

# Spring

2019 Guide



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We want people to emotionally connect with our church which makes it easier for people to connect with our ministries and deepen their involvement.

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To make disciples of Jesus...to love God, and to love others.

**Hospitable | Transformational | Missional**

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Welcome to Sherwood  
Park Alliance Church!



**SHERWOOD PARK**  
ALLIANCE CHURCH

[spac.ca](http://spac.ca) | 780.467.8404



# Legato

COFFEE & ESPRESSO

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Legato is a place to connect with a friend or meet someone new, and drink a hand-crafted beverage.

*Open during services and special events.*

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# Ways to Connect...

## Kids

SonBurst Kids'  
Church for newborns  
to Grade 6

## Youth

Wednesday nights  
for Jr. High and Tuesday nights  
for Sr. High

## Adults

Connect with other adults  
for community and study

## Young Adults

Saturday night service  
is a Hub for a community  
of 18-29 year-old's

## Seniors

Enjoy a meal, music,  
conversation, and a  
guest speaker

## Gamers

Friday evenings for  
movies, tournaments,  
and gaming

## Christian School

SCA operates as an  
Alternative Christian  
Program under EIPS

## Weekend Services

**Saturdays 7 pm or  
Sundays 9 & 10:45 am**  
[spac.ca/watchlive](http://spac.ca/watchlive)



## Need more info? Questions?

[spac.ca/ca](http://spac.ca/ca) | 780.467.8404 | 1011 Clover Bar Road

## Get Connected | Registration Required

7-8:30 pm  
Thursdays  
April 25-May 16  
Weekly

Are you new around here and looking to get connected with a few more people? We're excited to offer these smaller gatherings designed with you in mind. It's four laid back evenings where you'll be welcomed by friends, engage with our core values and meet others who are also new to the church.

[spac.ca/new](http://spac.ca/new) | No Cost



# AdultMinistries

[spac.ca/adults](http://spac.ca/adults)

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups) | [groups@spac.ca](mailto:groups@spac.ca)

## How to Join Groups

Groups allow us to explore what it means to do life with Jesus and each other. In them we practice care, prayer, spiritual conversations, and doing life together. There's a variety of forms and durations of groups throughout the year. Our full list of current groups is updated on our website at [spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups).

## How to Start Groups

We'd love to help you start a group with a few of your friends. We'll train and equip you to lead and help you get up and going. Once you are trained, it's as easy as GROW: Grab the materials, Recruit a few friends, Open up your calendar, and Walk with one another.

### Daybreak | Women | [Registration Required](#)

**9:15-11 am**  
**Tuesdays**  
**April 9-23**  
**Weekly**

Come together to get to know one another, study God's Word together, and pray with one another. During Daybreak we offer our Buddy Break children's program which is available for children ages 0 to Kindergarten.

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups)

### Man to Man | Men | [Join any time](#)

**8:30-10 am**  
**Saturdays**  
**April 6-June 22**  
**Weekly**  
*Omit: April 20, May 18*

Start your weekend off by connecting with other guys. We gather weekly and explore relevant issues of life and faith through video teaching and lively conversation.

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups) | Cost of book optional

## Faith and Fellowship | Single Adults | Join any time

**6-7 pm**  
**Saturdays**  
March 23, April 27,  
May 25, June 22  
**Monthly**

Meet up with other single adults for coffee before the Saturday service. Enjoy conversations about life and faith in a welcoming environment. Gatherings are on the fourth Saturday of each month in our Legato Cafe.

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups) | No cost

## Present over Perfect | Women | Registration Required

**7-9 pm**  
**Tuesdays**  
April 9-May 7  
**Weekly**

Gather with women for this book study by Shauna Niequist to learn how to leave behind frantic for a simpler, more soulful way of living.

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups) | Cost of book



**CONQUERS | Join other men in pursuing freedom together.**



We've all had seasons of life where we could use a space to grow in a particularly difficult area of our lives. You can access our care and support services in groups and seminars, at events, and one on one.

