov. Wolf:
https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Food_Security/Pages/Resources.aspx
- ▶ **New Covenant Church of Philadelphia** | 7500 Germantown Ave, Phila, 19119
Saturdays at 1 pm until food is distributed. No distribution on Saturday, July 16th.
- ▶ **Fresh For All Wednesdays | Greater Enon Missionary Baptist Church**
1854 N. 22nd St, Phila, 19121 | 215-765-3135 | 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm on Wednesdays
Weekly produce stand. Free to all, runs weather dependent. Find it in front of the school.
- ▶ **Einstein Healthcare Network and Philabundance**
At the corner of 11th Street @W. Clarkson Street. Phila, 19141
Tuesday mornings starting at 9:30 – 10:30 am
A weekly produce market where fresh fruits and vegetables are distributed at no cost.

COVID-19

In Philadelphia, masks are still strongly recommended in indoor public settings.

As of June 27, 2022 – over 297,905 persons have had one dose of the covid-19 vaccine, and over 1,281,857 persons have been fully vaccinated. Approximately 495,191 have received additional doses (boosters), according to the City of Philadelphia Coronavirus dashboard.

COVID RELIEF

Philadelphians who have lost loved ones due to covid can receive FEMA aid to cover funeral expenses, up to \$9,000 per person lost. Call 844-684-6333 to apply.



COVID VACCINATIONS

Pharmacies across the city offer covid-19 vaccines. Most local pharmacies will give second shots to people who are due or overdue, regardless of where you received your first dose. Check with your local pharmacy for details.

The City also offers a program that helps people schedule in-home vaccination services for homebound older adults and people with disabilities.

Go to <https://www.vaccines.gov/> to find a Covid-19 vaccination site near you.



Find out more about getting vaccinated

COVID-19 TESTING

- ▶ For a free at home Covid-test go to <https://www.covid.gov/tests>
- ▶ **Testing map** - Search this map of permanent testing sites. You can:
 - Search for a testing site by address
 - Click on a location for specific site information
 - Filter the list of sites



HOUSEHOLD / NEIGHBORHOOD INFO

► Philly First Home

A first time home buyers down payment assistance program.

The City of Philadelphia is offering a homebuyer assistance grant of up to \$10,000 (or 6% of the home's purchase price, whichever is lower) to assist first-time homebuyers reduce the principal, cover down payment and loan closing costs for those purchasing their first home. For eligibility information go to: [Philly First Home](#)



► Water Assistance Program/LIHWAP

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is a temporary emergency program to help low-income families pay overdue water bills. LIHWAP is a grant. **You do not have to repay it.**

LIHWAP crisis grants may be available if you have an emergency situation and are in jeopardy of losing your water service. You can receive one crisis grant for your drinking water service and one crisis grant for your wastewater service, up to \$2,500 each. **Crisis situations include:**

- Past-due water bills.
- Termination of utility service.
- Danger of having utility service terminated (received a notice that service will be shut off within the next 60 days).



How to Apply

- **Online:** www.compass.state.pa.us
- **Paper:** You can download a paper application, print it, fill it out, and return it to your local county assistance office.
 - [LIHWAP Paper Application – English \(PDF\)](#)
 - [LIHWAP Paper Application – Spanish \(PDF\)](#)
- **Phone:** Request an application by calling the Statewide Customer Service Center at 877-395-8930 or call PA Relay at 711 for the hearing impaired.
- **In-Person:** Applications are available at your local [county assistance office](#). For more information go to: <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHWAP.aspx>

► Smoke Alarms

Philadelphia residents call 3-1-1 to receive a free smoke alarm installation. You can also [submit a request to Philly 311 online](#).



► **Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Offs** | 9am – 3pm

Philadelphia residents may drop off items labeled: toxic, flammable, corrosive or reactive at events offered across the City.

Handling and disposing of hazardous waste materials requires a special set of regulations due to the potential damage the items can cause people, pets and the environment. New PA Department of Environmental Protection COVID protocols require residents to pre-register and schedule an appointment to drop off materials at an event. Computers are not accepted at any of the Household Hazardous Waste events as they can be taken to any of the Sanitation Convenience Centers during normal business hours.



When and Where

Thursday, July 14, 2022 - Northeast Philadelphia, 8401 State Rd., 19136

Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 - North Philadelphia, W. York St. & N. 22nd St., 19132

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 - Southwest Philadelphia, 3033 S. 63rd St., 19153

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022 - Port Richmond, 3901 N. Delaware Ave., 19137

Click here for details on products that will be accepted. For additional information, please visit the Streets Department's website. For all City services, call 311.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

► **Mentoring Moments** | Virtual Training

Tuesday, July 19 | 12pm – 130pm

In this free virtual training for adults in relationship-rich spaces, participants will get the skills and strategies needed to increase the quality and depth of everyday interactions with youth.



Participants will:

- Understand the evidence-based developmental approach to interacting with youth
- Explore concrete strategies to activate mentoring moments with youth
- Practice reflective listening skills
- Explore setting and maintaining healthy boundaries

Sponsored by MENTOR Independence Region. **Learn more and register.**

► **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". These pathways are designed to assist students by providing a "best fit path" to earn their high school diploma & prepare students for successful postsecondary experiences. For more information go to:

<https://www.philasd.org/opportunitynetwork/reengagement/>



► **DadLab** | 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. You'll connect with other dads going through the same things as you. 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 iszardc@einstein.edu.

