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CHAPEL ROCK Newsletter

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"GO INTO ALL
THE WORLD
AND PREACH
THE GOOD NEWS
TO EVERYONE."

MARK 16:15



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chapelrock.org

Sundays
9:15 & 11:00 am

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Lead Lines

Welcome to the “dog days” of summer! I’m guessing you’ve all heard that expression (and probably used it). I always just assumed it was an old-timer’s way to refer to the hottest part of the summer, when we tend to just lie around panting in the heat (like, you know, the way a dog does). I recently learned there’s more to it than that. This time of the year, from July 3, through August 11, is when the star Sirius (aka the Dog Star) appears in the sky just before the sun, marking the hottest days of the year (at least, in the Northern Hemisphere). The ancient Romans referred to this period as *dies caniculares*, or “days of the dog star” which was eventually translated as just “dog days.” Ancient literature from all over the Biblical world is full of descriptions of the willpower-draining and strength-sapping effects of this time.

And while I get more gumption as the weather cools off, I appreciate this time when things slow down (August is the only month with no Federal holidays or cultural celebrations), and the only major thing to think about is going back to school. But that doesn’t mean that there’s nothing going on! No, life at Chapel Rock continues and we’re leaning into some exciting new ministry opportunities. Check it out:

On September 6, we are going to build walls for a house with the Fuller Center for Housing in our south parking lot! I hope you and your family will sign up to help. There are lots of different ways to serve that day, and not all of them include pounding nails. Be looking for more information in the bulletin and at a kiosk in the Foyer. Please be in prayer for this event, the home, and especially the family who will live there, and that we can help them toward wholeness!

Brandon and I recently met with the fundraiser, architects, and contractor for the B&O Trailhead that is going to be built at the southeast portion of our property. This project is now funded, and you may soon notice construction very soon! We’re very excited about this, and very happy to announce that Chapel Rock Christian Church will host the official ribbon cutting for the opening of the B&O Trail! (Date to be determined.) God has gifted us with a powerful way to practice Radical Hospitality and live our vision of the Whole Community Whole in Christ.

We may be in the “dog days” of summer, but life is still going full steam ahead! Thanks for being in it with us!

Leading as I follow,
Casey

Thank You!

The students at Chapelwood Elementary were blessed by the school supplies they received from Chapel Rock. Thank you for generously giving so that all students will have the needed items for a successful year. Please pray for Chapelwood students throughout the school year.



women's MINISTRY

Mark your calendar for Thursday, August 14, at 6 p.m. in the Chapel when the Women’s Ministry hosts Sheila Corey, the Director of Development and Foster Care Licensing Specialist at Open Arms Children’s Home. She will address the necessity of embodying the qualities of a child in order to cultivate a more intimate relationship with God. In Matthew 18, Jesus imparts the essential truth that we must become as little children to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Ap-
petizers will be served. The event is free, but reservations are requested by visiting the kiosk in the Foyer Sundays, August 3 and 10. *****Save the Date!** Shopping Trip, Saturday, October 18; Christmas Tea, Wednesday, December 3



Discovery Days Preschool is a ministry of Chapel Rock. We want to help the teachers and the children have a full and successful year! The items below are frequently used by Discovery Days teachers. Donated items will be accepted through Sunday, August 24, and can be placed in the DropZone bin in the Foyer.

Thank you!

- Paper towels
- Paper plates (plain, white, uncoated)
- Dessert size paper plates (plain, white, uncoated)
- Baby wipes (fragrance free)
- Vinyl gloves ("one size" and large size)
- Kleenex/tissues
- Paper or plastic drinking cups (3oz and 5oz)
- Plastic baggies (snack, sandwich, and gallon sizes)
- Hand sanitizer (large refill bottles)
- Disinfectant wipes
- Lysol Dual Action wipes (has scrubby side)
- Sticky tack
- Blue painter's tape
- Magnets for crafts (rolls or flat sheets that can be cut)
- Purple Elmers glue sticks
- Wiggly craft eyes (round, black/white, all sizes)



SAVE-THE-DATE!

