

WO-282
Eden Presbyterian Church Parsonage
Whaleyville
private

c. 1872

In August of 1872 the trustees of the Eden Presbyterian Church; John P. R. Gilliss, James Whaley, John S. Timmons, James Beacham, and Edward T. Whaley, purchased part of a tract called "Conclusion" or "Gray's Lot" in anticipation of building a parsonage for the minister. Probably within the year the congregation financed the construction of this substantial two-story, double-pile frame dwelling. The parsonage property remained in the hands of the Presbyterian Church until 1955.

The blockish center hall dwelling is a distinctive structure in the rural village of Whaleyville with its unusual hip roof and intact entrance.

HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: EDEN PRESBYTERIAN PARSONAGE

MHT Inventory Number: WO-202

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s):

ARCHITECTURE, RELIGION

2) Geographic Orientation:

EASTERN SHORE

3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

1815-1870 AGRICULTURAL - INDUSTRIAL TRANSITION

4) Resource Type(s):

1. STANDING STRUCTURE

a. SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic EDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PARSONAGE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number South of Circle Road not for publication

city, town Whaleyville vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

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

name Trustees of the Ukrainian Orthodox Holy Trinity Church

street & number Circle Road telephone no.:

city, town Whaleyville state and zip code MD 21872

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. W0-282

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input 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 of move _____
<input checked="" 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.

The old Eden Presbyterian Church parsonage stands on the south side of Circle Road behind the old Eden Presbyterian Church, now used by the Ukrainian Orthodox Holy Trinity congregation. The two-story, three-bay frame dwelling, now abandoned, faces north with the hip roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1872, the two-story center hall frame dwelling is supported by a low common bond brick foundation, and the house is sheathed with asbestos shingles. The low pitched hip roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Extending to the south is a shorter two-story, two-bay service wing.

The north (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance and flanking six-over-six sash windows. The heavily molded four-panel front door is framed by three-light sidelights and a four-light transom. A single-bay flat-roofed porch shelters the front door, and it is supported by slender columns. Lighting the second floor are three evenly spaced six-over-six sash windows. Remnants of the hardware on the window surrounds indicate the former locations of shutters. Stretching around the base of the roof is a boxed cornice trimmed with bed and crown moldings. Rising through the house at different locations are two interior brick chimneys.

The east and west sides of the house are defined by pairs of six-over-six sash windows on each floor, whereas the south (rear) facade is partially covered by the shorter two-story, two-bay kitchen wing. The eaves of the kitchen are trimmed with a boxed cornice, and a narrow block stack rises through the gable end.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

Survey No. WO-282

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 type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

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.

The old Eden Presbyterian Church parsonage is an blockish two-story hip roofed house built around 1872. Supported by a continuous brick foundation the well-built center hall double-pile dwelling is a distinctive structure in the rural village of Whaleyville. Although not occupied at the moment the house retains many of its original features including an intact front door and adjacent six-over-six sash windows.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

In August of 1872 the trustees of the Eden Presbyterian Church; John P. R. Gilliss, James Whaley, John S. Timmons, James Beacham, and Edward T. Whaley, purchased part of the tract called "Conclusion" or "Gray's Lot" in anticipation of building a parsonage for the minister. (ITM 2/336) Probably within the year the congregation financed the construction of this substantial two-story double-pile frame dwelling. The parsonage property remained in the hands of the Presbyterian Church until 1955.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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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 Paul B. Touart, Architectural Historian

organization Worcester County date 1/20/89

street & number Worcester County Courthouse telephone 301-632-1194

city or town Snow Hill state MD 21863

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21 State Circle
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EDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PARSONAGE
Chain of title

F.W.H. 158/475

Stephen Sisak, unmarried

to

4/18/1962

Trustees of the Holy Trinity
Ukranian Orthodox Church of
the United States of America

1.50 acres plat recorded F.W.H. 118/500

F.W.H. 118/489

Francis E. Hudson
Mabel D. Hudson

to

11/14/1958

Stephen Sisak
1.50 acres

E.W.R. 83/423

Presbtery of New Castle

to

4/29/1955

Francis E. Hudson
Mabel D. Hudson

\$1,500.00

Being the same land which was conveyed to
John R. P. Gilliss et. al. Trustees of
Eden Presbyterian Church by John B. Dale
et. al. dated 8/1/1872 I.T.M. 2/336
containing one acre, one rood, and thirty-
nine perches of land more or less.

