

Survey No. F-8-33

Ca. 1847 - Ca. 1850

Fairview Methodist Protestant Church

Mckaig, Maryland vicinity

Private

Fairview Methodist Protestant Church is an 1847-50 stone meeting house rebuilt in the 1980's from ruins after years of abandonment. One of four churches in the Frederick Circuit, it represents the expansion of the Methodist Church in the second quarter of the 19th century. Closed after 1938, it fell into disrepair along with its adjacent cemetery until rebuilt by a private group in the early 1980's.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870 A.D.

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:
Religion

Resource Type:
Category: Building

Environment: Rural

Function & Use: RELIGION/Religious Structure/Church

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Fairview Methodist Protestant Church

and/or common Fairview United Methodist Chapel

2. Location

street & number Boyer's Mill Road, west side, north of Lake Linganore not for publicationcity, town McKaig vicinity of congressional district 6thstate Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Trustees of Fairview United Methodist Chapel

c/o Rev. Peggy A. Johnson

street & number 7933 McKaig Road telephone no.:city, town Frederick state and zip code MD 21701

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liberstreet & number 100 W. Patrick St. foliocity, town Frederick, state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties

date September, 1979 federal state county local repository for survey records Maryland Historical Trustcity, town Crownsville state MD 21032

7. Description

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Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing Resource Count: 1

(Typed on separate sheet)

8. Significance

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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 type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1847-1850 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

(Typed on separate sheet)

7.1 Description

Fairview Methodist Protestant Church is a one-story stone meeting house originally built about 1847-50 and rebuilt in the mid-1980's from ruins after years of deterioration had caused the original roof to fall into the interior. The church is located on the west side of Boyer's Mill Road about one mile south of the intersection with Gas House Pike. A cemetery associated with the church is located north of the building.

The stone walls are rubble, with a three-bay main elevation facing east. The side elevations also have three bays. The center entrance has double doors with five raised panels in each part. The windows are 6/6 with new varnished wood lintels, sills and frames flanked by solid wood shutters. The gable roof is cedar shingles. In the east elevation above the door is a stone dated 1847, placed during the restoration, which refers to the earliest known deed transaction involving the church property. A stone chimney rises from the southwest corner of the building. A frame privy and a modern storage shed are located west of the church. The cemetery has been cleared and some headstones have been moved from their original sites. Some burials pre-date the church.

8.1 Significance

Fairview Methodist Protestant Church was built as part of the Frederick Circuit, which included four churches: Mt. Carmel, near Frederick; Central Church in New London; New Market; and Fairview. The circuit was organized as Pipe Creek in 1829 and included churches in Carroll and Montgomery Counties as well as Frederick. The Frederick Circuit was formed in 1846, just before the property for Fairview was acquired. The building represents the rapid expansion of the Methodist Church in Frederick County during the second quarter of the 19th century, where by the 1850's virtually every village and town had both Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Churches.

Fairview remained a small congregation and was described in Williams & McKinsey, History of Frederick County (1910) as the "smallest and weakest church in the entire work". According to Mrs. L. Louise Swartz, church historian, the church was still in use in the early 1920's. Minutes of the church in 1938 state the church was closed because of lack of members and general deterioration of the building. Mrs. Swartz has photos showing the church still had a roof in 1954, but soon thereafter, the roof collapsed and the ruins were covered by vegetation.

In the early 1980's, a private group acquired the property and rebuilt the church, cleared the cemetery, and currently holds regular services.

9.1 Major Bibliographical References (continued)

Williams, T.J.C. and Folger McKinsey, History of Frederick County, Maryland, 1910, reprinted 1979 by Regional Publishing Co., Baltimore, p. 487.

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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church
McKaig

Circa 1820

The ruins of the Fairview Methodist Protestant Church are located on the west side of Boyer's Mill Road facing east. The one and a half story structure was constructed of coursed rubble and fieldstone. The east and north walls are still intact. They show a three bay principal facade with the entrance in the first bay. The evidence also points to a one bay north and south wall.

The Fairview Methodist Protestant Church was the first methodist church in the area of McKaig. It served as the religious and social center of the area until 1891 and the erection of Mount Zion Methodist Church to house an enlarged congregation. The structure fell into disrepair and became a ruins in the early twentieth century. The structure is significant as a gathering place of the residents of McKaig in the early nineteenth century. The cemetery which lies to the north of the structure, is an important record of the births and deaths of the citizens of this area.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Fairview Methodist Protestant Church

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West Side of Boyer's Mill Road

CITY, TOWN

McKaig

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: ruin

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.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

North Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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 Fairview Methodist Protestant Church, the ruins of a one and a half story stone structure, are located on the west side of Boyer's Mill Road facing east.

