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Old Elk Neck Road Methodist Church

c. 1840

Old Elk Neck Methodist Church is fairly significant since it is one of the earliest church buildings surviving on the Elk Neck Peninsula. Vertical plank construction has been attested to by a local craftsman which makes it a particularly important structure. ~~Some~~ early tombstones are found in the adjacent graveyard and date to the early 19th Century.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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File # 5-101

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Old Elk Neck Road Methodist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Elk Neck Road

1

CITY, TOWN

North East

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Cecil

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Clerk of the Circuit Court

CITY, TOWN

Cecil County Courthouse

STATE

Elkton

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input 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**

The Old Neck Road Methodist Church c. 1830-1850 is located just north of the intersection with Irishtown Road. The southeast gable end serves as the main facade with the main axis corresponding to an southeast/northwest orientation.

The 1½ story rectangular structure measures 25' 5" by 30' 5" and rests on an uncoursed fieldstone footing. A local carpenter described a vertical plank framing system under the ~~side~~ exterior weatherboards. The structure is covered with a medium sloped composition tile gable roof. The eaves are extended and short returns are found at the base.

The main facade has a central entrance with a 2 light transom and a slight bead on the surround. A window opening with shutters closed lights the probable balcony.

The north and south sides have two 12/12 sash windows with two panel shutters. A recent block stove stack rises on the northeast side.

The interior was not seen at the time of inspection.

**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		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Old Elk Neck Methodist Church is fairly significant since it is one of the earliest church buildings surviving in the Elk Neck area. The others have either moved or another structure has been built. The vertical plank construction, according to the carpenter's description, is extremely significant since it is one of a handfull of known buildings with this framing method.

Some fairly early tombstones are found in the adjacent graveyard with some dating back to the early 1800's.

IT APPEARS ON BOTH THE MARTENET MAP (1858) AND THE LAKE, GRIFFIN, AND STEVENSON ATLAS (1877)

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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DATE

6/6/78

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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STATE

FOREST

Plum

Creek

815

Wesley  
Ch  
Cem

STATE FOREST

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(ELKTON) ELKTON LANDING 3.5 MI.  
5863 III SE

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32'30"  
4377

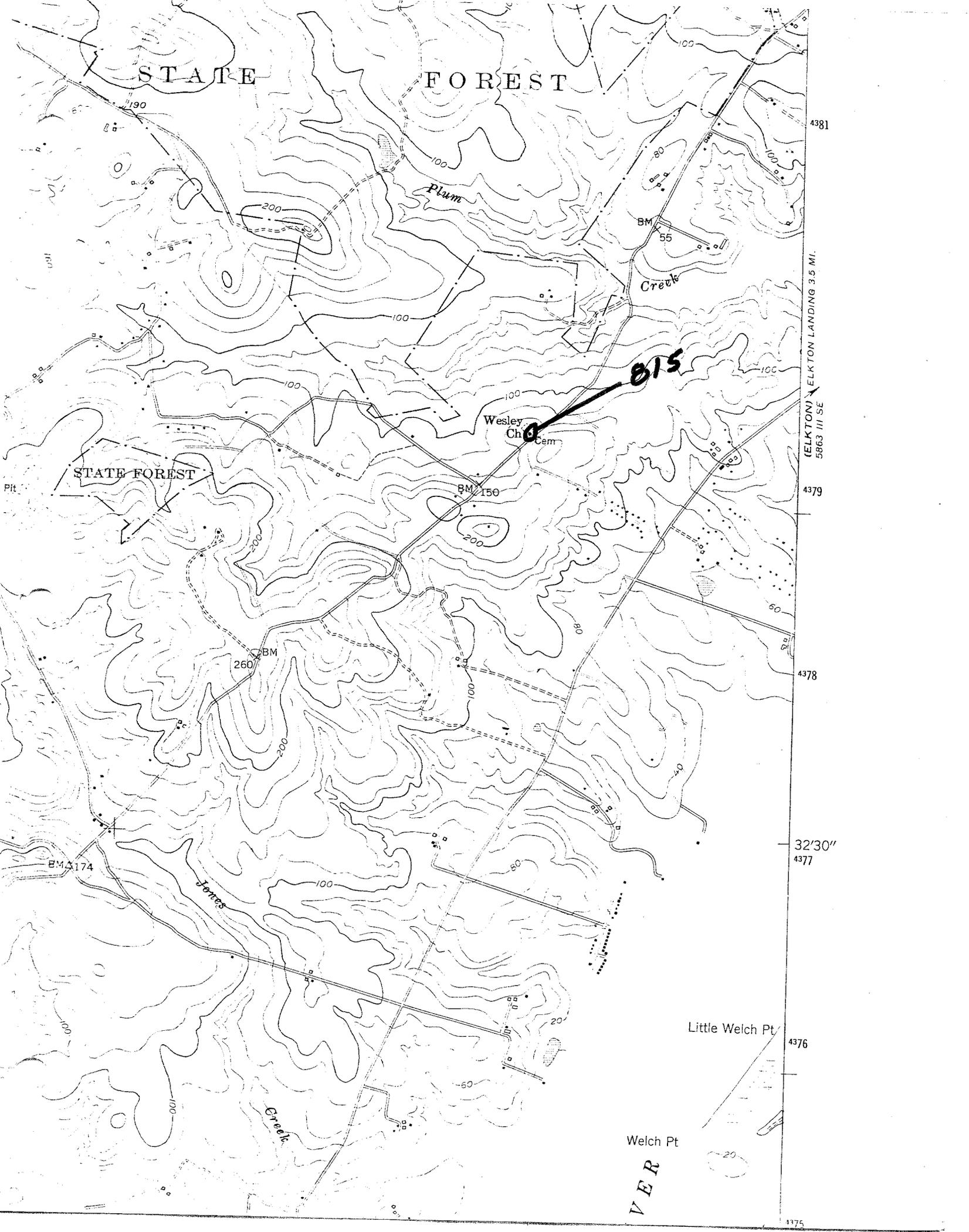
Little Welch Pt

4376

Welch Pt

VER

1175





OLD ELK NECK ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

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ELK NECK, MD.

WESLEY CHAPEL

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

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OLD ELK NECK ROAD METHODIST CHURCH CE-815

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NORTHEAST ELEVATION

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