Chapel Rock is again partnering with the Fuller Center to bless a family in need on Saturday, September 6, from 9 a.m. to noon. Bring the family and build walls for the home in the south parking lot! There is something for everyone to do. Watch bulletins in August for more information and to sign up!



If you are new to Chapel Rock and would like to learn more about us, please join us for our

Welcome to the Rock luncheon on Sunday, August 10, at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Meet Lead Pastor Casey Scott and listen as he shares the vision for our church and our community. Register using the QR code or call the church office at 317-247-9739.



Versiti will host a blood drive here at Chapel Rock on Sunday, August 10, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in FH 19.



You're already here for church, why not make a life-saving donation while you're here! Register using the QR code. Walk-ins are welcome.

Chapel Rockets Seniors Ministry August Events

- Tuesdays, August 5, 12, 19, 26, Women's Bible Study in Room WC 113 from 1 to 2:15 p.m. Rhena Crane is the facilitator.
- Thursday, August 7, Monthly pitch-in lunch at 11:30 a.m. Vinnie and the Moochers play music from the 1970's. Please bring a side dish or two and a guest. A love offering will be collected at the door. Enter door #3.
- Wednesday, August 13, Movie Day in the Family Room at 1 p.m. Please bring a movie snack to share.
- Thursday, August 21, Pot luck lunch and UNO at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Room. Bring your favorite lunch item to share. Enter door #3.
- Monday, August 25, Local lunch bunch, location TBA, at 11:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, August 27, Lunchtime Care & Share at noon in Connection Corner. Please bring your own lunch and beverage.



Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to all who have purchased gift items for children's shoeboxes! Please remember that all items must be new.

OCC year round at Chapel Rock continues this month with "Accessories". These items may include wallets, small purses,

flashlights and batteries, sewing kits, small tool kits, sun glasses, etc. Many times, a child will receive an item that is helpful to an entire family – a pair of scissors or a tool kit, for example. **We continue to need school supplies**, and any other new item that is great for a shoebox!

What a privilege we have – to be able to bless a child and his/her family, and reach them with the Gospel message as well! Since 2009, more than 30 million children have enrolled in The Greatest Journey with over 15 million making a decision for Christ! The Greatest Journey is implemented through a global church network to help children learn how to know and follow Jesus. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Heuss at 317-702-0508.

Mission Trip to Kenya

Is God calling you to serve Him in Kenya? Chapel Rock is returning to Kenya with Disciple Makers in August 2026, for nine days. The cost is approximately \$2,325. Interested in learning more? Contact Debbie McLoed at 317-858-1244 or dmcloed@chapelrock.org.

Men's August Breakfast and Devotion

The men's monthly breakfast and devotion will be Saturday, August 2. Coffee and fellowship time begins at 7 a.m. with the breakfast being served at 7:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please enter at door #3 or #12.

Homeless Ministry Needs

The Homeless Ministry is in need of items for the spring and summer seasons. Items can be placed in the DropZone bin in the Foyer. Needed items are: baby wipes, toilet paper, socks, t-shirts, deodorant, tooth paste and tooth brushes, shampoo, and body wash.



Chapel Rock's Food Pantry operates on the first and third Thursdays each month. Both monetary and food donations are encouraged. Please write "Food Pantry" on the memo line of checks. Non-perishable food donations may be put in the DropZone bin in the Foyer. Contact Cindy West at 215-570-8578 if you would like to volunteer with the Food Pantry.

Family Mission Opportunity The Chapel Rock family is invited to serve together packing meals at Lifeline Christian Mission in Plainfield on Thursday, August 7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person or \$45 per family. Register using the QR code.



By the Numbers ...

	6/22	6/29	7/6	7/13	2025 Average Attendance.....660
Worship Services – campus	474	513	451	424	(includes live streaming)
Worship Online – live streaming	163	229	234	190	Baptisms for 202512
In-person & Virtual Small Groups	149	141	161	124	Transfers for 202520
Children/Middle School/High School	137	n/a	110	114	

Financial Report ending June 2025

General Fund Offerings – YTD\$913,876 Missions Funding.....\$105,621

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