



# The Messenger

April 2015 | Monthly Newsletter of the Great Outdoors Community Church

## Mark Your Calendar

4.1

Easter Cantata

4.3

Good Friday Service

4.5

Resurrection Sunday

Easter Dinner

4.11

Church Board Meeting

4.14

W.I.C. Salad Luncheon

4.18

Men's Breakfast

## Easter Joy

By Joanna Fuchs

Jesus came to earth,  
To show us how to live,  
How to put others first,  
How to love and how to give.

Then He set about His work,  
That God sent Him to do;  
He took our punishment on Himself;  
He made us clean and new.

He could have saved Himself,  
Calling angels from above,  
But He chose to pay our price for sin;  
He paid it out of love.

Our Lord died on Good Friday,  
But the cross did not destroy  
His resurrection on Easter morn  
That fills our hearts with joy.

Now we know our earthly death,  
Like His, is just a rest.  
We'll be forever with Him  
In heaven, where life is best.

So we live our lives for Jesus,  
Think of Him in all we do.  
Thank you Savior; Thank you Lord.  
Help us love like you!



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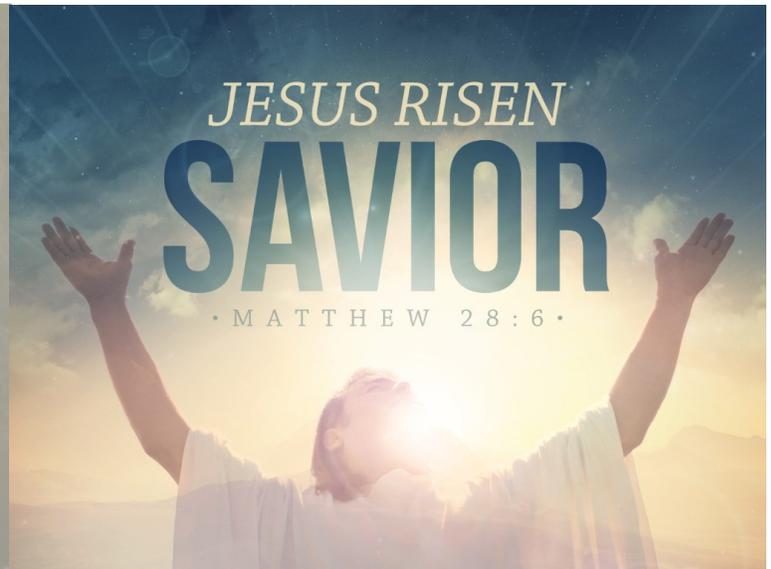
**Jane Millsaps**

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

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**Worship Times:**

**Please note - starting Sunday,  
April 12, we will go back to  
one worship service at 9:30 AM  
with fellowship time  
afterwards.**



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**“Christ Is Risen!” ... “Christ is Risen Indeed!”** Those words are have been spoken every Resurrection Sunday across the world for nearly two thousand years.

During the first century, Roman Christians greeted one another with the words, "Vivit!" -- "He lives!" and responded with, "Vere Vivit!" -- "He lives indeed!"

The Greeks of the early Church said, "Christos anestee!" -- "Christ is risen!" The reply was, "Aleethoos anestee!" -- "He is truly risen!"

In the Spanish speaking regions, Christians say, "Cristo vive!"

In Germany, the salutation is, “Christ ist erstanden!

In Russia, Christians suffering decades of Communists brutally announced, "Christos Voskres!" Their friends responded, "Voistinu Voskres!"

Nearly twenty centuries years after that miraculous event, you and I will once again rejoice on Resurrection Morning. We continue a celebration that has endured through political upheavals, two World Wars, incredible social changes, and innumerable attacks on the Faith once delivered to the saints.

