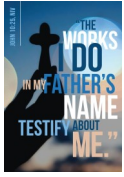


# THE IMMANUEL MESSENGER



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## From Your Pastor

“Don’t forget to call!” “Let me know when you get there.” “Don’t forget about me!” We all have a desire to be remembered and this desire arises from a need to be loved, valued, and cared for. The fear of being forgotten is the fear of being left alone.

In such moments as a Christian you cry out to God and plead for His mercy to provide specific relief from your struggles. You await God’s answer and expect His deliverance, His help, His relief . . . and sometimes, you don’t see the remedy you seek! Maybe you have heard the words—maybe you have spoken them yourself—“God is not answering my prayers!”

Have you ever felt abandoned even by God? As Christians, we may feel uneasy about that question and say it would be wrong to feel that way! And yet, the very prayer book of the Bible, the book of Psalms, includes this prayer in which the feeling of being forgotten by God is quite explicit: “Will you forget me forever?” (Psalm 13:1). This is not an isolated plea! A number of similar examples are in the Bible: “Why have You forgotten me?” (Ps. 42:9); “Why do You hide Your face and forget our affliction?” (Psalm 44:24); “Why do You forget us forever?” (Lamentations 5:20).

Now, before we rush to other verses, let’s acknowledge that sometimes we have felt abandoned and alone. There are times we feel as if God has forgotten us and that He is just not there for us.

Acknowledging the reality of this feeling is important. Talking to other Christians about feeling forgotten by God is not off limits or showing a lack of faith. Talking to God (as the Bible’s authors give examples) and expressing this feeling to Him is not a lack of faith. In fact, it is an act of faith!

When you feel abandoned or forgotten, it’s okay to tell God how you feel. The verses above teach us to do exactly that! But the act of praying to God is our acknowledgement that though we feel forgotten, we know that we are not forgotten. So we

go to God expressing how we feel, precisely because we know that He is listening!

We know we are not forgotten and that He is with us with compassion, mercy, kindness, and love—even in our times in which we feel alone and abandoned—because of Jesus, the One who enables us to find rest in God. Jesus, our Savior, invites all of us: “Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls” (Matthew 11:28-29). It is Jesus who brings us into the presence of our Heavenly Father, and it is because of Him that we stand in His presence and even in the final judgment.

Jesus Himself taught us to pray, “Our Father who art in heaven.” Martin Luther reminds us “With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father” (Small Catechism).

Because I see the love of God in the face of Jesus I pray to Him also for others who are afflicted, crushed, and feeling alone, and I trust He will not abandon us, even as He has promised: “I will never leave you, nor forsake you” (Heb. 13:5).

And for those times when it seems like He is not answering our prayers, we remember and we remind others that He answers our prayers in His way and in His time for our good. We cling to Him in faith, even when we do not see His work as we desire. He is faithful, and so we praise Him even in our darkness.

Psalm 13 begins with that desperate cry to God: “Will you forget me forever?” (Ps. 13:1), but it ends with words of praise: “But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because He has dealt bountifully with me.”

Your fellow-servant for Christ,

*Pastor Mahuken*



MAY BIRTHDAYS

- May 1.....**Barb Ernst**  
**Ryan Morgan**
- May 3.....**Brittany Rogers**
- May 4.....**Jason Voss**
- May 5.....**Karsen Bruhn**  
**Nathan Teut**
- May 6.....**Gaylord Boeck (93)**
- May 7.....**Destry Beeck**  
**Jolene Streck**
- May 9.....**Josie Schultz**
- May 10.....**Vern Wood**
- May 11.....**Ashley Hennings**  
**Keith Petersen**  
**Christina Riessen**  
**Delores Schultz**
- May 12.....**Theodore Cruz**
- May 14.....**Cathy Bubke**
- May 15.....**Tanner Schultz**
- May 16.....**Kayla Hennings**
- May 17.....**Eli Rohlf**
- May 18.....**Damon Schultz**
- May 19.....**Tim Bubke**  
**Brad Detlefsen**
- May 20.....**Hadley Nahnsen (1<sup>st</sup>)**  
**Mitch Schwarz**
- May 21.....**James Hill**  
**Jamie Jepsen**  
**Brandon Meseck**
- May 22.....**Kay Wilken**
- May 24.....**Austin Aldag**
- May 25.....**Mark Beeck**  
**Mike Beeck**  
**Brandon Wigg**
- May 26.....**Austin Korner**  
**Ian Weber**
- May 27.....**Melanie Hargens**  
**Abigail Schmidt**
- May 28.....**Kara Harm**  
**Kelsi Jepsen**  
**Nakia Zavitz**
- May 29.....**Jaden Petersen**  
**Jenna Rosener**
- May 30.....**Jac Friedrichsen**  
**Gene Haberberger**
- May 31.....**Stacy Jepsen**  
**Sarah Vandevanter**



