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The March of Time

Relentless. On and on. Time marches on, sometimes soft as gently falling snow, sometimes loud as deep canyon thunder. Life begins as a babe; life ends at old age—we think.

Sitting here on my grandfather's gravestone, I am made to ponder life. The gentle breeze rustling the leaves overhead somehow reminds me of the passing of time, at times silent and unseen, other times boldly proclaiming its passing. Life is here today, but it may be gone tomorrow. My grandfather lived a long life, ninety-four years long—or was it ninety-four years short?

Three gravestones away I see the grave of a young man. He was in the youth group with me. He also had hopes, dreams, and aspirations. Yet, for him, few of those fond wishes were realized. An undeserved case of AIDS took him down, robbing him first of health, then of life itself.

Next, I see the grave of a young boy. He looked forward to going to first grade. It was not to be. One week before starting school, his six-year-old life was snatched away in an accident. His grave is flanked by several graves of babies. These graves represent

the burying place of parents' dreams, for it can hardly be said that the babies had their own dreams and aspirations—yet.

A young husband and his son lie buried to the front of me. I wonder—did the young man say all that he wished to say? Were there other things he wished to say to his wife—things to say and wounds to heal?

Yet, in the midst of this pondering, a sense of purpose walks among the graves. No elder who came before me was indispensable. His time to be born, to live, to love, to teach—it is over. Today my time is here. Today my time counts. It is my time to live. Plans for good count but naught if they end up lying beneath the grassy sod, still unfinished, still buried within my now-cold breast. Today is my time. Today I will live, I will work, I will share, I will care. Today I will do good. Today I will speak life to some hurting soul; I will not wait until tomorrow, for tomorrow the relentless march of Time may claim my dreams, my aspirations, and my goals.

—*Michael L. Overholt*





Clutched in the Talons *Darryl Derstine*

Jordan looked down at the magazine cover hungrily, his heart thudding against his ribs.

Captain Jim felt calm elation as he leveled the C-130 at cruise altitude. He'd show those boys some real power.

Kaitlin slipped down by her bed and the words came, broken words from a broken soul. It was not good English. It was good submission.

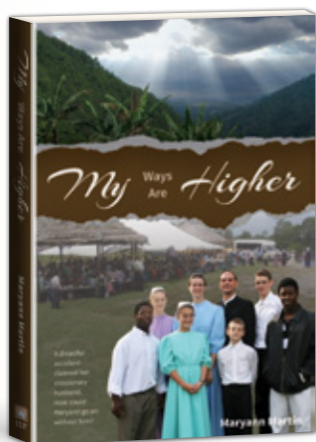
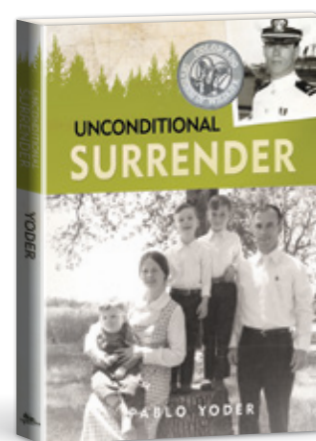
These three stories powerfully illustrate the danger of becoming ensnared by the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, and show us the blessings of living free.

265225 **\$6.95** 114 pages, 5¼ x 8¼, CLP

Unconditional Surrender *Pablo Yoder*

Pete grew up in a Catholic home that promoted high moral values, but he longed for more of God. He enlisted in the Navy, served in Vietnam, and then worked as a game warden in the Rocky Mountains. But he couldn't forget his Mennonite friend Gary and their conversations about Bible principles like nonresistance. Reading the Bible for himself, Pete faced a decision. Would he commit to do what the Bible said and forsake all to follow God?

265025 **\$13.95** 368 pages, 6 x 9, TGS



My Ways Are Higher

Maryann Martin

Ronnie and Maryann Martin answered God's call and moved to Honduras with their six children. Pouring their hearts into the work, they thoroughly enjoyed life at the mission. Then Ronnie was killed in a hit-and-run accident. Left to pick up the pieces, Maryann struggled with questions. How could she raise a family without her husband? Why did God choose to take Ronnie, an ordained minister who filled such a vital role at the mission? In this true story, Maryann describes how God led her through grief, uncertainty, and doubt to acceptance and gratitude.

