



Fellowship Findings

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Our Mission

WHAT GOD IS CALLING US TO DO

Cultivate space for people to experience the transforming love of Christ.

Our Vision

WHAT GOD IS CALLING US TO BE

A family of believers experiencing personal transformation, *Romans 12* using their unique gifts, *Ephesians 4* to glorify GOD *I Corinthians 10:31* and edify others. *I Thessalonians 5:11*

Worship TIMES

Morning Worship

9:30 a.m.

Evening Worship

6:00 p.m.

Pastor Darren Kornelis

September Worship

September 1	AM—Pastor Darren PM—Pastor Darren
September 8	AM—Mr. Scott Roose PM—Mr. Scott Roose
September 15	AM—Pastor Darren—Communion PM—Pastor Darren
September 22	AM—Pastor Darren PM—Pastor Sheldon Starkenburg
September 29	AM—Pastor Darren PM—Mr. Nate Van Wyk

Dates of Interest:

Communion September 15
Profession of Faith of Lily Vander Leest
..... September 22

GREETERS

Sept. 1	(N) Steve & Sharon Fopma
	(S) Lawrence & Sandy Van Zee
Sept. 8	(N) Stuart & Sheila Pleima
	(S) John & Jacie Kramer
Sept. 15	(N) Landon & Jana Van Zante
	(S) Tim & Rindy Vander Schel
Set. 22	(N) Darrell & Angela Veenstra
	(S) Jamie & Michelle VanKooten
Set. 29	(N) Merl & Candy Van Zante
	(S) Craig & Linda Zylstra
Oct. 6	(N) Mike VM & Val Nikkel
	(S) Harlan & Norma Beerends
Oct. 13	(N) Rick & Staci Jansen
	(S) Glenn & Navonne Shultz
Oct. 20	(N) Zach & Brooke Dunsbergen
	(S) Carroll & Marla Fopma
Oct. 27	(N) Kevin & June Veenstra
	(S) Stan Fopma & Loren V.Wilt

NOTE: If you are unable to greet on your assigned Sunday, please trade with someone for a different week. If you would like to have your name removed from the greeter list, please contact Steve Van Sant.



**AUGUST
2024**

Council Clippings

PLEASE NOTE: Under the new council organizational structure, full council will no longer be meeting monthly. Council clippings will be provided through the Fellowship Findings in the months council meets.

1. Chairman Dale Van Wyk opened the meeting with devotions and prayer. The needs of many in the church and community were lifted in prayer.
2. Financial information and reports were reviewed. The general fund balance is at about \$100,000 with an additional \$100,000 in an 11 month CD.
3. The projector supplier will be doing a site survey soon and we hope to have them installed in the next month.
4. Revisions were made to the Church Use and Wedding policies.
5. The Discipleship Committee reported strong interest in Stephen's Ministry with training beginning in the near future.
6. The Education Committee reported that all teaching positions have been filled and Sunday School will start on September 8.
7. Church Mutual Insurance offers free sensors and alerts for leaks, fire alarms and electrical outages. These have been installed throughout the church building.
8. Classis Central Plains will hold it's fall meeting on September 20-21 in North Liberty. Pastor Darren Kornelis, Elder Dale Van Wyk and Deacon Trevor Nikkel will be our delegates.
9. Gary Christensen closed in prayer following the singing of "The Longer I Serve Him."

BUDGET REPORT



July Report			
Category	Amount	Year to Date Received	Year to Date Budgeted
General Fund (includes Ministry Share)	\$25,674.58	\$88,692.59	\$99,852.99
Missions	\$ 1,686.62	\$ 6,166.80	\$ 6,500.01
Building and Grounds	\$ 1,929.25	\$ 6,655.56	\$ 7,500.00
Total	\$29,290.45	\$101,514.95	\$113,853.00

Offerings Received		
Date	Recipient	Amount
August 4	Sully Christian School	\$2,110.00
August 11	Rock Valley Christian School Flood Relief	\$6,651.00
August 18	Christian Education Encouragement Fund	\$1,591.00

September Offering Schedule

September 1	Sully Christian School
September 8	World Renew
September 15	Benevolence
September 22	Christian Education Encouragement Fund
September 29	Amy Hogeveen and Joel Huyser

