

WhatsApp has added a slew of interesting features in the recent past. However, the popular messaging app lacks a fairly important feature - message scheduling. Putting things into perspective, you have no option but to wake up at midnight to wish "Happy Birthday" to your friends.



Thankfully, there are multiple workarounds to schedule WhatsApp messages on iPhone. Some involve using Siri Shortcuts or a specific version of WhatsApp. Let us take a closer look and help you ease your worries!

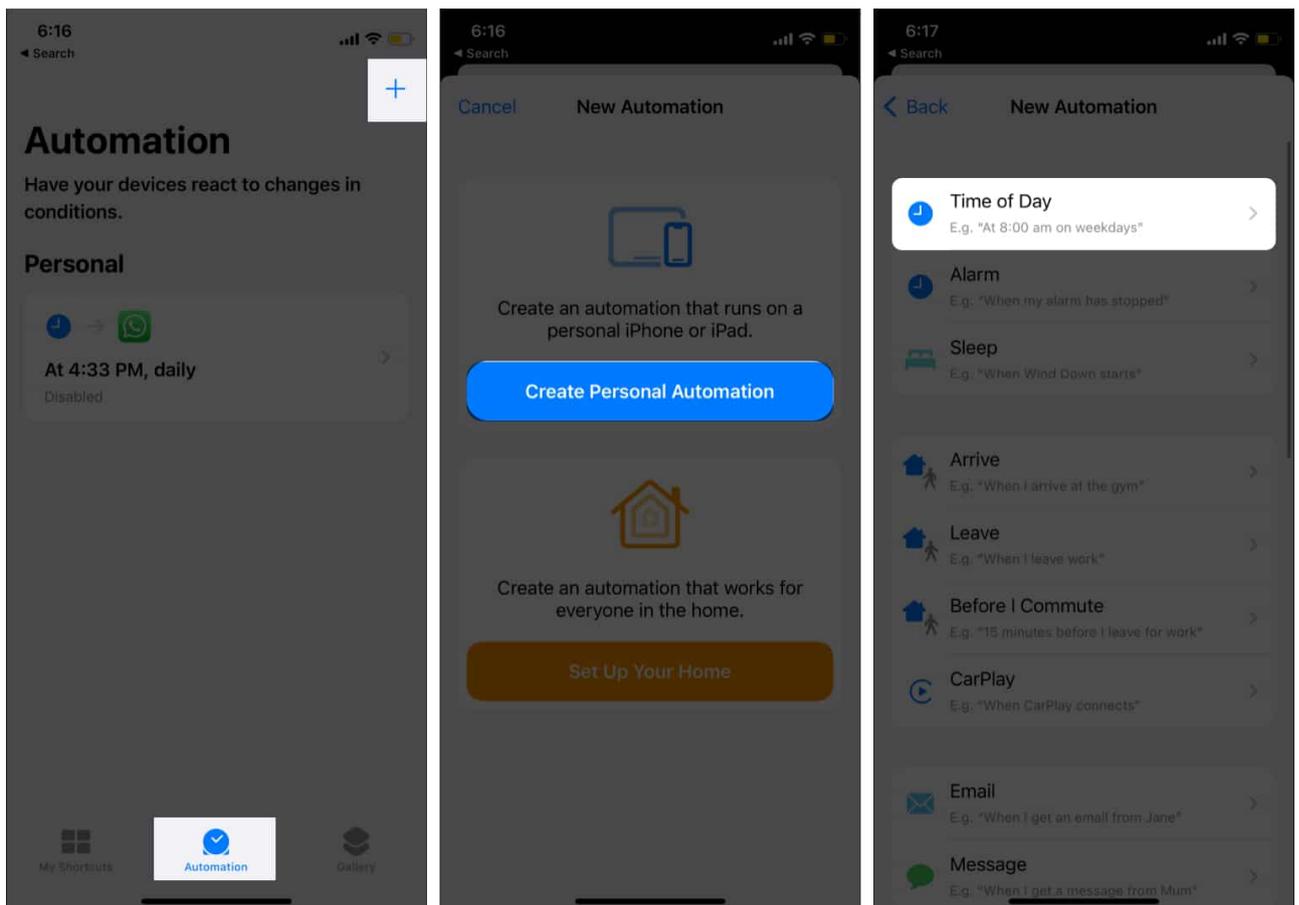
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How to schedule WhatsApp messages on iPhone