Little of the original structure is intact. The east elevation, the principal facade of the structure, is three bays wide. The east and north walls are the only intact sides. From the remains of the north wall it can be deduced that the side walls were each one bay wide. The structure was constructed of coursed rubble and fieldstone with stone quoins on the north and south corners of the east side.

Located on the north side of the structure is a small cemetery which houses the remains of graves dating to the early nineteenth century.

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<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

The Fairview Methodist Protestant Church was one of the earliest methodist structures in the Mount Pleasant - McKaig area. It dates back to the early nineteenth century. The Fairview Methodist Church was replaced as the methodist center in 1891, with the erection of Mount Zion Methodist Church in McKaig for the housing of an enlarged congregation. The structure was used for yearly services for a time. It fell into disrepair with the loss of the roof in the early twentieth century.

The Fairview Methodist Protestant Church is a significant site due to its origins as the oldest methodist church in the area. As an early center of religious and social gatherings, it held a prominent place in the McKaig community. The early nineteenth century cemetery is significant as a record place for graves predating these of Mount Zion Methodist erected in 1891.

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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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NAME / TITLE

Deborah Sheetenhelm, Intern

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

9/25/79

STREET & NUMBER

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TELEPHONE

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

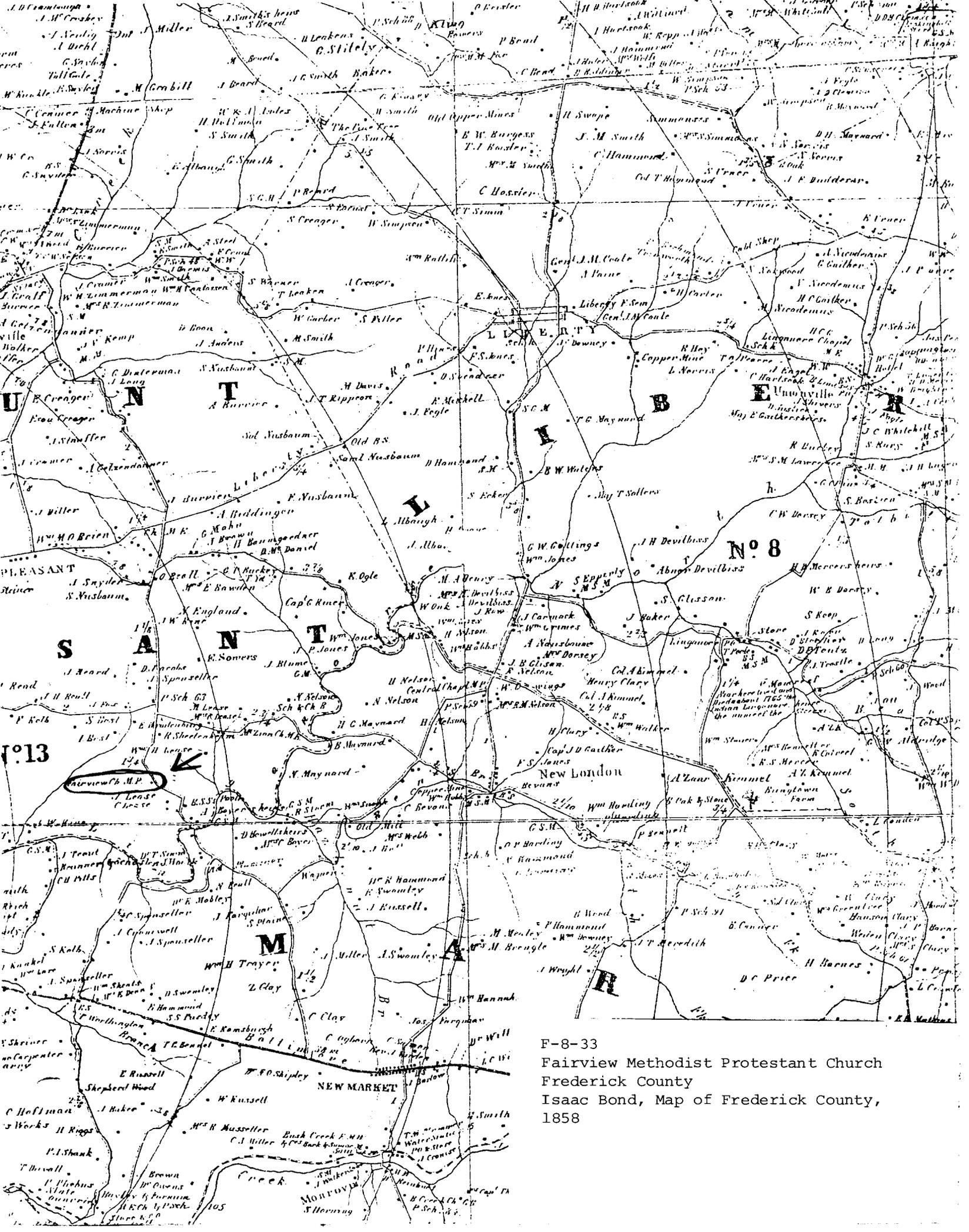
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Maryland