BETHEL MISSION MINISTRY—Monday, September 9, 2024, *Growing in Grace.*

Coffee Servers		Nursery	
Sept. 1	Kevin & Melanie Van Maanen	Sept. 1	Laura Fynaardt
	Kelsie VanHaaften/Karen Altena		Alicia Fynaardt
Sept. 8	Kevin and Brenda Van Kooten	Sept. 8	Linda Zylstra
	Nathan and Rachel Nikkel		Breckyn Lowry
Sept. 15	Jud & Pam Vos	Sept. 15	Candice Vos
	Loren & Shawna Fopma		Adri Vos
Sept. 22	Dan & Sharla Dunsbergen	Sept. 22	Elly Van Zee
	Kevin & Jared Laverman		Erika Van Maanen
Sept. 29	Bryce & Donna Arkema	Sept. 29	Norma Beerends
	Wayne & Nora Ritter		Harlan Beerends
Oct. 6	Rick & Carla Fopma	Oct. 6	Shawna Fopma
	Kevin & Dawn Plowman		Gwen Zylstra
Oct. 13	Joel & Megan Vos	Oct. 13	Jacie Kramer
	Harris & Darlene Vos		Conrad Kramer
Oct. 20	John & Jodi De Berg	Oct. 20	Karla Vos
	Brent & Brenda Rolffs		Alexa Van Zane
Oct. 27	Gary & Lynnette Christensen	Oct. 27	Pam Vos
	Doug & Brenda Vos		Judson Vos
<p>Make juice on Saturday so that it has time to chill. Meet in the church basement before the service to set up. Instructions are in the kitchen. If unable to serve, please trade with someone.</p>		<p>If unable to serve in the nursery on your assigned Sunday, please trade with someone on the list.</p>	

**IT'S
GETTING
READY TO MOVE!!!**





Good Bye Summer!!

Save the date of September 18, 2024

Find your needles, pins, scissors and join us at 9:00 AM on September 19, 2024 for our first quilt day! Noon menu will consist of beef burgers, salads and desserts, and of course coffee time snacks! Watch for an email sign up sheet closer to the date. We welcome anyone interested in sewing (and obviously a great time of fellowship).



Mark your Calendar for October 2, 2024!!!

Share Your Faith will be resuming their Wednesday evening women's Bible study on October 2. We will be starting our season studying I Corinthians on Right Now Media. We begin at 6:45 pm along with GEMS and Cadets, so if you are bringing children into church, we welcome you to join us for Bible study. We meet in the consistory room.



We wish to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and many acts of kindness shown to us in our loss of Ed's brother, Norm. You have been a blessing to us in our time of sorrow.

Ed and Joyce Dieleman



Congregation of Sully CRC,
Thank you so much for once again being such a blessing with your generous gift you recently gave to Rehoboth Christian School! We can't say it enough, how thankful we are for you. We are also thankful for your ongoing prayers.

We covet those prayers. Please pray for all of our students, their families, and our staff as we begin our 121st school year starting August 13.

Thank you again for everything!

Blessings, Dave Sytsma

Celebrating...



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

September 3 Marla Fopma
Ron De Nooy

September 4 Kevin Van Kooten

September 5 Gary Christensen
Scott Nikkel

September 6 Tim Vander Schel

September 8 Barbara Van Zante

September 9 Marlene Van Soelen

September 11 Mike Arkema

September 12 Loren Vander Wilt

September 13 Gary Fynaardt
Sally Van Wyk
Roger Jansen

September 14 Allison Pleima

September 15 Isabelle Vos

September 17 Dale Van Wyk
Heather Zylstra
Bethany Kramer

September 18 Erica Vos

September 19 Candice Vos

September 20 Sharla Dunsbergen
Marcus Goodyk

September 21 Alene Fopma

September 22 Norm Nikkel

September 23 Steve Fopma

September 27 Ethan Vander Leest
Larissa Simbro

Birthdays and Anniversaries

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

September 3 Larry and Joan Pleima
Kevin and Brenda Van Kooten
Trevor and Jerri Nikkel

September 5 Rick and Staci Jansen
Jamie and Michelle Van Kooten
Bradley & Allyson Van Sant

September 6 Dennis and Staci Schut

September 9 Melvin and Wanda Lanser

September 15 Marvin and Lynda Slings
Craig and Linda Zylstra

September 21 Don and Deloris Van Rees
Scotty and Brenda De Nooy (45)



Thank you for your prayers, cards, and many kind expressions of sympathy when my brother passed away. It was all very much appreciated.

