

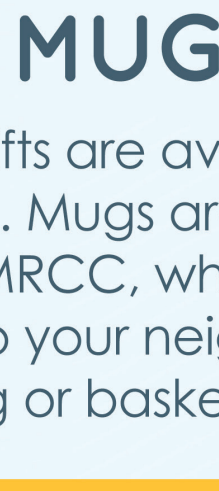
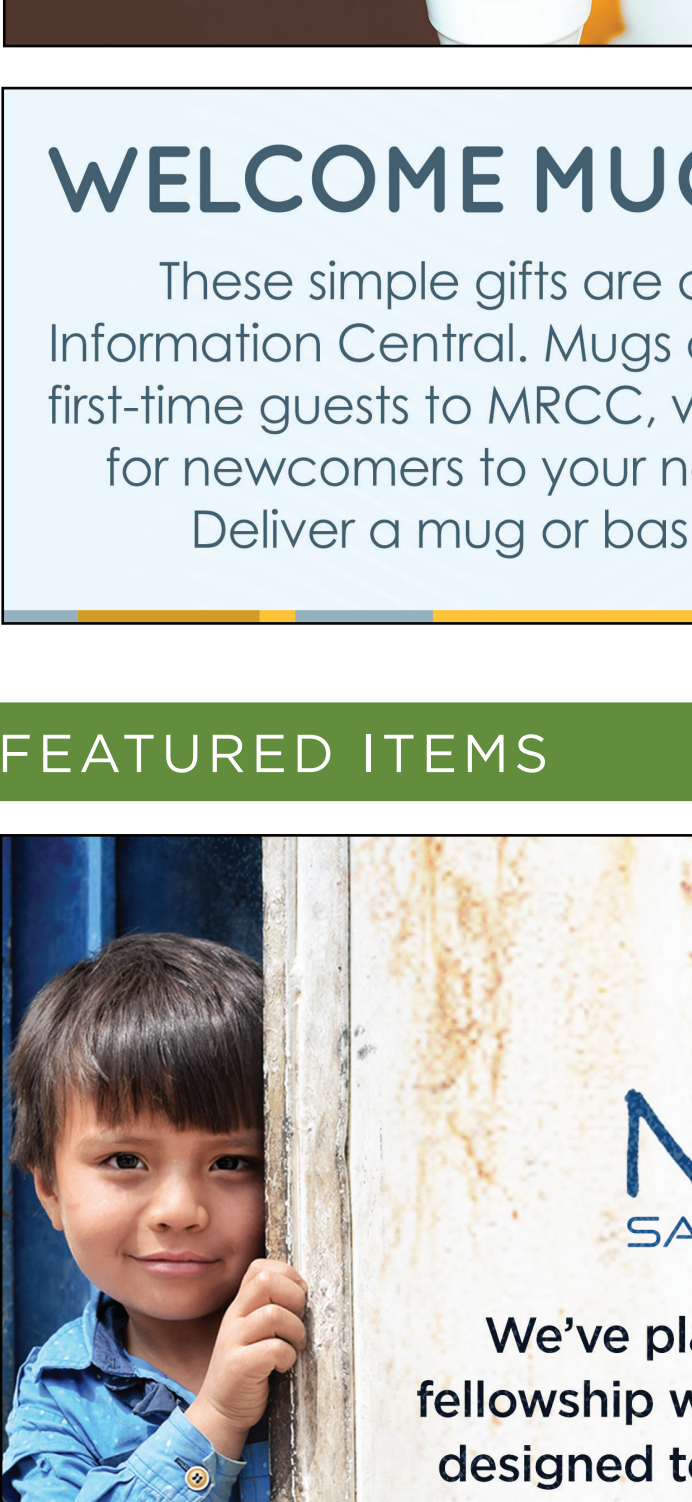


THANKS FOR JOINING US TODAY!



Please take a moment to sign the Welcome Book, located in your pew. Members, please greet any guests seated near you.

If you're joining us virtually, sign easily at mrcc.org/welcomebook.



Please join us for First Cup!