We continue to declare what the Apostle Paul wrote in the first century:

“God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (Philippians 2:9)

What a wonderful truth; what an exciting declaration that never loses its original passion:

**“Christ Is Risen!” ... “Christ is Risen Indeed!”**

Sincerely,

Dr. David W. Price  
Lead Pastor

# Announcements

## Easter Flowers

Please remember that Palm Sunday, Mar. 29, is the last day to order Easter Flowers (\$10.00 each). Also, remember to take your flowers home with you after the worship service. If you do not want your Easter Flowers, our Outreach Team will distribute them on Monday morning to our shut-ins or nursing homes. If you have any questions, call Rosemary Stagg at 383-7767.

## Easter Cantata Reception Goodies

Palm Sunday is the last day to sign up to bring baked goods, fancy breads, cookies, and bars for the Cantata Reception.

Please bring your baked goods to the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, Mar. 31, from 2:00 - 3:00 PM. Or drop them off on Wednesday, Apr. 1st, from 10:00 AM until noon. Thank you!

## Easter Day Dinner

Everyone at TGO is invited. Dinner is at 4:00 PM. Join us for a ham dinner. Ham & beverages provided. Bring a place setting & dish to pass. THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS MONDAY, MARCH 30TH.

If you have any questions, please call Elaine Stewart at 383-4233

## Outreach Committee Meeting

The next Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Friday, Apr. 3rd, at 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Eloise Earley at 315-292-8739, if you have any questions.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will continue through the month of April. We will meet on Fridays, Apr. 10 & 24, at 9:00 AM in the church narthex. If you have any questions, call Rosalind Zahn at 269-7957.

## Hymn Sing

Join Henry & Audrey Pisarz on Monday, Apr. 6th, at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and singing the hymns of the faith. All are welcome.

## Worship Committee Meeting

The next Worship Committee Meeting is on Thursday, Apr. 2nd, at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Worship Team meetings are always open to anyone that would like to learn more of the many aspects of our worship services. Contact Maris Tracy at 616-836-9312.

## Grief Share

The final Grief Share session for the season will be Wednesday, Apr. 8, at 2:00 PM in JB's office. This concludes our 13 week study.

Grief Share will begin this 13 week Journey again in January. In the meantime, there are daily email messages for you online. You can sign-up at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org).

**BECAUSE  
HE LIVES**



**EASTER CANTATA**

**Great Outdoors Community Church**

**Wednesday, April 1, 2015**

**7:00PM**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall  
for refreshments afterwards

**LOVE OFFERING WILL BE ACCEPTED**

# Good Friday



**The Great Outdoors Community Church will have  
a Good Friday Service  
in the church sanctuary on April 3 at noon.  
There will be scripture readings and music.  
Bring your Bibles.**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!  
Rejoice, for HE is risen.**

## **Great Outdoors Community Church sends our condolences to:**

Kathy Liberati, Pat Dunda, & Mary DePersis upon the passing of their father  
Harry Shannahan

Linda Fearon & family on the passing of her father

Barbara Tolles & family on the passing of her husband, Harry

Jane Acton & family upon the passing of her mother

Betty McIntosh & family upon the passing of her husband, Ross.

Linda & George Eisemann & family upon the passing of Linda's mother

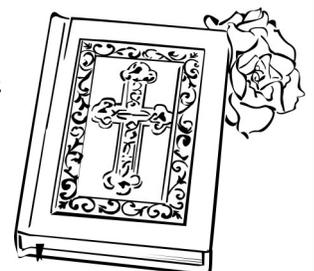
The Walters family upon the passing of Ken Walters.

## *Thank you*

*Dear TGO Family,*

*Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers and cards during the  
illness and passing of Linda's mom, Juanita Bosley.*