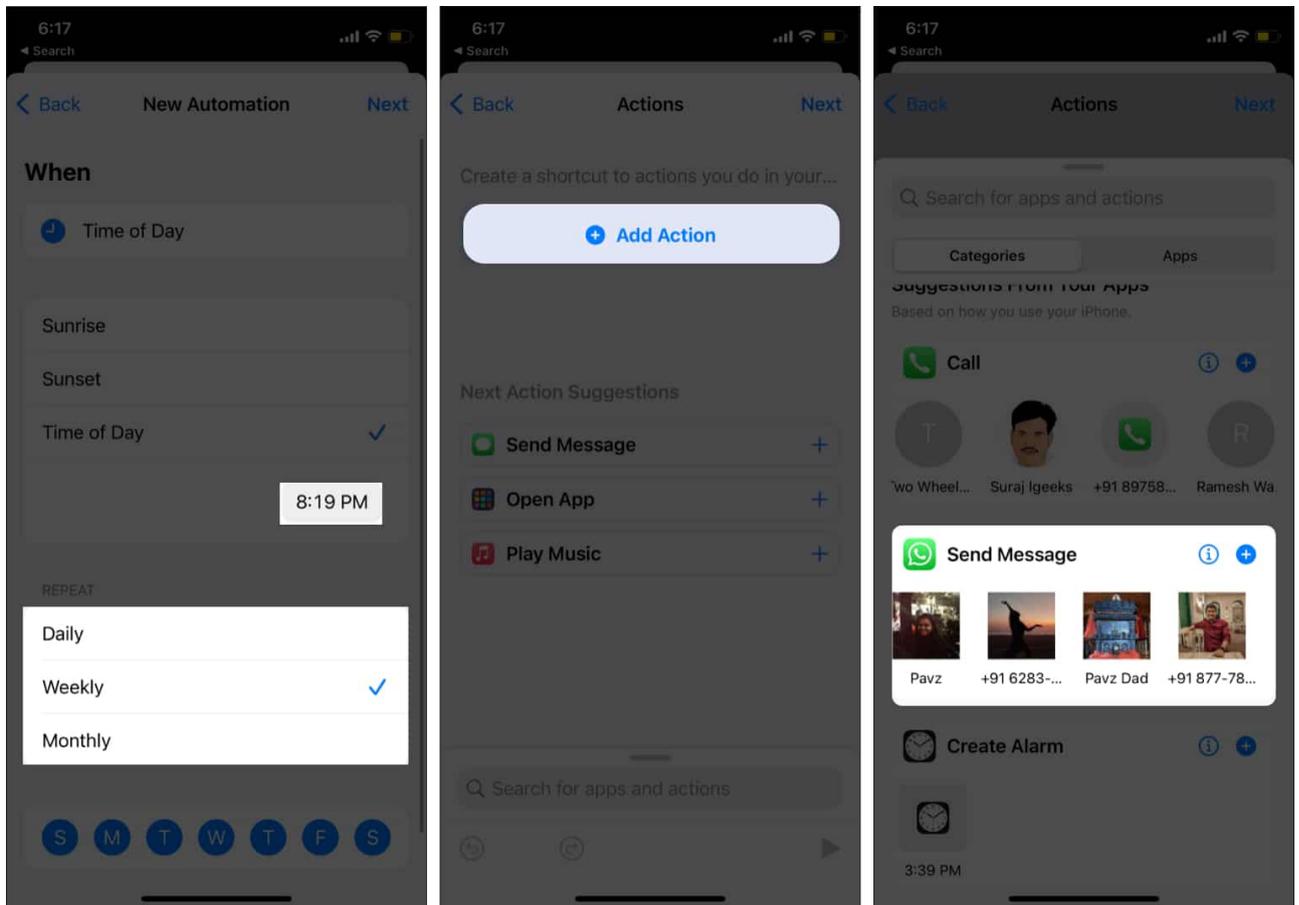
Siri Shortcut is a great way to automate your workflow. The dedicated [Siri Shortcut app](#) is a treasure cove of productivity. Did you know you can schedule WhatsApp messages using the Shortcuts app? Here's how to do it:

1. Open **Shortcuts** on iPhone.

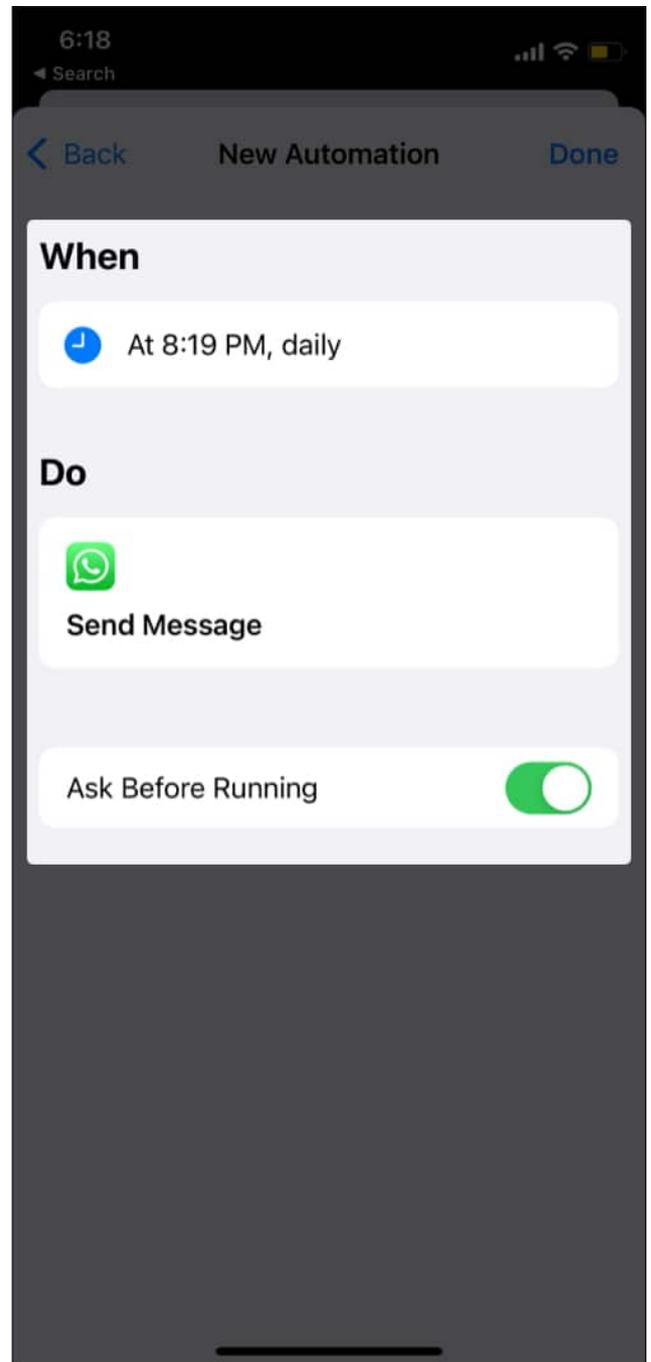
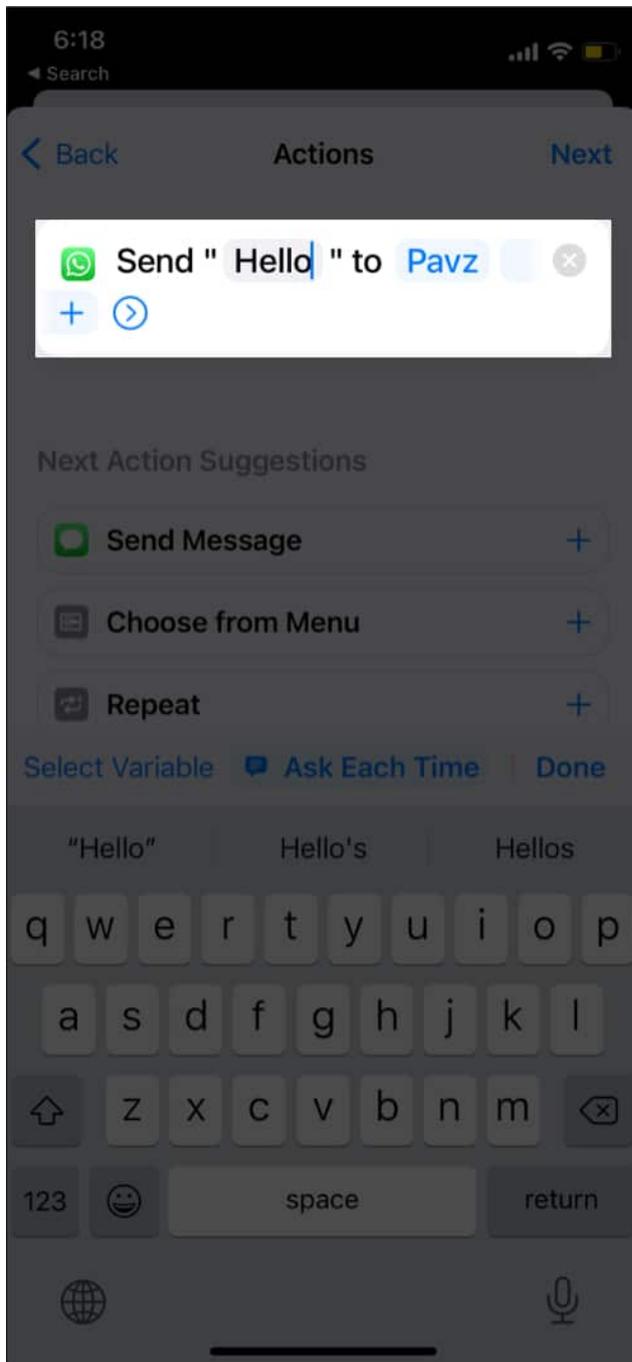
2. Navigate to **Automation** using the tab.
3. Tap **+** to create a new Shortcut.
4. Select **Create Personal Automation**.



5. Now, specify the time and day of the week.
6. Tap **Time of Day** and specify the exact time.
*Tip: For recurring tasks, **Select frequency** (Daily, Weekly, or Monthly.)*
7. Tap **Next** → **Add Action**.
8. Select **Send Message** from WhatsApp.