FIRST CUP IS A CHANCE FOR NEWCOMERS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MEMORIAL ROAD

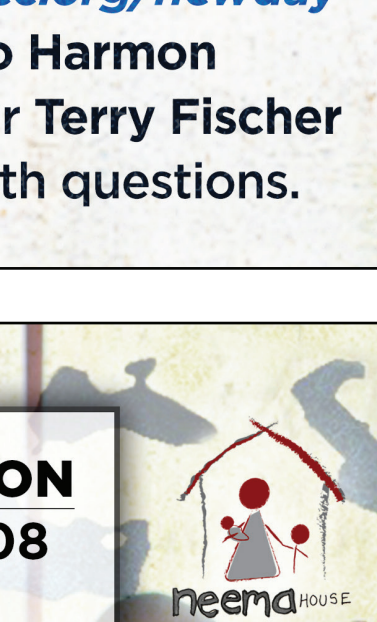
We meet at 9:35 in the Conference Room, which is located off the lobby near the rear entrances of the Auditorium

Visit mrcc.org/firstcup for more info

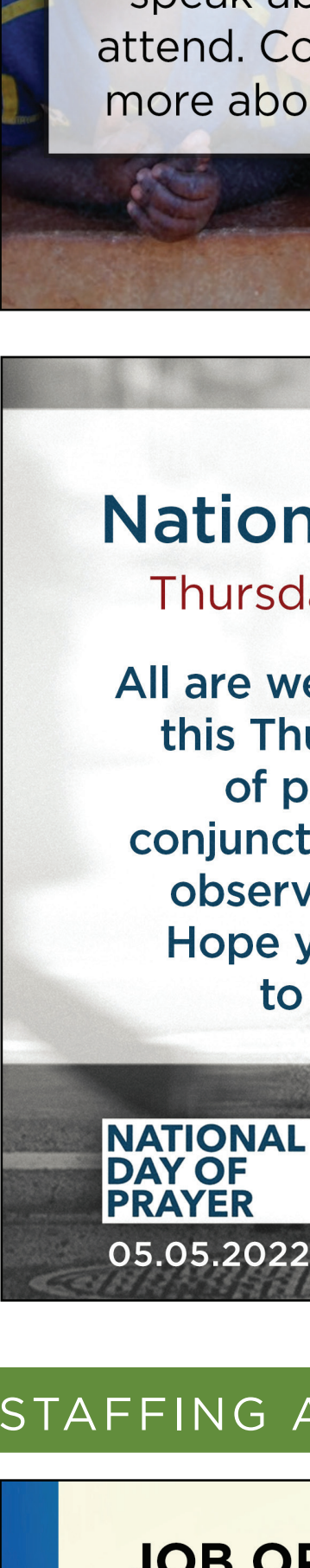
WELCOME MUGS AND BASKETS

These simple gifts are available at Information Central. Mugs are intended for first-time guests to MRCC, while Baskets are for newcomers to your neighborhood.

Deliver a mug or basket today!



FEATURED ITEMS

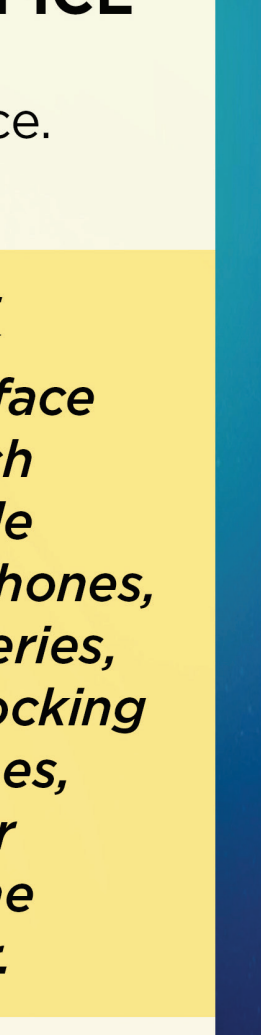


NEW DAY SATURDAY, MAY 14

We've planned a fun day of food and fellowship with our new Afghan neighbors, designed to help us get to know our new friends better in a casual setting. We need lots of volunteers to make the day a success. Our sign-up form lets you volunteer for tasks such as serving the meal, helping people navigate our facilities, assisting with kids' activities, and more. Visit mrcc.org/newday to sign up, or contact Jo Harmon (joharmon359@gmail.com) or Terry Fischer (terry.fischer@mrcc.org) with questions.