There are new opportunities to get connected year-round so check the website for our full list of options.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care)

## Conquers | Men | Registration Required

**7-9 pm**  
**Tuesdays**  
**April 2-June 4**  
**Weekly**

In a world of endless temptation in the area of our sexuality, this course offers a safe environment for men to find hope. Join other men in pursuing this freedom together.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | \$40

## Foster/Adoptive Families | Families

Come connect and receive support from other foster and adoptive families. We gather periodically for an afternoon of fun and friendship with activities planned for the children.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | No Cost

## Grief Matter: Learning to Cope with Loss

Adults | Registration Required

**7 pm**  
**Tuesdays**  
**April 23**  
**Weekly**

A small group, video based, exploration of topics like: Understanding the Grief Process, Understanding our Emotions and Reliving our Memories, and suggesting strategies for coping with such issues as guilt and anger, loneliness, special days and holidays and adjustments. Grief Matters provides a foundational framework to assist people through the grief journey, from people in the early days of loss, to those who are “down the road” on their grief journey, and looking to “reorganize” their life.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | \$20 (book included)

**One to One Support** | Adults | [Contact us for an appointment](#)

If you are experiencing a life transition and would benefit from support through listening, encouragement and prayer, a member of the church is available to meet with you.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | No Cost

**Visitation** | Everyone | [Contact us for a visit](#)

If you know someone who is a shut-in, ill at home, in a care centre or hospital, we have a team of compassionate volunteers who are willing to do a visit and provide encouragement and prayer support.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | No Cost

**Widow to Widow** | Women | [Join any time](#)

**Thursdays**  
March 21, April 25,  
May 16, June 20  
Monthly

An opportunity for widows to meet other widows for friendship, support and fun throughout the year. In addition to monthly gatherings, there are informal times to get together around common interests.

[spac.ca/care](http://spac.ca/care) | [w2wsherwoodpark@gmail.com](mailto:w2wsherwoodpark@gmail.com) | No Cost



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**Inspire people** to serve more, live in community, and experience Jesus.

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Prayer is loving communication with God. We can come to our Heavenly Father with prayers of thankfulness or with prayers requesting wisdom, provision, guidance, comfort and grace.

For more opportunities to connect in prayer contact us.

[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer)

## Wednesday Evening Prayer Group

[Adults](#) | [Join any time](#)

**7-9 pm**  
**Wednesdays**  
**Weekly** Praying together is so valuable! We gather every week for prayer and community in a welcoming home environment.

[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer) | No Cost

## Tuesday Noon Prayer Group | [Adults](#) | [Join any time](#)

**11:45 am-1 pm**  
**Tuesdays**  
**Weekly** This Tuesday lunch-time prayer group has been going for more than 40 years and joins together to pray for the needs of our church family and our global ministries.

[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer) | No Cost

## Tuesday Morning Prayer Group | [Adults](#) | [Join any time](#)

**6-7 am**  
**Tuesdays**  
**Weekly** Meet together at the McDonalds on Wye Road in Sherwood Park for intercessory prayer over our lives and our community.

[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer) | No Cost

**Alter Prayer** | Everyone | Join any time

**Weekend Services**  
Weekly

Did you know prayer is available after every service in the auditorium? Part of being a church is praying for each other in all kinds of seasons. Look for the prayer team members and they would be honored to pray for you.

*[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer)*

**Requesting Prayer** | Everyone

In addition to prayer teams on the weekend, you can request prayer through a connection card, a prayer request online or phone into the church.

*[spac.ca/prayer](http://spac.ca/prayer)*



**30 DAYS**  
**OF PRAYER**  
**FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD**



# BBQ

*with the*

# PASTOR



**NEW?**

- FEEL NEW? -



**MAY 30**

6-8 PM | Limited space, register early!  
[terri.jeske@spac.ca](mailto:terri.jeske@spac.ca) | [spac.ca/events](https://spac.ca/events)

## School of Discipleship

**Ready for something different?**

**What if there's *more* to life with Jesus?**

School of Discipleship is a community where you'll explore the mystery of faith and be challenged to do life with God in a new way. You'll get to interact with a small group around tables, engage with the Bible, and experience dynamic teaching.

