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# **THE DIALOGUE**

**May 2014**



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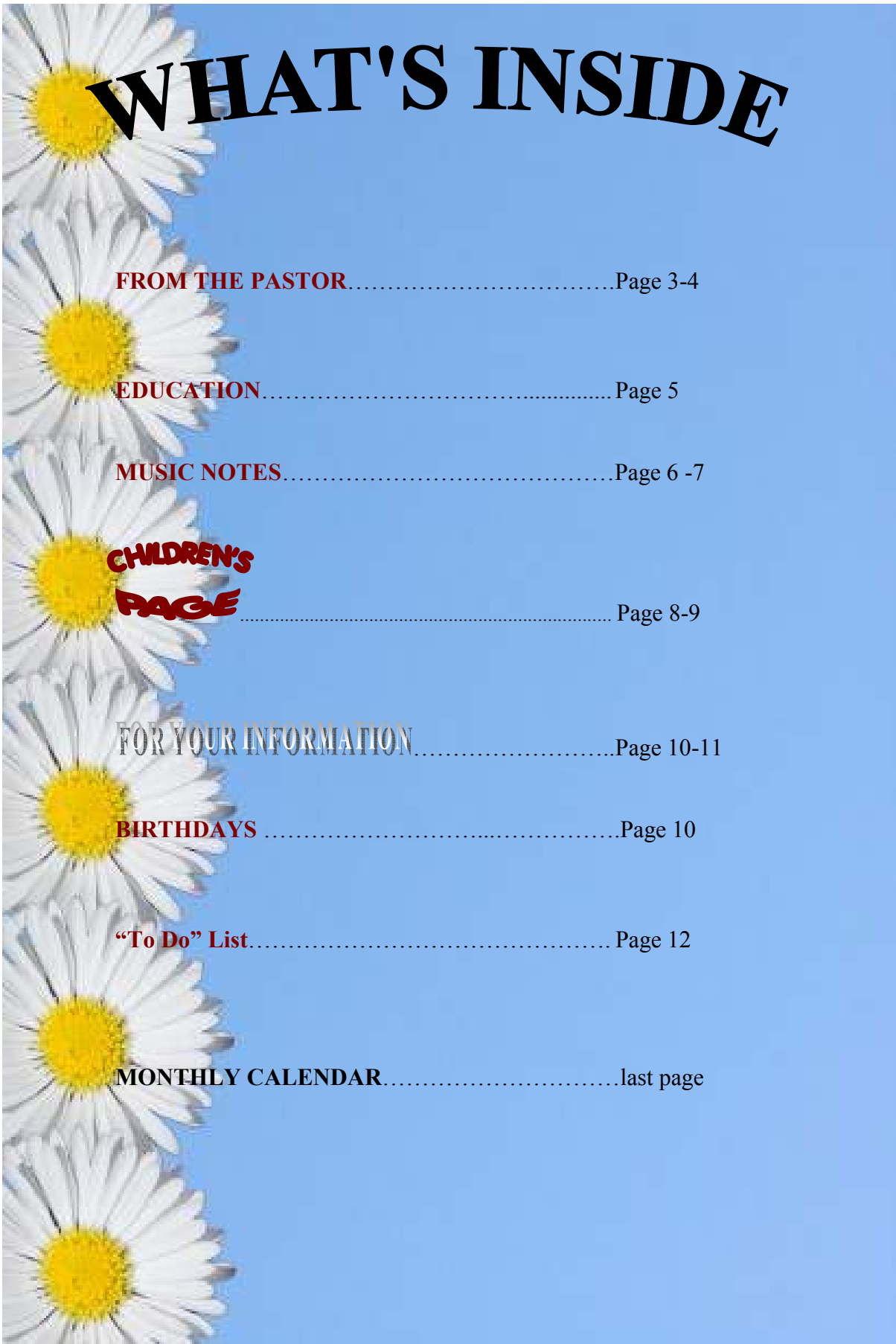
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## FROM THE PASTOR

As you know, I have always loved Lent. I have loved its starkness, its inescapable barrenness, its counter-cultural bent.

This year, thanks to our journey together as a church community, my Lenten experience was especially powerful.

