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DR. BROOKS TO PREACH SUNDAY



DR. NATHAN C. BROOKS, JR.

Dr. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr., our former pastor and now President of Carver School of Missions and Social Work in Louisville, Kentucky, will preach at the morning service Sunday and also will participate in the Student Night Program Sunday Evening. Invite your friends. Let's have a good attendance.

11:00 A.M.—“The Answer to a Cry.”
John 3:16

7:30 P.M.—Annual Student Night at Christmas Program.
Theme: “Ties That Bind”

Dr. Brooks will speak on “A Neglected Area in Christian Education.”



Just Thinking...

By DR. C. H. BOLTON

"THE END AND THE BEGINNING"

Before another Lord's day comes to us, we will end one year and begin another.

We might do well to stand on the deciding line between these two years and take a dual look. First, we should look back across the days of 1958. As we travel through the 365 days reviewing our experiences, I am sure there will be many things that will reveal the fingerprints of our God. I am quite sure we will not be satisfied with everything we find in our review, but many of them should increase our faith for a new start. Do not dwell too much on the things that hurt; remember only those that help.

Then a look into the year 1959 would be in order. I realize we cannot see just what will take place, but based upon the years gone by we can be sure, that if we live, we will have some wonderful opportunities. We can at least resolve that next year will be better for us spiritually than any other year we have ever known. Let's make more people happy next year than in any other year and then we will be happier too.

WATCHNIGHT SERVICE

The New Year's Eve Watchnight Service is usually sponsored by the Training Union. This year the Sunday School and the Training Union are working together on the plans for this evening's activities.

The schedule will be as follows:

6:00—Supper

6:25—Sunday School Promotional Period

6:40—Departmental Meetings
(Training Union Workers who do not have Sunday School responsibilities are being invited to attend the Departmental Meeting of the Department he works with in Training Union.)

7:00—Teaching Improvement Period

7:45—Prayer Service

Speaker, Rev. William C. Carr, Jr.

8:45—Training Union General Promotion Period

9:00—Training Union Departmental Meetings

(Sunday School Workers who are not members of the Training Union are invited to attend the meeting of the Department corresponding to his Sunday School responsibility in order to become familiar with what the Training Union is seeking to do).

9:30—Unions meet for Program Planning

10:15—Fellowship Period

11:15—Watchnight Service in the Sanctuary, concluding at 12:01.

Arrangements have been made for Congressman Brooks Hays, President of the

As I See It!

By CLYDE K. BIZZELL

A USE FOR CHRISTMAS CARDS

Just the other day I received a note from some Missionary Friends, the Harry Raleys in Taiwan. They added this Postscript: "When you have finished enjoying your Christmas cards, you might like to send them to Taiwan for the Chinese children to enjoy. We would especially like those which depict the Christmas story." If you would like to send yours, please mark "No Value" on the Custom's Declaration Card and send them to:

Mr. Noah Chow, S. S. Supt.
Kangshan Baptist Church
Kangshan, Taiwan
Free China

Any of our members who would like may bring their cards to the office or to the Church Library. We will forward them on to Taiwan.

MISSING BOOK

A book entitled "Christmas and Stewardship Stories," borrowed last Christmas, is missing from my personal library. This book is now out of print and cannot be purchased.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Among the cards addressed to the First Baptist Church Family was one from Dr. G. J. Rousseau sent from Sacramento, California.

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CHOIRS PARTICIPATE IN CAROL SING

The Cherub Choir, under the direction of Miss Kay Jernigan, and the Girls' Ensemble participated in the Associational Carol Sing Monday evening, December 22, at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. A total of 27 attended the program from First Baptist Church.

Southern Baptist Convention, to speak by Long Distance Telephone to us at the 11:15 service in the Sanctuary.

Join us for the evening's activities.

SUPPER RESERVATIONS

Those who have Permanent Reservations will be counted. If you do not have a Permanent Reservation you may simply call the Church Office to let us know you are coming.