*Love to you all,  
George & Linda Eisemann*



**Great Outdoors Community Church**  
**Celebration of Believer's Baptisms**

**Sunday, April 12, 2015**

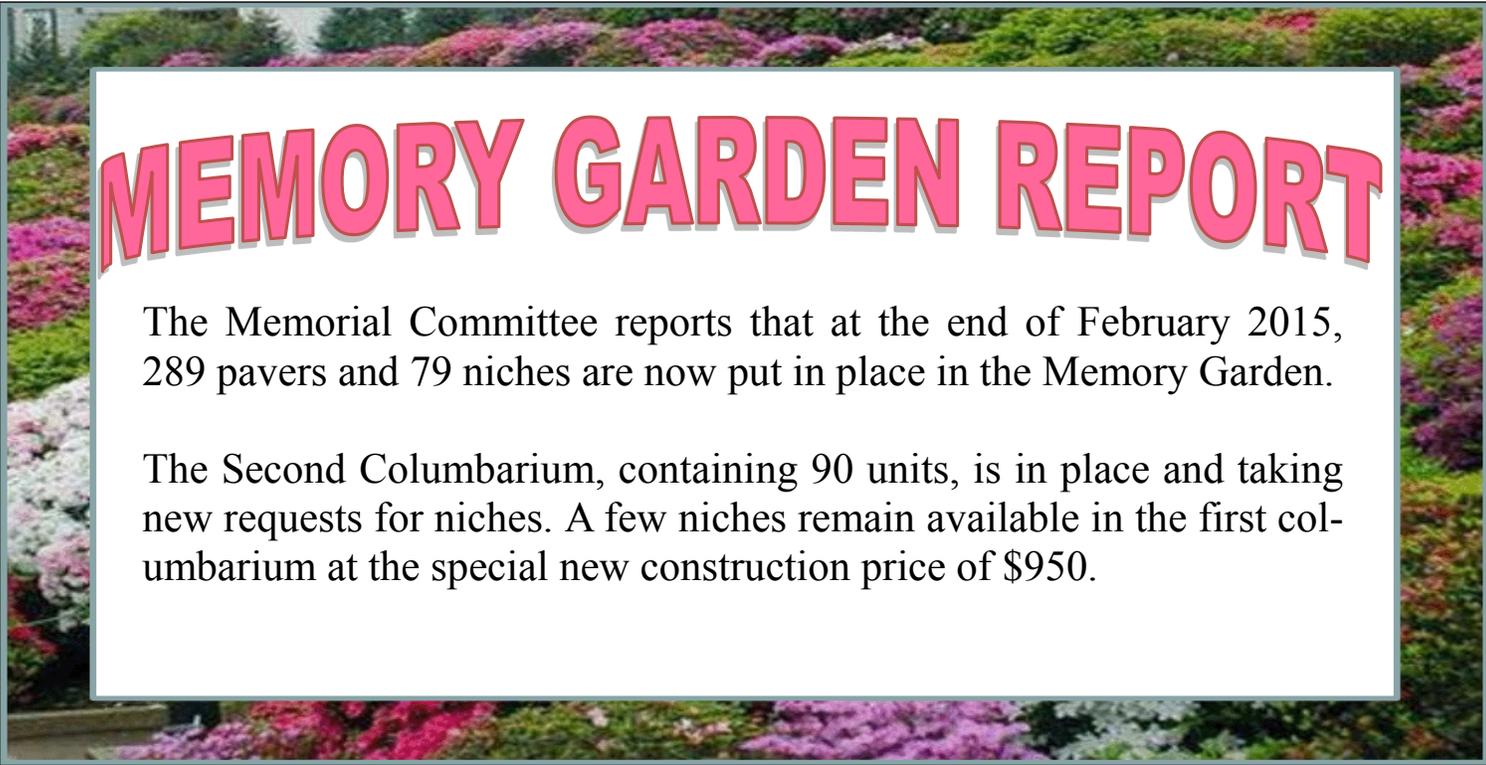
**10:30 AM**

**At the Manor Pool  
across from the church**

**Everyone is invited to celebrate and gather with us as several of our church family will be baptized. If you would like to be baptized, please contact Pastor David Price by calling the church office.**

**After the baptisms, Ray Z's Bible Study Class will host a potluck luncheon at 12:30 in the Fellowship hall. Bring a dish to share. Call 264-2098 to let Ray & Sandy know you are coming.**





# MEMORY GARDEN REPORT

The Memorial Committee reports that at the end of February 2015, 289 pavers and 79 niches are now put in place in the Memory Garden.

The Second Columbarium, containing 90 units, is in place and taking new requests for niches. A few niches remain available in the first columbarium at the special new construction price of \$950.