I had decided that we would make our way through Lent focusing on the spiritual practice of **fasting**, and so on Sundays we looked at the larger dimensions of fasting as an invitation to holiness, while on Wednesday evenings we engaged in very pragmatic forms of fasting (from food, from complaining, from technology, from hurry).

As the first week of Lent arrived, I was already regretting this plan; I felt sure that we would all quickly become sick of this particular lens through which to journey. (And perhaps for some that is precisely what happened!)

But I will tell you that the lively conversations that were held on Wednesday evenings, as well as the playful and thoughtful interactions that members of our community shared regarding the insights and experiences that came as a result of our invitation to fast, all contributed to make my journey through Lent particularly meaningful.

It is a powerful thing when a child engages in a fast for the first time.

It is a powerful thing when people beyond the church hear about what we are doing and join in the endeavor.

It is a powerful thing when members openly speak of their efforts, struggles, and insights.

It is a powerful thing when a lifelong Christian tries a new spiritual discipline.

*And it is a powerful thing when  
an entire community goes on the journey together.*

**Thank you**, for giving me such deep gifts this season.  
My Easter celebration was that much richer because of our journey through Lent!

Shawn Callender Hogan  
Pastor



# Announcements

from the Pastor

## **BIBLE STUDY**

*“Short & Sweet: A Wise Old Man's Musings about Faith”*

Join us for a quick **Bible study** on three short books of the Bible.

Discover what treasures await in 1 John, 2 John and 3 John when you consider their history and context.

**Sundays 4-5pm, May 4, 11 and 18.**

*Led by Heather Valosin, M. Div.*

## **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

All are invited to join for a special Memorial Service, remembering our beloved **Annie Flood**.

Annie passed away on September 29, 2013; we will gather together to celebrate her life in a simple service on Saturday, **May 10, 2014**, at **10:30 a.m.**



## **COFFEE HOUR AT THE PARSONAGE**

**On May 25<sup>th</sup>**, immediately

following worship all are invited to **coffee hour at the Parsonage (17 Sherman Avenue)** as we enjoy fellowship and refreshments together.

## **Do you follow our Church's Facebook page?**

There you can find reminders of church activities, links to national and global articles of interest, and educational materials.

Additionally, each weekend Pastor Hogan posts an article that invites you to participate in discussions about current events, theological issues, and community life.

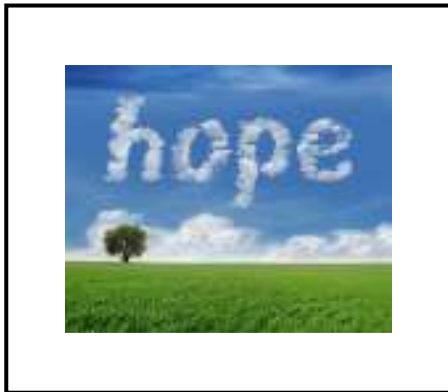
[Join us in our Facebook conversation today!](#)



# May Education Article

In worship on **June 1<sup>st</sup>**, we will celebrate the many ways our church engages in education. The Sunday school and adult Bible study have been preparing different parts of the service to share with our congregation.

In particular, our kids have been learning what it means to be agents of hope in the world, New Jersey, and our community. After reading one of Peter's sermons as recorded in Acts the senior high youth discovered the power of hope. As a result, they took on a few projects to help bring hope to our community.



During **Education Sunday** they will tell you a little about those projects and share the hope they discovered. It will be a great Sunday! We look forward to giving God thanks for our education program.

## Ways to get involved with Summit UMC Education

### Wow It's Wednesday

4:30pm Snacks & Greeting

4:40pm Wesley Choir & Homework Help

5:00pm Devotions

5:00pm Conversations with Pastor Hogan

5:15pm Singing Believers & Green Room Time

6:00pm All Adjourn

### Sunday School

+Children (Pre-K-3<sup>rd</sup>)

10:45am [2<sup>nd</sup> floor]

+T'weens (4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>)

9:30am [3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

+Sr. High (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

9:30am [3<sup>rd</sup> floor]



### Parents' Night Out



May 16th, 6 - 9pm  
In the Green Room

Suggested \$10 donation  
\$5 for every child after the first



### Nursery Care

Nursery Care is available on Sundays from 9:00am until 11:30am for children 6 weeks to 2 years!



