

Former CME Pastor Dies

The Rev. J. Preston Davis, former pastor of Trinity C.M.E. Church here, died at 1 p. m. yesterday in New Madrid, Mo., where he had recently been transferred.

The Rev. Mr. Davis, a veteran of 48 years in the ministry, had served in the Decatur church a total of eight years. His last term here was three years from 1949-52.

He had been pastor of the New Madrid church for 30 years before being assigned to Decatur. He was pastor here for three years in 1920 and again for two years in 1940. He also had been superintendent of the Decatur District. He was reassigned to the New Madrid Church in September.

Services will be 1 p. m. Monday in New Madrid.