265145 **\$11.95** 379 pages, 6 x 9, CLP



Horse Stories From The Man Who Played With Sticks

Johnny Ruhl

Written by a horse trainer, these horse stories are fascinating in themselves, but more importantly, each story teaches a Christian principle. As children read or listen to the stories, they will catch something they can understand. Adults will see additional truths at a deeper level that apply to their own lives. Includes instructions for making a gee haw whimmydiddle stick!

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120 pages, 5¼ x 8¼, CLP

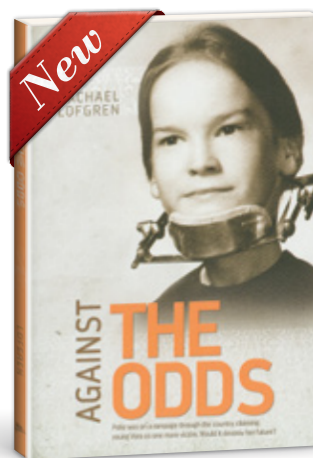
Against the Odds

Rachael Lofgren

It was 1952. Polio was on a rampage through the country, claiming young Vera as one more victim. Would it destroy her future? Surrounded by a godly, loving family, she determinedly fought to overcome the limitations of her polio-ravaged body and live a life that inspired.

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200 pages, 6 x 9, TGS

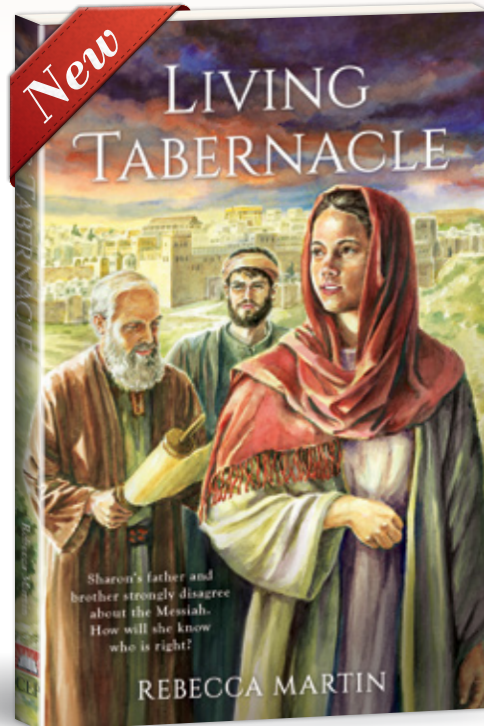
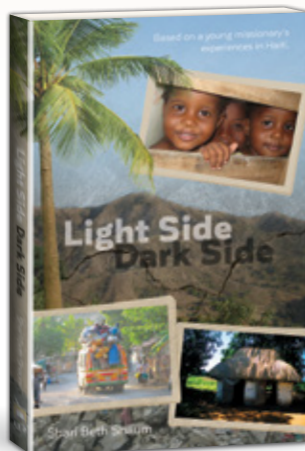


Light Side—Dark Side

Shari Beth Shaum

During her time in Haiti, Shari Beth encountered much darkness, such as parties where Satan was worshiped. But there were also pockets of light—people who loved the Lord. Jock lived in a tiny windowless room. Though his body was failing, he sang teary, but heartfelt, praises to God. *Light Side—Dark Side* opens a window into Haitian culture and shows the contrast between God's power and Satan's bondage.

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Living Tabernacle

Rebecca Martin

Who should Sharon believe?

Father warns that Jerusalem and its temple are destined for destruction. But her brother Adam declares that God will never let His temple fall. Is Adam right? Or does Father speak truth when he says that believers are now God's living tabernacle? Set in the time of the apostles, this story vividly portrays both the turmoil and the deep peace devout Jews experienced as they grappled with the reality of Jesus the Messiah.