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

JANUARY, 1959

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES: 6:00 Supper;
 6:25—Sunday School Officers' and Teachers' Meeting.
 6:40—Sunbeams, R. A.'s and G. A.'s.
 7:45—Prayer Service.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Soul Willing Commitment Day	5 9:30 A.M.	6 Except Tuesday	7 BIBLE STUDY	8 WEEK	9 7:00 P.M.	10 2:30 p.m.—Assn. R.A. Conclave Brownsville Baptist Church
	7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts	W M S Circles	6:40 p.m.—YWA Meeting 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service			
11 W. M. S.	12	13 FOCUS	14	15 WEEK	16	17
G.A. Federation	Associational WMU Meeting Ernelle Brooks BWC 7:15 p.m.—Deacons' Meeting, Chapel 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts	Evangelistic BWC's	Conference 6:40 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service and Business Conference	Jacksonville		
18 5:00 p.m.—T. U. Exec. Comm.	19 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts	20 Missionary Round Table 6:30 p.m.—Bro. Supper Meeting, Dining Room	21 6:40 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service	22	23	24
					Assn. Music	Festival, Warr.
25	26 3:30 p.m.—Leader- ship Conference, Olive 6:30 p.m.—T. U. Officers' Council 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts	27 7:30 p.m.—S. S. Supts. Meeting, Chapel	28 6:40 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble 7:45 p.m.—Prayer Service	29	30 AUXILIARIES AND CHOIRS	31
				4:00 p.m.—Tuesdays: Sunbeams (Beginner). 6:40 p.m.—Wednesdays: Jr. G. A., Int. and Sr. G. A., Sunbeams. 6:40 p.m.—Wednesdays: Junior and Int. R. A. 6:40 p.m.—2nd and 4th Wednesdays: Y. W. A. 4:45 p.m.—Wednesdays: Cherub, Carol and Concord Choirs Rehearse 4:30 p.m.—Sundays: Chapel Choir Rehearses.		

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LOOKING AT LAST SUNDAY

Sunday School Attendance..... 957
Members Present 893
New Members 5
Visitors 59
(Attendance one year ago. 970)

Training Union Attendance..... 251
Members Present 227
New Members 1
Visitors 23
(Attendance one year ago. 268)

Tithes and Offerings:
Budget\$4,195.21
Specials 160.10
Kindergarten 15.00
Building Fund, First Baptist..... 345.80

TOTAL OFFERING\$4,716.11

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NOTE TO EVERY CHURCH MEMBER

Please reserve the week of January 5-9,
1959, for our annual church-wide Bible
Study Week. This year we will study the
book "STUDIES IN MARK."

Mrs. James Daniel Hughes

request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of her daughter

Frances Eloise

to

Thurston Albert Shell

Saturday, the twenty-seventh of December
nineteen hundred and fifty-eight
at eight o'clock in the evening

First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

Reception
immediately following the ceremony
First Baptist Church Reception Hall



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28—

- 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School for all ages.
Theron Guthrie, Supt.
11:00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service
Dr. Nathan C. Brooks, Jr.
1:30 p.m.—Baptist Hour on WCOA.
Speaker: Dr. H. H. Hobbs.
Subject: "Your Weakness Versus
God's Strength".
5:00 p.m.—Chapel Choir Rehearsal. Chapel.
6:10 p.m.—Training Union for all ages.
Clarence L. Taylor, Director.
7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship Service.
Student Night at Christmas.
8:30 p.m.—Intermediate Fellowship in Mar-
ried Young People's Dept.
8:30 p.m.—Chapel Choir Fellowship.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30—

- 7:30 p.m.—Sunday School Superintendents
Meeting. Chapel.

WEDNESDAY, December 31—

- 6:00 p.m.—Sunday School Officers' and
Teachers' Meeting begins with
supper. Bykota Class, Adult
C, serving.
6:40 p.m.—Beginner Sunbeams meet.
6:40 p.m.—Primary 6-1 Sunbeams.
6:40 p.m.—Primary 7 Sunbeams.
6:40 p.m.—Junior 9 G.A. Meets in Room 23.
6:40 p.m.—Junior 10-11 G.A. meets in Rm. 25.
6:40 p.m.—Intermediate G.A. meets in Rm. 24
6:40 p.m.—Senior G. A. meets in Married
Young People's Dept.
6:40 p.m.—Intermediate R.A. meets in Lower
Auditorium.
6:40 p.m.—Girls' Ensemble Practice.
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Our Children

By EVELYN E. HEINTZ

Another Christmas has passed. As you
look back on the day did your family have
a day filled with joy and happiness as to-
gether you celebrated the birth of Christ.
Today, the day after do you feel like sigh-
ing and saying, "My I am so glad Christ-
mas is over, it is always such a rush." Or
do you have a feeling of inner peace. A
feeling that you and your family really cele-
brated Christmas in its true spirit of re-
membering the birth of the Christ Child.
That today you have a feeling which you
will want to carry with you all year. That
because of this Christmas our children have
deeper meaning of the day.