## PRAYER REQUESTS AND LONG TERM PRAYER LIST

If you have a prayer request, you can either: call Beverly Baker at [321-264-7235](tel:321-264-7235) or email her with the request to the following email address [bevbaker1123@gmail.com](mailto:bevbaker1123@gmail.com). If you call her and she does not answer, she has an answering machine, just leave the message and she will get back to you. ALL prayer requests must have permission from the person you are requesting prayer for. Please DO NOT leave prayer requests in the office. Jane Millsaps (church secretary) is only there for a back up and only if you can not reach Beverly. We keep track of who requests the prayers so we always need to know who is requesting the prayers. Please DO NOT just leave a piece of paper asking to be put on the prayer list.

There is some confusion on the Long Term Prayer List. Following is how that works. After requesting prayer, we put the requested prayer in the bulletin for 4 weeks then transfer it over to the Long Term List. Please note: This Long Term List is NOT a LIFETIME List. The purpose of the Long Term List is generated when someone is on the prayer chain list to the bulletin then Long Term for 6 MONTHS ONLY. If you want a loved one prayed for permanently, getting into a small group where they can pray for them constantly is the way to go. If you have a loved one that was on the Long Term List and they come off and you want prayer for them again, it must go to the prayer chain, then the bulletin and then back on the Long Term. Thank you. *Bev Baker*

THE GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH  
MEN'S GROUP APRIL BREAKFAST

APRIL 18, 2015

8:00 AM

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL

All men are invited to join us for breakfast,  
fellowship and an informative speaker.

Our speaker will be Scott Larese,  
Titusville Florida City Manager.

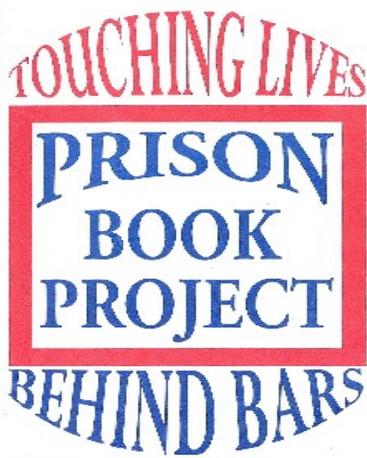
He will bring us up to date on Titusville,  
both present and future.

Mr. Larese has a very inspiring  
military background before  
becoming City Manager Sept. 1, 2014



Tickets at \$9.00 each will be available in Fellowship Hall between church  
services on Sunday April 5 and after church on April 12  
or call Dave Zenner at 264-2038.





## **PRISON BOOK PROJECT ALERT!**

We are pleased to announce that the Prison Book Project is entering its 21<sup>st</sup> year of operation! **However, unless we obtain a major source of funding in the next few months, we will be forced to curtail our operations or shut down completely.**

We have been blessed to be able to send millions of Christian books to prisoners in the nation's prisons and jails. Based on the thousands of letters we receive each year, these books have had a tremendous impact and there will be many men and women spending eternity in heaven because of these books. In the last four years, we have been able to send over 1.1 million books to over

1900 prisons and jails across the US. That is a huge jump from the grocery bag full of books we initially gave to the prison in Sharpes over 20 years ago!

**As far as we know, there is no other ministry like this one in the country.** Unfortunately, when we approach a foundation for a grant, we believe they are reluctant to donate because of the natural aversion many people have to ministering to those who are in prison. They believe they have been judged guilty and are getting what they deserve. However, there is another judge and if these prisoners are washed in the blood of Jesus, they will be judged innocent and that judgment is an eternal judgment. We would appreciate any assistance..

*James Kastner* GOCC Representative & PBP Board of Director

**WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL HELP!!!**

## **VANUATU CYCLONE DEVESTATES BIBLE TRANSLATION EFFORTS**

A "monster" cyclone packing 168-mile-per-hour winds struck the island of Vanuatu just days ago. It caused major destruction in the capital city of Port Vila and cut communications to the outer islands.