NEEMA HOUSE MISSION PRESENTATION Wednesday, May 4 at 6:30 p.m. in A108

Michael and Dorris Fortson (Dorris is the sister of **Lottie McCormack**) serve at Neema House in Tanzania. Neema is a rescue house for abandoned and orphaned babies and has been part of our Missions Sunday giving in years past. The Fortsons will be at MRCC Wednesday evening to speak about their work to any who can attend. Come to A108 at 6:30 p.m. to hear more about this wonderful mission effort.

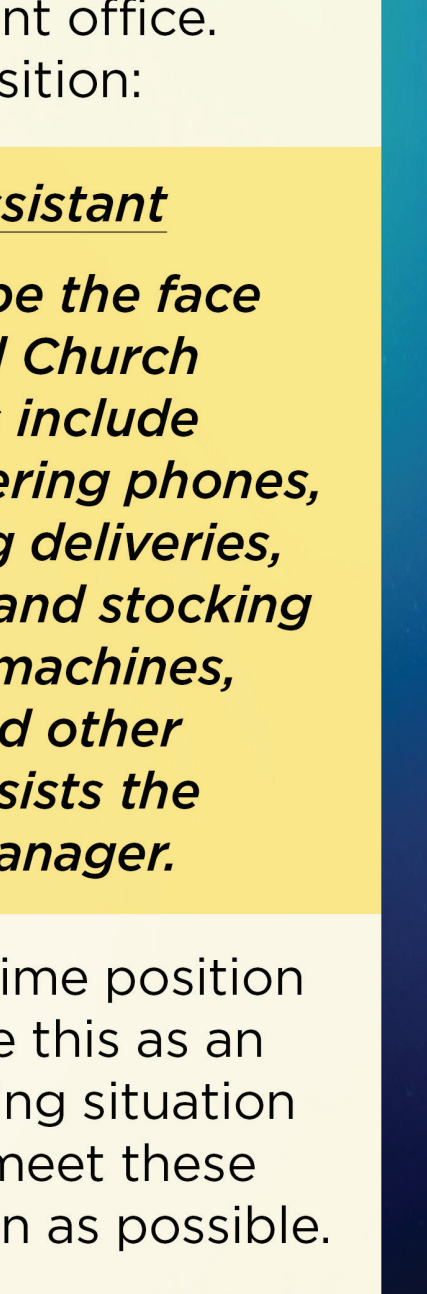
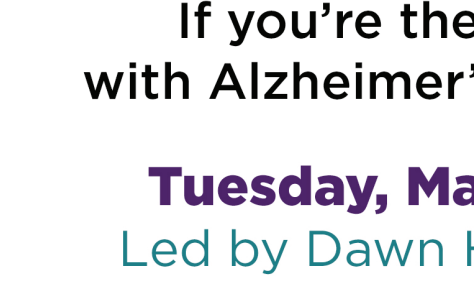


National Day of Prayer Gathering

Thursday, May 5 | 12:15 to 12:45 in A103-104

All are welcome to join Gary Bodine this Thursday as he leads a time of prayer and reflection in conjunction with this annual day of observance across the country.

Hope you can make it as we go to the Father together.



STAFFING ANNOUNCEMENT

JOB OPENING IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

We have a job opening in our front office. Here's the posting for that position:

Front Office Administrative Assistant

The person who fills this role will be the face and voice of the Memorial Road Church of Christ office. Responsibilities include greeting and directing guests, answering phones, sorting incoming mail, coordinating deliveries, scheduling appointments, ordering and stocking office supplies, managing office machines, administering HR functions, and other office tasks. This person also assists the pulpit minister and business manager.

If filled by one person, this is a full-time position with benefits. We can also visualize this as an excellent opportunity for a job-sharing situation with two people splitting time to meet these needs. We hope to fill this role as soon as possible.