Thank you for sharing your most wonderful gift of music throughout Holy Week:

**CAROL/WESLEY/SINGING BELIEVERS**

Amanda Brown  
Lucas Daniel  
Sarah Daniel  
James Goldman  
Kayla Goldman  
Maddie Johnson  
William Johnson  
Alec LaJeunesse  
Parker LaJeunesse  
Ayana McMillan  
Caroline Relf  
Oliver Relf  
Isabel Reyes  
Joshua Reyes

**HANDBELL CHOIR**

Chris Barry  
Davis Barry  
William Dembaugh  
James Goldman  
Kayla Goldman  
Kim Goldman  
Deanna Hoffman  
Rachel Hoffman  
Alison Johnson  
William Johnson  
Emily LaJeunesse  
Jayme LaJeunesse  
Adrian Phillips

**CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE**

Beverly Alexis  
Bernice Griffith  
Alison Johnson  
Emily LaJeunesse  
Jayme LaJeunesse  
Jesse Reyes  
Myrene Reyes  
Andrew Sperry  
Brian Tipton  
Christine Tipton

**CHANCEL CHOIR**

**Sopranos**

Bernice Griffith  
Latonia Hall  
Emily LaJeunesse  
Shela Waldron  
Jacqueline Wasniewski

**Altos**

Beverly Alexis  
Ximenita Gonzalez  
Ann Houpt

**Tenors**

William Dembaugh  
William Houpt  
Samuel Quashie

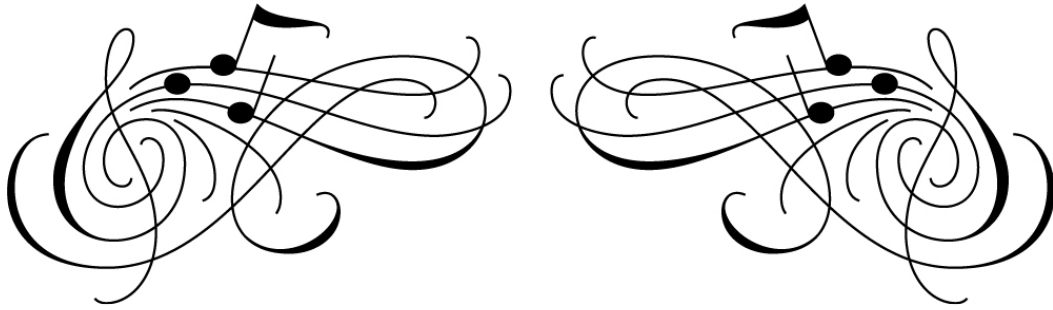
**Baritones**

William Glancy  
James Goldman  
Adelmo Guidarelli  
Neil Johnson  
Jayme LaJeunesse  
William Teubner

**VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL SOLOISTS**

William Dembaugh, *Baritone*  
Jocelyn Gallinek, *Flute*  
Jordyn Gallinek, *Bassoon*  
Ximenita Gonzalez, *Alto*  
Bernice Griffith, *Soprano*  
Adelmo Guidarelli, *Baritone*  
Latonia Hall, *Soprano*  
Jesse Reyes, *Guitar*  
William Robinson, *Tenor*  
William Teubner, *Trumpet*  
Jacqueline Wasniewski, *Soprano*

--Joanne Teubner Prussak, Music Director



**Thank you to all those who participated in the  
Lenten Series Wednesday Services:**

March 5  
*Chancel Choir*

March 12  
*William Johnson*

March 19  
*Ximenita Gonzalez*

March 26  
*William Dembaugh*

April 2  
*Bernice Griffith*

April 9  
*Singing Believer Quartet*



# CHILDREN'S

## On the Road to Emmaus

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.  
Luke 24:31a (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 24:13-35 (NIV).