**THE DEVESTATION IS A HUGE SETBACK IN BIBLE TRANSLATION PROJECTS IN VANUATU...AT JUST THE TIME WHEN ITS PEOPLE ARE MOST IN NEED OF THE HOPE FOUND ONLY IN GOD'S WORD!**

National translators are asking urgently for help to get their projects back on track as they partner with local churches to give traumatized, suffering people access to God's Word. While we don't yet know the full extent of the damage, we estimate it will take at least \$250,000 to overcome the impact of this disaster and move the Bible translation projects on Vanuatu forward again.

**YOUR SUPPORT RIGHT NOW WILL PROVIDE IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE TO OUR NATIONAL BIBLE TRANSLATION PARTNERS AS THEY SEEK TO BRING GOOD OUT OF TRAGEDY BY SHARING THE MESSAGE OF CHRIST WITH THEIR PEOPLE.**

**DONATION TO GOCC "Wycliffe Bible Translation Vanuatu".**



Hi Folks! I'm a 5-month old Shih Tzu...A new puppy @ TGO! My owner, Eloise Earley, named me "Bandit" because she said I 'stole' her heart!

I want to become a TGO Therapy Dog next year so I can join my friend, Teddy (a six year old Maltese) who is owned by Lillian Van Duyne. Teddy and Muffy (my owner's previous beloved dog) have served the TGO community for several years. This summer I plan to become a "Certified Therapy Dog" and follow in their footsteps.

My owner (Eloise) and our friend (Lillian) both members of the Church's "Outreach Ministry Team," have developed a passion for pet therapy and have seen what a difference it can make to folks who are lonely, patients recovering from surgery, spouses who've lost a loved one and many others.

We want to help "elevate the awareness" and importance of pet therapy. Our visits will give lots of smiles, laughs, hugs & kisses to all (just ask Jane, our Church Secretary). Please don't hesitate to call our owners:

- 1) Lillian Van Duyne @ 607-316-4910
  - 2) Eloise Earley @ 267-9068
- to request a visit...!



## **DO YOU LOVE YOUR CHURCH?**

Now that is an interesting title for an article in the Messenger. We all love our church and support it in many ways. We attend and give our tithes and offerings. We give of our time and talents. There are many ways that we give and support the works of the Great Outdoors Community Church.

We have established an opportunity for you to remember the Great Outdoors Community Church after you can no longer are able to contribute. I know that doesn't make sense, but it is true. When you have your attorney and financial planner prepare your will and trust, there will be plans made to bequest certain items and money to your loved ones. If your church is something that has a special place in your heart, why not include the Great Outdoors Community Church as a beneficiary in your trust?

An Endowment Fund has been established so that the Great Outdoors Community Church has a vehicle to accept the gifts of people that remembered the church in their passing. Today we have accepted a gift of \$50,000 and have that money invested for later use. We hope to be able to grow this gift to a level that will give us income to fund special projects that may arise in the future that we may not have the funds available.

The Endowment Fund is a long range investment that will continue to grow and only the income will be used for short term missions or special needs. The gifts will continue to be held for continued growth.

There are brochures available in the narthex or the church office that will give you more information. Any member of the Endowment Fund would be happy to discuss this with you also.



*Walk-About-Ministry*

112 So Brown Avenue

Titusville, FL 32780

321-269-1200

WWW.walkaboutministries.net



Pastors Steve and Linda Gross



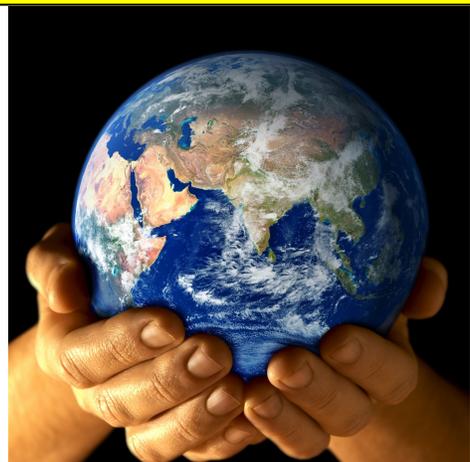
# GOCC is PARTNERING with WALK-ABOUT MINISTRY For The Betterment of Greater Titusville