9. Tap **Message**.
Enter the WhatsApp message that you want to send.
10. Hit **Next** → **Done**.



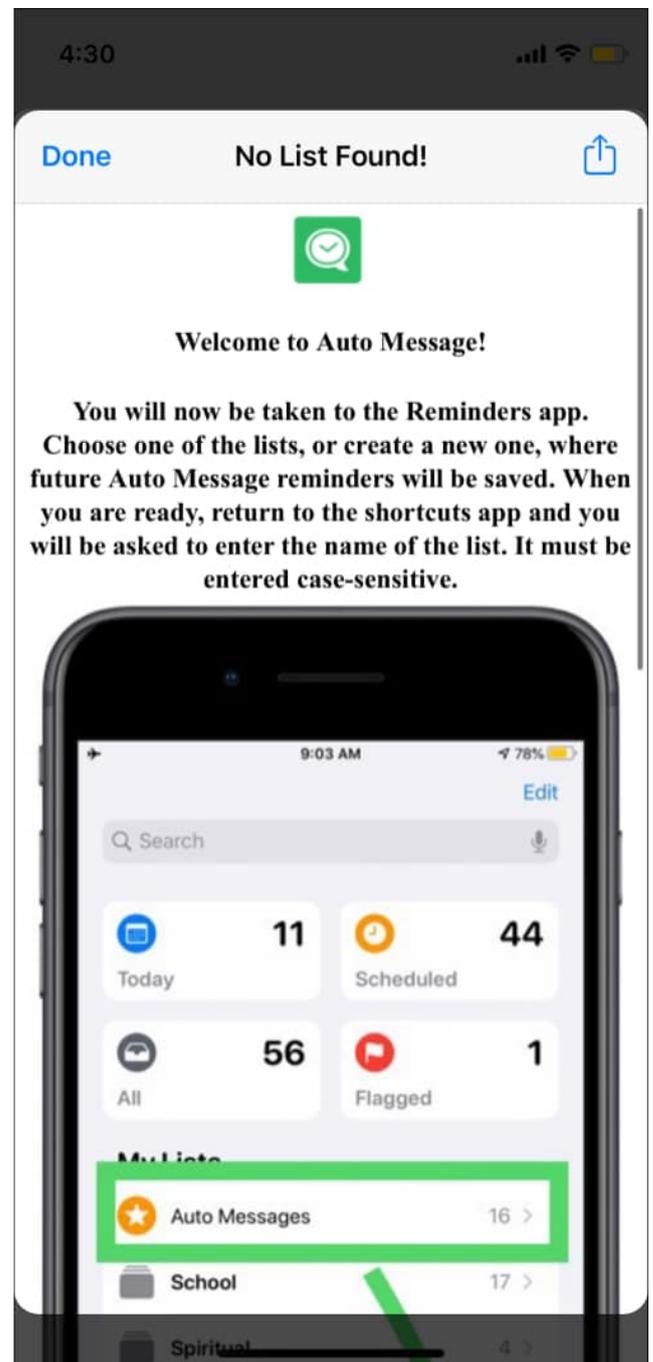
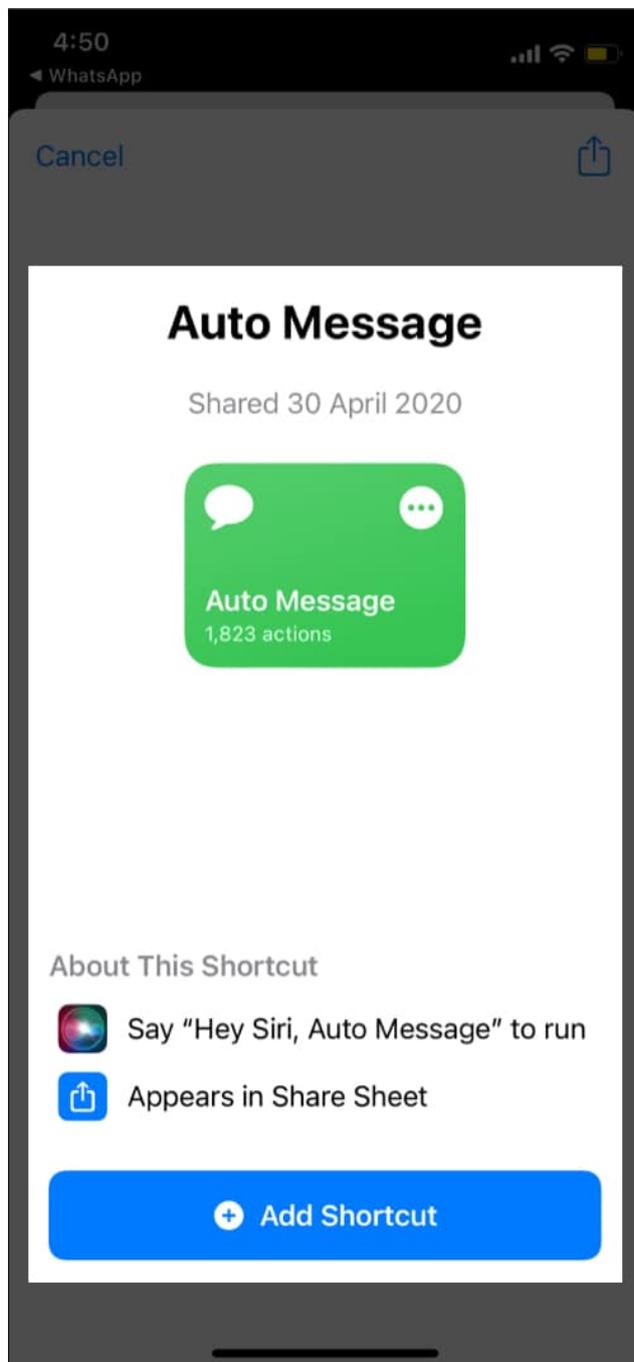
That's it! With the power of Shortcuts, you can schedule messages on WhatsApp for up to one week. Want to schedule a message for a longer duration? Well, you can use Auto Message as detailed in the next section.

