

Property Address <u>1811 Mitchellville Road, Mitchellville, Prince George's County</u>
Owner Name/Address <u>Bethel Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ, 6010 Stevens Reid Road, Huntingtown, Maryland</u>
<u>20639</u> Year Built <u>1877</u>

**Description:**

The Carroll Chapel was previously surveyed by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) in 1974 and 1982. There has been no alterations to the property since the prior survey. In addition to the chapel, there is a small cemetery located along the northern property boundary. The informal burial area contains approximately twenty headstones, dating between 1912 and 1991. The older stones are oriented east-west, while the new graves face north-south. Many of the headstones are simple concrete plaques without a date inscription. The new headstones are marble.

**National Register Evaluation:**

The Carroll Chapel is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A. The property is eligible under Criterion A, for its role as the community parish for Mitchellville, a nineteenth century African-American community, and it continues to function as an African-American parish. Despite some alteration, the structure retains its architectural integrity, as evidenced through the retention of such character-defining features as the windows and the building's form. Historic research indicates that the property has no association with persons who have made specific contributions to history, and therefore, it does not meet Criterion B. The building is not eligible under Criterion C, as it is a common example of a late nineteenth century church which lacks individual architectural distinction. The structure has no known potential to yield important information, and therefore, is not eligible under Criterion D. The cemetery does not meet Criteria Consideration D, as historic research indicates that the site does not contain graves of persons of transcendent importance, nor does it contain grave markers of distinctive design. In addition, the site has no association with historic events or broad patterns of history and has no potential to yield important information. However, the cemetery is a contributing element to the property's setting.

**Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:**

The National Register boundaries of the Carrol Chapel follow the current property lines of its tax parcel (Tax Map 63, Lot/Block #P76). This .2 hectare (.5 acres) parcel is bounded on the north, west and east by adjacent parcels and on the south by Mitchellville Road. The boundary includes the contributing resources of the church and the cemetery.

<b>MHT CONCURRENCE:</b>			
Eligibility	<u>X</u>	recommended	_____ not recommended
Criteria	<u>  </u> A <u>  </u> B <u>  </u> C <u>  </u> D	Considerations	<u>  </u> A <u>  </u> B <u>  </u> C <u>  </u> D <u>  </u> E <u>  </u> F <u>  </u> G <u>  </u> None
Comments: <u>Appears to be eligible under Criterion A; however, it deserves a better justification for eligibility than that it was, is, and always shall be a Black church. Examination of the role of the church in the surrounding Black community should be a priority.</u>			
Suzanne Pickens	07/21/1997	<i>Pickens</i>	7/21/97
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	Date	Reviewer, NR program	Date