Keith and Darlene Struik

We want to thank you for your cards and prayers in the passing of Gary's brother Gilbert Van Wyk. We appreciated them all.

Gary and Dena Van Wyk

Celebrating...



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

October 3	Lawrence Van Zee
October 4	Joyce Dieleman Miranda Nikkel
October 6	Glenna Budding (96) Corey Van Kooten Zachary Dunsbergen
October 7	Sharon Van Wyk
October 8	Marvin Slings
October 9	Bonnie De Nooy
October 10	Valerie Nikkel Kelsie Van Haaften
October 11	Troy Fopma
October 14	Hampton Lowry
October 15	Phyllis Zylstra Madison Jochems Jodi De Berg
October 17	Harlan Beerends
October 18	Theda Fopma (97)
October 19	Owen Vos
October 21	Tyler De Berg
October 23	Marilyn Vander Griend Norma Beerends Abbie De Berg Gwendalyn Zylstra
October 24	Laurel Zylstra
October 25	Heather Hastings Caleb Roose Aspen Kramer
October 26	Caroll Jansen
October 28	McKenzie Goodyk David Olivier
October 29	Maggie Kornelis
October 30	Duke Zylstra
October 31	Esme Plowman Amelia Plowman

Birthdays and Anniversaries

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

October 2	Stuart & Sheila Pleima
October 4	Randy & Jodi De Vries
October 8	Merl & Candy Van Zante
October 9	Murray & Kendra Pothoven
October 12	Brent & Beth Vander Molen
October 14	Ben and Heather Hastings

Count your age by
friends, not years.

Count your life by
smiles, not tears.

John Lennon

IN MEMORIUM ...

Irene Moes

Irene J. (DeRuiter) Moes was born north of Lynnville, Iowa on June 17, 1923, to Arie and Hermina (Zuidema) DeRuiter. She spent her childhood on the family farm and attended Black Oak #7 country school through the eighth grade. On February 12, 1946, she was united in marriage to William Moes at the family home. To this union four children were born. Marlene Rae, Gwendolyn Sue, Dennis Eugene, and Wm Kelly. Irene made her profession of faith in the Sully Christian Reformed Church and became a faithful member. She was a charter member of the Golden Hour Society and was active in helping with other activities. For many years she enjoyed singing with a ladies' ensemble group from the Christian Reformed Church where she attended. After their marriage, they began farming on the Moes family farm. This was their home for the next 15 years. Then in 1961, they began a partnership with Sully Plumbing Heating and A/C until 1972 when they formed their own private business of Bill Moes Plumbing Heating and A/C. Irene worked in the office of their business. Taking care of her family was a joy for her along with working on her yard with her flowers. After retiring, Bill and Irene did a lot of traveling and spent their winters in Texas.

On July 1, 2011, Irene became a resident of Fair Haven East in Pella. In December of 2023 at the age of 100, she made the move to The Cottages in Pella where she was cared for by a loving staff until her death.

Irene passed away there on July 18, 2024, at the advanced age of 101.

As a church family, we remember Irene's lovely voice as she sang in the Ladies' Ensemble. Irene was gracious and kind. One thing that stood out to me about Irene was how she faithfully sent the newest edition of the *TODAY* devotional to several of her grandchildren. She wanted to be certain they were staying in the WORD!



HUYERS

Forming Students
in the
Gospel of Grace



Dear friends,

This month marks a year since we first began working with Grace Global Christian School in Changwon, South Korea. How quickly that year has flown by!

As I write this, Jeannie and I have just returned from a month in the U.S. It was a rich and eventful month – full of God’s grace and wonderful reconnections with family and friends. Two days after we landed in Dallas where we have our U.S. home, we made the 12-hour drive to Pella, Iowa. Jeannie and I were accompanied by daughter Micah and four of our grandchildren. In Pella, we joined our extended family and others in celebrating my mom’s 100th birthday!