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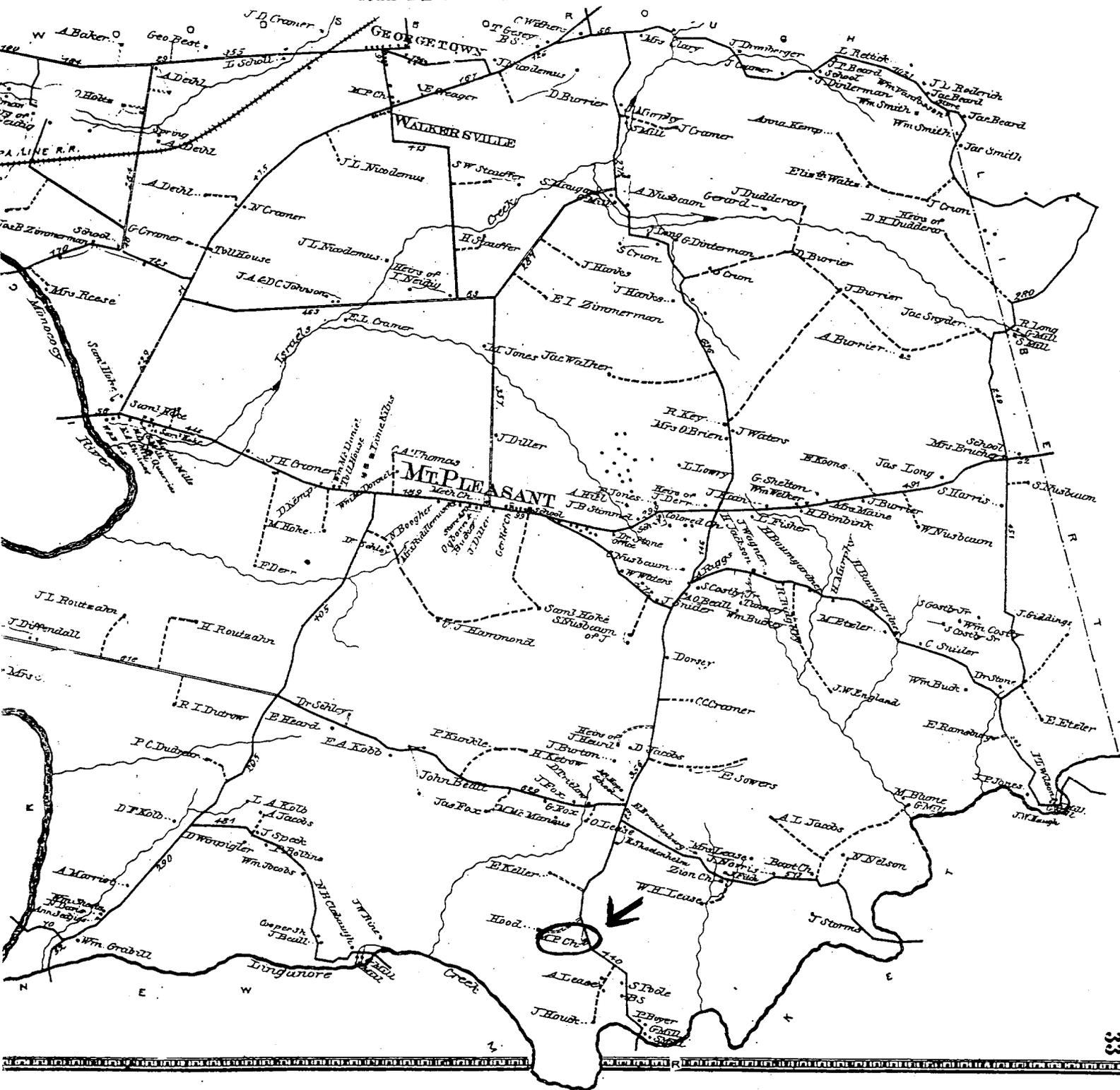
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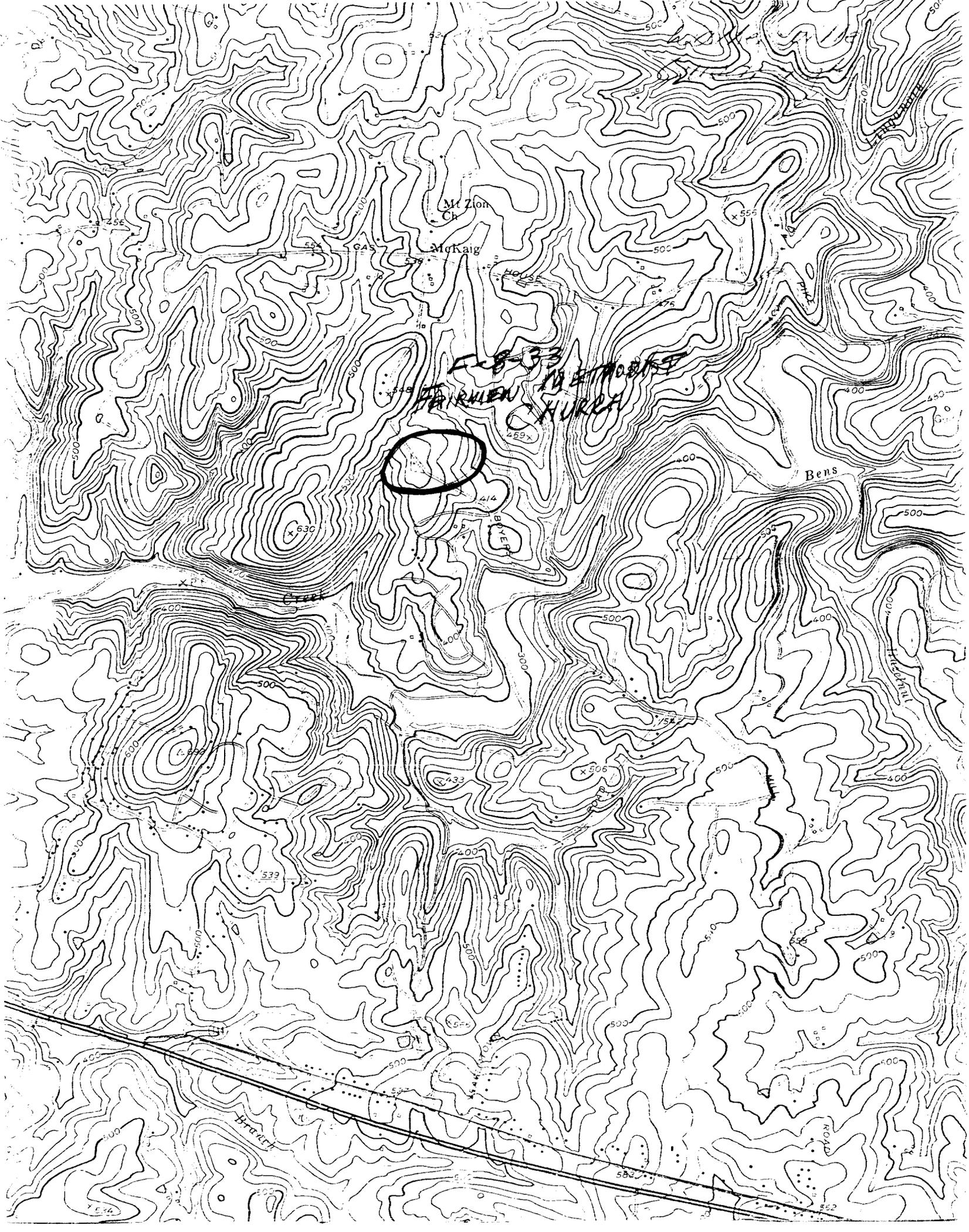
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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church
Frederick County
Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick County,
1858