I.T.M. 2/336

James S. Dale and Lavenia B. Dale, John
B. Dale and Charles S. Dale

to

8/1/1872

John R. P. Gilliss and others

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EDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PARSONAGE
Chain of title

(James Whaley, John S. Timmons, James Beacham, and Edward T. Whaley, Trustees of Eden Presbyterian Church...all that lot called "Conclusion" or "Grays Lot" and near the Presbyterian Church

Will Book

Last will and testament of Eli Dale

to

(sons) James S. Dale, John B. Dale, and Charles S. Dale

G.M.H. 4/416

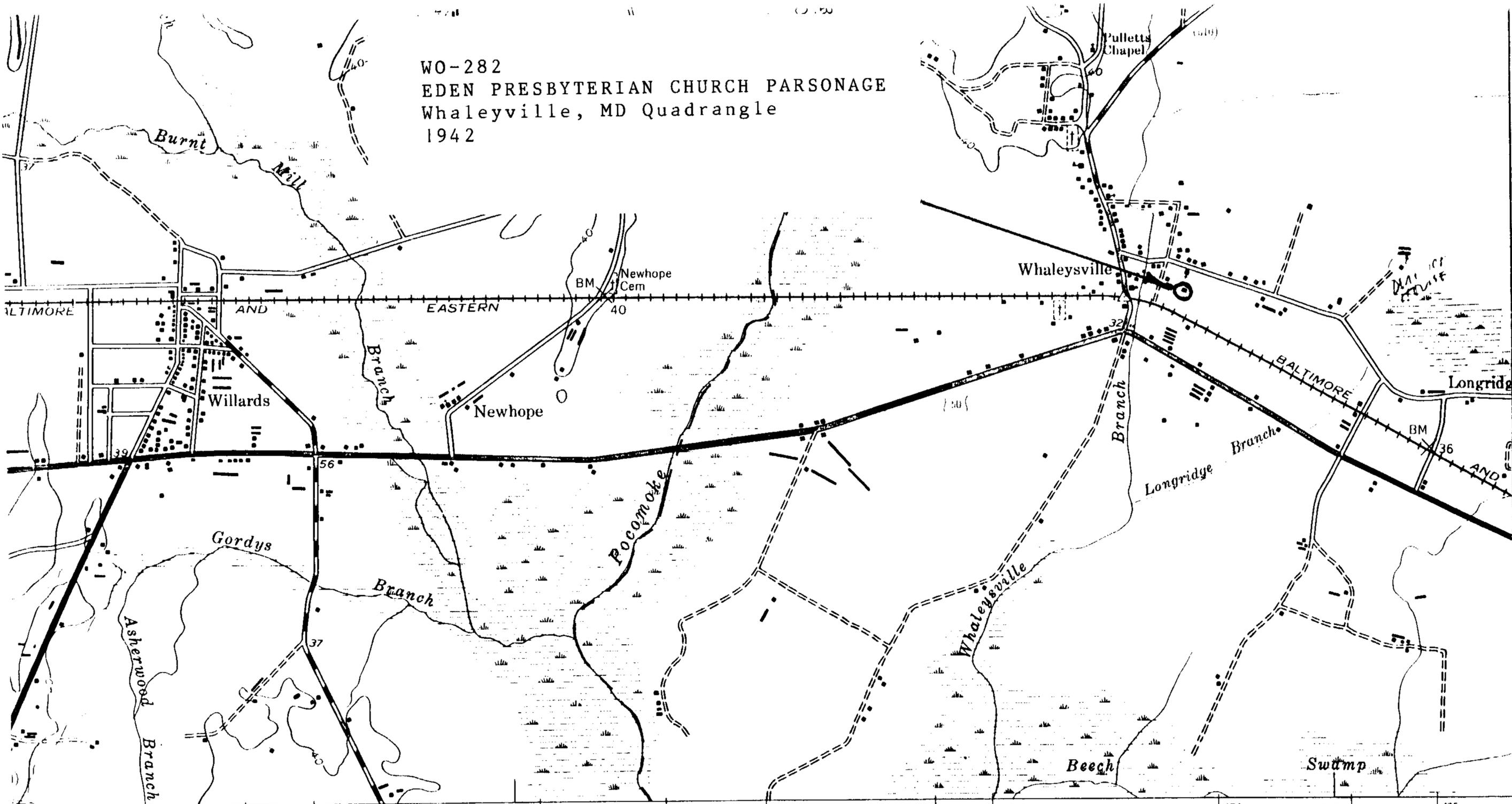
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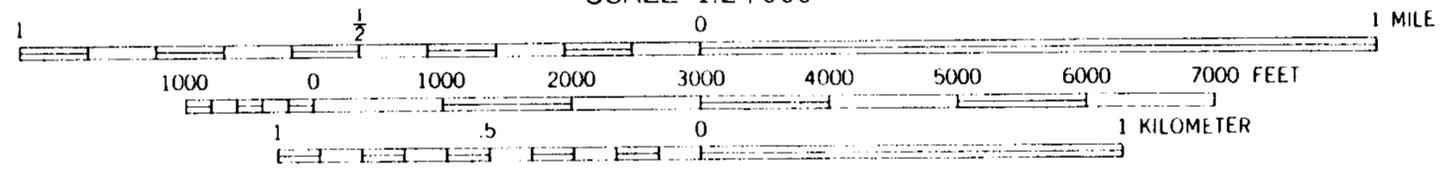
Eli Dale
\$800.00 "Hog Quarter," "Conclusion,"
or "Grays Lot" 47 acres also 20 acres
on north side of road

