

## Schedule of Services

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

### Elders

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(623) 561-5674

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(602) 995-9332

Monty Parker (Worship)  
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Allan Davis (Youth)  
(602) 439-5953

Joshua Casselman (Involvement)  
(602) 938-2800

### Missionaries

Dino Tzanetos  
Athens, Greece

Josh Austin  
Navajo Reservation  
Keyenta, Arizona

Ron Burman  
Sunset School of Preaching

## Prayer List

- \* René Oliva's brother is having surgery
- \* Heather Boisse has been diagnosed with Diabetes.
- \* The McClellans daughter Tami, struggles with MS
- \* Larry Price is still having health problems.
- \* Missy's cousins, mother-in-law, Pat William's
- \* Bill and Ruby Hunt.
- \* Carole Jowers (Linda's cousin), Cancer
- \* Casselman's Uncle, Clarence - Heart Attack
- \* Tim Adams - Broken leg & heat attack
- \* Tom London - Cancer
- \* Ashley, Missy's niece
- \* James and TiAta Chance
- \* Dora Sanders and family.
- \* Pauline Houts
- \* Jim Green -Bone Marrow Transplant
- \* Bernice Lowder
- \* Harold & Lois Ellis
- \* Eugene & Oleta Cardinal
- \* McGrew family (Debbie is not doing well)
- \* Jim & Louise Kistner
- \* Ashley (Dora's granddaughter)
- \* Heide Prather - had surgery
- \* Rochelle Andrews-has Leukemia

**If you know of someone who needs to be removed from or added to our prayer list please let James Dale know.**

### Bible Class Memory Work

4th-6th Grade: **1Peter 5:7**

Teens: **John 3:36**

*Week of 4/16/06*

Attendance:

Sunday Worship

Wednesday:

Contribution:

Last week: \$ N/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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## THE ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE

Some form of the word "thanks" appears almost 140 times in the English Bible. Obviously, God's people are to be known for their thankful hearts.

Have you ever thought about why it is so necessary that we give thanks to God? It's certainly not because God needs it! The scriptures teach that we need to give thanks because of what gratitude will do for our own lives.

Gratitude can give us the desire to serve God. Those who genuinely appreciate what the Lord has done for them gladly obey His will. The apostle Paul, for example, was so thankful for the Lord's grace and mercy that he was willing to do anything for the Lord's cause (I Timothy 1:12). Thankfulness destroys lukewarmness.

Gratitude can give us peace of mind. Someone said, "It is not the happy people who are thankful. It is the thankful people who are happy." Thanksgiving helps us to fix our eyes on the brighter side and erase anxiety, which stands in the way of peace (Philippians 4:6,7).

Gratitude can contribute to spiritual strength. It is not easy to face the temptations and trials, which come our way in this life. The inner strength required to be patient and long-suffering is inevitably likened to the giving of thanks (Colossians 1:11, 12). People who are strong in the faith will be "abounding in thanksgiving" (Colossians 2:6, 7).

Gratitude can increase harmony among brethren. Thankful people are not likely to struggle with envy and hurt feelings. Those who are "giving thanks always for all things" have no trouble submitting themselves to one another (Ephesians 5:20-24).

Gratitude can keep us from the path of sin. The first chapter of Romans shows how people sink through uncleanness to vileness and finally reach the level of a reprobate. Paul says that this tragic process begins when people are unthankful (Romans 1:21). No wonder the Bible so often calls for thanksgiving! A sincere spirit of gratitude is a giant step toward a better life.

By: **Bill McFarland**

**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!*  
**Please fill out a visitors card so we might have a record of your attendance.**

### *The Revelation of God's Word*

Have you ever wondered why so many denominations claim to have modern day prophets yet teach contrary beliefs? Each group claims to be speaking by the authority of God and each claims to be the true church. There is only one of two answers concerning this question. Either they do have modern day prophets and God is a confusing God because he authorizes each to speak conflicting doctrines. Or they do not have modern day prophets and thus prove themselves to be false prophets. Jesus said in John 17:17 *"Sanctify them in the truth; Thy word is truth."* Either God's word is truth or it isn't. For two people to stand up and claim to be speaking for God and yet be in complete disagreement just shows that someone is not speaking the truth.

What is the answer then? Whom do we believe? I believe God makes it clear for us in the Hebrew epistle, *"God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in {His} Son,..."* Hebrews 1:1,2.

Long ago God spoke to the fathers in many portions and different ways. We need only look to the Old Testament to see how He did this. As we learn God used dreams, 1 Kings 3:5ff, visions, Isaiah 1:1, the Urim and the Thummim, 1 Sam 28:6. He spoke face to face Exodus 33:11 and He used a gentle voice, 1 King 19:11-13, in times past. But what about today?

The Hebrew writer says that *"in these last days He has spoken to us in Son."* Through Jesus God delivered His final address. This message was delivered while Jesus was on this earth and continued to be delivered after His ascension into Heaven. Jesus told His apostles, *"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you,"* John 14:26. This is how God's message was completely revealed. In Jude 3 we read, *"... contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints."* As we see **The Faith** has once for all been delivered. There is no place for any modern day revelations by so called modern day prophets. God's final message was delivered in the times of Jesus and His early followers. He has given us all we need in His final address, in His written word, The Holy Bible. For someone to say they are speaking for God through present day direct revelation is to contradict scripture and show that person to be a false prophet.

**James Dale**

- (1) Brenda Seligman has placed membership with the Northside congregation.  
12727 W Glendale Ave #151  
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- (2) The New Picture Directory is nearing completion, but there are some gaps in our information. Please check the directory in the foyer and be sure ALL your information is correct. This includes, names, address, birthdays, anniversaries, e-mail addresses and cell phone numbers. Only include what you want included. If you would like a new picture let James Dale know.
- (3) There will be a Ladies Retreat May 12-13 in Prescott. Peggy Dale will be speaking Friday night at 4 PM, Kristi Heslep, from Camelback, will be speaking Saturday. This is a Back to Basics, purpose and authority of the Scriptures weekend! If you have any questions, you can contact Nancy Sparks 602-973-6592
- (4) George McCane saw his doctor and was told that he has valley fever AND a RARE form of pneumonia.
- (5) Jim Green has improved greatly. He is eating and drinking 3 times a day and the side effects of the chemotherapy is almost gone with his medication. Phone calls are welcome.
- (6) On the bulletin board in the foyer you will find a Congregational Works list. This list outlines the works and basic responsibilities our Deacons have chosen to do. This list is subject to change so please keep abreast of what is taking place at Northside.
- (7) There is a Future Preachers Training Camp at the Bear Valley church of Christ in Denver Co., from June 11-17th. James Dale is a counselor at this camp. This is for Christian boys ages 13-18. Some younger unbaptized boys can attend. For more information please visit <http://www.bvbid.org/FuturePreacher.html>. This is a great opportunity for our young men. There is no charge for this camp.

### Calendar

**Sun Eve Speaker:** James Dale

**Communion to shut-ins:** Jim Weiers

**April Potlucks:** Group 1 - April 23, Evening Finger Food.

**Youth Devo:** Monty and Jeniffer Parker, Friday, April 28th, 7:30-9:00 pm

**Wednesday Devo Night:** April 26th