Schedule WhatsApp messages using Auto Message shortcut

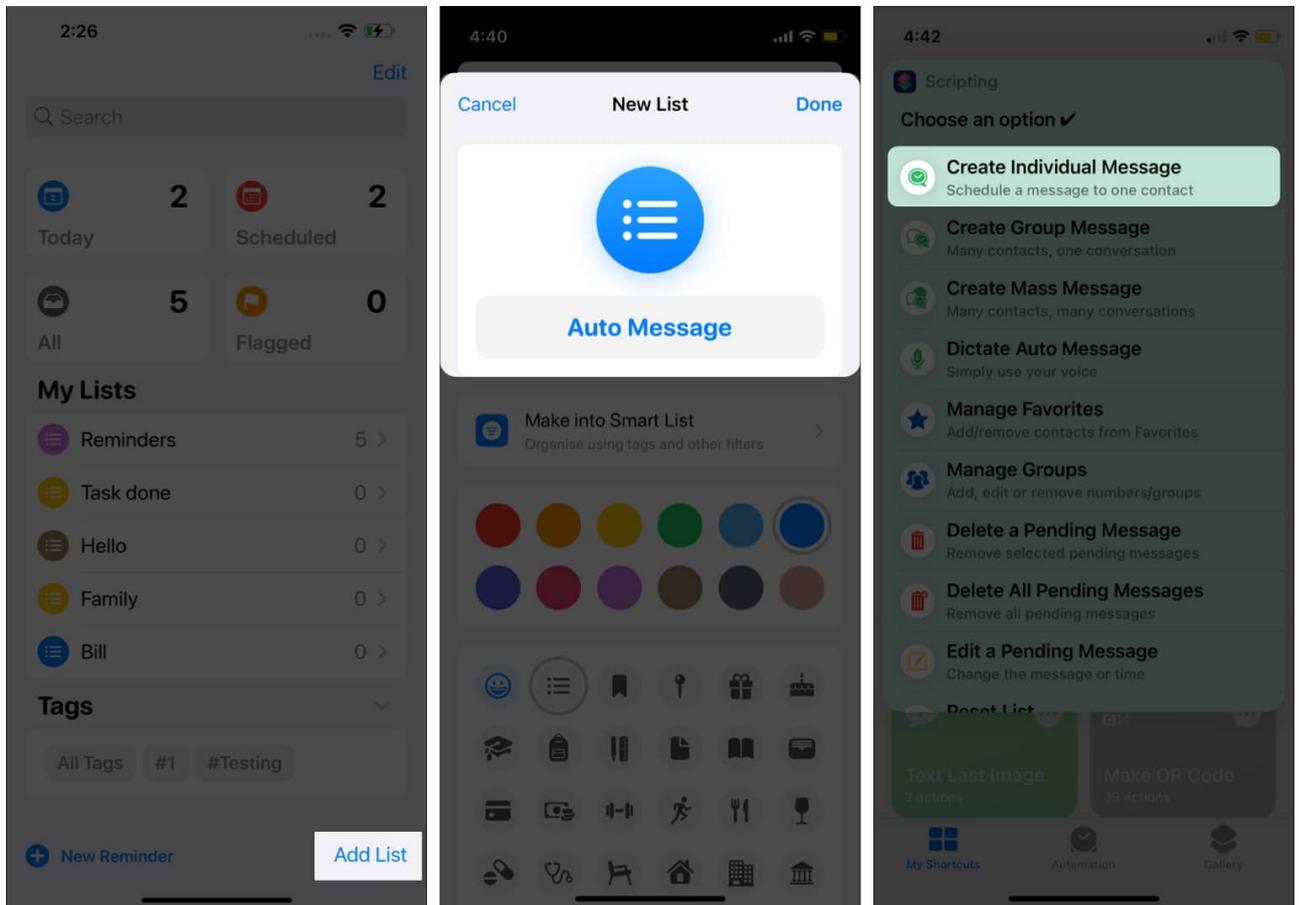
Auto Message is a powerful shortcut. You can create an individual message, group message, mass message, dictate the auto message, and manage groups with Auto Message. Unfortunately, it is also complicated. However, I feel it is worth the pain.

1. **Download** the [Auto Message shortcut](#) from icloud.com.
2. **Run** Auto Message in the Shortcuts app.