Those interested may submit a résumé to Mark Taylor or Tammy McKeever.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group

If you're the caregiver of a loved one with Alzheimer's, please consider joining us:

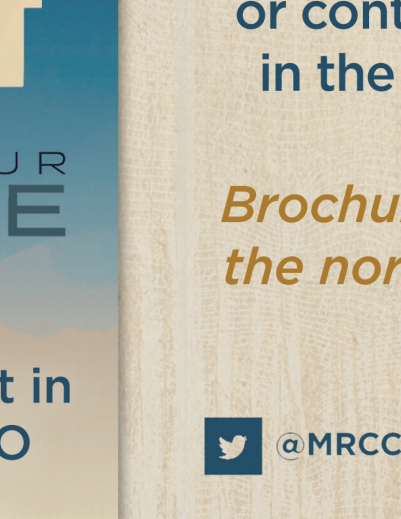
Tuesday, May 3 | 6:30-8 p.m. in A119

Led by Dawn Hemphill and Mary Jo Jones

Thursday, May 19 | 3-5 p.m. in A119

Led by Denise Hawkins

Groups are led by trained facilitators who each have been shaped by how this disease has impacted their families.



IRON COFFEE

IRON SHARPENS IRON

Iron Coffee men's breakfast gatherings meet Thursday, May 5, 7 a.m., at two Edmond locations:
Panera on 15th & Bryant and Old School Bagel on Coltrane & 2nd Street

Iron Coffee 2.0 will be Saturday, May 7, 8 a.m., at Panera on 15th & Bryant in Edmond.

MEN'S MINISTRY SPRING SHOTGUN SHOOT

Saturday, May 21, at 10 a.m.

Silver Leaf Shooting Sports

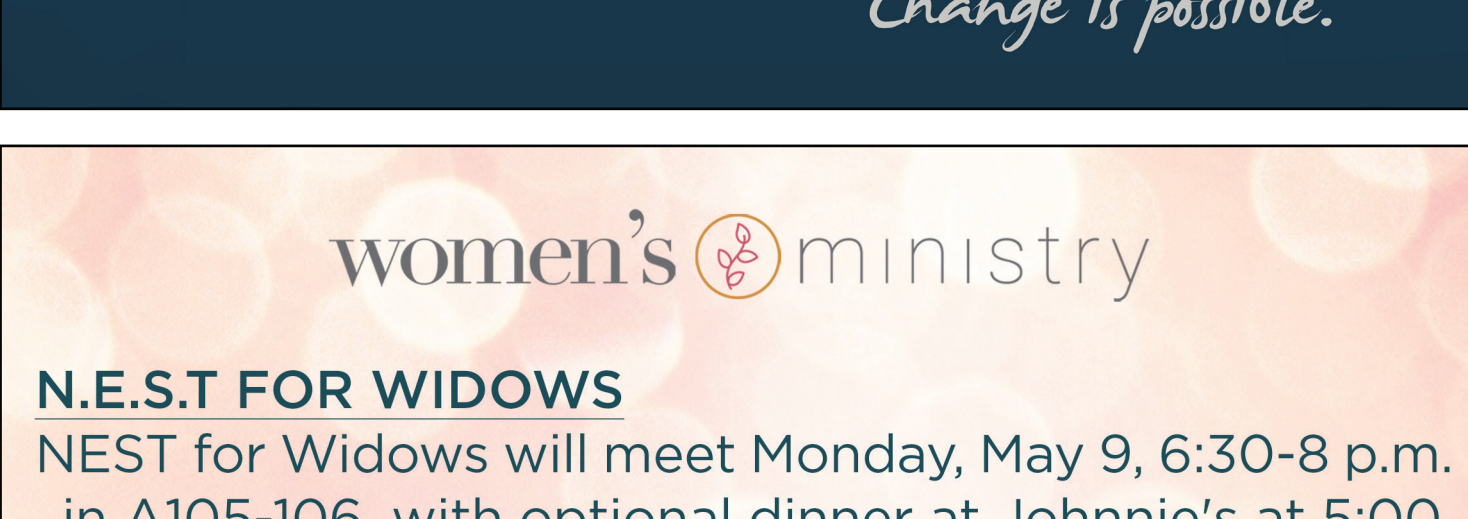
Located 3 miles north of Waterloo on Douglas

Cost is \$31.50/person for a 50-shot course

Teams are welcome or you can be put on a team once you're there.

