

Schedule of Services

Sunday Bible Class 9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship6:00 PM
Wednesday Bible Class7:00 PM

Elders

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

Ministers

James Dale (623) 825-0754
Eugene Cardinal (602) 942-6373

Deacons

Ron Gallegos (Education)
(623) 561-5674
Rick Harford (Grounds)
(602) 995-9332

Missionaries

Dino Tzanetos
Athens, Greece
Josh Austin
*Navajo Reservation
Keyenta, Arizona*
Ron Burman
Sunset School of Preaching

Prayer List

- * June Scarbrough
- * Pauline Houts
- * Jim & Lenora Green
- * Gary & Frances Hunt
- * Marie Huls & daughter Jerri
- * Barbara Reinhart & sons
- * Virginia Walker
- * Bernice Lowder
- * Rodie Latin
- * Harold & Lois Ellis
- * Eugene & Oleta Cardinal
- * Carole Jowers (Linda's cousin)
- * McGrew family
- * Jim & Louise Kistner
- * Barney & Alza Briersmitt
- * Ashley (Dora's granddaughter)
- * Christy Roscoe
- * Ashley (Linda's granddaughter)
- * Heide Prather-Christy Roscoe's niece
- * Rochelle Andrews-has Leukemia
- * Linda Hays

Records

Week of 1/1/06

Contribution: \$ 3,143.00

Attendance:

Sunday: a.m.

Wednesday:

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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Can You Sleep At Night?

A farmer needed a hired hand. After trying several workers, all of whom failed to meet his standards, the farmer began to feel desperate.

Then another worker applied for the job. The farmer asked him, "What qualifies you for this job?"

The man answered: "I can sleep at night." That didn't sound too promising, but since he was desperate, the farmer hired the newcomer.

That night there was a terrific thunderstorm. The farmer awoke, ran to the hired man's room and tried to arouse him. He could not.

Muttering to himself something like, "I'll take care of him in the morning," the farmer went outside into the night and the driving rain. He found the barn doors securely closed, the hay stack well covered and the tractor put away in the shed. There was nothing he could do but return to the house and go back to bed. Then he understood why his new hired man said, "I can sleep at night."

Isn't it comforting to know that when we have prepared ourselves for Jesus' coming by faithfully doing the things the Lord has made clear to us, He will take care of those things beyond our control. ".....Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life." Rev 2:10.

John Van Schoen

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 can have an opportunity to meet you! As well please feel free to fill out a visitors card so we might have a record of your attendance.*

REASONING TOGETHER

The Goal of Instruction

But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. 1Tim. 1:5 What a beautiful description of the Christian life, a description of being godly. With troubles arising in the church at Ephesus Paul wanted to remind Timothy and those reading this letter what the “goal of our instruction” is. The instructions or commandments given of God have a purpose and they help us reach a goal. The word goal, here, means “the mature or perfect point” that a Christian is to reach. In other words, by following God’s instruction each individual can achieve the goals set before them. Here Paul reminds us of three goals these teachings help each Christian reach.

The first goal is “love from a pure heart.” This is an Agape love. It is a love that does not return evil for evil, but returns good for evil. It is a selfless love. This love can only be found in a pure heart. A heart that has given itself completely over to God and His will. It is a love that is inward and genuine, Rom. 12:14-21.

The second goal of God’s instruction is “a good conscience.” To have a good conscience one must again allow God to reign in their lives. They must be guided by God’s truths. A good conscience respects God’s truth and is governed by this truth, 1 Pet 2:19,20. To have a good conscience is to have a mind able to discern between good and evil and then choose good. We cannot be like those mentioned by Paul in 1 Tim. 4:2 who seared their conscience. Our goal is to have a conscience guided by God and His truth’s.

The third goal of God’s instructions is “a sincere faith.” The word sincere connotes the idea of a faith that is there even in the dark. It is a faith that has no hypocrisy. A sincere faith is a faith that is always with you. No matter where you are you continually act according to God’s will. Many are faithful to God’s ways in the presence of other Christians but when they are with friends of the world their faithfulness seems to take a vacation. Our faith must always be sincere. Always prevailing no matter where we are.

These are the goals of God’s instructions. God wants all who hear His word to have a love that is from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith. These are the goals that make up a godly person. May each one strive to reach that goal through following God’s instruction.

James Dale

Special Announcements

- (1) **Ray Seigal** -brother of **Pauline Houts & Bernice Lowder** -passed away on Monday- Please keep the family in your prayers
- (2) We will only have one potluck this month, it will be next Sunday after morning worship.
- (3) A Co-worker of **Karen Chance** asked for prayers for his knee surgery
- (4) **Teen girls’ class** starts again today
- (5) **Karen’s** coworkers **Lilli and Dolly** need prayers. They are very sick at this time.
- (6) We are still in need of a teacher for 4-5 years old and 1st-3rd grade on Wed evening. Please see **Ron Gallegos** if you would like to teach.
- (7) The Bible Bowl is this Saturday, if you have signed up to bring something, please get it in this week. See **James Chance** if you have any questions, also, water, pop & other items are being collected for the Bible Bowl
- (8) **Pauline Houts** had another MRI on Tuesday-please keep her in your prayers .
- (9) **Heather Parker** has been down with the flu.
- (10) **Lenora Green** is doing better- **Jim** will be having a bone marrow transplant in Jan.
- (11) Please keep **Terry Cook** and his family in your prayers as he continues his fight against cancer
- (12) Please keep **Carole Jowers (Linda’s cousin)** in your prayers-she is taking chemo again.
- (13) The sermons are now being recorded onto CD’s, if anyone would like a copy, please see **Josh Casselman**
- (14) There will be a **Youth Devo** at the Dales house Jan 21st from 7:00 to 9:00 pm., Ages 12 to 19. The address is 5216 W Piute Ave. Glendale 85308.

Calendar

Sun Eve Speaker: Monty Parker

Communion to shut-ins: Greg Rice

January Potlucks: Group 1

Around Town

Northside church of Christ: Bible Bowl, Jan 13-15

Valley - Wide Praise: Jan 14, Sun Valley church of Christ, 6:30 pm.

Southwest Soul Winning Workshop: Jan 14-16, Mesa church of Christ.