W X Q T T I Z H E G H W Z O R  
V O D H L I F G J S E C R O E  
Q P E A Y N I Q I H Y Q T G U  
C E P N A B J L X D E I A T X  
T N Y K D R O I E E S L Y U H  
J E I S E O Z K F I L C K G R  
I D S V F A L L V I G R R J X  
B P K T T A H T V K U U S K E  
D E R W W B R E A D N C U F I  
U S L O C L E O P A S I F V E  
O T D I P H F V S C M F F I A  
W T I M E H I C J I O I E C D  
J M S M C V E Y K J S E R Z G  
E M M A U S E T Y L E D P C O  
J V K V I D K H J E S U S R Z

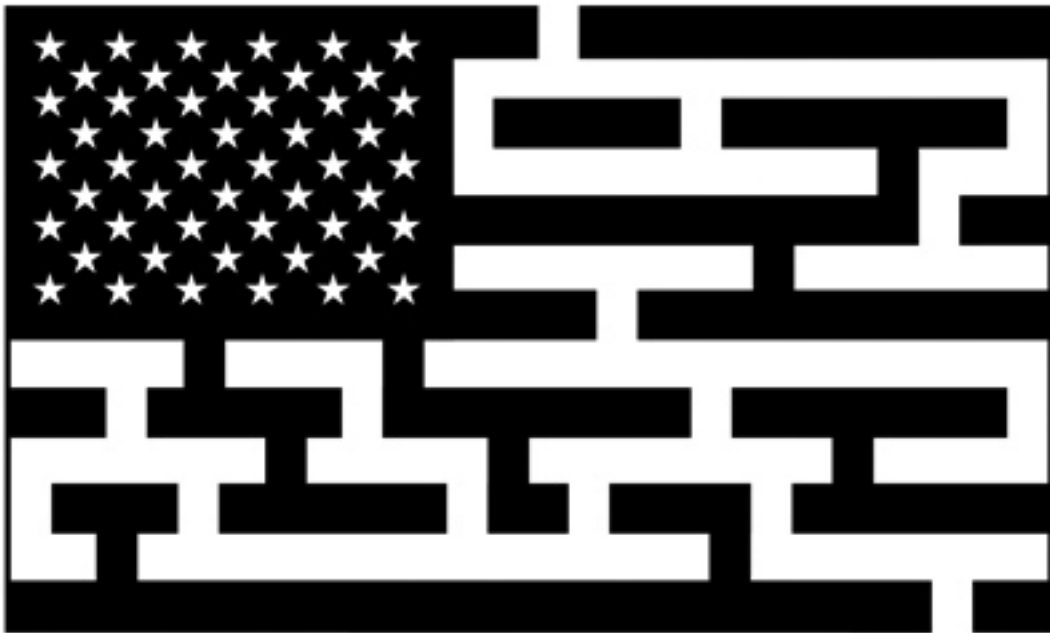
WALKED	JESUS	SUFFER	CRUCIFIED
MOSES	BREAD	BELIEVE	VISITOR
THANKS	FOOLISH	PROPHET	EYES
CLEOPAS	OPENED	VILLAGE	EMMAUS

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# FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



## SAVE THE DATE – FREE FISHING DAYS!

Do you like to fish? Have you heard of New Jersey's free fishing days? During **the weekend of June 14th – 15th**, any resident may fish on New Jersey's public waters without a license or trout stamp. A few of us are hoping to rent some kayaks on June 14th (weather permitting) and spend the day paddling & fishing the Delaware River.



### Here are a few details:

- We would bring a bag lunch and meet at the river outfitter at 9am (<http://www.chamberlaincanoes.com/>) just over the Pennsylvania border.
- The outfitter will provide the kayaking gear and transport the group about 10 miles up river. The outfitter's cost is about \$45 per person.
- We will spend the day making our way back down (stopping for lunch) while fishing and enjoying the beauty of a day spent on the water.
- Depending on the current, we would return to the outfitter between 3:00 pm & 4:00pm and then head home.

Please drop Bill Hogan an **email ([whogan4@gmail.com](mailto:whogan4@gmail.com)) if you are interested**, additional information will be sent the beginning of June.