A sequel to *Fountain of Life*.

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Loyalty Test

Romaine Stauffer

Christian watched uneasily as anti-British attitudes bubbled up in the American colonies. As rebellion progressed to outright war, Christian stood by as the new colonial army confiscated his wheat and cattle. But what would be the consequences of refusing to obey the new law requiring citizens to swear loyalty to the state? Based on historical characters, *Loyalty Test* describes the trials of a peaceful people in distressing times. A sequel to *Hidden Riches*.

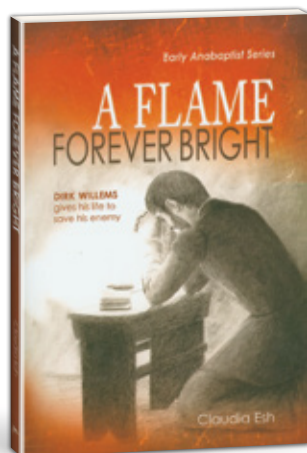
265155 **\$7.95** 190 pages, 5¼ x 8¼, CLP

Hold Them Near

Catherine Beachy Yoder

A cold . . . a fight to breathe . . . weakness . . . death. Noah and Sara Beachy suffered tragedy and loss as one child after another succumbed to a mysterious genetic heart condition. Unsullied by bitterness, their trust in God deepened as blow after blow rained on them. A true story that inspires us to lean on God and treasure the moments we have with our loved ones.

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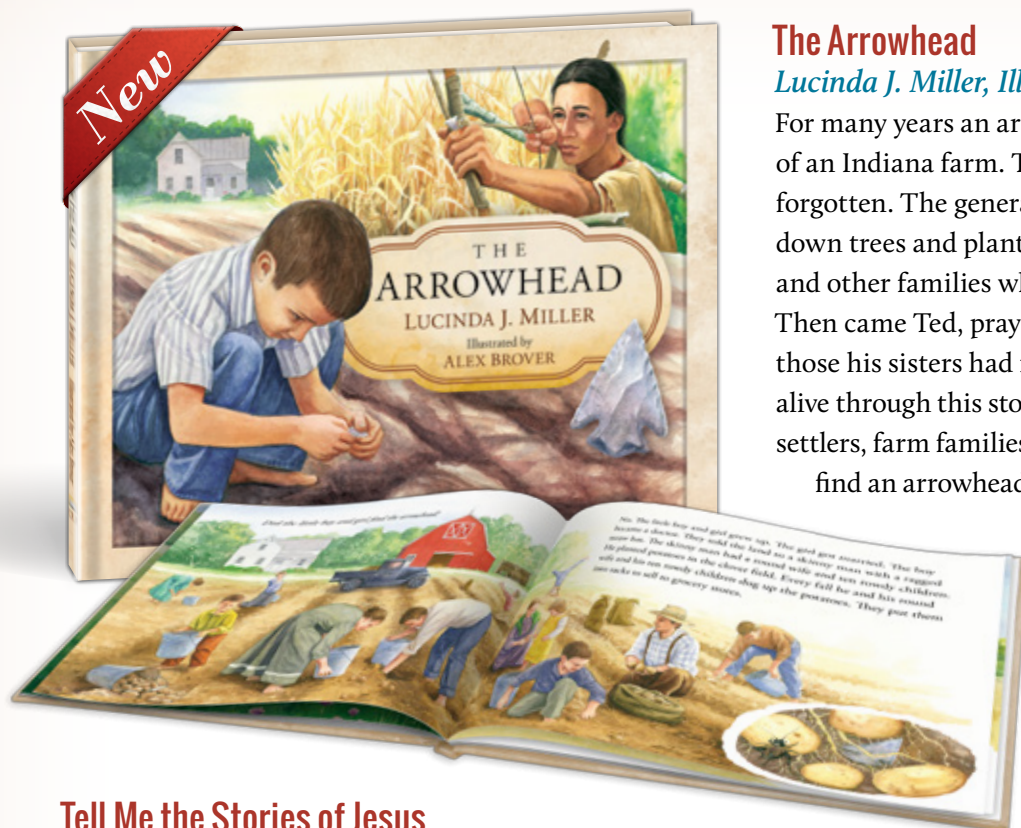