► **Kauffman FastTrac**

Virtual classes - 6 pm to 9 pm on Wednesdays – July 13th, 20th and 27th

The Kauffman FastTrac® series is an educational program, created by entrepreneurs for entrepreneurs, which is designed to help you evaluate and perfect your business concept, as well as complete a comprehensive business plan. Whether you're starting a food truck or a factory, a construction company or a consulting firm, you need a plan.



You will study with a group of entrepreneurs, experienced facilitators, and people with start-up business experience who understand the pitfalls of starting a new enterprise.

For more information and to register, go to <https://www.fasttrac.org/why-fasttrac/>

► **CEA Learning Series: Community Meeting Management**

Wednesday, July 20th - 6 pm to 7:30 pm via Zoom

Topic this month: Asset Mapping. Learn how to identify the right people and resources for your work.

The Civic Engagement Academy (CEA) is a free training program that provides community members with the tools to create lasting positive change. The trainings encourage local problem-solving and prepare residents to become community leaders, organizers, and activists.



The Civic Engagement Academy Learning Series offers training sessions throughout the year. These trainings provide tools and strategies that Philadelphians can apply to their work within their own communities. The topics of the trainings vary from month to month. There is no cost to attend.

REGISTER FOR A LEARNING SERIES TRAINING

MIND & BODY

- ▶ **Wednesday Meditations** | 990 West Northwestern Ave, PARKING LOT 1, Phila, 19128
10am – 11am | Wednesdays – July 13th, 20th and 27th

Explore various methods of meditation in this 6-week program. Meditation has many benefits. It can reduce stress, help control anxiety, improve sleep and emotional health, reduce blood pressure and help control pain. Bring something to sit on such as a pillow, bolster, or mat. Consider sunscreen, insect repellent, and a water bottle.



Registration is required at treehousewec.eventbrite.com. In partnership with the Andorra Library. For adults and older teens. Bring a mask. Questions ? Contact at wec@phila.gov or 215.685.9285. Outdoor, almost all weather program.

- ▶ **WOMEN OF FAITH AND HOPE, INC** | Health Fair and Free Mammograms

9am – 4pm on Thursday, July 28th | 4031 Germantown Avenue, Phila, 19140

Community Health Fair with resources, screenings, and snacks. Also featuring the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center Mobile Cancer Screening Van. Mammograms will be offered free of charge (no insurance necessary) to women over the age of 40 who have not had a mammogram in the last 365 days. A prescription is required from your primary care physician (if you do not have a PCP, one from Jefferson Health can be assigned to you the day of the event to write the script).



In collaboration with Ford Memorial Temple Church. Please call Women of Faith and Hope at 215-837-8920 to register for your mammogram.

- ▶ **Yoga on the Pier | Pennypack on the Delaware**
Park access road at 7801 State Rd, just south of Rhawn St.
7pm – 8pm on Tuesday July 14th

Join Riverfront North and Roots2Rise for an all levels outdoor flow at Pennypack on the Delaware, Tuesdays from 7-8 pm! All ages and abilities are welcome. ** Find us on the grass pier within the Park (This class is made possible by the Riverfront North Partnership. Class is free but donations are welcome and will help sustain more free and low-cost yoga programming throughout the city. Please bring your own mat. Registration encouraged:



<https://pennypackyoga.eventbrite.com> https://www.facebook.com/events/376736217652117/?event_time_id=376736260985446

- ▶ **We Walk PHL** | Whitaker Ave and Loudon St, Phila, 19120
9:30 am - 10:30 am – Saturdays – July 16th, 23rd and 30th

Take a healthy stroll in the park. Join your neighbors every Saturday morning for a healthy and empowering stroll on the Tacony Creek Park trail as a part of We Walk PHL. Meet from 9:30am–10:30am near Tacony Creek Park. All are welcome to join this free walking group. The trail is a paved, fairly flat Circuit Trail; all ages and abilities are encouraged to join us. Please bring a face mask and keep six feet away from other attendees. Attendees can walk in to participate or email. doryan@ttfwatershed.org. https://www.facebook.com/events/1836559229869181/?event_time_id=1836559309869173

- ▶ **Line Dancing on the River – Hip Hop and Soul** | Pennypack on the Delaware
6pm - 7pm on Mondays – July 18th

Join Riverfront North Partnership for Hip Hop and Soul Line Dancing by the River with instructor Mr. Marty. The classes are free on the large grass pier at Pennypack on the Delaware. The classes are open to all ages and levels. Children will need to have an adult with them to participate. Please wear suitable sneakers. Please complete the required waiver before attending. If you have any questions please reach out to:

info@riverfrontnorth.org https://www.facebook.com/events/402067568452591/?event_time_id=403427488316599



- ▶ **Run with Me | Tacony Creek Park**

7:30am – 9am on Saturdays - July 16th, 23rd and 30th

RSVP for location to tcptrotters@gmail.com or 215-744-1853

All programs follow Philadelphia Covid guidelines.



SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

- ▶ 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 Tuesday Prayer at 6 pm and Wednesdays for Bible Study at 7 pm.

Contact information: 267-290-0654 or abidinglovedeliverancecenter@gmail.com



- ▶ Join 'Girl Talk', every Sunday, 2pm–3pm on Facebook: WTGB or online: <https://tgbtgb.org/girl-talk-2/>

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TRIVIA QUESTION ANSWER

A newborn kangaroo is about the size of a LIMA BEAN

A newborn kangaroo is about 1 inch in length -- approximately the size of a **lima bean**. When seen outside of it's mother's pouch, it is after 7 to 8 months old.

For additional DESTINY information, visit Our Website - www.yourdestinyishereinc.org

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