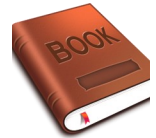
MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- Jerod & Kim Petersen..... May 9, 1992**
- Dave & Jac Friedrichsen..... May 13, 1972**
- Doug & Christi Fredericks..... May 16, 1996**
- Zachary & Rebecca Rohlf..... May 22, 2010**
- Stephen & Sarah Komer..... May 25, 2019**
- Trevis & Laura Beeck..... May 26, 1990**
- DeWayne & Denice Schultz..... May 29, 1972**

*Please notify the office of any omissions or corrections.*

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### From the Church Record Book



**Baptized:** *“Let the little children come unto Me....”*

**Summer Walker** was baptized on April 1, 2023.

**Beckham Marius, Maverick Jon, and Axel Dean**, sons of Tanner and Summer Walker, were baptized on April 1, 2023.

**Charlee Kay Rohlf**, born June 4, 2022, daughter of Jeremy and Marnee Rohlf, was baptized on April 15, 2023.

**Youth Confirmation:** *“You are Mine...”*

April 23, 2023

- Aden John Hennings**
- Lydia Eileen Hennings**
- Tyson T.J. Hennings**
- Jacee Diann Jepsen**
- Clayton August Stoppel**
- Morgan Lee Wood**

**Adult Confirmation:** *“Welcome in the name of the Lord...”*

April 2, 2023

- Tiffany Friedrichsen**
- Kelsey Jorgensen**
- Mackenzie Jorgensen**
- Tayten Kline**
- Landon Seebeck**
- Summer Walker**

**Marriages:** *“. . .and the two became one.”*

**Payton Schultz and Dane Treiber**, were married at Immanuel on April 15, 2023.



**Immanuel's 2023 Confirmation Class**



Front row (l-r): Lydia Hennings, Tyson Hennings, Jacee Jepsen, Pastor Mahnken.  
 Back row (l-r): Morgan Wood, Clayton Stoppel, Aden Hennings.

**SPECIAL ASCENSION SERVICE**



At Mission Central on  
 May 18, 2023.

5:00 p.m. Meal

6:00 p.m. Worship

What a JOY and BLESSING to have the privilege of having the Rev. Daniel McMiller as our guest speaker for the Denison and Mapleton Circuits' Ascension Worship at Mission Central on May 18th, 2023!

A wonderful meal will be provided at no cost, and then the Rev. McMiller will have a very, very special message for everyone. He is a former missionary to Latin America and former Director of International Missions for our Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod. The Reverend McMiller is an excellent speaker, and a faithful proclaimer of the Good News of Jesus our risen, living ascended, and soon-coming-again Savior and Lord.

This special Ascension Day opportunity will occur at your Mission Central just 2 miles east of Mapleton, Iowa. It will change your life and it's a once in a lifetime opportunity to hear this amazing man of God! Bring your friends!



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Immanuel's 2023 High School graduates will be honored at a reception on Sunday, May 7 following 9 a.m. worship. Everyone is invited to enjoy donuts, rolls and juice and greet our graduates; Kaitlyn Bruhn and Koen Miller.

**Pre-Sale Plant Sale!**

Perennials are available before the garage sale/plant sale (June 1, 2 & 3). Feel free to stop by 114 Valley View Drive or call Rachel Mentink 712-221-1286.

So far there are daylilies (4 or 5 colors), peonies (3 colors), fall phlox, purple cone-flower, columbines, and verbena. Rachel can also dig up iris in a variety of colors.