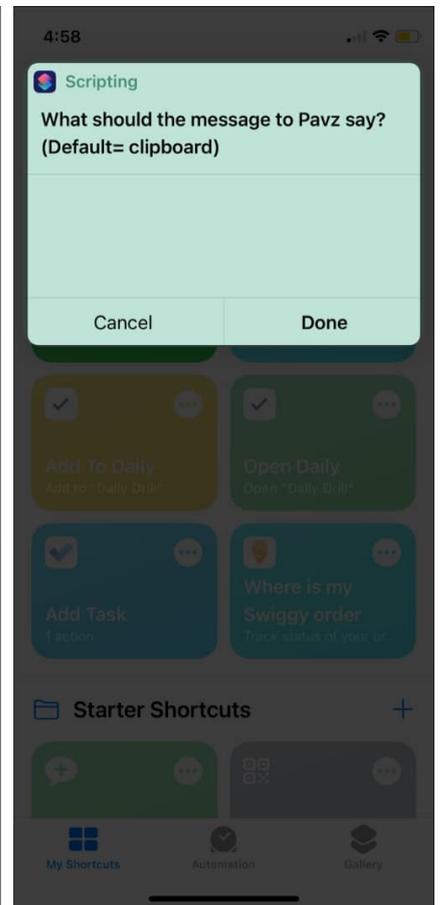
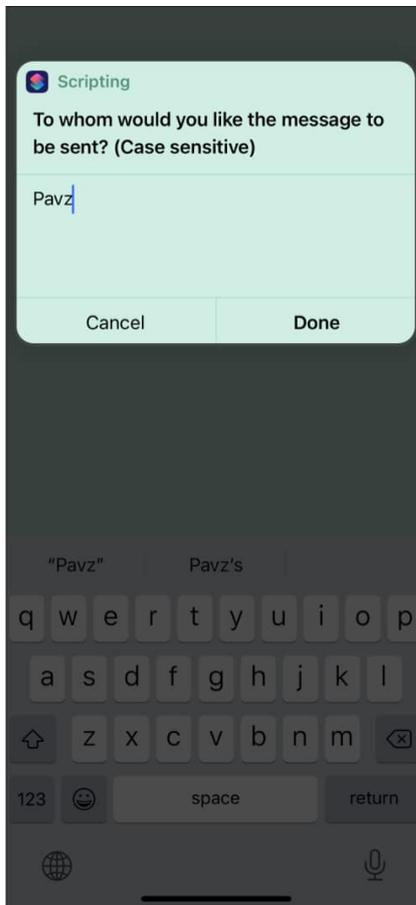
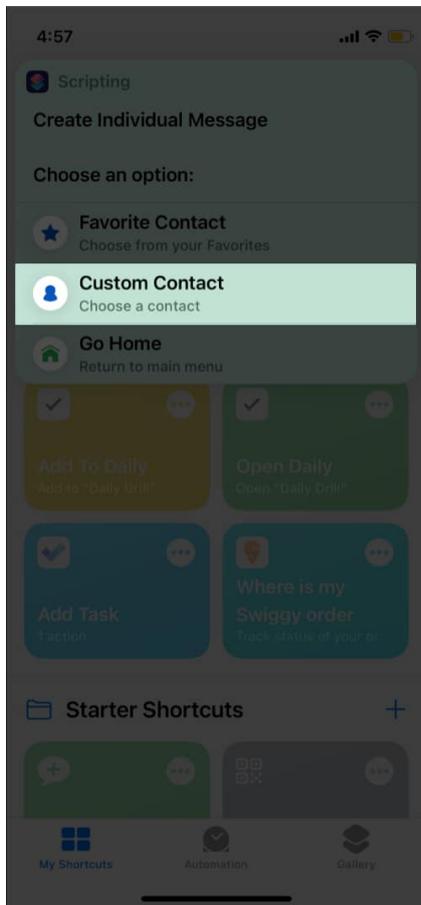
*Now, you should see the welcome screen with **No List Found!** message.*



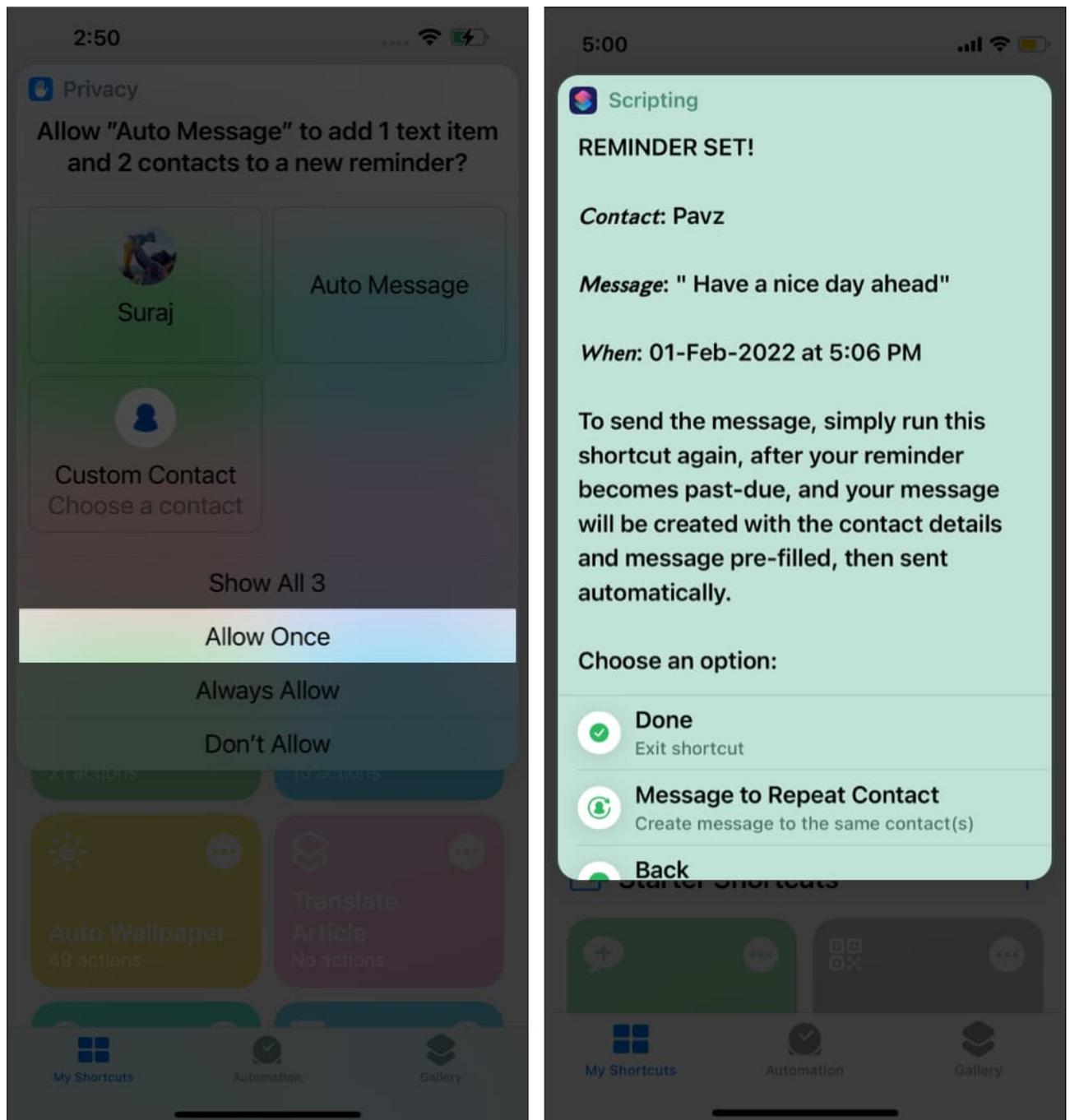
3. Open the **Reminders app** → create a **New List** → name it **Auto Message**.
4. **Exit** the Reminder app.
5. Open Shortcuts and run **Auto Message**.
6. Select **Create Individual Message** from the pop-up.