A Flame Forever Bright

Claudia Esh

The story of Dirk Willems rescuing his pursuer who fell through the ice is one of the best-known stories in the *Martyrs Mirror*. However, almost nothing is known about Willems's life prior to his arrest. *A Flame Forever Bright* weaves facts of Dirk Willems's life and fictional narrative to tell his story through the eyes of his younger sister Lucia. Set in Holland in the 1500s.

265150 **\$8.95** 136 pages, 8½ x 5¼, TGS



The Arrowhead

Lucinda J. Miller, Illustrated by Alex Brover

For many years an arrowhead lay hidden, buried in the soil of an Indiana farm. The Indian who had shot it was long forgotten. The generations of settlers who followed, chopping down trees and planting corn, never found it. Decades passed, and other families who worked the land never found it either. Then came Ted, praying and searching for an arrowhead like those his sisters had found. Will he find one? History comes alive through this story of an Indian brave, hardworking settlers, farm families, and a boy named Ted who longed to find an arrowhead of his own. Illustrated by fine watercolor paintings.

265240 **\$15.95** 44 pages, Hard, 10½ x 8¾, CLP

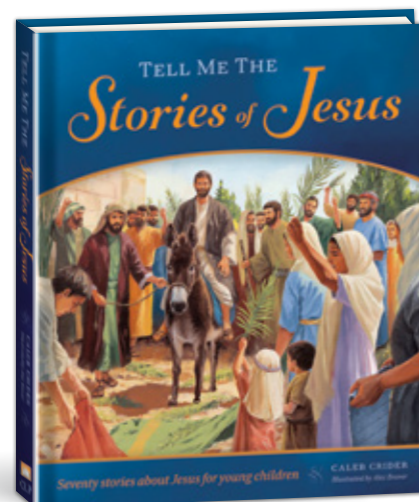
Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Caleb Crider, Illustrated by Alex Brover

This hardcover Bible storybook is a beautiful way to help children learn to love Jesus. The seventy stories from the life of Jesus—each illustrated with a full-color oil painting—are designed to be read aloud to children. Each story includes three questions that promote interaction about the story.

In a time when so many Bible storybooks include fictional details and cartoon-like pictures, *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* will become a trusted family favorite. These simple stories and touching illustrations begin to form in children's minds the outlines of a picture that will be filled in as they grow—the picture of Jesus as a caring, understanding, and trustworthy Friend.

265100 **\$21.95** 155 pages, Hard, 8½ x 10, CLP



Caleb's Cookies and Kittens

Brenda Weaver, Illustrated by Charity Hoover

When Mr. Waverly comes home from the hospital, Caleb uses his homemade manners to show kindness and consideration to his elderly neighbor. A visit with Mr. Waverly helps Caleb find a name for his favorite kitten. The fourth book in the *Manners Are Homemade* series.

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Caleb Finds His Treasure

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Someone New at Caleb's House

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A Birthday for Caleb

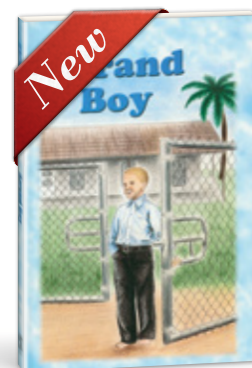
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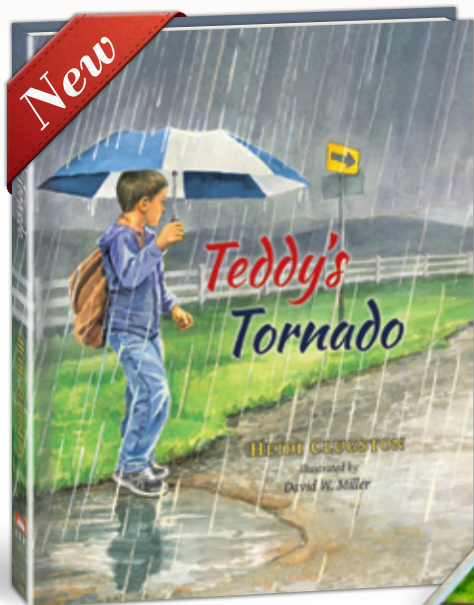
Errand Boy *Edith Witmer*