### **FATHER'S HEART: The Big Story of Scripture**

Jesus' invitation to discipleship is about an incredible, life-long adventure of learning to do all of life, our real everyday life, the good the bad and the ugly with God. We'll explore questions like: What does God really want? Can I really hear His voice? What about the Holy Spirit?

### **NEW IDENTITY: Who I Am and Why I'm Here**

It is possible to move away from questions like: Am I enough? Do I measure up? Am I significant? We'll explore the freedom and relief of settling into our core identity in Christ.

### **NEW COMMUNITY: Belonging verses Isolation**

Being a disciple can't be done in isolation. We'll dialogue about things like: Why church? How can we be unified when we're so different? What are the big goals Jesus has for us?



**School OF Discipleship**  
LEARNING TO LOVE AND LIVE LIKE JESUS





### **NEIGHBOURING: Extending the Father's Embrace**

The gospel calls us to love our neighbours – the neighbours we would choose and even the neighbours we would prefer to avoid. How do we extend the radical grace and acceptance of Jesus to everyone?

### **SOULCARE: Healing Wounds and Getting Healthy**

We all have wounds from the past. Discover how you can partner with God to find healing for your soul so you can live in the confidence, authority, and peace of Christ.

### **LIFE MISSION: Finding Your Purpose in God's Big Story**

Your life and story matter. You have an important contribution to make. In this course we'll help each other understand, articulate and live out our unique Kingdom calling within the reality of the messiness of real life.



**More Info | Register**

*[schoolofdiscipleship@spac.ca](mailto:schoolofdiscipleship@spac.ca) | [spac.ca/schoolofdiscipleship](http://spac.ca/schoolofdiscipleship)*

**Upcoming classes  
in 2019-2020**



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**Share inspirational stories** of our church that spur conversations between one another.

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Whether you're married or thinking about it, we're here for you.

[spac.ca/marriage](http://spac.ca/marriage)

## Weddings

Congratulations on your engagement! We'd be honored to be a part of your wedding whether that's hosting your ceremony in our church space or having one of our pastors officiate your ceremony.

[spac.ca/marriage](http://spac.ca/marriage)

## Marriage Preparation Weekend

An important part of having a great marriage is preparation. We offer this weekend event yearly where you'll walk through key conversations crucial to learning more about your future spouse and building a foundation together with Christ.

[spac.ca/marriage](http://spac.ca/marriage)

## Marriage Small Groups

Be encouraged and strengthened in your marriage as you do life with a small group of married couples. Email [groups@spac.ca](mailto:groups@spac.ca) to get involved leading short-term groups like these.

[spac.ca/groups](http://spac.ca/groups)

Is it time to take a next step? There are several options planned year-round to engage with a discipleship community across a variety of topics. Baptism and Membership you may recognize, but also watch the website for newer opportunities to connect and be disciplined.

## Baptism Prep Class | Ages 12+ | Registration Required

**Saturday, 8:15 pm or Sunday, 10:15 am or 12 pm**  
May 4 & 5

Baptism is a picture of your new life in Christ. It depicts the end of life 'my way' and announces your choice to live 'Jesus' way'. If you've decided to follow Jesus, then baptism is your next step. In these prep classes we'd love to hear your story and share more about what baptism means for everyone.

[spac.ca/baptism](http://spac.ca/baptism)

## Membership

**9-10:30 am Sunday**  
April 14, June 9

Membership is a commitment to help create, lead and resource our ministry environments. If you believe in what God is doing at Sherwood Park Alliance Church, take your next step - be a part of the team.

[spac.ca/membership](http://spac.ca/membership)

## Legacy Giving Information Session

Registration required

**1 pm or 7 pm Tuesday**  
May 28

Your Will is the last statement you will ever make. You want it to be a meaningful one! The inheritance you leave to your children is about more than the monetary assets of your estate. It is about their best interests and the values you want to pass on. Estate planning is for everyone, regardless of whether you have a lot or a little, join us as we host an information session.

