



CHAPEL ROCK

# Newsletter



## *Worship & Vision* NIGHT

Wednesday, August 26  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.



Website  
[chapelrock.org](http://chapelrock.org)

Sundays  
9:15 & 11:00 am

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# Lead Lines

I want You to think about our Fellowship Hall for a second. Over the years, many wonderful things have happened in that room. I want to remind you of one, and invite you to another, but not in that order!

First, I want to invite you to bring your lunch on Sunday, August 16, and join us in the Fellowship Hall at 12:30 p.m. I am going to sit in the “hot seat,” and let you ask me whatever you want to ask about the first 11 chapters of Genesis (what we covered in our “Origin Story” series). We will have some notes for you to remind you of what we’ve covered. I didn’t preach every one of these (Brandon, Cory, and Rob Jankowski also each took a Sunday), so there may be a few of your questions that I’ve not studied at the same depth as the texts that I covered in the series, but I’m going to do my best to answer your questions. We did this for the Lenses series back in early 2022, and it was a lot of fun. I hope you’ll plan to join us. Bring your questions!

PS – Yes, I know I’ll have a question about the Nephilim. I’m ready!

Second, some of you may remember that at our Annual Meeting and Dessert night last fall, I told you about something the staff had been working on, “a thing” since our 2025 retreat. I admitted to you then, and I’m reminding you now, as a bit of a “teaser.” I told you then that we would talk about “that thing” in the fall of 2026. Well, it is upon us! I am so excited to start our next sermon series, “Practicing Wholeness.” Here’s the super short version now, and we will begin to press into this on Sunday, August 23: At last year’s staff retreat, we spent a lot of time talking about how we can live “the whole community whole in Christ” and our values AS A TEAM. As a group, we came up with and articulated Seven Practices to help us do that. It was only ever supposed to be for our staff... my intent was that it be totally inward facing. But as other people began to see the Seven Practices (they are posted on the wall in the office conference room), they began to ask questions about them. They began to make comments like, “What are these Seven Practices?” and “Wow guys, the whole church needs to see this!” So we are going to share the Seven Practices with you in this new series. This what I was telling you about (okay, *teasing*) in November of last year, and I cannot wait! You are going to love this!

Leading as I follow,  
Casey



## BROWN BAG LUNCH WITH PASTOR CASEY

Pastor Casey will wrap up the *Origin Story* series on Sunday, August 16. After second service, you’re invited to bring your lunch and the questions you have from the series, and join Pastor Casey in Fellowship Hall, where he will answer your questions and clarify what we’ve learned about our *Origin Story*. Families are welcome.

## News From Chapel Rock Community Development



### WELL (Westside English Language Learning) Needs You!

Well is planning for the 2026-2027 school year. Six English classes for adults are offered on Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., August 27 through May 7. WELL relies on volunteers to make the program a success. Volunteers are needed in these areas:

- Adult classroom Conversation Coaches
- Children's classroom co-teachers and infant and toddler caregivers.
- Subs for adult and children's classes
- Safety Team members

Visit the website at [chapelrockcd.org/well](http://chapelrockcd.org/well) or contact Marsha Greiner at [marsha@chapelrockcd.org](mailto:marsha@chapelrockcd.org) or 317-695-0128 to volunteer.

### Fuller Center for Housing Fourth Annual Wall Build at Chapel Rock

On Saturday, August 29, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, families will help build walls that will be turned into a new home for a family in need. Visit the kiosk in the Foyer on Sundays, August 9 or 16, to ask questions, sign up for the build, and get a Waiver Form. One form is needed for each person who will be onsite for the build. Contact Ron Greiner at [ron@chapelrockcd.org](mailto:ron@chapelrockcd.org) for more information.



### Worship & Vision Night

**Wednesday, August 26 | 7 to 8:30 p.m.**

*Worship Center doors open at 6:30 p.m.*

Come be part of a meaningful evening as we gather to worship Jesus, connect with one another, and look ahead with purpose and expectation!

Share a meal together from **5 to 6:30 p.m.**, followed by a powerful time of worship. Casey will also share the vision and direction God is leading Chapel Rock Christian Church in the season ahead.

Bring your family, invite a friend, and join us as we celebrate what God is doing—and prepare for where He is leading us next!

## When the Earth Shook, the Church Moved - Jorge & Diana Lugo, Team Expansion

Just days after writing stories of baptisms, discipleship, and ministry, Venezuela was struck by two devastating earthquakes that altered the lives of thousands of families in a matter of seconds.

For the past several weeks, many of you have followed our emergency updates, prayed faithfully, and generously supported the relief efforts taking place through our churches. Rather than repeating everything we have already shared, I simply wanted to provide a brief update on where things stand today.

According to the latest official report released on **July 18**, the earthquakes have resulted in:

- 5,119 confirmed deaths
- 16,740 people treated for injuries
- 6,462 people rescued
- 128,324 families assisted
- 107 temporary shelters established
- 20,903 people currently living in temporary shelters
- 17,907 people left without homes
- 856 buildings completely collapsed
- More than 10,000 tons of food distributed
- 33,652 patients treated through the national health system

Behind every one of those numbers is a face, a family, and a story. Some have lost parents. Others have lost children. Entire neighborhoods have disappeared. Many families are still trying to rebuild their lives while grieving unimaginable loss. The rescue phase has largely come to an end, but the humanitarian work is only beginning. Our pastors, church members, and volunteers continue serving in some of the hardest-hit communities by distributing food, clothing, hygiene supplies, medicine, and other essential items. Just as importantly, they are praying with families, comforting those who mourn, counseling those struggling with trauma, and reminding people that even in the darkest moments, Christ remains our hope.

