



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

*“On your birth date, a person of great potential was created.
But, until you had a second birth date, what you did with that potential would not be eternal.”*

Birth Dates

Everyone reading this had a birth date. Most celebrated that date more times than they wished. This month, I now considered by Social Security a Senior Citizen at age 62. Wow, below is those 62 years.

I was born February 14, 1956 (Sweet Heart Day) in Harrisburg, Pa to Betty Lou and Lester Stambaugh. Because I was the first grandson born, I was named after my Grandfather Charles. (My father recently gave me the baby cards they got.) For the first few months of my life, we lived with my Grandmother Doris (my Mother's Mother) in Enole PA. Then for two years, we lived in a house in New Cumberland PA. After that, we move to a new house near Emgsville, PA where Grandmother Doris moved in with us. It was there where my sister Karen and my brother Mark joined the family. That was my home until I was married. (Well, I did go to Liberty Baptist College for four years majoring in Radio and TV Broadcasting.)

In 1981, I married Susan Humphreys and Benjamin and Justin were born. For the past 31 years, we lived in a 100-year-old house in Mount Wolf PA. Susan's mother Lenore lives there with us. We have two beautiful granddaughters; Loralie and Fineigh. I only ever had two full-time jobs ISSC/Honeywell 17.5 years and 22 years at Red Lion Controls. I almost died March 2014 with a heart problem.

However, my life was meaningless until my second birth date on January 1, 1972, when I realized that I was a sinner on my way to hell (Rom 3:23). That night alone in my bedroom I asked Jesus to be my Lord and Savior (Rom 10:9). I remember grabbing a world globe and telling the God that I would serve Him wherever and however He needed me. Since then, I humbly served in several churches doing church calling, serving as Youth Leader, Sunday School teacher, children's leader, and janitor, also doing sound, and lighting.

This month is also the third birth date for NewHeartBeatDevotions.com. I wrote the first NHBD devotion in October 2014 but did not start the website until February 2015. The site now has over 50 quotes, 6 white papers, 250 jokes, 45 mini devotions, 57 illustrated devotions and 270 Bible chapter outlines. It has over ,2700 unique hits on the home page. The globe on the bottom of the [home page](#) shows the location of the many visitors. I want to thank the readers and everyone who had a part in this ministry.

I remember the show that was once on TV called “This is Your Life”. Well, as Christians, we will all stand before God to give an account for our lives on earth (Rom 14:12). This judgement, is not for our entrance into heaven nor a time to boast but the Lord wants to know how we served Him and to reward us. Those who did not have a second birth date, the good they did in per their Book of Life will not allow them into heaven. You cannot work your way to heaven nor can another's work for you. “For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.” Eph 2:8,9 “And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.” Rev 20:12



My parents and I.

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“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” John 3:3

What will your Book of Life contain a second birth?



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