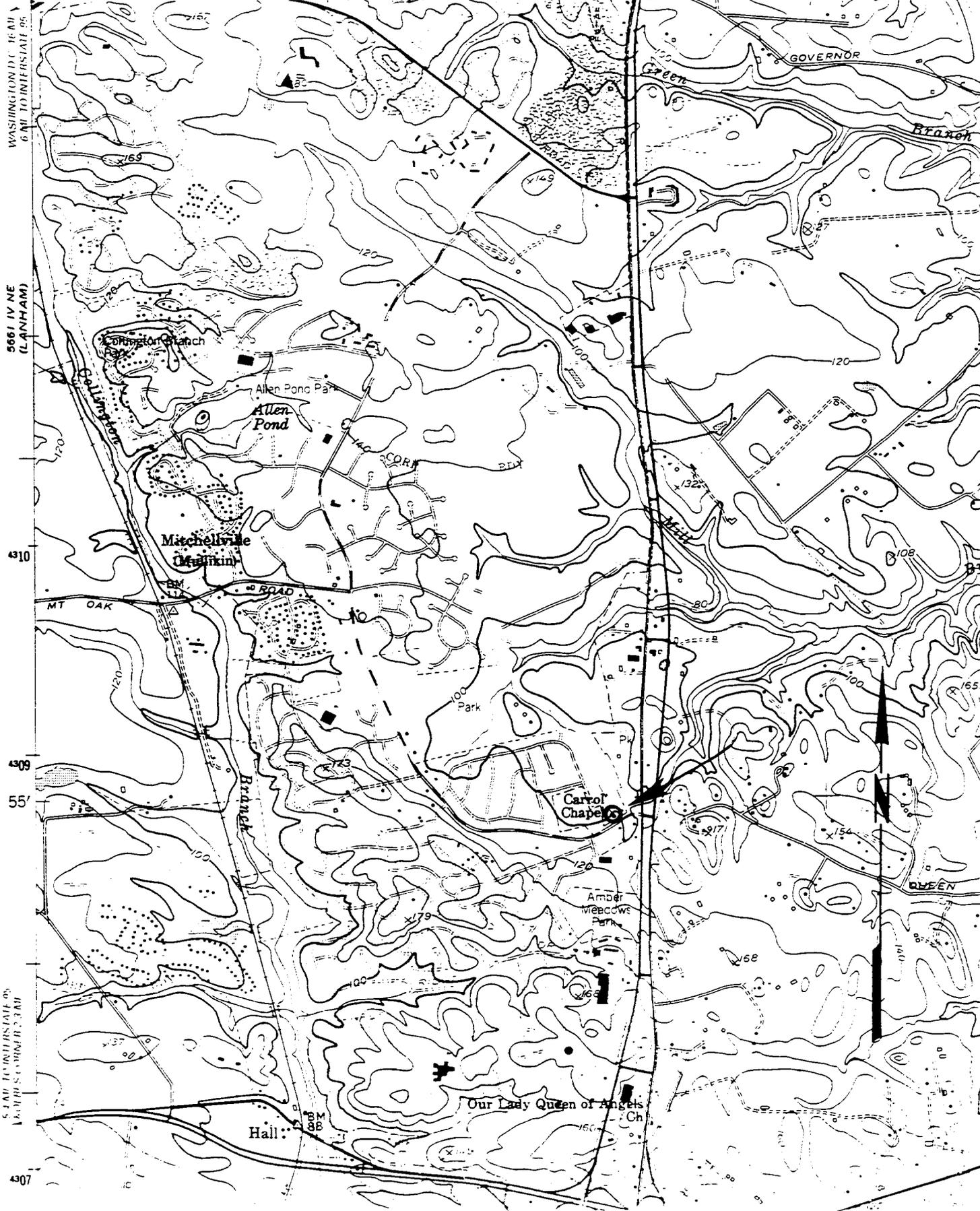


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U.S. 301 South Corridor  
Transportation Study

413 Survey # A35 PG. 74B-6  
Property Name CARROLL CHAPEL  
Town/County Mitchellville, Prince Georges Co,  
Quadrangle Bowie



Circa 1877

P. G. #74B-6  
Carroll Chapel  
1811 Mitchellville Road, Mitchellville, Md.  
Priv/Occ/Relig/Good

Carroll Chapel is a simple frame structure with gable roof, and entrance through a vestibule on the south gable end. The long sides are three bays long, with 6/6 double sash windows, and the board siding is now covered with asbestos shingle. The chapel has a metal roof, and between the first and second bay on its east slope is an interior brick chimney.

A Methodist Chapel for the black community of Mitchellville was erected in 1877; in the summer of this year, five black trustees purchased one-half acre of land, and began the building of their church. Later in 1877 the existence of the Mitchellville Chapel was recorded by Pastor O. Carroll as being part of his Marlboro Circuit, along with Union Chapel (Marlboro), Brooks at Nottingham and Niles Chapel (Centreville). At some time after this, the Mitchellville Chapel came to be known as Carroll Chapel, probably in honor of the pastor above-mentioned.

The present chapel appears to be an early twentieth century structure, but members of its congregation believe it to be the original building, and it very likely incorporates the main elements of the 1877 structure.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Carroll Chapel

and/or common " "

## 2. Location

street & number 1811 Mitchellville Road  not for publicationcity, town Mitchellville  vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland 20716 county P.G.