Ammo can be purchased at the event or you can bring your own (no dry shot).

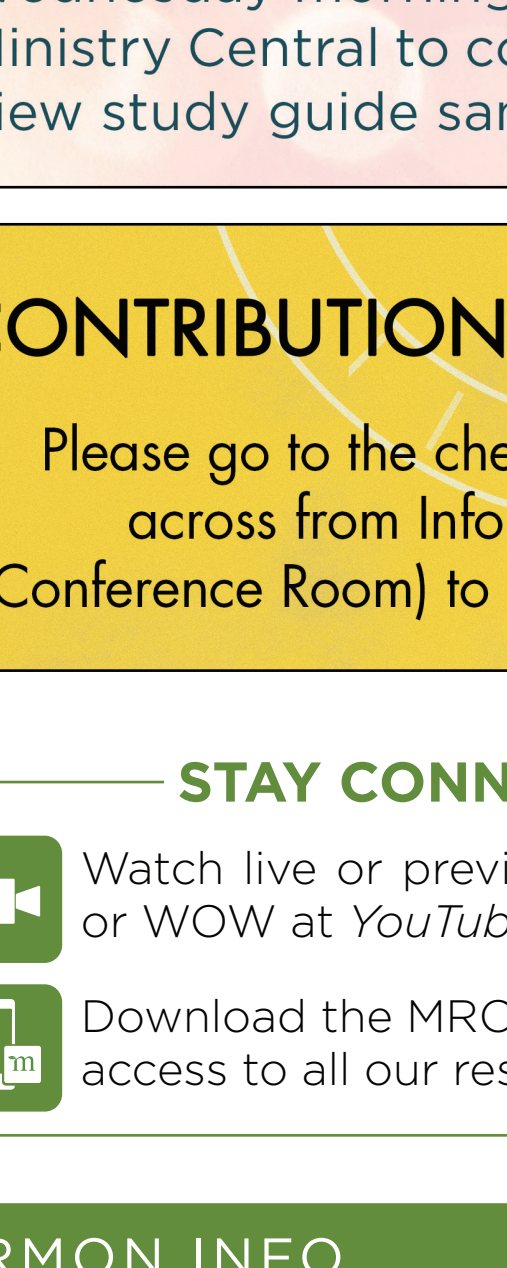
Visit mrcc.org/springshoot to register, or tap on this image.



BEYOND THE BUILDING

Sunday, May 29

8:45AM WORSHIP | 10AM BIBLE CLASS
BRING LAWN CHAIRS | BRING COMMUNION



Join us for Summit!

For more information, visit mrcc.org/Summit or contact Debbie Carter in the office to sign up.

Brochures available at all the normal pickup spots.

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MINISTRY UPDATES

CHILDCARE WORKERS NEEDED

Celebrate Recovery has openings for childcare workers. Those interested should be available to work Friday evenings, especially through the summer months. Contact **Lauryn Corbelli** (lauryn.corbelli@gmail.com) to apply.

Worship Nursery Workers are needed during 8:15 a.m. worship each Sunday. Positions are open to anyone 16 years of age and older, and workers will be compensated. Contact **Evelyn Sindorf** (MRCCchildcare@gmail.com or 405-620-5464) to apply.

Buddies Needed in the Children's and Youth Ministries

The Children's and Youth Ministries need adult helpers who have an interest and passion for being a buddy to one of our special needs students. Help is needed for Sunday mornings and/or Wednesday evenings during class, or during overnight trips.

If you are interested in serving in this way, please contact **Jill Jones** to serve the Children's Ministry students and **Kurtis Dobbs** to serve the Youth Ministry students. A background check, interview, and questionnaire must be completed, along with a training session which will take place on Sunday, May 22.

We hope and pray you will consider this opportunity for ministry with our students who have special needs and their families. Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you!



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A CHRISTIAN SUPPORT GROUP

EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

A place of hope for every hurt, habit, and hang-up

Dinner at 6
Program at 7
Small Groups at 8

mrcc.org/CR

Change is possible.

women's ministry

N.E.S.T FOR WIDOWS

NEST for Widows will meet Monday, May 9, 6:30-8 p.m. in A105-106, with optional dinner at Johnnie's at 5:00. Guests are welcome. Details are at mrcc.org/nest.

