

Cresaptown Log Church  
AL-VI-A-145

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC **Cresaptown Log Church**  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER **14513 Winchester Road** **Sixth**  
CITY, TOWN **Cresaptown** VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
STATE **Maryland** COUNTY **Allegany**

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	X STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME **Ray W. VanMeter** Telephone #: **729-2837**  
STREET & NUMBER **14513 Winchester Road**  
CITY, TOWN **Cresaptown** VICINITY OF STATE, zip code **Maryland 21502**

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. **Allegany County Courthouse** Liber #: **322**  
STREET & NUMBER **30 Washington Street** Folio #: **286**  
CITY, TOWN **Cumberland** STATE **Maryland 21502**

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
DATE  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
CITY, TOWN STATE  
\_FEDERAL \_STATE \_COUNTY \_LOCAL

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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	<b>CONDITION</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is located at 14513 Winchester Road in Cresaptown.

The rectangular building is one and one-half stories tall and two bays wide. Walls are of log and are one foot thick. They have been covered with weatherboard siding and tar paper. The building rests on stone pillars on the corners. Random rubble stone placed beneath the walls between the pillars has been partially sheathed in cement. The gable flank roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Eaves consist of rafter ends on the flanks and of a cornice and bed mould on the gable ends. A gabled dormer added onto the eastern flank has a pedimented pair of windows. The chimney has apparently been removed. A hip roofed frame addition with german siding is on the south.

The main entrance, offset on the eastern facade has a replaced two panel one light door. Windows are replaced with one over one light sashes. A shed roofed porch is on the east.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Cresaptown Log Church is located on Winchester Road in Cresaptown. Cresaptown was described as "largely an agricultural community" in the nineteenth century. (1) It was a small village, in 1880 it had a population of fifty according to the census.(2)

Three trustees for the Church of the United Brethren in Christ bought what was referred to in the deed as the "church lot" in January 1852.(3) This denomination was begun in Pennsylvania in the late eighteenth century by a pastor who moved to Pennsylvania from Germany. Evangelistic work was done among the German settlers of Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia. (4)

A log building was constructed that was used as a church for an undetermined length of time. The building remained church property until 1897 when Margaret McKenzie purchased it. (5)

The building is typical of log houses constructed in Allegany County during the mid-nineteenth century. It is a one and one-half story, three bays wide structure with a gable flank roof and eaves consisting of rafter ends. Windows and doors have been replaced.

- (1) Harry I. Stegmaier, Jr. et al., Allegany County, A History (Parsons, W VA.; McClain Printing Co.) p. 213
- (2) John T. Scharf, History of Western Maryland (Philadelphia: L.H. Everts Co.) P. 1462
- (3) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 8, Folio 249
- (4) Frank S. Mead, Handbook of Denominations in the United States (Nashville: Abingdon Press) p. 102
- (5) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 81, Folio 209

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Stegmaier, Harry Jr. et al Allegany County, A History, Parsons, W Va. McClain Printing Company, 1976  
Scharf, John T. History of Western Maryland Philadelphia: L.H. Everts Co. 1882  
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Allegany County Land Records  
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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 33'x112'x51'x15'x30' x 48.5'x67'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH

Cresaptown Log Church  
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Allegany County Deed: Liber 322, Folio 286  
Grantee: Ray William VanMeter  
Grantor: Charles R. Grant and Eva V. Grant

Date: June 1, 1960

Allegany County Deed: Liber 157, Folio 484  
Grantee: Charles R. Grant, et ux  
Grantor: Solomon Gross and Lesta Gross

Date: February 27, 1928

Allegany County Deed: Liber 157, Folio 388  
Grantee: Solomon Gross  
Grantor: Jennie R. Lazarus and Tobias Lazarus

Date: February 11, 1928

Allegany County Deed: Liber 156, Folio 392  
Grantee: Jennie R. Lazarus and Lena Lazarus  
Grantor: Urner G. Carl and William A. Gunter, trustees

Date: September 13, 1927  
Consideration: \$650.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 81, Folio 209  
Grantee: Margaret McKenzie  
Grantor: Thomas P. Llewellyn trustee  
Notes: Trustee for the Church of the United Brethren  
in Christ

Date: May 1, 1897  
Consideration: \$30.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 8, Folio 249  
Grantee: John Stewart, John F. Smith, George W. Maddin trustees  
Grantor: Nelson Stewart  
Notes: Trustees for the Church of the United Brethren  
in Christ

Date: January 17, 1852  
Consideration: \$50.00

Allegany County Deed: Liber 10, Folio 214  
Grantee: Nelson Stewart  
Grantor: Jonathan Barkdoll and John C. Stewart

Date: January 17, 1852

Allegany County Deed: Liber 3, Folio 25  
Grantee: Jacob Barkdoll  
Grantor: Thomas J. McKaig, trustee

Date: August 31, 1847

Note: Allegany County Land Records, Liber 82, Folio 375 is deed for lot contiguous to the church lot. It refers to the log house in the property measurements. The date is December 7, 1897.

INVENTORY NO: \_\_\_\_\_

97 DATE: 10/4

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Cresaptown Log house

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LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 14513 220

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: East

NAME OF OWNER: once used as Pentecostal Church & also a saloon RAY W. VAN METER 729 2837

ADDRESS: was a Pentecostal Church & also a saloon [322/206] p. 60 CR4 907 14513 Winderhurst Cresaptown

STORIES: 1(1) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2(1) 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: germans' den on south - ~~shed~~ roof E W.

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- ( ) FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- ( ) BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- ( ) STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- (1) LOG 12" thick
- (1) OTHER: Coverings weatherboard & insulobrick

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others rubble under porch

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone stone pillars on corner - some rubble some cement

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick star wood posts

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(1) 2/2( ) 6/6( ) 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) replaced

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: offset on E. Hardware: original( ) replaced(1) 2 panels one light

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN: Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards cornice offset & led on N & S

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) original(1) replaced( ) rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: Gable front, Gable flank, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers # 1 on E  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt; original( ) replaced( ) 2 windows gabled

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed(1) hip( ) gable( )

CHIMNEYS: Number: 0 Brick( ) Stone( ) Corbeled( ) original( ) replaced( )  
Location: Flush end( ) Inside end( ) Outside end( ) Central( ) Interior( )

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

USE: \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNIFICANCE: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE CONSTRUCTED: \_\_\_\_\_





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CRESAPTOWN LOG CHURCH  
14513 WINCHESTER RD  
CRESAPTOWN

DAVID A. DURSEY

12/4/78

SOUTHWEST



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CRESAPTOWN LOG CHURCH

14513 WINCHESTER RD

CRESAPTOWN

DAVID A. DORSEY

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NORTHEAST



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CRESAPTOWN LOG CHURCH

14513 WINCHESTER RD, CRESAPTOWN

DAVID A DORSET

4/9/30

southeast



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CRESAPTOWN 206 CHURCH  
14513 WINCHESTER RD, CRESAPTOWN  
DAVID A. DORSEY

4/9/80

northwest