Womach Keck

is ordained

by Sandy Branch

Womach E. Keck of Siler City was ordained Sunday, August 31 by Sandy Branch Baptist Church, where he was licensed to preach last fall. Since that time, he has started studying at Southeastern Seminary.

Attending the ordination service were members of Brookdale Baptist Church, which he now serves as pastor; Mt. Olive Baptist Church, where he served as interim pastor; and other surrounding churches.

A reception was held in his honor in the Activities Building following the service. Keck is married to the former Janice Moore, and they have two daughters, Leslie, 11, and Pamela, 8.
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... was called to Brookdale Church, Siler City, during the month of July, 1975. He is a graduate of Pittsboro High Schoo. Presently he is enrolled at Southeastern Seminary. Before going to Brookdale he was interim pastor at Mt. Olive. Sandy Branch Church ordained Womack Keck in 1975. He is married to the former Janice Moore. The couple has two children.

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New minister

Womack E. Keck is the new pastor of Brookwood Baptist Church at 903 Henderson Drive. Before coming to Jacksonville, Keck was the minister of Brookdale Baptist Church in Siler City.
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Pastor of Brookdale Church

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Rev. Keck is new pastor at Mt. Harmony

After being without a permanent pastor for over a year, Mt. Harmony Baptist Church now has its pulpit filled. The Rev. Womack Keck assumed the church's pastorate on Oct. 1.

The Rev. Walter Gentry served as interim pastor at Mt. Harmony prior to Keck's arrival.

Keck and his wife, the former Janice Moore of Chatham County, moved into the church parsonage, where they are still getting settled.

"The church is in a beautiful setting," Keck said of the rural church, located on State Road 1721, off U.S. 158 east. "The people are a very loving and friendly people, and they have made us feel right at home."

Prior to coming to Person County, Keck served as pastor of Brookdale Baptist Church in Siler City for 11 years. The Mt. Harmony pastorate is only the second for Keck, a Chatham County native.

He entered the ministry in July 1974 after working about 10 years in sales and hair styling jobs.

"I felt called to the ministry about 10 years before I accepted the call," he explained.

He was active in a Baptist church at the time he decided to enter the ministry, and after his announcement he became interim pastor of a Baptist church in the Sandy Creek Baptist Association.

For Keck, who was married and the father of two girls at the time, the decision meant going to school. He entered Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and received an associate of divinity degree from the seminary while he was pastor at Brookdale Baptist.

Both his daughters are now grown. Daughter Leslie is married and lives in Greensboro, and Pamela, a Siler City resident, is soon to be married.

Keck believes his life experiences have helped him in his ministerial career.

"Having had the past experience of working in the Baptist church (as a layman) has helped," he said. "And from the preaching end, I have sat through a lot of sermons, so I know what that's like."

Keck was active in the Baptist association in the Siler City area, serving as a past moderator.

His hobbies include fishing and woodworking on a small scale when time allows.

Since arriving at Mt. Harmony, he's been busy visiting shut-ins and church members and getting to know them.

As for his hopes for the future at Mt. Harmony, he says simply, "I'd like to see the church grow spiritually and numerically."
Rev. Keck to be at Mt. Carmel

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Rt. 1, Troy will hold revival services beginning Sunday, April 9 at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., and Monday through Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker for the services will be the Rev. Mac Keck.

Rev. Keck has served as the director of missions for the Stanly Baptist Association for over six years. Prior to coming to Stanly County he served as pastor in other areas of North Carolina.

In his 20 years as a minister, Rev. Keck has spoken in more than 100 churches and preached in 67 revivals in North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia and Alaska.

He has also served as a volunteer with the Southern Baptist Convention’s Foreign Mission Board, preaching and witnessing in the Philippines and South America.