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 EDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PARSONAGE
 Whaleyville, MD Quadrangle
 1942



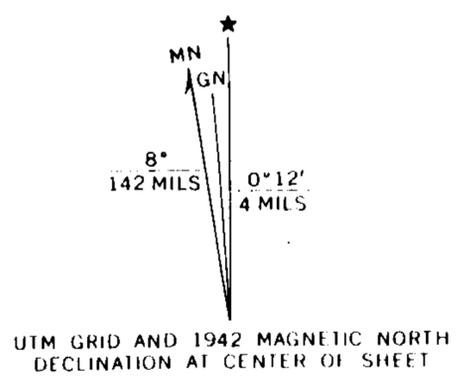
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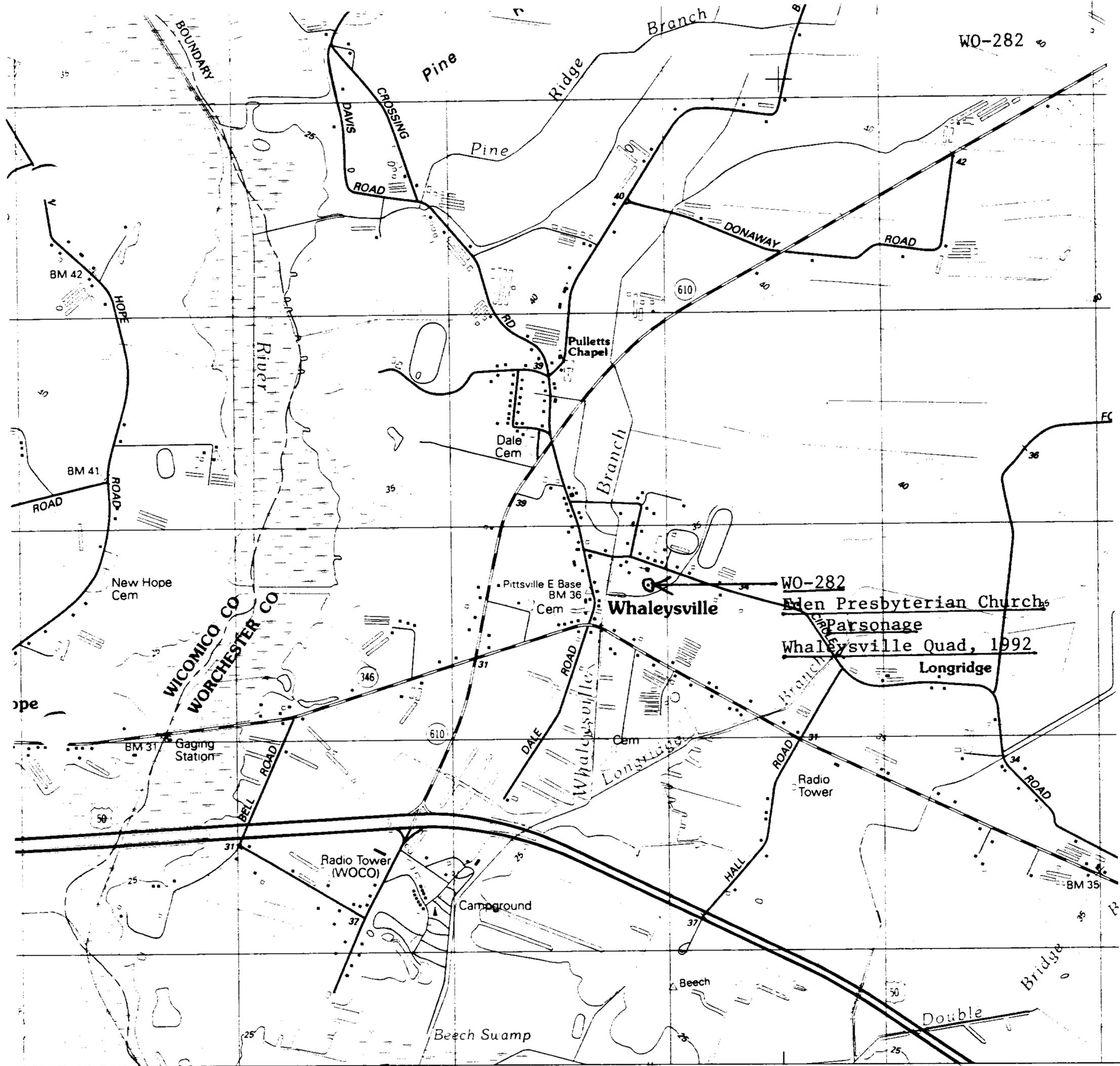


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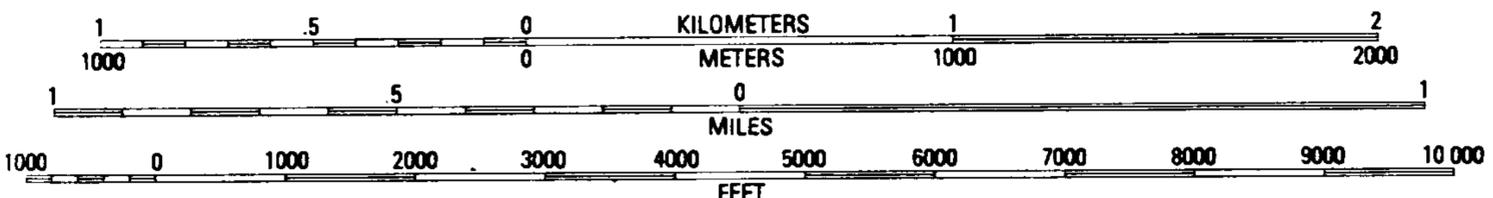


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			2 Millsboro
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			5 Selbyville
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6	7	8	7 Ninepin Branch
			8 Berlin

ADJOINING 7.5' QUADRANGLE NAMES