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A Conversation with Elsie and Dick Rose by Betty Stanley

Put God first in your life, pray, and keep a positive attitude. Hard work, honesty, self-reliance, integrity, and more.... These words tell much when you think of attributes of Elsie and Dick Rose. Most importantly, Elsie’s statement, “Put God first in your life,” and Dick’s, “Think positively and pray,” are creeds they have lived by.

Elsie’s faith has sustained her as she looks to God for strength. From John 15: 5: “I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing.” Elsie holds this verse close to her heart.

Dick’s knowledge of the Bible is amazing and when asked his favorite verse, he proudly said, The Great Commission, Matthew 28:19 and 20. He then spoke the words Jesus gave to the eleven disciples:

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the father, and of the son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. And, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Elsie’s favorite verse is the twenty-third Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name’s sake. Yea, thou I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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The Stained Glass Window

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A part of Dick's early Christian life at Beech Grove Presbyterian began with memorizing bible verses and the first verse he learned was John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Leval Ratts, Hobart Weir, and Jesse Robinson were three men from the Beech Grove church who were wonderful examples for Christian living, along with Harlan Stout and Oscar Trueblood. Dick says Beech Grove was the very best community to grow up in and he owes everything to the Beech Grove Presbyterian Church and The New Salem Church of God. Dick's membership in the Beech Grove Church began with his baptism where he was immersed at the Bunker Hill Christian Church, following family tradition by requesting immersion. Dick fondly remembers church, Sunday school, bible schools, and revivals in the extended communities as wonderful experiences in his early journey of Christian learning.

Elsie began attending the Beech Grove church with Dick when they began dating. Her early Christian life began when Roy and Jane Pennington and Ray and Shirley Baird brought children to the Church of God of Prophecy on Hayes Avenue. She said, "These people knew the Lord, and they lived as Christians should." They helped plant the seed of loving God for Elsie.

Elsie and Dick were married December 22, 1961 at the Beech Grove Presbyterian Church and Elsie remembers how lovely the sanctuary was decorated for Christmas and that beauty became part of her wedding memory. The ladies of the church gave the newly married couple a reception to show their love for this special couple.

Elsie and Dick have wonderful memories of the love and support from Christians in their churches and they realize how that early training helped them as they began their adult lives together.

Elsie added that the Beech Grove Church has an annual Homecoming the first Saturday in October. This event continues to carry on the special love and spiritual memories through the years, even though other churches serve the daily lives of former members.

Elsie continued this theme of loving church members by adding how the love of the Salem Presbyterian Church has helped her with prayers, visits, cards, phone calls, food, and caring as she fights the illness that keeps her from being who she is. She adds that that same love and caring when Dick had heart problems and a stroke almost twenty years ago were blessings they will never forget.

Dick's favorite hymn is "Love Lifted Me" and one of Elsie's is "How Great Thou Art." They

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talked of past pastors from Pat Kennedy to our present pastor, Beth Walden-Fisher, and spoke of the gifts each have given to our church in their leadership. They love the choir and appreciate the talents of the singers and musicians.

Dick has been a member of our church Session twice and both Elsie and Dick have been strong members through the years and have shown their love of God in many ways. Elsie is a wonderful helper for neighbors and friends. She loves her children and grandchildren and they both have lived as Christian examples.

Dick was born in Kentucky, one of eleven children. The family moved to Washington County when his dad bought acreage and began farming. Dick's father's illness caused Dick to drop out of school and begin working to help earn a living for the family.

Elsie Nolan, one of eight children, was born in Portland, Oregon, although the family origins were in the state of Kentucky. The family came to the Salem area when her father bought land. During her high school years, she worked at the famous Candy Kitchen.

Dick began a stint in the Army shortly after he and Elsie were married and became parents of their son Mark who was born at the Fort Knox hospital in 1964. Their daughter Connie was born later at the Salem Hospital. Dick's job at a Chicago Ford Plant took the family to the Hammond,