[spac.ca/events](http://spac.ca/events)



# Events

[spac.ca/events](https://spac.ca/events)

## Baptism | All ages | Registration Required

**Saturday 7 pm**  
**Sunday 9 am & 10:45 am**  
 Jun 1/2

You don't want to miss Baptism Weekends! Come and celebrate with those who are saying yes to new life with Jesus.

[spac.ca/baptism](http://spac.ca/baptism) | No Cost

## BBQ with the Pastor | All ages | Registration required

**6-8 pm**  
**Thursday**  
 May 30

If you are new or feel new, dinner is on us! Join us for a BBQ to learn more about our church. Discover how to get connected here and to meet others who are also new. Bring the whole family - our Kids' Ministries team has a special event planned just for the kids. Space is limited so register early!

[spac.ca/new](http://spac.ca/new) | [terri.jeske@spac.ca](mailto:terri.jeske@spac.ca) | No Cost

## Congregational Budget Meeting

**12:30 pm**  
**Sunday**  
 June 23

Potluck's are always a good time, but this one adds some extra flavor as our membership is presented with the proposed budget for the next ministry year. Everyone is invited to attend, please bring your favorite dish if joining for the potluck.

[spac.ca/events](http://spac.ca/events)

## Easter Weekend

**Friday 9 & 10:45 am**  
**Saturday 7 pm**  
**Sunday 9 am & 10:45 am**  
 Apr 19, 20, 21

Join us as we celebrate Easter together. Please note that we will be having different experiences in our Friday, Saturday, and Sunday services.

[spac.ca/easter](http://spac.ca/easter) | No Cost

## Events

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### Endless Summer Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show

**10 am-3:30 pm** Free fun for the family. Net proceeds benefit the ministries of  
**17-Aug** The Mustard Seed, We Care and JumpStart. Registration 10 am,  
People's Choice Award Ceremony 3:15 pm  
*spac.ca/events* | \$10 entry for show vehicles

### Hymn Sing | Everyone | Join any time

**6:30-7:45 pm** Lift your voices! We gather once a month and worship in song by  
**Sundays** singing our favorite hymns requested by those attending.  
**April 14, May 5,**  
**June 23**  
**Monthly** *spac.ca/groups* | No cost

### KR and Darlene Paton - Lunch and Learn

*All Ages (no childcare) | Registration required*

**12:30-2 pm** Our Global Partner's, the Paton's, are coming back to Canada for  
**Sunday** one month. Come share lunch with them and learn what they  
**June 9** have been up to in Thailand at All Nations Church Phuket  
*spac.ca/events* | [rebecca.trask@spac.ca](mailto:rebecca.trask@spac.ca) | No Cost

### Living with Cancer | Adults | Registration Required

**9:30-11:30 am** Learn more about what it means to live with cancer and receive  
**Saturday** support from others who are walking this path. This seminar is  
**May 4** for those who are living with cancer, care givers, or those who  
are supporting a loved one with cancer.  
*spac.ca/events* | No Cost



## School of Discipleship Retreat Edition

Adults | Registration Required

**9 am-3 pm**  
**Saturday**  
**Apr 27** It is possible to move away from questions like: Am I enough? Do I measure up? Am I significant? We'll explore the freedom and relief of settling into our core identity in Christ. Lunch is provided at this event.

*spac.ca/schoolofdiscipleship* | \$25

## Senior's Supper and Gatherings

Seniors | Registration Required

**6-8:30 pm**  
**Mondays**  
**April 29, May 27**  
**Monthly** Come together to enjoy a meal and community with other seniors. During the evening enjoy a time of music, singing, and an inspirational guest speaker.

*spac.ca/events* | [margaret.overland@spac.ca](mailto:margaret.overland@spac.ca)

## Summer Services

Our Summer Services begin the weekend of June 29/30. Starting this weekend, we will have 2 services on the weekend - Saturday at 7 pm and Sunday at 10 am - until the end of summer.

