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## The Rock, The Road, and The Rabbi

Mary Frances Logue brought a book to me a few weeks ago before our vacation. She only asked that I read it and consider it a gift. When we returned, I went into their Sunday School class, head down, to let her know I had not read anything the entire time I was on vacation. However, I started reading the book the next week and really enjoyed the stories and information from Kathie Lee Gifford's book *The Rock, The Road, and The Rabbi*. Throughout the book, Kathie shares her experiences of going to Israel and walking through the steps of Jesus and his disciples. Along with her is a Rabbi named Jason Sobel who brings Biblical stories to life by sharing history or his own perspectives that we may neglect in Biblical interpretation. I've found the book to be a joy to read and thought I would share key thoughts with you over the next couple of weeks that I hope encourage you in your faith.

### Chapter 9

*Seven Streams....chapter 9 follows Kathie's journey to the Sea of Galilee where Jesus called his first disciples. There she brings out an important part of the story I have personally never really heard. The Gospel of Luke specifically calls the lake the Lake of Gennesaret because this gives us an indication of the town close to Jesus calling his disciples. However, Kathie visits a church called the Church of Peter's Primacy that is located on, what scholars believe, is the actual location where Peter and the disciples began following Jesus. Kathie writes specifically about the locale and the significance of this place in one of the most epic stories in the New Testament:*

*It is the only place around the entire lake that seven separate streams of fresh-water flow into it. According to Rabbi Jason, the number seven in Hebrew symbolizes completeness and perfection. It is used 735 times in the Bible -54 times in the book of Revelation alone. The number derives much of its meaning from being tied directly to the creation of the world and to the seven annual Holy Days in the Hebrew calendar. And Jesus performed seven miracles on God's Sabbath.*

*It is believed that because of these seven strong streams, fish were attracted to this area of the lake; therefore, the fishermen were too. While it looks like a calm beach you might find anywhere because it receives seven streams of living water beneath the surface, it was the optimal place for the teacher to meet student, for rabbi to meet disciple, and for God Himself to meet mankind. Come....to the Seven Streams!*

*I'm constantly amazed at how God shows up right when and WHERE we need him too. I would encourage you this week to pay special attention not only to when God shows up in your life but WHERE! It may seem simple, but God chooses location just as much as time. There is nothing haphazard about God's planning and timing. It all makes sense, it all has meaning, and it all reveals something about his nature. Praying for you friends! Love you!*

Keep The Faith,  
Pastor Tommy

### Scripture and Sermon:

Acts 3:1-10

"Simon to Peter:  
Peter in Acts"



### New Concerns

#### Continue Prayers for:

Hilda Rozier  
Lamar Outz  
Dennis Howdeshell  
Joy Fleming  
Susan Glidewell

Phil & Betty Bailey  
Dianne Harrington  
Mac McCullough  
Kathy Blanchard  
Tom Gamble  
Betty Bowen  
Michael & Jennie Walston  
Betty Byrd  
Leon Hudson  
Mary Prater  
Jim & Mary Leary  
Virginia Eadie  
Bill Reedy  
Our Country, Leaders, Military

### Finance Report for

09-01-24

Operating Budget.....	\$5,411.60
Apportionments.....	100.00
A/C Replacement.....	485.00
Clothes Closet.....	25.00
Food Pantry.....	85.00
Total.....	\$6,106.60

#### Worship Attendance

133

#### Sunday School

37




- ✓ 09-09-24 Finance Meeting 6p
- ✓ 09-09-24 Admin Council Meeting 6:30p
- ✓ 09-29-24 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Lunch 11:30a- **cancelled**



Thank You

A huge thanks to all Clothes Closet Volunteers for your dedication and support during 2nd and 4th Wednesdays as we moved into our new days and hours (9a-1p) and schedules which consist of 2 shifts (8:45-11:00 and 11:00-1:15). Our new hours and schedules began in August. Thanks also to those who faithfully come out on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays as we continue to process clothing and miscellaneous items from 9 until 12 noon. I also want to thank everyone in our church family and community who bring your donations so that others can feel the love of God at The Well. As Fall approaches and the weather turns cooler, we are currently accepting Winter items which can be dropped off in the black trailer located in front of the Outreach Building on days that the closet is closed. Many families are being served as a result of your generous donations. I appreciate all you are doing through this ministry. ~~ Brenda ~~



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Caleb Peterson

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Nancy Hudson  
Tony Rozier

Community Missions

- The next Food Pantry is September 11, 10a-1p, and **volunteers are still needed**, even with the change of operation. Please see Cheri to help with this ministry. You will be blessed. Our Food Pantry Team rocks!
- The Clothes Closet is open September 11, the Clothes Closet will follow the same schedule as the Food Pantry. We will open on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month for shoppers and the 2nd and 4th Tuesday for processing donations. Our new hours will be 8:45am until 1:15pm.
- Due to air conditioning problems in the church, services will continue to be held in the Fellowship Hall until the system is fixed. As of today, that date is undetermined; therefore, our Yard Sale has been tentatively scheduled for Friday, January 31st-Saturday, February 1, 2025. We are currently using the Yak Shack for donated items for the sale. We will continue to collect small miscellaneous household goods for the sale. We will not have a Souper Saturday in 2025.
- September 11: 845a-11a- Cynthia Boutwell, Brenda Craw, Barbara Bruschke  
September 11: 11a-115p- Linda Blanton, Elaine Hubbard, Sherrill Pinckney