## 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 (Carroll Chapel) United Methodist Church

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber HB #12

street &amp; number Main Street folio 498

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md. 20772

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title P.G. County Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records History Division, M-NCPPC, 4811 Riverdale Road

city, town Riverdale, Maryland state 20737

# 7. Description

Survey No. P.G. #74B-6

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

Carroll Chapel is a simple frame church structure with gable roof, and entrance through a vestibule on the south gable end. The long sides are three bays wide, with 6/6 double sash windows and the board siding is now covered with asbestos shingle. The chapel has a metal roof, and between the first and second bay on its east slope is an interior brick chimney.

The interior walls of the chapel are finished with beaded wainscoting, and with modern paneling above. The wainscoting in the added vestibule is of a later style.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. PG #74E-6

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Black History

**Specific dates** 1877 **Builder Architect**

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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.

In 1877, the White congregation of the McKendree Chapel decided to move out of the building which had been established in 1841 and build a new church. The trustees of McKendree Chapel deeded the old chapel to Thomas Johnson, John Ridout, Benjamin Fletcher, Matthew Coats, and Henry Campbell, "colored" trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church. For some reason, as yet undetermined, the Black congregation did not move into the old chapel, but one month later, the same 5 Black trustees purchased a half-acre of property just west of McKendree chapel.

Members of the congregation believe that the present chapel was built soon after this in 1877. The present chapel building appears to be an early 20th century building, although it may contain elements of an earlier structure. Certainly, a chapel for the local Black community of Mitchellville did exist in 1877, for it is mentioned in a record in that year of the Marlboro circuit by Pastor O. Carroll (along with Union Chapel, Brooks at Nottingham and Niles Chapel). At some time after this, it came to be known as Carroll Chapel, perhaps in honor of the pastor mentioned above.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No P.G.#74B-6

P.G. County Deeds, HB#12:418,425,498.  
P.G. County Census, 1870,1880.  
Interviews with church members, and former pastor.

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing

C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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F	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan G. Pearl, Historic Sites Research Coordinator, History Div.

organization MNCPPC

date November 1982

street & number 4811 Riverdale Road

telephone 779-2011

city or town Riverdale, Maryland

state 20737

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM for the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON:

AND/OR HISTORIC: Carroll Chapel

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**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: Mitchellville Road

CITY OR TOWN: Mitchellville

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Prince George's

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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Public	Public Acquisition:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied	Yes:
<input type="checkbox"/> Site	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process	<input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments	
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	Other (Specify)	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____	

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**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: Trustees of Carroll Chapel

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Mitchellville STATE: Maryland

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**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Prince George's County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

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**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY: None

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

7. DESCRIPTION					
CONDITION	<div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">(Check One)</div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: x-small;"> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Excellent</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Good</span> <span><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Ruins</span> <span><input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed</span> </div>				
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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE					
<p style="text-align: center;">The church is a small frame structure with a gabled main facade. The small entrance porch is a lower gabled section. The sidewalls have three 6/6 double hung sash windows. On the south wall there is a small interior chimney.</p>					

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**B. SIGNIFICANCE**

**PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

**SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)**

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)**

- |   |                                      |   |  |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Political      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric    | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Phi-  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic       | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | lasaphy                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture    | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Science        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture   | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture      | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art            | Architecture                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human-  | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce       | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | itarian                                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____                                    |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: MNCPPC      DATE: & Oct 74

STREET AND NUMBER:  
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring      STATE: Maryland

**12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)**

Significance of this property is:  
 National     State     Local

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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WASHINGTON, D. C. 16 MI  
5661 IV NE (LANHAM)  
WASHINGTON, D. C. (DISTRICT LINE) 9.3 MI.  
KCLER'S CORNER 2.3 MI.



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Carroll Chapel  
Prince George's County, Md.  
Susan G. Pearl  
May 1982  
Southwest 3/4 Elevation  
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



NAME CARROLL CHAPEL

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