FALL BIBLE STUDY SURVEY

Ladies who are interested in taking a Bible study on Wednesday mornings this fall are invited to stop by Ministry Central to complete a survey of options and view study guide samples.

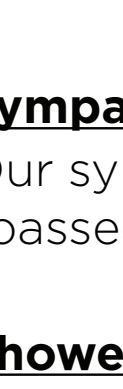
CONTRIBUTION TRAY-PASSERS NEEDED

Please go to the check-in area in the small hallway across from Information Central (next to the Conference Room) to see if you're needed. Thank you!

STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED



Watch live or previous broadcasts of worship, sermons, or WOW at YouTube.com/memorialroad.

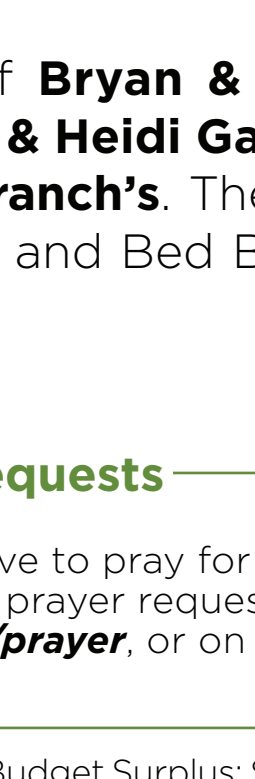


Download the MRCC App (for iOS and Android) for easy access to all our resources. Check it out today!

SERMON INFO

EVERYDAY IDOLATRY

when good things become god things



Have you ever read the story of the golden calf in the Old Testament and felt plain dumfounded at the short-sightedness of freshly liberated Israel? God had just parted the Red Sea, and they go placing their faith in a piece of metal the size of an oversized microwave? Like, really, how thick could they get?!

Maybe before we heap all of our chronological snobbery upon this ancient group of people we might do well to ask ourselves if we've ever turned a blind eye to the providence of God in exchange for the assurance of something else. It might be the security of wealth. Or the promise of progress. Or the worship of sex. Or the glow of a screen. Or the rhetoric of an institution. Whatever the case, idolatry wasn't just a problem for ancient Israel; it is a problem for modern America, too.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion

- What is an interesting statue you have seen?
- How many statues can you name in and around Edmond and OKC? Can you get to ten?
- To you, what is the most memorable idol story from the Old Testament?
- What do you think made the gods of other nations attractive to Israel?
- In our relationship to idols, how are Israel and America the same? How are they different?
- How do these three entities compare/contrast/relate to one another? 1. Demons or demonic powers 2. The devil 3. The gods of other nations
- What are some ideologies that we accept and live by in our daily lives?
- How do we evaluate ideologies?
- Psalm 115:4, in referring to false gods, says "Those who make them will be like them, and so will all who trust in them." Can you think of some modern day examples of this?

FAMILY UPDATES

5.1.22

Hospitalized

Margaret Olmstead, mother of **Tina Winn**, is in Epworth Villa recovering from a fall.

Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to the family of **Sharon Feland**, who passed away Monday, April 25.

Showers

Baby Shower for **Annika Anderson** and Baby **Mallory** is this afternoon from 1:30-2:30 in the East Foyer. She is registered at *Babylist.com*.

Bridal Shower for **Kate Axtell** (daughter of **Bryan & Rene Axtell**), fiancée of **Alan Garner** (son of **Jason & Heidi Garner**), is this afternoon from 2-3:30 p.m., at **Judy Branch's**. They are registered at Amazon, Target, Crate & Barrel, and Bed Bath & Beyond.

Ways to give

mrcc.org
mrcc app
text amount to:
884.311.2333

Prayer Requests

We would love to pray for you. Submit your prayer requests at mrcc.org/prayer, or on the MRCC App.

Weekly Budget: \$102,065 | Avg Weekly Offering: \$108,243 | YTD Budget Surplus: \$105,034

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