

PASTOR'S TOOL KIT









Calendar of Important Events: January 2017 to October 2017

This calendar is designed to help you keep track of key dates for Covered California, including open enrollment, which happens once per year, and special enrollment, which occurs year round. The calendar also highlights holy days on the religious calendar. It is customizable, so you can use it to denote special days in your own church such as Women's Day, Children's Day, Church Anniversary and Pastor's Anniversary.

The calendar starts in January 2017 and ends in October 2017 to coincide with Covered California's open-enrollment period, as well as Covered California's special-enrollment period.

January 2017

- COVERED CALIFORNIA OPEN ENROLLMENT ENDS Tuesday, Jan. 31.
- National Birth Defects Prevention Month.
- National Glaucoma Awareness Month.
- National Cervical Health Awareness Month.
- New Year's Day Sunday, Jan. 1.
- **Epiphany** Friday, Jan. 6.
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, Jan. 16.
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Jan. 18-25.

February 2017

- COVERED CALIFORNIA SPECIAL ENROLLMENT BEGINS Wednesday, Feb. 1.
- American Heart Month.
- African-American History Month.
- St. Valentine's Day Tuesday, Feb. 14.
- **Presidents' Day** Monday, Feb. 20.

March 2017

- National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month.
- National Endometriosis Awareness Month.
- National Kidney Month.
- Multiple Sclerosis Education Month.
- National Save Your Vision Month.
- **Ash Wednesday** Wednesday, March 1.
- St. Patrick's Day Friday, March 17.

April 2017

- LAST DAY TO ENROLL IN COVERED CALIFORNIA TO MINIMIZE TAX PENALTIES – Sunday, April 30.
- Alcohol Awareness Month.
- National Autism Awareness Month.
- National Minority Health Month.
- STD Awareness Month.
- Palm Sunday Sunday, April 9.
- Holy (Maundy) Thursday Thursday, April 13.
- Good Friday Friday, April 14.
- Easter Sunday, April 16.
- Passover Monday, April 10 (sunset); Tuesday, April 18 (nightfall).

May 2017

- National High Blood Pressure Education Month.
- National Stroke Awareness Month.
- Arthritis Awareness Month.
- National Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month.
- Hepatitis Awareness Month.
- Lupus Awareness Month.
- National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 4.
- Mother's Day Sunday, May 14.
- Ascension Thursday, May 25.
- Memorial Day Monday, May 29.

June 2017

- National Men's Health Month.
- Pentecost Sunday, June 4.
- National Children's Day Sunday, June 11.
- Father's Day Sunday, June 18.
- Juneteenth Monday, June 19.

July 2017

- Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month.
- Independence Day Tuesday, July 4.

August 2017

National Immunization Awareness Month.

September 2017

- National Prostate Health Month.
- National Atrial Fibrillation Awareness Month.
- National Sickle Cell Awareness Month.
- Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month.
- National Cholesterol Education Month.
- National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month.
- Labor Day Monday, Sept. 4.
- Grandparents Day Sunday, Sept. 10.
- Rosh Hashanah Starts the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 20 and ends the evening of Friday, Sept. 22.
- Yom Kippur Starts the evening of Friday, Sept. 29 and ends the evening of Saturday, Sept. 30.

October 2017

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
- National Down Syndrome Awareness Month.
- Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Awareness Month.
- Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month.
- World Communion Sunday Sunday, Oct. 1.