

## Pastor Comes to Tabb's CK.

The Rev. Denzil Adams has accepted a call from Tabb's Creek Baptist Church congregation and has entered upon his duties. In that position he succeeds the Rev. Frank Ellis, who left the field last August.

Mr. Adams comes to the Flat River Association from Smyrna, S.C., where he has been pastor of Broad River Baptist Church.

He had three years of ministerial training at Fruitland Bible Institute. He also attended Western Piedmont Community College and Gardner-Webb Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams and their two children, Terry Lynn, 11, and Karen, 8, have moved into the Tabb's Creek Pastorium at 710 Williamsboro street.

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HISTORY OF BLUE RIDGE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

50 YEARS ---1929-1979 by Millard F. Hall, Historian

He served as Professor at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute 1960-1964. Other churches he has pastored are Enka Baptist, Enka, N.C.; First Baptist Church, Bryson City, N.C.; Oakhurst Baptist Church, Charlotte, N.C. He was president of the Blue Ridge Pastor's Conference in 1975 and Moderator of Blue Ridge Association in 1977.

**CROSS MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**



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**CROSS MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH**

The Cross Mill Baptist Church, originally known as the Second Baptist Church, was organized on September 15, 1918, in a dwelling house owned by the Cross Cotton Mill, with fourteen Charter Members as follows: Mr. & Mrs. John Brigman, Miss Hazel Brigman, Mr. Morris Brigman, Mrs. A.E. Bryant, Mrs. Sarah Carrigan, Mr. & Mrs. F.J. Duncan, Mr. & Mrs. J.B. Holcombe, Mrs. Agnes Myers, Mrs. Daisy Patterson and Mrs. Gertie Burlison. They became a member of the Green River Association soon after organization. The name of the Church was changed to the Cross Mill Baptist Church on February 14, 1926. In February 1967 the name was changed to the Cross Memorial Baptist Church. They joined the Blue Ridge Association in 1929.

The first church building was erected and the first service was held in the new building on March 13, 1927 with 179 present. After additions and many improvements through the years, the church building was completely destroyed by fire on October 10, 1964. The second building was dedicated February 12, 1967. The church held services in the Eugene Cross Elementary School for more than two years while the present building was being constructed. They now have a membership of 524.



**REV. BLAINE H. GROSE**  
Former Pastor



**DENZIL ADAMS**  
Present Pastor

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