

## Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class ..... 9:00 AM  
Sunday AM Worship .....10:00 AM  
Sunday PM Worship ..... 6:00 PM  
Wednesday Bible Class ..... 7:00 PM

### Elders

Eugene Cardinal (602) 942-6373  
Sonny Janeway (623) 583-2726  
Chuck Kolinchak (602) 938-9429

### Minister

James Dale (623) 882-6671  
nsminister@cox.net

### Deacons

Ron Gallegos (Education)  
(623) 561-5674

Allan Davis (Youth)  
(602) 439-5953

Joshua Casselman (Worship)  
(602) 938-2800

### Supported Mission Works

Dino Tzanetos;  
*Athens, Greece*

Josh Austin  
*Navajo Reservation, Keyenta, AZ*

Terry Laurence  
*Navajo Reservation, Ft. Defiance, AZ*

Eddison Gruber  
*Navajo Reservation, Crownpoint NM*

Dave Chamberlin (Instructor)  
*Bear Valley Bible Institute of Denver*

Jesus Gonzalez  
*Agua Prieta, Mexico*

Alonso Villalobos  
*Veracruz Mexico*

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## Prayer List

- \* Norm Horwitz is having breathing problems. He is at JCL Dunlap.
- \* Deb a friend of Deb Liable is dealing with serious problems
- \* Lana Houts, Linda's sister has kidney stones
- \* Jim Staton has TB, which is affecting his kidneys
- \* Karen Chance is having difficulties at work
- \* Please keep Tammy Avery and her daughter Ashley in your prayers
- \* Debbie Woford, Jessica Janeways mother starting treatment for stomach cancer
- \* Bernice Louder has been ill.
- \* Matthew Wouters – born with CHARGE syndrome. He is now six and not doing well. He has been in ICU recently.
- \* Barbara Reinhart is having continued medical problems
- \* Bob Farr has continued medical problems
- \* Chuck Kolinchak, recovering from knee surgery
- \* Kathy Self – Peggy's sister recovering from surgery.
- \* Jim Green's continues to undergo treatment for cancer
- \* Yvette's aunt had a stroke
- \* Brenda Carver – ovarian cancer.
- \* Cindy Aaronson, co-worker of Hadleigh's, is struggling with many difficult trials.
- \* Bill Sanders, struggling with cancer treatments.
- \* Joann Toles - dealing with severe back pains.
- \* Frankie continued health issues
- \* James Harper, Frankie's son is now in Afghanistan.
- \* The Carpenter Family,
- \* Walt Garrison (Jim Weiers step brother) undergoing treatment for cancer.

## Best Wishes This Week

**Marilyn McGrew**  
**Jim & Lenora Green**

**May 03 (B)**  
**May 08 (A)**

# THE GUARDIAN

*"Guard my soul and deliver me; Do not let me be ashamed, for I take refuge in Thee." Ps. 25:20*

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## "A Different Drug Problem"

The other day, someone at a store in our town read that a Methamphetamine lab had been found in an old farmhouse in the adjoining county and he asked me a rhetorical question, "Why didn't we have a drug problem when you and I were growing up?"

I replied, I had a drug problem when I was young: I was drug to church on Sunday morning. I was drug to church for weddings and funerals. I was drug to family reunions and community socials no matter the weather.

I was drug by my ears when I was disrespectful to adults. I was also drug to the woodshed when I disobeyed my parents, told a lie, brought home a bad report card, did not speak with respect, spoke ill of the teacher or the preacher, or if I didn't put forth my best effort in everything that was asked of me.

I was drug to the kitchen sink to have my mouth washed out with soap if I uttered a profanity. I was drug out to pull weeds in mom's garden and flowerbeds and cockleburs out of dad's fields. I was drug to the homes of family, friends and neighbors to help out some poor soul, who had no one to mow the yard, repair the clothesline, or chop some firewood, and, if my mother had even known that I took a single dime as a tip for this kindness, she would have drug me back to the woodshed.

Those drugs are still in my veins and they affect my behavior in everything I do, say or think. They are stronger than cocaine, crack, or heroin; and, if today's children had this kind of drug problem, America would be a better place.

God bless the parents who drugged us.