**Vacation Bible School is Coming!**

Sessions for children that just completed  
 Preschool-6th Grade



Sunday-Thursday  
 July 9-13

5:00 p.m. Supper

5:30-8:00 p.m. VBS

**God's Living Water**

This summer at Vacation Bible School, we're covered in Jesus' grace! Our theme for this year, "God's Living Water: Covered in Jesus' Grace", is inspired by 1 Timothy 1:14, which says, "The grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus."

Each of the lessons focuses on biblical accounts that emphasize the Living Water, Jesus Christ. We hope you can join us!

**Can my Traditional IRA make a donation to my church to satisfy the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD)?**

If you are receiving a standard IRA distribution which is taxable you may want to look into having a portion of your payment go directly to the church. It will avoid you paying taxes on that amount. Several of our members are taking advantage of this tax law.

Please see your broker or tax accountant for specifics.

~ THE LWML INVITES ALL LADIES ~



The Immanuel LWML met on April 6 with 15 members present. Pastor Mahnken led a Bible Study on Matthew 27, Jesus' crucifixion and burial.

Spring Rally will be on April 27 at Our Savior, Denison, at 9:00 a.m. The speaker will be from Mosaic in Denison.

Grace reported that Eventide will be having a Volunteer Tea on Monday, April 17 and bingo will be Tuesday, May 2nd.

We served the last Lenten supper and that went well. Our Thrivent card covered all the expenses for it. With that card, we were also able to purchase a new crockpot for the church kitchen and replenish additional supplies.

The meeting was followed by a time of fellowship with desserts provided by Marlene and Ingrid.

Donna Harm, Secretary



Palm Sunday was observed on April 2, 2023 with the Sunday school welcoming Jesus with palm branches.



As You Spring Clean ...



Please consider donating any unwanted items to our church garage sale held in conjunction with Schleswig City-wide Garage Sales the first weekend in June. The proceeds help support our Mission projects.

Items can be brought to the church garage between May 22 and May 30. We are grateful for your support!

~The Mission Board

From Your library . . . "Have we got a book for you!"



The Prayer Tree By Annie Jones

In the spring of 1942, the women of New Bethany, Tennessee, planted apple trees. In a field north of town, these women gathered around the trees on a given day each month to pray for "the boys" away at war. Long after the war, the tradition has endured.

Year after year, decade after decade, the women of the town had come each spring to plant new trees. The quiet grove of their creation stands as a testament to the faith, hope and strength of their mothers and grandmothers.

Each spring, for over 50 years, new prayer groups have formed with women participating for reasons including faith, community duty and social functions.

Time and pressure of the world in which we live have taken their toll on the custom of the prayer tree. Over the years the number of women volunteering to give one year to pray for the common good of their neighbors and one another has dwindled.

When the four people who showed up together, they argue, they cry, they laugh and they pray. What God does with and through them is nothing short of a miracle. For them and for all of New Bethany.

God who loves each of us beyond anything we could ever imagine. Read this book, be inspired and be thankful.

—Submitted by Carol Neddermeyer



There will be a special door offering collected on Sunday, May 14, as we join with all the congregations of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in providing an offering for the outreach of the Gospel, which will be presented at the opening service of our Synod Convention. The LCMS Convention will be held on July 29-August 3.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church  
Voter's Meeting Minutes  
April 16, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Riessen with 34 voting members present.

**I. Opening Prayer**

Led by Pastor Mahnken.

**II. Reading/Approval of Minutes and Agenda**

Moved, seconded and approved to accept the reading of the January minutes and the April agenda.

**III. Reports of Officers and Boards**

**A. Elders**

Nothing to report.

**B. Trustees (Loren Jepsen)**

Caulking still needs to be done around the new windows at the parsonage.

Landscaping and soil sloping needs to be addressed as well. Both items will be taken care of when the weather stabilizes.

A kitchen sink is acting up as well as one of the furnaces. Verlin's Plumbing and Heating will be working on both issues.

**C. Treasurer/Stewardship/Finance (Dick Fredericks)**

Immanuel is ahead \$11,280.72 for the year. This could be the result of retirement plan fund distributions that can be given directly to the church, instead of the individual, to avoid income taxation.

Insurance coverages and policies are still under review.

**D. Education/Youth (Curtis Korner)**

A bowling party was held on March 26.