One of the greatest encouragements during these difficult weeks has been watching the Church respond. While buildings collapsed, the Church stood firm. While many lost everything they owned, believers across Venezuela and around the world came together to demonstrate the love of Christ in practical ways. Your prayers and generosity have made that possible. Because of your partnership, families have received food, children have received care, pastors have been able to reach devastated communities, and countless people have been reminded that they have not been forgotten. Recovery will not happen in a few weeks. It will take many months—and for some communities, years. Yet we remain confident that God will continue using His Church to bring both practical help and eternal hope. Before the earthquakes, God was transforming lives. During the earthquakes, God mobilized His people. And today, as Venezuela begins the long journey of rebuilding, **God is still at work**. As we close, we would be grateful if you would continue praying with us for the work God has entrusted to our family.

**For Venezuela**, as our nation continues the long road of recovery following the earthquakes. Pray for the thousands of families who are grieving, those who have lost their homes, and the many communities still facing tremendous needs.

**For the churches serving in the affected areas**, that the Lord would give pastors, volunteers, and church members wisdom, strength, compassion, and endurance as they continue caring for people physically, emotionally, and spiritually.

**Praise God!** After weeks without any communication, we were finally able to reach **Vladimir**, one of our dear disciples who lives in one of the areas hardest hit by the earthquakes in La Guaira. Many of you have prayed for him over the years and know parts of his story. We are incredibly thankful to know that he is alive. Please continue praying for him, his family, and the believers in those communities as they rebuild their lives and continue being lights for Christ.

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## women's MINISTRY

Mark your calendar for Friday night August 21, at 6 p.m. in the Family Room. Brianna Lambert will speak on her new book, *Created to Play*. God created everyone to play as well as enjoy and relax in that play. See "play" differently based on the talents given to each of us by God. Brianna will also talk about the four lies we believe about play. Register for this event at the kiosk in the Foyer on Sunday mornings, August 2, 9, or 16.

**Upcoming events** - watch for information coming soon!

September - Come Sew With Us

September 23 through October 21, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to noon, Women's Bible Study, Faith Lessons on the Early Church

October - Shopping Trip, date to be determined

December - Christmas Tea, Wednesday, December 2, speaker Patty Meeks  
Vernon



## Chapel Rockets Seniors Ministry Events

- Tuesday, August 4, Rockets ladies August Bible study, 1 to 2:15 p.m. in WC113, (August 4, 11, 18, 25) Rhena Crane is the facilitator.
- Thursday, August 6, Rockets monthly pitch-in lunch at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Bring one or two side dishes. Aly and the Tomcats will start their concert at 12:45 p.m. They play music from the 60's thru the 90's. A love offering will be collected at the door. Enter door #3.
- Monday, August 10, Summer salad pitch-in and movie day at 11:30 a.m. in the Family Room. Bring your favorite salad to share. Enter door #3.
- Monday, August 24, Local lunch bunch will meet at the Ale Emporium in Avon at 11:15 a.m. Please sign up in advance with Ann at 317-238-0127. It is located at 7510 Beechwood Centre Road in the same shopping center as Rural King.
- Wednesday, August 26, Care & Share in the Chapel at noon. Pizza and dessert will be provided.



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

Chapel Rock is starting a new ministry in September called Stephen Ministry, a nation-wide program offering a proven and effective way to organize, equip, and supervise a team of congregation members — called *Stephen Ministers* — to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in our church family and our community

experiencing life difficulties. Training is one hour per week for 12 weeks, starting Sunday, September 13, at 8 a.m. in FH 15. If you are interested in being part of this ministry, contact Care Pastor, John Noel, at [jnoel@chapelrock.org](mailto:jnoel@chapelrock.org) or call the church on a Monday or Tuesday at 317-247-9739.

## Donate Bibles!

Chapel Rock is partnering with Bible Runners to get Bibles into people's hands and the Gospel of Jesus into their hearts. Bible Runners will take and distribute donated Bibles where they are most needed in the world. If you or your family and friends have Bibles to donate, in any condition, please place them in the DropZone bin in the Foyer. To cover shipping costs, please place a \$1 bill as an easily-seen bookmark in each Bible. **With 290 already collected, our goal is 300 Bibles!** Collection ends Sunday, August 16.



## Homeless Ministry Needs

The Homeless Ministry needed items are: baby wipes, candles, Bibles, socks, t-shirts, deodorant, tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo, and body wash. New items may be placed in the DropZone bin in the Foyer.

## 20/20/20 Service

Join us Sunday evening, August 16, at 5:45 p.m. in the Chapel for 20/20/20 - 20 minutes of teaching, 20 minutes of worship, and 20 minutes of prayer. Enter at door #16. Kids are welcome, as this can be a very intentional time of family faith formation.



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 other new items.

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. Visit <http://video.samaritanspurse.org/download-operation-christmas-child-videos/> to view inspiring videos.

## Men's Breakfast and Devotion

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



Chapel Rock's Food Pantry operates monthly on the first and third Thursdays. Nearly 400 families are served and five to six tons of food is provided each month. Both monetary and non-perishable food donations are essential. 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.

## By the Numbers ...

|                                    | 6/21 | 6/28 | 7/5 | 7/12 | 2026 Average Attendance.....665 |
|------------------------------------|------|------|-----|------|---------------------------------|
| Worship Services – campus          | 416  | 387  | 405 | 381  | (includes live streaming)       |
| Worship Online – live streaming    | 204  | 211  | 200 | 232  | Baptisms for 2026 .....13       |
| In-person & Virtual Small Groups   | 108  | 125  | 130 | 106  | Transfers for 2026 .....3       |
| Children/Middle School/High School | 105  | 110  | 90  | 82   |                                 |

### Financial Report ending June 2026

General Fund Offerings – YTD .....\$893,536      Missions Funding..... \$92,581

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