Bible Reading Plan	
Week of September 8 <sup>th</sup> :	
Sunday.....	Acts 24
Monday.....	Acts 25
Tuesday.....	Acts 26
Wednesday.....	Acts 27
Thursday.....	Acts 28
Friday.....	1 Thes 1
Saturday.....	1 Thes 2

Quilters Ministry

Friends at the Well – for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, the quilters will staff a booth at the Georgia National Fair where we are able to sell raffle tickets for our Outreach Quilt. We need to have someone on each shift demonstrating something about quilting, but our small group of quilters will be spread thin. So, I’m asking for volunteers to join us as support staff to sell raffle tickets and talk about our church. It’s a great opportunity to meet people and have the name of our wonderful church in front of the public. Please contact me if you can work October 8, 9 or 10 (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) from 9am to 1:30pm, 1:30pm to 5:30pm, or 5:30 to 9pm. Each day you work you will be given a ticket to get into the fair for free, and parking passes for the Miller Murphy Howard parking lot will be available. Please call me at 478-335-6677 or just talk to me at the church. ~ In His Service, Jan Morales-Hill

Choices

For the next twelve hours I will be exposed to the day’s demands. It is now that I must make a choice. I am free to choose.

**I choose love.** No occasion justifies hatred; no injustice warrants bitterness. I choose love. Today I will love God and what God loves.

**I choose peace.** I live forgiven, therefore, I will forgive so that I may live.

**I choose patience.** I will overlook the inconveniences of the world. Rather than complain that the wait is too long, I will thank God for a moment to pray. Instead of clenching my fist at new assignemnts, I will face them with joy and courage.

**I choose kindness.** I will be kind to the unkind, for such how God has treated me.

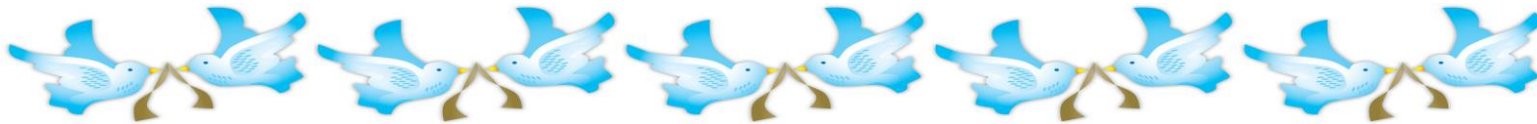
**I choose goodness.** I will go without a dollar before I take a dishonest one. I will be overlooked before I will boast. I will confess before I will accuse.

**I choose faithfulness.** Today I will keep my promised. My debtors will not regret their trust. My associates will not question my word. My wife (husband) will not question my love. And my children will never fear that their father (mother) will not come home.

**I choose gentleness.** Nothing is won by force. I choose to be gentle. If I raise my voice, may it be only in praise. If I make a demand, may it be only of myself.

**I choose self-control.** I am a spiritual being. After this body is dead, my spirit will soar. I will be drunk only by joy. I will impassioned only by my faith. I will be taught only by Christ.

I commit myself to these choices. If I succeed, I will give thanks. If I fail, I will seek His grace. And then, with this day is sone, I will place my head on my pillow and rest.





Are you Looking for a place to serve? To get involved? We have it!

This Week's Schedule:

Sunday- September 8

Ushers

10:30a J.O. Miller, Tony Rozier  
Mel Smeltz, Cheri' Cox, Lynn Mayfield  
Keith Mobley, Stevie Bowen  
Joy Fleming, Sherrie Shell, Roy Carter

9:15a Sunday School  
10:30a Worship

Greeters

10:30a Sherrie Shell, TBD

Communion Servers

Kelly & Kelly Evans  
Mark Methven & Sherrie Shell

Prayer Teams

Thomas & Joy Fleming  
Jim & Linda Blanton

Finance Stewards

LaWanna Porter, Kathy Rutke, Hilda Rozier

Assisting with Children

Sunday- September 8  
Nursery- Sherrie Shell, Laura McKenzie  
Children- Dawn Wilkins  
Sunday- September 15  
Nursery- Kelly Evans, Laura McKenzie  
Children- Sherry Armour

Monday- September 9

Never Forget

6:00p Finance Meeting  
6:30p Admin Council  
7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday- September 10

9:15a Movin' n Groovin'  
10:00a Partners in Prayer  
10:00a Yoga  
6:00p Life Group III "LG3"

Wednesday- September 11

8:00a Men's Fellowship Breakfast  
8:45a-1:15p Clothes Closet  
10a-1p Food Pantry  
5:15p Handbells  
6:30p Choir Practice  
7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Thursday- September 12

9:15a Movin' n Groovin'  
10:00a Yoga  
6:30p Men at the Well  
7-9p Amateur Radio Club  
7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Friday- September 13

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday- September 14

7:30p Narcotics Anonymous

Sunday School at 9:15a

Are you looking to get involved in Sunday School? We have a great line up of classes to explore! Maybe you've been attending Sunday School regularly but see a topic you're interested in – it's okay to move around and try different classes – let's learn and grow together!

Sunday School Class

Seekers  
Issues & Answers  
New Beginnings  
Christian Fellowship  
Youth

Studies

Gospel  
Mark  
Be Alert  
1 and 2 Peter  
Orange Curriculum

Teacher

LaWanna Porter  
Joy Fleming  
Nancy Hudson  
Don Schall  
Katie Odum



Women  
at the  
Well



Men  
at the  
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**October 20**

**3p-5p**

**Games, Food,  
Fellowship, Fun!**