Six-year-old Larry likes his home and his friends in Georgia. But Father says that God has another plan for their family. "God wants us to run errands for Him," Father explains. "He wants us to go to Honduras to tell people about Him." Larry enjoys running errands, but he is not so sure about this one.

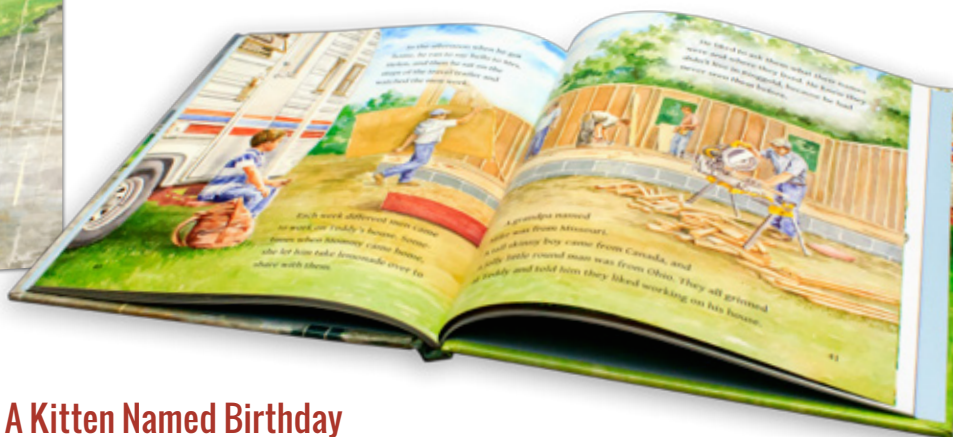
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107 pages,
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**Teddy's Tornado** *Heidi Clugston, Illustrated by David Miller*

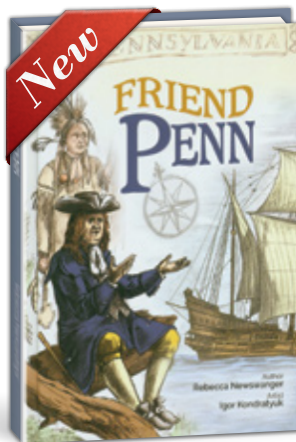
When Teddy went to sleep in his room beside the kitchen, Mommy always sang his favorite song. She left the door open so light would shine on his pillow. Then one frightening evening a tornado smashed Teddy's bike and destroyed his house. Teddy's mommy didn't have enough money for a new house. What would they do? Would anyone help them? Some kind people came to help, and Teddy and his mommy discovered that God cared for them. As their new house was being built, they learned a new favorite song to sing at bedtime. Illustrated by full-color paintings.

265220 **\$12.95** 44 pages, Hard, 7 x 8¼, CLP**A Kitten Named Birthday***Janet Heatwole*

Six-year-old Sarah loves to play with her birthday present, a kitten she named Birthday. Because Sarah is deaf, she cannot hear it when Birthday purrs, but she can feel it rumbling like a tiny motor inside his throat. Sarah's mother uses sign language to answer Sarah's many questions about her pet. As Sarah signs with her hands, another question is growing bigger and bigger in her mind. Will her mother know the answer? Illustrated by pencil drawings.