We were only in Dallas one evening before we left again –this time for Michigan and by plane! In Michigan we visited our son LeeRoy and our grandsons Andrew and Ben. I had the privilege of preaching in one the churches that has supported us since we first left for Nicaragua in 1995- Ann Arbor CRC. We were back at our home for only a couple of days before Jeannie and I drove a second time to Pella for a more personal visit with my mom.

While Jeannie and I were in the United States, Grace Christian School was also experiencing a rich and eventful time! Summer vacation in South Korean schools runs from mid-July to late August. During summer vacation it is common for both schools and churches to sponsor special “summer camps.” School “camps” often focus on a specific skill such as math or English. For the students and teachers of Grace “summer camp” took the form of a “mission camp” in the Philippines.

The evening of July 18, seventeen students, five teachers, and one grandparent left the airport in nearby Busan for Dumaguete in the Philippines. The students ranged in ages from three second graders to one sixth grader! They would not return to South Korea and their parents until July 30!



Getting ready to leave!



Making new friends in a classroom in the Philippines

You might be asking: What elementary school would dare send seventeen children without their parents on a 12-day mission camp to another country? Well, a Christian school in Korea would! In fact, I think many of our parents would contend that equipping their children for mission to the world is a key reason to send them to a Christian school. Grace has identified experiences like the “mission camp” in the Philippines as part of our core curriculum, not an add-on.

The theme of our mission camp was “the compassion of God.” We began several weeks prior to the camp to prepare the students. We explored the difference between pity and compassion. We talked about the importance of flexibility in the face of unexpected challenges and changes of schedule. We talked about the value of curiosity and the opportunity to learn from Filipino friends. We emphasized an attitude of gratitude and teamwork. We talked about skills the students would develop as they used their English to make new friends and did simple evangelism.

While in the Philippines the students were able to participate and serve in schools and churches. They sang songs they had learned in Korean and English. They played soccer and other games with their new friends. They did demonstrations of Korean martial arts. They even did a street performance at a public stage along a beach! It was a rich and eventful time – full of God’s grace and goodness.

The students also had fun times doing water activities like snorkeling. Each student kept a journal of his or her experiences and engaged in personal and group reflection on Bible passages and in prayer. One night the teachers washed the feet of the students!

Jeannie and I do not know how long God will continue to gift us the health and strength to serve in South Korea. We are hoping to be here another three or four years. We are so thankful for the faithful prayers and support of God’s people both in our home country and in South Korea.

Our prayer is that together we would continue to “taste and see that the Lord is good.” (Psalm 34:8)

Praise and Prayer

Praise:

- For a safe return to South Korea after a month in the U.S.
- For a great week of teacher's education led by Diana Boot of Resonate Global Mission. Our teachers completed Module 2 of Educational Care: "Discipline for Discipleship."

Prayer:

- For our grandchildren in the U.S. as classes resume in their schools.
- For a good start to our second semester as we work to put into practice what we have learned from Educational Care.

How can you help?

Most importantly, you can support us in prayer. This is a major move for us into a culture that is quite different from that of Nicaragua. Pray that we would be gracious learners of culture and language. Pray for our own discipleship as we learn from Korean Christians. Pray for the community of teachers, students, and parents of Grace International School as they live out a gospel of grace in a culture of achievement and performance.

You can stay informed. We will be sending out regular prayer letters to keep you informed and to invite your partnership in prayer. (You are on our prayer letter list from our previous time working on the field. If you no longer wish to receive these emails, you can unsubscribe below.)