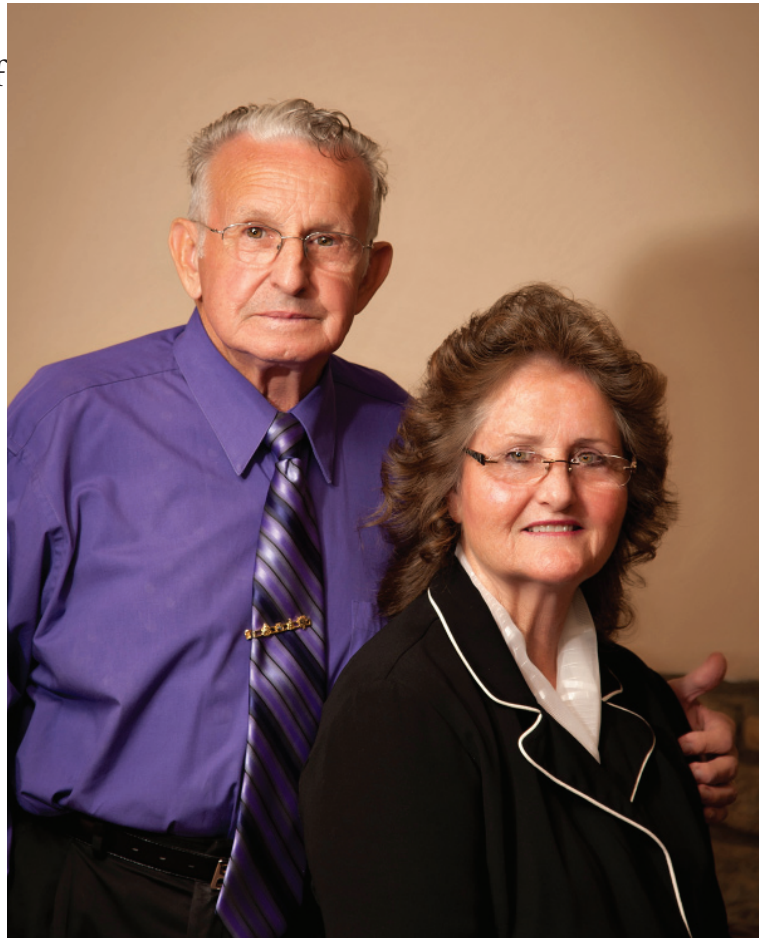


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Indiana, area where Elsie became a member of the Hammond Presbyterian Church. Their move back to Washington County came when Dick transferred to the Louisville Ford Plant.

Elsie is known for her beautiful quilts and the quality of her quilting is superb. To own one of her quilts is to have a treasure.

Elsie and Dick's daughter, Connie, along with son-in-law Ted, Rita Roach, Ted's mother, along with Rhonda and Don Gilbert, and many others have been immensely helpful during this difficult time for Elsie and she is extremely grateful.

Elsie and Dick have four grandchildren and the love and pride they have for them is obvious. Their grandson, Kyle, son of Mark and Pegeen, lives with them and attends Purdue University in New Albany. Mark and Pegeen's daughter Nicole is a Junior at Spencer County High School. Kolton, son of Connie and Ted is an IU freshman, and Kage, also son of Connie and Ted is a freshman at Salem High School.

In closing, Dick says he is a Christian Millionaire. He explains that he is rich in Christian teachings and rich in living as Jesus taught us all to live. That wealth began back at Beech Grove and continues today with his love for the Salem Presbyterian Church as he lives as a faithful servant to the Lord. Elsie speaks again of how everyone has been so good to her and Dick. She has experienced again the love and caring given by the members of the Salem Presbyterian Church and others.

- Elsie and Dick Rose were interviewed by Betty Stanley. If you would like to interview a church member for the newsletter, would like to be interviewed, or have a suggestion for an interview, please contact Trina Brown at trinab@blueriver.net, or by phone at 883-5689.

Letter from the Morris Family

We would like to thank our church family for all the love and support you have given us since learning of Katie's medical condition. Words cannot express our appreciation, but your generosity has touched all of us deeply, and we are grateful for all your thoughts and prayers as we continue this journey. Thank you so much!

Love,

Chris, Chris, Katie & Ben Morris

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March 1, 2013

World Day of Prayer

March 3, 2013

Worship Service - 3rd Sunday in Lent. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Communion will be served. Liturgist: Tom McQuiddy.

March 4, 2013

Keith Hattabaugh's Birthday

March 5, 2013

Tuesday Morning Coffee: Lenten Lectionary Study - 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor.

March 6, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

March 7, 2013

Robert Kenninger's Birthday

March 10, 2013

Worship Service - 4th Sunday in Lent. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Carolyn Beck.

March 12, 2013

Tuesday Morning Coffee: Lenten Lectionary Study - 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor.

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March 13, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

March 16, 2013

Ed Caum's Birthday

March 17, 2013

Worship Service - 5th Sunday in Lent. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Donna LaFollette.

March 19, 2013

Prayer Vigil - From 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Tuesday Morning Coffee: Lenten Lectionary Study - 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor.

March 20, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

March 21, 2013

Ben Morris' Birthday

March 23, 2013

Brent Davis' Birthday

March 24, 2013

Worship Service - Passion/Palm Sunday. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Jeff Saewert.

Lana Humphrey's Birthday

March 26, 2013

Tuesday Morning Coffee: Lenten Lectionary Study - 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor.

March 27, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

March 28, 2013

Maundy Thursday - Joint service hosted by First Christian Church. More details TBA.

March 29, 2013

Virginia Nelson's Birthday

Good Friday

March 31, 2013

Worship Service - Easter Sunday. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Norma Eisert.

| April 2013 | | | | | | |
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April 3, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

April 7, 2013

Worship Service - 2nd Sunday of Easter. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: David Beck.

April 8, 2013

Lindsay Jo Robbins' Birthday

April 10, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

April 11, 2013

Dick Rose's Birthday

April 13, 2013

Richard Clark's Birthday

Chris Morris' Birthday

April 14, 2013

Worship Service - 3rd Sunday of Easter. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: De Davis.

Jerry Barnett's Birthday

April 15, 2013

John Stingel's Birthday

Sidney Burger's Birthday

April 16, 2013

Prayer Vigil - From 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

April 17, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

Margaret Ann Martin's Birthday

April 21, 2013

Worship Service - 4th Sunday of Easter. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Donna LaFollette.

April 24, 2013

Brown Bag Supper - 5:30 p.m. in the parlor.

April 28, 2013

Worship Service - 5th Sunday of Easter. 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Liturgist: Lana Humphrey.

Our Mission Statement

Understanding that grace is a gift from God to the world, to us.....

The Mission of the Salem Presbyterian Church is to support our church family in fostering growth in the Christian faith, in leading meaningful lives, and in doing good works to the glory of God.

To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

Micah Chapter 6, Verse 8

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