Intimacy With Jeaus  
Men's Recovery Program  
Pastoral Guidance  
Church Fellowship  
Multi-Level of Recovery Programs

Multi-Level Food Pantry  
Proper Work Ethics  
Hands On Goal Setting  
Learning New Ways to Cope  
Gaining Emotional Balance



**Can Make a Difference!!**  
Cash Contributions  
Food Items  
Volunteer Labor  
Fellowship, Involvement



# WIC SALAD LUNCHEON

**PLEASE BRING A  
SALAD TO SHARE  
TUESDAY,  
APRIL 14, 2015  
10:00 AM**



# W.I.C. March 10, 2015 Brunch & Annual Business Meeting



Photos taken by Loretta Anné



## WIC Open Air Market Saturday, March 7, 2015

Photos by Loretta Anné



## Concert Schedule 2015 - 2016

Sunday	November 15, 2015	6:00 PM	Tribute Quartet
Monday	December 7, 2015	7:00 PM	Cantata
Wednesday	December 9, 2015	7:00 PM	Cantata
Sunday	January 17, 2016	6:00 PM	Mark Trammell Quartet
Wednesday	January 27, 2016	7:00 PM	*The Hyssongs
Sunday	February 14, 2016	6:00 PM	The Whisnants
Sunday	February 21, 2016	6:00 PM	The Taylors
Wednesday	February 24, 2016	7:00 PM	*Tim Lovelace
Wednesday	March 9, 2016	7:00 PM	*Triumphant Quartet
Sunday	March 13, 2016	6:00 PM	Old Paths
Monday	March 21, 2016	7:00 PM	Cantata
Wednesday	March 23, 2016	7:00 PM	Cantata

\* **Church Supper** precedes concert at 6:00 PM with reservations required.

**LOVE OFFERING** received during each concert and cantata

### GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH

144 Plantation Drive, Titusville, FL 32780

[tgochurch.org](http://tgochurch.org)

For more concert information: 321-385-9731 or 321-383-9437



**The Brown's in Concert at GOCC (March 8, 2015)**



# April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 9 am - Noon Drop off refreshments, FH 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study, FH 2:00 pm Grief Share Support, at the Hyde's home 7:00 pm Easter Cantata	<b>2 Maundy Thurs.</b> 8:00 am Prayer 9:00 am Worship Team Mtg., FH 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	<b>3 Good Friday</b> 10:00 am Choir 12:00 Noon Good Friday Service, Sanctuary 2:00 PM Outreach Committee Mtg., FH	<b>4</b> 4:00 pm St. Christopher's
<b>5 Easter</b> 8:30 Worship 9:30 Fellowship 10:15 Worship 4:00 PM Easter Dinner at GOCC	<b>6</b> 10:00 am Nedra's Bible Study, FH 6:20 pm Ray Z Bible Study, Sanctuary 6:30 pm Hymn Sing, FH	<b>7</b> 1:00 pm Caregivers, Choir Rm	<b>8</b> 2:00 pm Grief Share Support, Admin. Office 6:30 pm Wonders of God's Creations, FH	<b>9</b> 8:00 am Prayer 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	<b>10</b> 9:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am Choir	<b>11</b> 9:00 am Church Board Mtg. 4:00 pm St. Christopher's
<b>12 Communion</b> 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship <b>Baptisms at the Manor Pool following the service</b> 12:30 Potluck Luncheon, FH	<b>13</b> 8:00 am Set-up for WIC 10:00 am Nedra's Bible Study, FH 6:20 pm Ray Z Bible Study, FH	<b>14</b> 10:00 am WIC Salad Luncheon, FH	<b>15</b> 6:30 pm Wonders of God's Creations, FH	<b>16</b> 8:00 am Prayer 9:00 am Missions Committee Mtg., Choir Rm. 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH	<b>17</b> 10:00 am Choir	<b>18</b> 8:00 am Men's Breakfast 4:00 pm St. Christopher's
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