You can support us financially. This work is not possible without a mission-minded community. If you wish to partner with us in ministry, you can send your donation to Resonate Global Mission one of two ways:

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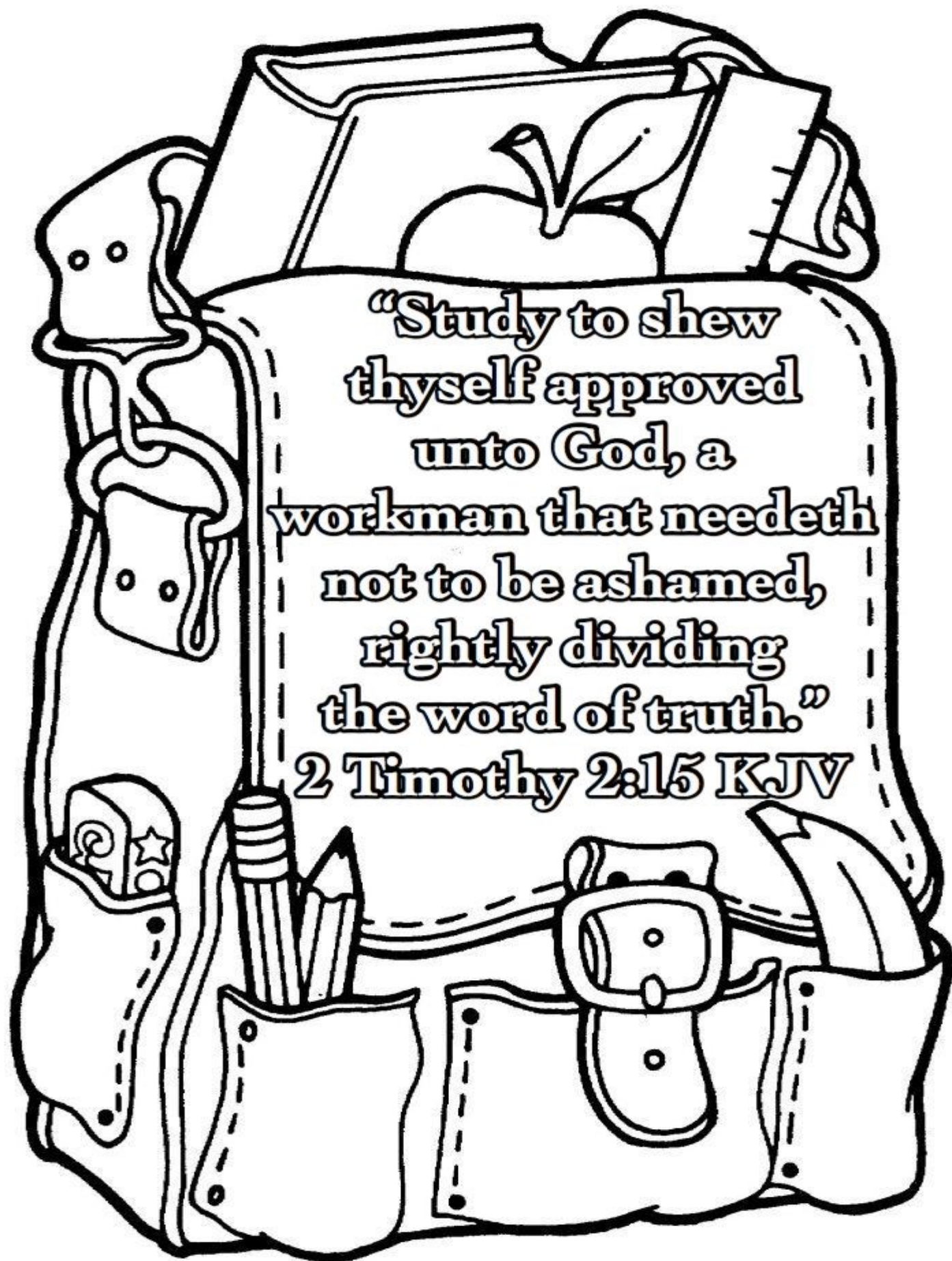
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Thank you for partnering with us on mission!



**“Study to shew
thyself approved
unto God, a
workman that needeth
not to be ashamed,
rightly dividing
the word of truth.”
2 Timothy 2:15 KJV**

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A Prayer For Our Students

Lord, thank you for the **unique gifts** of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with **fresh enthusiasm** and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your **enduring love**, give them **confidence and grace**, and equip them with the ability to **persevere** through trials. Bless their teachers with **wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve**, as they embark on the journey together! **Amen!**



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