7. Tap **Custom Contact**.
8. Enter **Contact name** (case sensitive.)
9. Type or paste a message in the scripting option.
You can attach media in the next step.



10. Choose the date and time.
11. Select **Always Allow**.
12. Verify details and tap **Done**.



13. Tap the **Reminder Notification** to send the message.

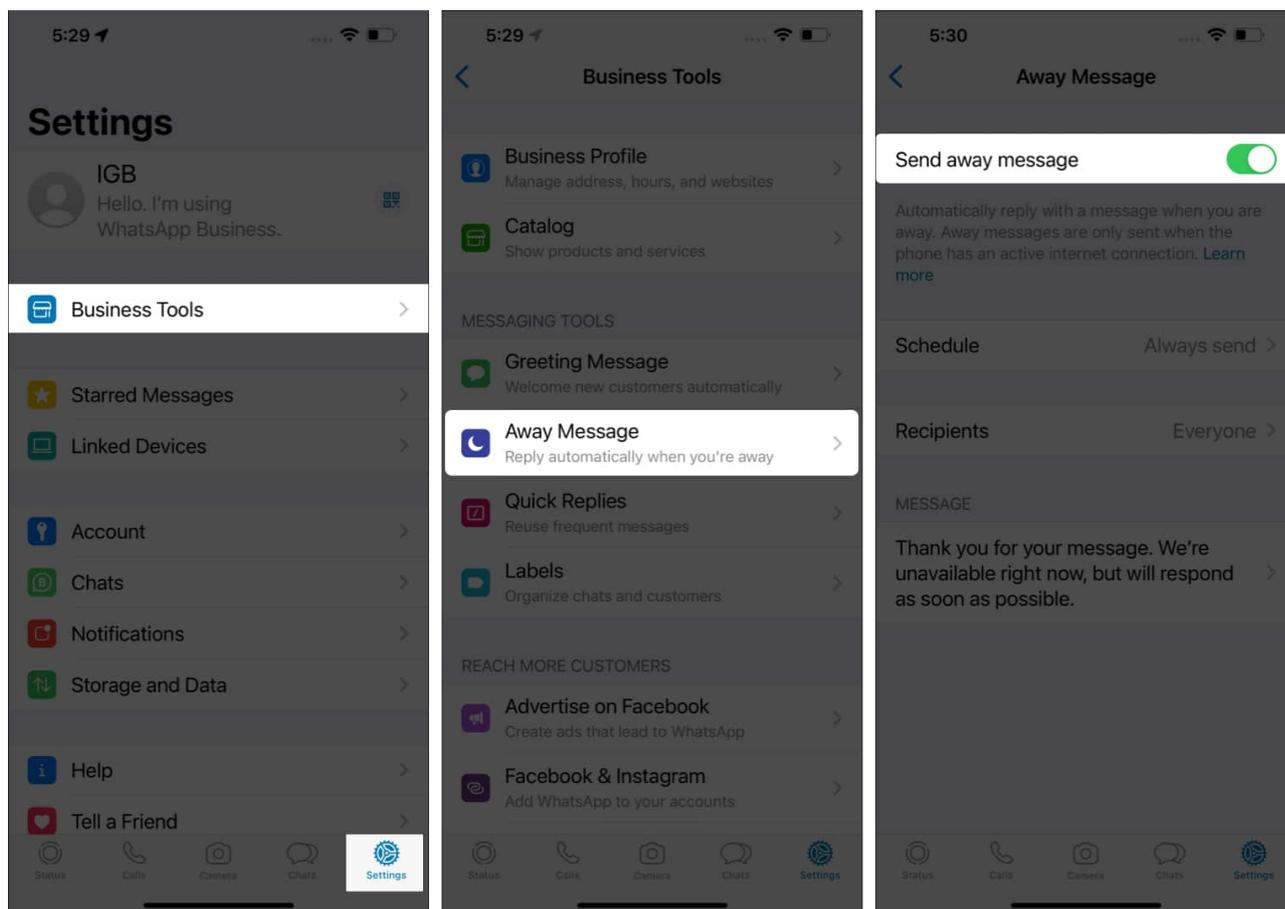
Voila! Auto Message will send a message to your contact at the scheduled time. Sometimes the shortcut crashes, and you have to start all over again.