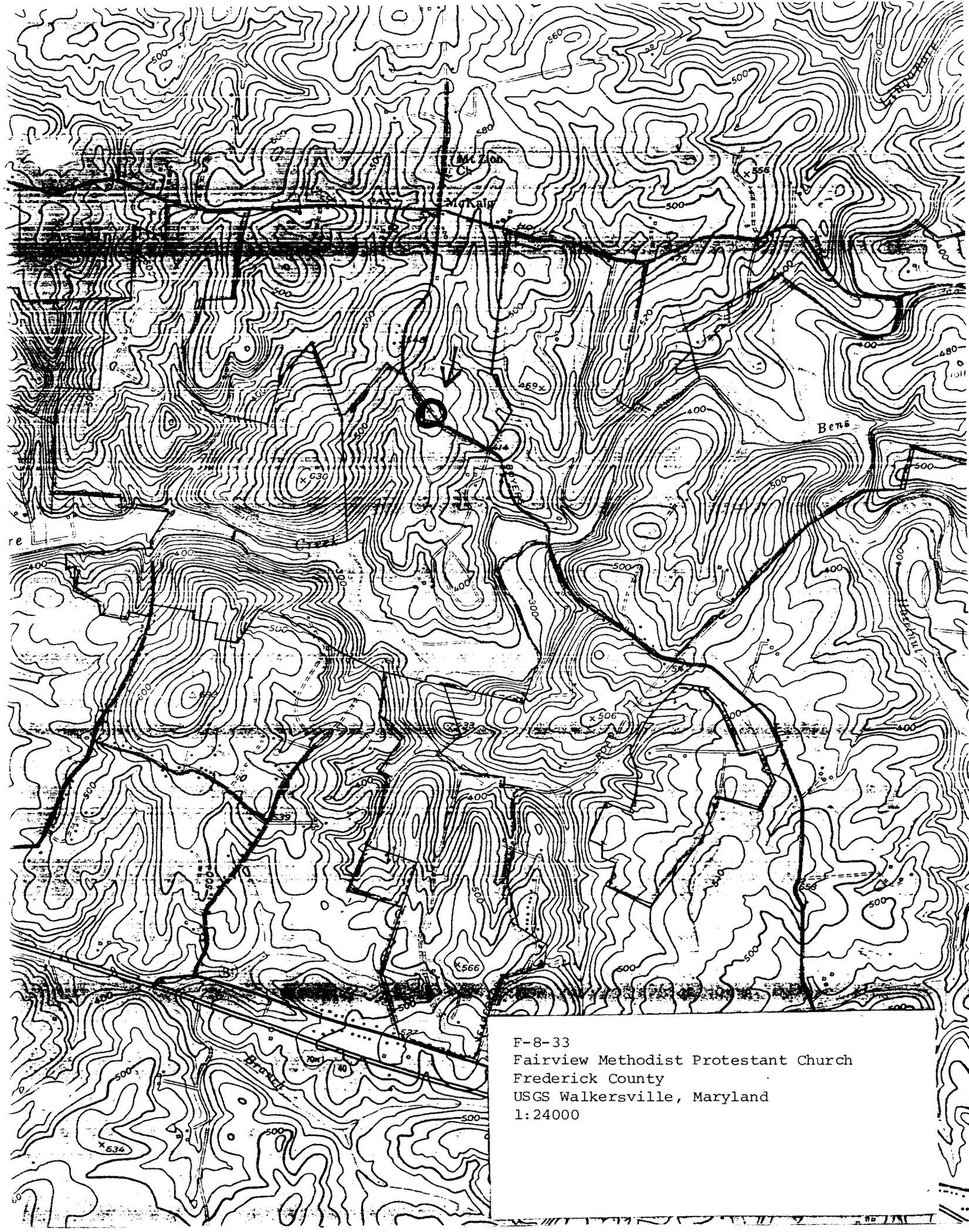
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Scale 2 Inches to the mile



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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church
Frederick County
C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick County,
1873





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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church
Frederick County
USGS Walkersville, Maryland
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McKain

w/5 Boyer's

Mill Rd.

South elevation



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Jurview M.P.
Church

Mcraig
w/5 Boyer's Mill
Rd.

DES 8/10/79
view of cemetery



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Sturzew M.P.

Church
east elevation

McKaig

w/ps Boyer & Mill Rd.

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Jaincew M.P.
Church

McKaig
w/5 Boyer's Mill
Rd

South elevation
DES 8/10/79



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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church

Frederick County

Photo: Janet Davis

May 1991

Neg. loc. " MD SHPO

South east elevation

1/2



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Fairview Methodist Protestant Church
Frederick County

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Northwest corner view

2/2