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GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY

JANUARY 2

10:55 a.m.

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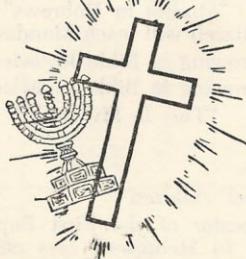
In the event of bad weather, the ceremony will be held, rain or shine, after the 11 a.m. service.

BIBLE STUDY WEEK

JANUARY 3-7, 1955

7 P.M.

Studies in HEBREWS



HERSCHEL H. HOBBS

Viewpoint

By NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Expecting Too Much—A recent issue of **CHARITY AND CHILDREN** carried an editorial called "Are We All Expecting Too Much of Each Other?" I liked it and I believe that you will. Here is what it had to say:

"It's interesting to try to analyze what causes misunderstanding and friction in churches. A Scotland Yard expert would probably have trouble tracking down the exact causes for such divisions, but in recent months, this question keeps coming to mind as we talk to church members and pastors alike:

"Are we all expecting too much of each other?

"You talk with church members and you'll hear something like this: 'If your pastor would just do thus and thus . . . and if he preached more forcefully (or less forcefully) . . . and if he would do more visiting and counseling . . . and if he . . .'

"The listener gets the impression that perhaps the people in the church are expecting too much of their pastor, who, after

all, is human and subject to errors of judgment and other shortcomings.

"Then the pastor has his side to present.

"If my folks would just attend on Sunday night more regularly . . . and if I had more trained leadership in my church, folks who could take hold and carry out a progressive church program . . . and if it weren't for Brother So and So bucking everything I suggest . . . if . . . if . . . if . . ."

"It's not often that the expectations from either side are unreasonable. Many of them are within reason, but it's also evident that there are shortcomings on both sides.

"There's a good text found in Hebrews 10:24. 'Let us consider one another, provoking unto love and good works.' Pastors and church members alike might try a sermon or talk on it sometime."

Purchase Order—Remember to get a purchase order from the Church Office for any purchase that you make for the church after January 1st.

Beginning Again—And now a New Year is upon us. We have the opportunity of beginning again with God. The truth of the matter is that each day we can begin again with Him.

BIBLE STUDY WEEK

MONDAY — FRIDAY

JANUARY 3-7, 1955

7:00-8:30—Each Evening

WEDNESDAY—

6:00-6:55—Sunday School Officers and Teachers
7:00 —Teaching Period
7:45—Prayer Service

Age Group

Adults
Young People
Seniors
Intermediates
Juniors
Primaries
Beginners

Book

"Studies in Hebrews"
"Studies in Hebrews"
(Mr. Bizzell will teach Monday Night)
"Growing in Bible Knowledge"
"Growing in Bible Knowledge"
"This Is My Bible"

Teacher

Rev. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr.
Rev. A. L. Cox
Mrs. Jean Clyott
Miss Betty Claire Shannon
Mrs. A. L. Cox
Taught by Primary Workers
Taught by Beginner Workers

Nursery open for pre-school children

Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, and author of the guidebook "Studies In Hebrews," says concerning the book of Hebrews:

"In no other writing in the New Testament do we have so complete an interpretation of the person and work of Jesus. The Gospels relate the history, Hebrews gives the basic meaning of the incarnation. More than Matthew does Hebrews relate our Lord to the Old Testament. More than Mark does Hebrews present the redemptive work of Jesus. More than Luke does Hebrews speak of the universal nature of Jesus' Saviourhood. Yes, even more than John does Hebrews delineate the atoning ministry of the Christ."

Sunday School or Training Union credit may be received for this study.

SUNDAY SERVICES: Sunday School, 9:40
 Morning Worship, 8:30 and 11:00
 Training Union, 6:10; Evening Worship, 7:30

JANUARY, 1955

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6:00—Supper; 6:25
 —Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting and Di-
 rected Activities for Children; 7:45—Prayer Service.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
2 5:00—Youth Council	3 7:30—Deacons 3-7—	4 4:00— Auxiliaries JANUARY	5 7:45—Church Business Conf. BIBLE	6 9:30-2:30— VISITATION STUDY 7:30—Choir	7 WEEK	8
9 7:30—Lord's Supper	10 7:30—S.S. Supts.	11 10:00—W. M. S. 4:00—Auxiliaries	12	13 9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Choir	14	15
16	17 6:00—Y. W. A. 7:30—Asso. S. S. Meeting, Beulah	18 4:00—Auxiliaries	19	20 9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Choir	21	22
23 Cooperative Program Day 4:00—T. U. Exec. 5:30—T. U. Dept. Exec. Com.	24 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE Milton	25 10:00—W. M. S. Exec. Com. 4:00—Auxiliaries	26	27 9:30-2:30-7:00 VISITATION 7:30—Choir	28	29
30 Asso.-wide CENSUS	31 6:30—T. U. Monthly Workers Council					

LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance.....	633
Members in Attendance.....	575
New Members.....	2
Visitors	56
Circle Baptist Chapel.....	53
Total Sunday School Attendance.....	686
Attendance one year ago.....	718
Training Union Attendance.....	153
Circle Bápist Chapel.....	14
Total Training Union Attendance.....	167
Additions to church membership.....	1
(First Baptist for Baptism)	
Tithes and Offerings:	
Budget	\$2,232.03
Specials	1,993.00
Building	3,631.70
TOTAL OFFERING.....	7,856.73
(The above figure includes the Chapel Offering of \$158.93)	
Our Building Fund to Date	\$304,467.22



By Baptism:

11 Mr. James D. McCaskill, 2015 E. Lakeview Ave.

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Pfeiffer in the loss of his mother. Mrs. J. F. Boykin in the loss of her mother.

OUR KNOWN SICK:

Ill at Home—Mr. E. W. Sudduth, Sr., 626 Lakewood Rd.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Lanning, 838 Main-
side Courts, on the birth of a daughter, Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Banakas, 2110 North
"A" St., on the birth of a daughter, Dec. 20.

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W. M. U. CIRCLE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4—

10:00 a.m.

1—Mrs. W. H. McCaskill, 1816 E. Jordan St.; 2—Mrs. C. J. Rice, 314 W. Moreno St.; 3—Mrs. W. A. Webb, 807 W. Garden St.; 5—Mrs. A. O. DeWeese, 1601 E. DeSoto St.; 6—Mrs. M. A. Farmer, 730 W. Jordan St.; 7—Mrs. Sam Hall, 1890 East Baars St.; 9—Mrs. R. R. Meeker, 501 N. 16th Ave.

2:00 p.m.

8—Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Jr., 310 Ariola Ave.

3:00 p.m.

4—Mrs. Irvin Roberts, 1610 W. Chase St.
7:00 p.m.

10—Mrs. W. H. Dismukes, 2100 North
"A" St.

THE KING'S BUSINESS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2—

8:30 a.m.—Early Morning Worship. Pastor
9:40 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.

11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship. Pastor

3:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WEAR

5:00 p.m.—Youth Council Meeting.

6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Haywodo Arnold, Director

7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship. Pastor

MONDAY, JANUARY 3—

10:00 a.m.—W. M. U. Quarterly Meeting.
East Hill

7:00 p.m.—January Bible Study Week.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4—

10:00 a.m.—W. M. U. Circle Meetings

4:00 p.m.—Sunbeams, Juniors and Intermediate G. A.'s, Junior R. A.'s at church

7:00 p.m.—January Bible Study Week.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5—

6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers and Teachers Meeting begins with supper

6:30 p.m.—Intermediate R. A.'s

7:00 p.m.—January Bible Study Week.

7:45 p.m.—Prayer and Praise Service

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6—

9:30 a.m.—CHURCH-WIDE

2:30 p.m.—VISITATION

9:30 a.m.—Mary Martha Class of Adult 3 will meet for visitation. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon in the home of Mrs. Grady Wilson, 420 Second St. Warrington

2:30 p.m.—The Convention Bible Class will meet at the church

7:00 p.m.—January Bible Study Week.

7:30 p.m.—Choir Rehearsal.

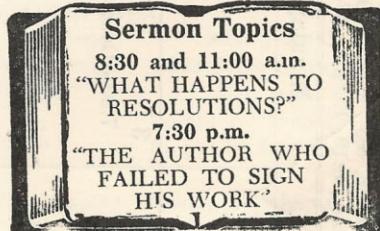
FRIDAY, JANUARY 7—

7:00 p.m.—January Bible Study Week.

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1955 OFFERING ENVELOPES

You will receive your offering envelopes for 1955 in the mail this week. If you fail to receive your package call the church office.



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