265215 **\$4.95** 40 pages, 6¾ x 8, CLP**Friend Penn** *Rebecca Newswanger*

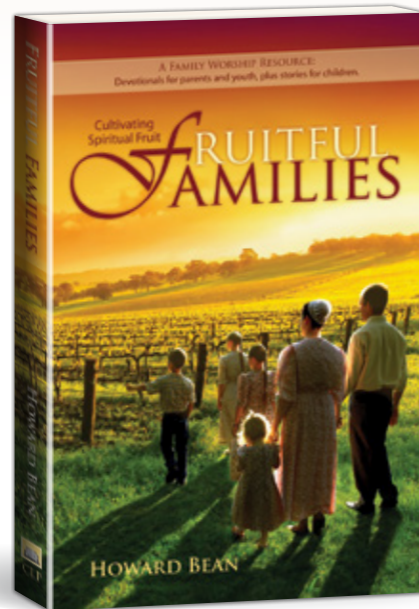
With its fascinating color illustrations, this book is an enjoyable way for children to learn about William Penn. Instead of stealing the Indians' land, Friend Penn wanted to buy it fairly with cloth, mirrors, and other goods from the Old World. This book holds a beautiful message about fairness and respect that resulted in many years of peace between the Indians and settlers in Pennsylvania.

265205 **\$6.95** 59 pages, Hard, 5½ x 8¼, TGS**Friends of a Feather** *Olivia Weaver, Illustrated by Rosene Wine*

Julia got along better with her pet chickens than she did with her classmates. Sometimes the other children laughed at her, so she often just played by herself. "They don't like me," Julia told her dad when he encouraged her to be friendlier at school. But when she agreed to try, nothing seemed to work.

Then something terrible happened to one of her feathered friends, and Julia discovered she had good friends after all—people friends. Illustrated by watercolor paintings.

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Dianna Overholt

This homemaker's organizer of days and duties is more than just a planner; it also includes handy features such as monthly menu pages, room-by-room cleaning plans, canning & freezing inventory charts, travel planning, and inspiring stories and quotes.

846105 **\$19.95** 206 pages, 8 x 10, TGS



Homemaker's Friend Daily Planner

Sue Hooley

Most women juggle hundreds of tasks, appointments, and commitments every week. Far too many to remember! *Homemaker's Friend Planner* brings peace of mind—a companion that captures the details of your busy life so you don't have to. Features:

- ~ monthly spreads for long-range planning
- ~ weekly spreads for sketching out an entire week day by day
- ~ perforated shopping lists
- ~ menu planner for main meals

846093 **\$14.99**

236 pages, 6¼ x 8½, CLP

Growing in Godly Thinking

Simon Schrock

Do you struggle with thoughts that want to take you the wrong way? Gossipy tidbits, lustful temptations, doubtful questions, revengeful impulses—these can bring anyone to ruin. This small book explains steps in dealing with spiritually destructive thoughts and ideas. Formerly self-published as *How Jesus People Think*.

241925 **\$3.95** 56 pages, 4 x 6, Vision



Brilliant—Made in the Image of God

Bruce Malone

This beautiful book highlights the genius of early men. Each two-page spread details their inventions, medical discoveries, architecture, and art by captivating essays, full-color photos, a basic timeline, and globe that show where in time and where on the planet each archaeological feature happened. Written in a Biblical context, *Brilliant* shows that modern men may actually be less, not more, intelligent than men freshly created.

265165 **\$12.00** 128 pages, Hard,

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Jean Knabbe

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90 puzzles, 5½ x 8½, CLP

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a drop of MERCY

Becky McGurrian

Heinrich glared at the soldier. "You killed a good man." The soldier looked at him. "Have mercy, sir. I'm so thirsty." "Is this what you want?" Heinrich asked, holding up his cider skin. The soldier's face lit up. "Aye. Bless you for it." Heinrich spat. "Not even a drop. Here's your mercy." He turned the skin upside-down and squeezed every last drop of cider onto the ground. Heinrich walked away from the wounded soldier, but he could not get away from the wretchedness he felt in his heart. How could God show him mercy when he had been so ruthless? Set in the American Revolution, *A Drop of Mercy* is the story of a young man finding his way—and finding hope—through the smoke and confusion of a war that crashed into his own backyard.

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