*rachel.fawcett@spac.ca* | No Cost

## TheWayGaming | Adults

**Fridays**  
**For Upcoming Dates**  
**Visit TheWay Gaming**  
**FB page**

Are you into gaming, board games, or movies? We run events on Fridays a couple of times each month, rotating between gaming tournaments, movies, and table top games. Find us on Facebook for all the details and upcoming event information!

[rebecca.trask@spac.ca](mailto:rebecca.trask@spac.ca) | [FB:TheWayGaming](https://www.facebook.com/TheWayGaming)

## Worship Nights | Everyone

**Saturdays**  
**Apr 13, May 11,**  
**Jun 8, Jul 13**  
**Monthly**

For anyone looking to engage in extended worship and prayer in an unconstrained environment, we invite you to join us at the next Worship Night. Whether corporately sitting in the stillness of a moment with God, dancing or flagging as your own unique expression, or finding a corner and having one-tp-one time with God... there is freedom in these nights to come as you are.

[rachel.fawcett@spac.ca](mailto:rachel.fawcett@spac.ca) | No Cost

## 30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World | All Ages

**May 6-June 4**  
**Booklets available**  
**April 27/28**

Join Christians around the world in prayer for our Muslim neighbours. Adult prayer guides available at the Justice and Compassion Kiosk starting April 27/28. Children's prayer guides are available in SonBurst.

[rebecca.trask@spac.ca](mailto:rebecca.trask@spac.ca)



# Serving

[spac.ca/serving](http://spac.ca/serving)



## Guest Services

Be part of a group that helps make church inviting for everyone who walks through the doors. We are looking for ushers and greeters to serve once a month at the service of their choice.

*terri.jeske@spac.ca*

## Legato Coffee & Espresso

We offer the opportunity to develop a diverse range of skills in a fast-paced, fun environment. Barista, cashier and host/hostess positions are available.

*shawna.forsberg@spac.ca*

## Worship Arts

When God is present, lives are changed. We are looking for people to join our weekend technical teams, bands, and for people to cook dinner on Saturday nights for the band and tech teams that serve (cost reimbursed).

*rachel.fawcett@spac.ca*

### PALM

**Various** Spend time with individuals who are brand new to Canada.  
**Weekly** Volunteer to help teach English, provide on-site child care, or assist youth with homework.

### We Care

**10-11 am** We Care is a ministry run with folks in our inner city. We are  
**Sundays** currently looking for individuals to help build community at the  
**Weekly** parking lot on a once/month rotation. Other ways to get involved are by preparing bagged lunches during the week or picking up leftover bread from stores in town.

### Global Partners

Join a prayer team to support our International Workers around the world and get updates about their ministry involvement.

[spac.ca/serve](http://spac.ca/serve) | [rebecca.trask@spac.ca](mailto:rebecca.trask@spac.ca)

#### **Our Current Global Partners are:**

Colette Baudais in Guinea

Danny and Vera Kuranji in Serbia

KR and Darlene Paton in Thailand

### Detours

Regularly check back to [spac.ca/detours](http://spac.ca/detours) for additional opportunities to serve in a context outside our everyday experience.

[spac.ca/serve](http://spac.ca/serve)



KidsMinistries

[spac.ca/kids](http://spac.ca/kids)



## Child Dedications | [Registration required](#)

**During Services** Child Dedication is a way to acknowledge your desire to raise  
**May 11/12** your children to know God.

[spac.ca/childdedication](http://spac.ca/childdedication) | [lisa.myck@spac.ca](mailto:lisa.myck@spac.ca) | No Cost

## SonBurst TreeHouse Preschool

[3/4 Year Olds](#) | [Registration required](#)

**8:45-11:15 am or** Our government licensed preschool is now accepting  
**12:30-3 pm** registrations for the 2019/20 school year. Our morning classes  
**Sept 19-June 20** are full but we still have openings in the afternoon classes.  
**Twice Weekly** Check us out online or come in for a visit. We'd love to meet  
 you and your child!