Chris Mahnken is holding the Dave Ramsey class for the 8th graders.

Chris also started a women's group that seems to be going well.

Preschool Grandparent's Day was held on February 14.

Preschool Graduation is scheduled for May 18. There are 6 confirmands this year. Questioning will be held on April 19 and Confirmation on April 23.

Mercy Meals with tubing at Cone Park was held on February 25.

A skate night was held on March 5 with other local Lutheran churches.

Teacher Appreciation Dinner was held on February 26.

There are two high school graduates this year: Kaitlyn Bruhn and Koen Miller. A small gathering for them will be held on May 7.

VBS will be held from July 9-13 in the evenings. Paint color was decided upon for the education unit upgrade.

**E. Preschool (Jessica Ogren)**

No report.

**F. Mission/Fellowship**

Church garage sale will be held on June 1, 2 and 3.

**G. Memorial Committee**

Nothing to report.

**H. Pastor's Report (Pastor Mahnken)**

This can be found elsewhere in the Messenger.

Pastor Mahnken renewed his plea for all members of Immanuel to pray 3 times per day for the spiritual growth of the members of Immanuel.

It was also noted that the Ascension Day service at Mission Central will be held on May 18. There is a meal served at 5:00 with a church service to follow.

The Rev. Daniel McMiller will be delivering the message that evening.

**IV. Old Business**

**A. Confirmation Photo Display**

The display that was ordered has arrived but was returned due to the large amount of space it took up. Other options are being considered.

**V. New Business**

**A. Synodical Convention Offering**

At the 2019 Convention, a gift of \$284 was given.

A motion was made by Peggy Wunschel and seconded by Deb Green and approved by the voters to give \$500 from the Home Mission Fund to the convention. In addition, a door offering will be taken and presented.

**B. Other**

**VI. Adjourn With Prayer:** Pastor led us in a prayer as we departed.

Submitted by Craig Bogatzke, Secretary



"Everyone should be eager to advance the teaching and study of the Word for his own salvation and the glory of God." Martin Luther



**Pastor Mahnken's Report  
Voters' Meeting--April 16, 2023**

We began 2023 with 608 baptized members on the books; and 501 communicant members on the books. We have received 7 by Holy Baptism (1 adult). We have added 6 communicant members by adult confirmation. We have had one death: Larry Clausen. We released one from our roll by personal request. As of today, April 16, 2023 we have 619 baptized members on and 505 communicant members on our roll.

As of yesterday afternoon we have had weddings involving two of our members: Jeremy & Marnee Rohlf and Payton & Dane Treiber.

Next Sunday we are planning for the confirmation of six Junior Confirmands. Even with guests attending worship, we will have plenty of room, so don't stay away from worship! Or, if you would rather, please attend on Saturday evening.

Please also remember our Saturday evening worship (5 p.m.) if you have other plans on Sunday. Please do not let the busy-ness of life keep you from worship! Plan ahead and keep the most important time of your week. The same is true if you will be vacationing in the coming months. Plan ahead and visit a church where you will be. You can search for churches and worship times by going to our Synod's website—[lcms.org](http://lcms.org) When you open the site, click in the upper right hand corner on the "Locators" tab. Then click on "Find a Church." The congregation's phone number will also be listed. I encourage you to call ahead, because sometimes the worship times have been changed from what is listed on the web site.

Our Youth and Families went to Mission Central back in January and we had a great attendance. Other members joined us for the special opportunity made possible for us by Gary Thies. As you heard in our Bd of Education and Youth Report, our Youth and Families went to pack at Mercy Meals of Siouxland in February. I joined them for both of these events, but I opted out when they went snow tubing following the Mercy Meals packing! Angela Korner was our very capable organizer and Angela helped Amanda Bruhn, and together they planned and organized a wonderful Easter Breakfast last Sunday morning.

Our Easter worship attendance total was exactly the same as it had been a year ago. Our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday attendances, however, were the largest in 10 years and more. I am very thankful for our families who brought their children for these two Holy Week services. The suffering, sacrificial death, and Resurrection of our Savior are central to our faith. Every Christian who is physically able should plan to attend—without question or wavering!