How to schedule messages on WhatsApp Business

You can avoid all the hassles by using WhatsApp Business. Yes, the enterprise version lets you schedule messages. You have to use the “Away Message” feature for scheduling messages. If you don’t have WhatsApp Business, you can [download](#) it from the App Store.

Remember to backup WhatsApp before setting up a business account. Follow these steps to schedule WhatsApp messages on iPhone:

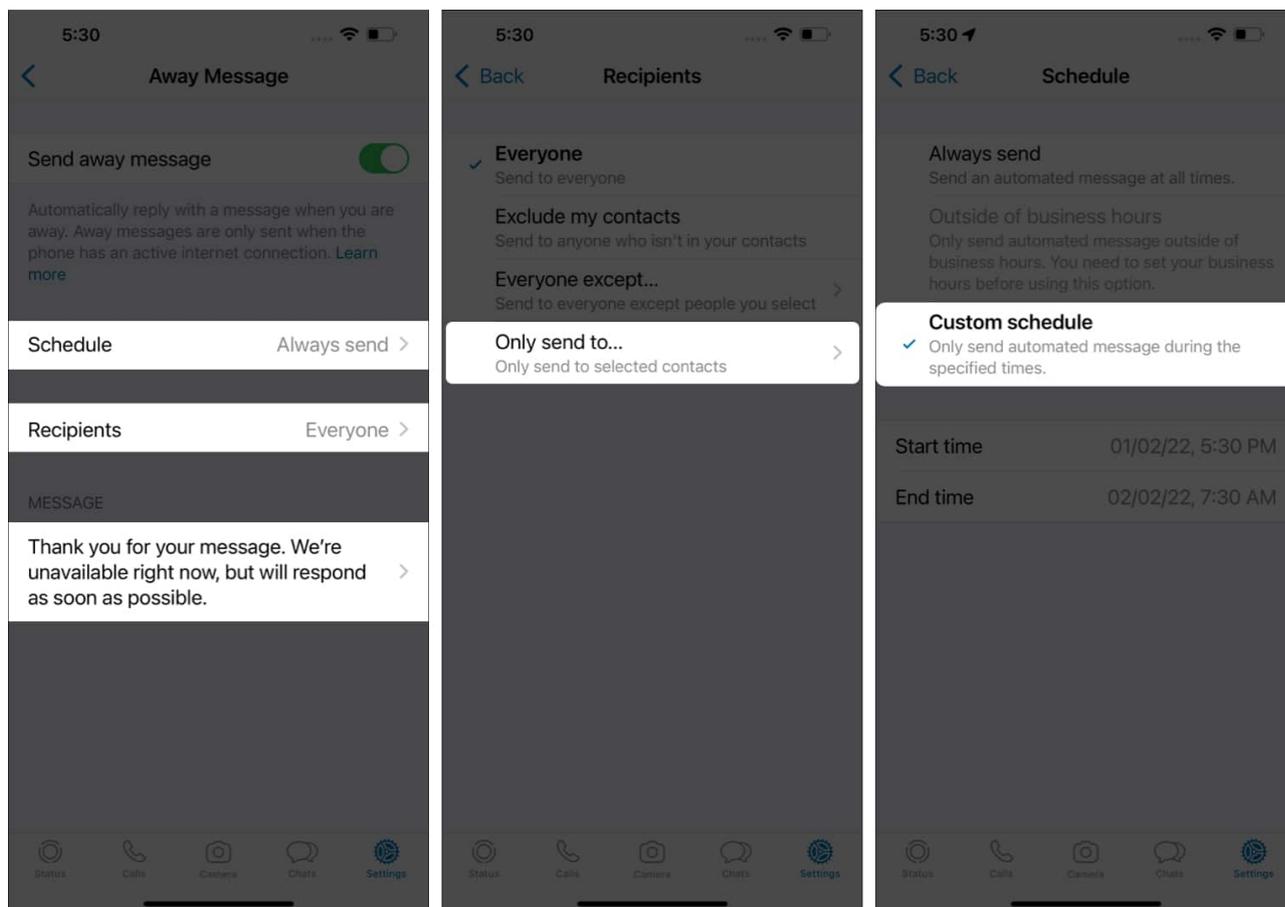
1. Open **WhatsApp Business**.
2. Go to the **Settings** Menu.
3. Tap **Business Tools**.
4. Select **Away Message**.
5. Toggle on **Send away message**.
Enter the message in the text field.



6. Select **Only Send to** in the Recipients option.

7. Tap **Schedule**.

8. Choose **Custom Schedule** and specify the start date and end date.



Note: There are plenty of WhatsApp scheduler apps like [WhatsApp.any.do](https://www.whatsapp.any.do) that remind you to send WhatsApp messages. However, you still need to send the message manually. It doesn't make much sense to pay a premium just for the reminder feature.

With the above methods, you can schedule birthday wishes or other professional messages well in advance. If you don't wish to use WhatsApp, you can [schedule a text message using Shortcuts](#). So there is no more stress of waking up at night for your friend's birthday!

Meanwhile, your loved ones will be amazed how you never forget important days of their lives. Have something to add? Share your secret hack to managing WhatsApp in the comments below.

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