(Submitted by concerned citizen - Avoyelles Parish newsletter)

*SO THAT IT MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT YOU MAY LIVE LONG ON THE EARTH. Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. (Eph.6:3,4)*

**Welcome to the services of the Church!** If you are visiting with us, we appreciate your presence and invite you to stay a few moments after the service so we may have an opportunity to meet you! **Please feel free to pick up one of our Visitors Packets in the Foyer.**

**"Speak To Us Smooth Things"**

We are living in a "politically correct" world today. Much of this "political correctness" has made its way into the Lord's church just as it did in Isaiah's day. God says in Isaiah 30:9-10, *"This is a rebellious people, lying children, children who will not hear the law of the Lord; who say...do not prophesy to us right things; speak to us smooth things, prophesy deceits."* Many people did not want to hear God's truth then, and they do not want to hear it today. Paul says that people *"will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap to themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth and be turned to fables"* (2 Timothy 4:3-4). This is happening in the Lord's church today. There are those who are tickling people's ears with their teaching and preaching in all the stories (fables) they tell as they strive to entertain the people.

Jesus says *"For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them"* (Matthew 13:15). If people do not hear and follow the Lord's word they will be lost.

Many in the church do not want to hear what the Bible says about Hell, drinking alcohol, dancing, adultery, lying, denominationalism, marriage, divorce, and remarriage, or any of the other sinful activities that are going to cause people to be lost. People do not want to give up their sinful activities. For this reason many in the church are not preaching and teaching the whole counsel of God. People are wanting them to "speak to us smooth things". Some are preaching and teaching only what the people want to hear. Many of the lessons and sermons that are being taught would be readily acceptable in any denominational church.

We must have a desire to hear the truth of God's word or we will not hear it. Paul says, *"because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie, that they may be condemned who did not believe the truth."* (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12).

Those who refuse to teach and preach all of what God says will be held accountable for what they have done or have failed to do. Elders are ultimately responsible. God says in Ezekiel 3:18, *"When I say to the wicked, you shall surely die and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at your hand."* We become guilty when we refuse to teach and preach all the truth of God's will. Paul says in Acts 20:26-27, *"Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God."* If we refuse to teach and preach "the whole counsel of God" or fail as elders to see that it is taught, we will cause other people to be lost, and we will also lose our own soul when we stand before the Lord in the Judgment. We must teach all of the Lord's will so we can be pleasing to Him and go to Heaven.

By Ron Boatwright

- (1) There will be a **"Walk-About"** tomorrow. Meet at the building at 8:00 a.m. with a sack lunch. The group will be going to Montezuma's castle. There will be another **"Walk-About"** on June 7<sup>th</sup> to the Mogollon Rim. Please see Mary Bauer for more information and let her know if you plan on going.
- (2) Thank you Andrea Davis for another wonderful ladies tea. Thank you to all the ladies that pitched in and helped.
- (3) The **Area Wide Singing** scheduled for May 8<sup>th</sup> has been moved to the Northgate building. They are located on 21<sup>st</sup> Ave, south of Bell Ave., behind Sanderson Ford.
- (4) **Alza Beierschmitt has recently moved.** Please add her new information to your directory. 5138 W Sweetwater Ave. Glendale Az 85304 – (Home) 602-354-3509 (Cell) 602-471-3591
- (5) If you would be interested in taking over the work of keeping the **"Tract Rack"** stocked please see James Dale.
- (6) **Men of Northside.** If you would like to share a message from God's word, Sunday evenings are available. Please let Josh Casselman know and he will put you on the schedule.

**WORTH WATCHING**

*Search The Scriptures - KAZI Channel 13 - Sunday - 7:30 a.m.  
On the Internet "Gospel Broadcasting Network" - [www.gbntv.org](http://www.gbntv.org)*

**Northside Calendar**

*Visit our online calendar at [www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/](http://www.northsidechurchofchrist.org/)*

**Quilting/Crafts:** Today - Following morning services (Everyone welcome)  
**Potluck:** May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Evening Finger-food (Everyone welcome)  
**Ladies Class:** May 16<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 p.m.  
**Men's Business Meeting:** May 16<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 pm.  
**Elders/Deacons Meeting:** May 23<sup>rd</sup> - 5:00 p.m.  
**In Touch, this week:** Team 2

**CD's are available for both morning and evening sermons. See Josh Casselman for more information. If you requested CD's please be sure to pick your copies up.**

*IF YOU HAVE SMALL CHILDREN, INFANT TO 3 YRS OLD, WE PROVIDE AN ATTENDED NURSERY. WE ALSO HAVE A TRAINING ROOM FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.*