Two Sundays ago we received 6 members by adult confirmation. Following we had a wonderful new member reception right here in our Fellowship Hall. We want to thank again the committee who put the reception together and organized the gifts bags. Nancy Bielenberg, Craig Bogatzke, Judy Gierstorf, and Marlene Hight served as our New Member Committee.

Pastor Kaiser and I attended the funeral for Pastor Andrew Johnson of Trinity, Manilla this past Tuesday. It was a wonderful testimony to our risen and living Savior and the living hope we have through faith in Him for the resurrection of our bodies and the gift of eternal life. I wanted to be able to share a link for the service, but I haven't found one. I will share it if it exists. [Later I discovered the service is available on the Trinity, Manilla Facebook page].

We thank Kent Bornhott for getting our rolls for us this morning.

Tomorrow is the 3 year anniversary of my cancer surgery. The most recent blood test showed no indication of cancer. Please join me in thanking God for that good report.

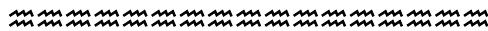
Finally, I again remind you of my prayer challenge for us all: "Please join me three times a day in prayer for the spiritual growth of the members of Immanuel. Please pray three times a day! Pray that the eyes of our hearts may be opened to the wonder of God's grace. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be at work among us. Pray on behalf of the families and children of Immanuel that they will be blessed with a love for Jesus and a growing zeal to live for Him in this darkening age. And thank the Lord Jesus for His promise that whatever we ask the Father in His name, He will give it to us for the glory of our Savior (John 15:16)." I thank you for your prayers.

# Unity Ridge Christian School

Unity Ridge Lutheran School (Denison, Iowa) is taking student applications for the upcoming school year. Unity Ridge is an outgrowth of Zion Lutheran School in Denison. Offerings at this time are for pre-school age three and age four as well as transitional kindergarten thru grade 9. If you are interested in attending a Christian high school and entering grades 10-12, please contact Miss Sump for special attention. Applications for financial assistance have deadlines of May 1 and June 15.

Unity Ridge Lutheran School (Denison, Iowa) is also taking applications for the following staff positions: cook, janitor, bookkeeper, secretary, preschool aid for the 2023-2024 academic year. Unity Ridge is seeking a kindergarten teacher and a secondary math/science educator.

For further information please contact Miss Sump at 712-854-0212 or merrilee.sump@ziondenison.org.



## Little Caesars Fundraiser for Unity Ridge

We are kicking off our first fundraiser! The fundraiser is for scholarships to offset cost of tuition for students who attend our school. \$6 from each pizza goes to Unity Ridge. Delivery date will be May 22nd. Just in time for summer vacation!! Call 712-267-3384 or visit www.pizzakit.com with Fundraiser ID: 424493.



### HELP US REACH OUR GOAL!

Please Support Our Fundraiser!

Organization Unity Ridge Christian School

Raising Funds For Tuition/Scholarships

Goal \$8,000.00

Contact Name/Phone # 712-267-3384

Pick-Up Date & Time May 22nd Fundraiser ID: 424493

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## ¡AMIGOS EN CRISTO and GRACIA!

News from *Las Iglesias Evangélicas Luteranas*  
Amigos en Cristo in Denison and Gracia in Storm Lake  
Pastor Pedro Lopez

Hello everyone! Once again I am privileged to share the latest about the Hispanic Ministry in our IDW. Many great things are happening among our congregations and new areas of ministry are beginning.

By God's grace and favor and with the help and support of many volunteers, congregations and their pastors, we are able to call ESL in Hartley a reality. Our second season of ESL in Hartley is beginning April 11, and we already have five new students participating. In Carroll, we had our ESL workshop on April 15 and have April 21 as our starting day for ESL classes there at St. Paul. We already have 12 people registered for the class there! Thanks to all the participants in the workshop and all the volunteers who are ready to help.

I was privileged to bring information about our Hispanic outreach to Zion Lutheran Church in Manning. We had a good group of brothers and sisters who joined us. It was a good meeting where questions were answered and it was a great opportunity to ask for continued prayers and support. We talked about the challenges and opportunities God is giving us with the new wave of immigrants moving into our country and local areas. God is bringing new people for us to be able to share the good news of salvation of Jesus with them.