## BIRTHDAYS & Anniversaries in May:

1	Dorothy Koernig	17	Maria Hughes
5	Mike Irving	18	Carlos Aguilera
	Leslie Williams	20	J. Clyde Branson
6	David Landvater	22	Irma George
	<i>Nick &amp; Steffi Mansilla</i>	24	Bette McDermott
	Jim Robertson		Camille Tassé
7	Marge Robertson	25	Benjamin Burns
9	<i>Alison &amp; Neil Johnson</i>		Kimberly Vida
10	<i>Kim &amp; Eric Goldman</i>	26	Gabriella Tassé
	Ann Houpt	28	<i>Susan and Scott Daniel</i>
	<i>Kenny James &amp; Alicia Solomon</i>		<i>Bob &amp; Dotti Zotti</i>
11	<i>Mary Jane &amp; Dan Somers</i>	29	Doug Rockoff
15	Bryson James	30	Dwayne Phillips
16	Austin Fern	31	Robert Somers
	Nick Mansilla		

# *Mad Hatter Tea Party*

*Saturday, May 3, 2014  
3pm - 5pm*

*Adults: \$20.00    Children: \$10.00 [4yrs and under free]*

*For information and tickets call (908) 277-1700*

*Come share a relaxing afternoon with live entertainment  
\*\*Hats optional\*\**

*\*\*Proceeds to benefit the Music Department\*\**

## **INTERNATIONAL SUPPER A SUCCESS!**

The United Methodist Church of Summit celebrates diversity!  
Our church is home to people from many different backgrounds, and on April 6 our community celebrated that diversity with an international potluck meal.

All were invited to bring food from their family, cultural or ethnic heritage for a casual feast. The meal included sweet potato pudding and pickled pork and beef (Barbados), broiled potatoes (Ireland), *Pizza Rustica* (Italy), *Shepherd's Pie* (England), ricotta shells (Italy), *Quesadillas* (Texas), *Empanadas* (Cuba), and even *Sloppy Joe Hoagies* (New Jersey)!



# May

## *"To Do" List:*

### **MEETINGS:**

**Education Committee Meeting - 5/18**

### **MINISTRY:**

**Prayer Warriors - Wednesdays**

**Knitting Ministry - Thursdays & Fridays**

**Bible Study - 5/4, 5/11 & 5/18**

**IHN Guests - 5/18**

**Sunday School - ends on 5/25**

**Wow, It's Wednesday - ends on 5/28**

### **AND MORE:**

**Mad Hatter Tea - 5/3**

**Parents' Night Out - 5/16**

**Coffee Hour at the Parsonage - 5/25**

# MAY 2014

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Sunday Choir Schedule:</b> 9:00am – Bell choir 9:30am – Chancel Choir 11:45am – Contemporary Ensemble				1 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	2 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	3 <b>Singing Believer Quartet</b> -12:20pm <b>Mad Hatter Tea</b> 3-5pm <i>(Social Hall)</i>
4 <b>Bible Study</b> 4:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	5	6	7 Prayer Warriors -11:30am  <b>Wow! It's Wednesday</b> 4:30-6:00pm	8 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	9 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	10 <b>Memorial Service –</b> 10:30am  <b>Singing Believer Quartet</b> -12:30pm <b>Soloists Rehearsal</b> 3:00pm
11 <b>Bible Study</b> 4:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	12	13	14 Prayer Warriors -11:30am  <b>Wow! It's Wednesday</b> 4:30-6:00pm	15 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	16 <b>Parents' Night Out</b> 6-9pm <i>(Green Room)</i>  <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	17 <b>Singing Believer Quartet</b> -12:30pm  <b>Soloists Rehearsal</b> 3:00pm
18 IHN Guests arrive <b>Education Committee Meeting-</b> 11:30am <b>Bible Study</b> 4pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	19	20	21 Prayer Warriors -11:30am  <b>Wow! It's Wednesday</b> 4:30-6:00pm	22 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	23 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	24
25 <b>**Last Week for Sunday School**</b>  <b>Coffee Hour</b> at the Parsonage	26 <b>Memorial Day</b> <b>Office is Closed</b>	27	28 Prayer Warriors -11:30am  <b>**Last Wow! It's Wednesday **</b>	29 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	30 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	31

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