[spac.ca/kids](http://spac.ca/kids) | [lisa.myck@spac.ca](mailto:lisa.myck@spac.ca) | \$140/month

## Buddy Break | [Infant - Kindergarten](#) | [Registration required](#)

**9:30-11 am** Buddy Break is our Tuesday or Wednesday morning program  
**Tues/Wed** where babies are nurtured and loved while mom or grandma  
**Apr 2/3-Apr 23/24** learns and connects with other women in Daybreak (Tues) and  
 School of Discipleship (Wed)

[spac.ca/kids](http://spac.ca/kids) | [lisa.myck@spac.ca](mailto:lisa.myck@spac.ca)

## Grade 4/5/6 Fun Night | [Grade 4/5/6](#)

**6:30-8:30 pm** Grade 4/5/6 Fun Nights are a great time for kids to connect with  
**Friday** others, bring friends and have a blast.  
**May 24**

[spac.ca/kids](http://spac.ca/kids) | [jenna.cayford@spac.ca](mailto:jenna.cayford@spac.ca) | No Cost



# YouthMinistries

[spac.ca/youth](http://spac.ca/youth)





## Senior High Youth

Grades 9-12 | [Register upon arrival or online](#)

**7-9 pm**  
**Tuesday**  
Apr 2- May 28  
Weekly

Grade 9-12 youth are invited to be part of an intentional community where you are known and loved. Join us to learn about and experience God's love for you. We gather weekly in homes!

[melissa.bonnell@spac.ca](mailto:melissa.bonnell@spac.ca) | No cost

## Junior High Youth

Grades 6-8 | [Register upon arrival or online](#)

**7-9 pm**  
**Wednesday**  
Apr -June (follows  
school calendar)  
Weekly

Every week youth engage in meaningful community, fun activities, building relationships, and experiencing Christ. At Jr. High Ministries, we value community, so every student who walks through our doors automatically gets placed in a small group with other students from their grade and gender!

[melissa.bonnell@spac.ca](mailto:melissa.bonnell@spac.ca) | [spac.ca/youth](http://spac.ca/youth) | No cost

## Junior High Celebrate

Grade 6-8 | [Register upon arrival or online](#)

**7-9 pm**  
**Wednesday**  
June 5

Come reflect on the year of Junior High Youth. Enjoy fun activities, free food and a night of looking back on our connection and experience with Christ during the year.

[melissa.bonnell@spac.ca](mailto:melissa.bonnell@spac.ca) | [spac.ca/youth](http://spac.ca/youth) | No cost

## Senior High Celebrate

Grade 9-12 | [Register upon arrival or online](#)

**7-9 pm** All grade 9-12 youth meet at SPAC as we reflect on the year  
**Tuesday** together. You can look forward to free food, engaging activities, a  
**June 4** time of worship, and looking back on your experience with Jesus  
this year.

*melissa.bonnell@spac.ca | [spac.ca/youth](http://spac.ca/youth) | No cost*

## GAP Year | [Grade 12-recent grad](#)

**4-6:30 pm** Do you have questions about this big ol' world of "Adulting?"  
**Saturday** Questions about finances, working, university, life dreams, how  
**May 4** to manage conflict - anything. We want to help. Have questions  
**Monthly** about how the church functions and were you fit in? Let's talk.  
We encourage you to invite friends and come join us for a meal!

*melissa.bonnell@spac.ca | [spac.ca/youth](http://spac.ca/youth) | No cost*



A Christian-based program that encourages children to love learning through creative, hands-on activities.

# TREEHOUSE PRESCHOOL



Registration is open online for our 2019/2020 school year.

*Monday/Thursday 12:30-3pm 3 year olds & PreK*

*Tuesday/Friday 12:30-3pm PreK only*

[spac.ca/treehouse](http://spac.ca/treehouse) | [treehouse@spac.ca](mailto:treehouse@spac.ca)



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