If it is God's will, we will be having the RAGBRAI taco sale and fundraiser in St. Paul, Carroll on July 24. We are working on the details to make sure it is doable and can get enough volunteers and partners to help us make it possible. On April 22 we are having a meeting to develop the leadership and strategies to put it together. Please be on the lookout for this opportunity to help and support your Hispanic Ministry. We will keep you informed.

Talk about God opening new doors and areas where we can outreach to the Hispanic community! We are working with St. Paul Lutheran Church in Fort Dodge to develop the ESL program there. We ask for your prayers as we work together in this area.

Our LWML Hispanic branch met on March 25 with 9 ladies in the group. The ladies will be having their second gathering on April 29. If any of the LWML ladies would like to join us, help us with a craft or any other talent that you can teach us, we would really appreciate it. Some of the ladies are excited and will make plans to visit the quilting group at Immanuel in Schleswig. A few ladies may participate in the National LWML Convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin!

Please keep on praying and supporting your Hispanic Ministry in our IDW!

Gracias and bendiciones, Pastor Lopez



I had not officially determined what I was going to write this month when I sat down yesterday. As a result, I went home! I'm back this morning and can see God provided a great analogy for this month's newsletter. By the time you read this, the last evening will have passed. However, I doubt many will have forgotten the events of the evening. Last night was the night in April when the heavens opened and dropped golf ball sized hail on Schleswig and a tornado dropped out of the sky south of Kiron.

Personally, I always like a good storm. There is an air of anticipation when the air gets a little sticky, the world becomes perfectly still, and the sky darkens. You just KNOW something is coming. Of course, I never like the damage that can come with a storm. However, storms do come. And, while storms are not our motivation to walk with Jesus, they are certainly good reminders of His protection during all times of life.

I heard one of the children say the other day, "I love Jesus." It was spoken with a spirit of gratitude and awe. It is during those moments my heart melts just a little bit. It's during those moments where I'd love to wrap them up and protect them from the days where saying "I love Jesus" becomes more challenging because the pain of life bites into their heart. You see, there will be days of pure joy in our journey with Jesus. There will also be days of intense pain. There will be days when we can't imagine anything

better than to sit under the clear blue sky and rejoice in Who God is and all He has done. There will also be days when we realize it is only from the Lord that our next breath comes. The days where we realize pain and joy can co-exist. The days where following Jesus requires a determination of our will and a surrender to His heart of goodness.

It's amazing to me that the children tend to just walk in faith. They hear of a death and don't question the person is in heaven. They have an unabashed trust in the One they know loves them. It is the very reason Immanuel Lutheran Preschool exists. It is the heart and mission of the big "C" Church. God has blessed us with the incredible gift of life. I am beyond grateful to walk the journey of life with Him. It is one of my deepest desires that the "I love Jesus" moments of the children here are just a nugget in their walk with Almighty and all-loving Jesus. I pray that during the sunny days they will embrace joy. I pray that during the rainy days they'll trust He's watering their hearts to grow spiritual fruit. I pray that when the hail comes, they will know to seek safety under the protection of His wings. And I pray that on the nights of tornados, the nights where the hardest of hard happens, they will know the heart of their Father is always for them.

As we get ready to close out our year, please join me in praying for our littles. I see joy in their smiles that is a gift from our Savior. I pray that preschool is just a small steppingstone in their walk with Jesus. It's just the beginning. Let's pray for many many more years of basking in the sunshine and weathering the storms with Jesus.

Blessings and joy to each of you,

Mrs. Gustafson





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Schleswig, Iowa



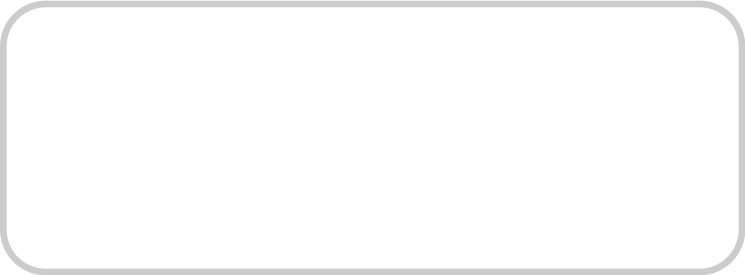
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