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1922

Jerusalem Baptist Church and Cemetery
Pooleville vicinity, Jerusalem community
Private

This long, one story, stuccoed church consists of a principal block with gable roof running lengthwise and a tower with pyramidal roof serving as foyer. The building replaces a two story frame church with balcony constructed by the community carpenter, George Dorsey.

At the site of the old church is the cemetery, where many of the founders of the Jerusalem community are buried. This church celebrated its centennial in 1974, making it one of the oldest rural Black churches in the county.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Jerusalem Baptist Church and Cemetery

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West side of Jerusalem Road at junction with Jerusalem Church Road

CITY, TOWN

Poolesville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

Jerusalem community 3

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

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 type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input checked="" 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
	No	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Jerusalem Baptist Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Jerusalem Road

CITY, TOWN

Poolesville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Registry of Deeds

Liber #: 334/459 (CT 33 p.32)
Folio #: 3033/247 (CT 33 p.33)

STREET & NUMBER

County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input 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

This handsome one story church is the second church to have been built by the congregation. The first stood on a site given to the church by Robert Williams (Property Map, CU 33 p. 934, no deed having been recorded). According to the published church history, Centennial of Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1874-1974, this first church was a "two story frame building with balcony". The principal contractor was George Dorsey, whose home in Jerusalem has been recorded in this survey. In 1922, the congregation decided to build another church due to the "rapid growth of the church and the desire to have a more modern establishment". Construction was begun, but before completion the first church burned down. Nothing remains of it today, but the site is marked by the cemetery that was located behind it along the west side of the north branch of Jerusalem Church Road. This second church was completed soon thereafter, at a different location than the first.

It is an imposing structure in the triangle formed by the junction of Jerusalem Road and Jerusalem Church Road. The church faces east, towards the apex of the triangle. Behind it is open land with some trees and a site that is beginning to be used as a cemetery. To the north of the church runs Jerusalem Church Road, and to the southwest the Jerusalem Road. The structure contains two principal features: a principal block with gable roof running east-west, and a large tower with pyramidal roof attached to the front of the church and serving as entrance and foyer. The first story of the building is stuccoed and painted white, while the upper portions of the gable end is sheathed with tongue and groove siding painted tan, aligned in the same slope as the gable roof and accenting the entrance. The building has a facade of three bays, and a depth of seven bays, (six windows and a side door). A brick stove flue ascends through the southeast corner of the church. All the windows have double sashes in a gothic arch design.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

Black History

SPECIFIC DATES **1922**

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This church and the Elijah Rest M.E. Church, located at the opposite end of Jerusalem Road, were and still are the two centers for the Jerusalem community. According to the Centennial of Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1874-1974, this church was founded by Robert Williams, who called members of his community and elsewhere to his "one room log house" to hear the gospel. Among the founders of the early church whose houses and/or sites have been recorded in this survey are: Jim Dorsey, Mary Copeland, Anna Moore, Leanna Clark, Mary Dorsey, Emma Dorsey, and Mary Genus. As a result of their efforts the church membership grew, and later the two story frame church was built on land given to the church by Robert Williams. There was apparently no transfer of title since no deed was recorded remaining in Williams name.

In 1923, Leanna Clark, Noah E. Clark and his wife Mollie Clark conveyed to the Trustees of the Jerusalem Baptist Church this tract of 40 square perches on which to build the new church (Deed 334/459). This was land that their father James Robert Clark had purchased from William Wallace Poole in 1895, (Deed JA 49/426). The Trustees of the church, listed on the deed, were Wilson Hamilton, Charles Moore, George Moore, Urner Johnson, Hezekiah Dorsey, Lawrence Turner, and Charles Lyles. Over the years, these Trustees and the congregation have seen times of trial, but they have weathered them, as best recorded in the published history of the church, and the church still stands at the heart of the community after 100 years.

This is one of the comparatively few Baptist Churches in the area, most of the other Black churches being Methodist. It would make for a significant study to compare the history, theology, and services of this Baptist church with its neighboring Methodist churches in order to obtain a broader understanding of the Black church in Montgomery County.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- 1) Centennial of Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1874-1974, Souvenir Book, James B. Haile, Sr., Pastor, 1974.
- 2) Land Records, Montgomery County Courthouse, Rockville, MD

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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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STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland

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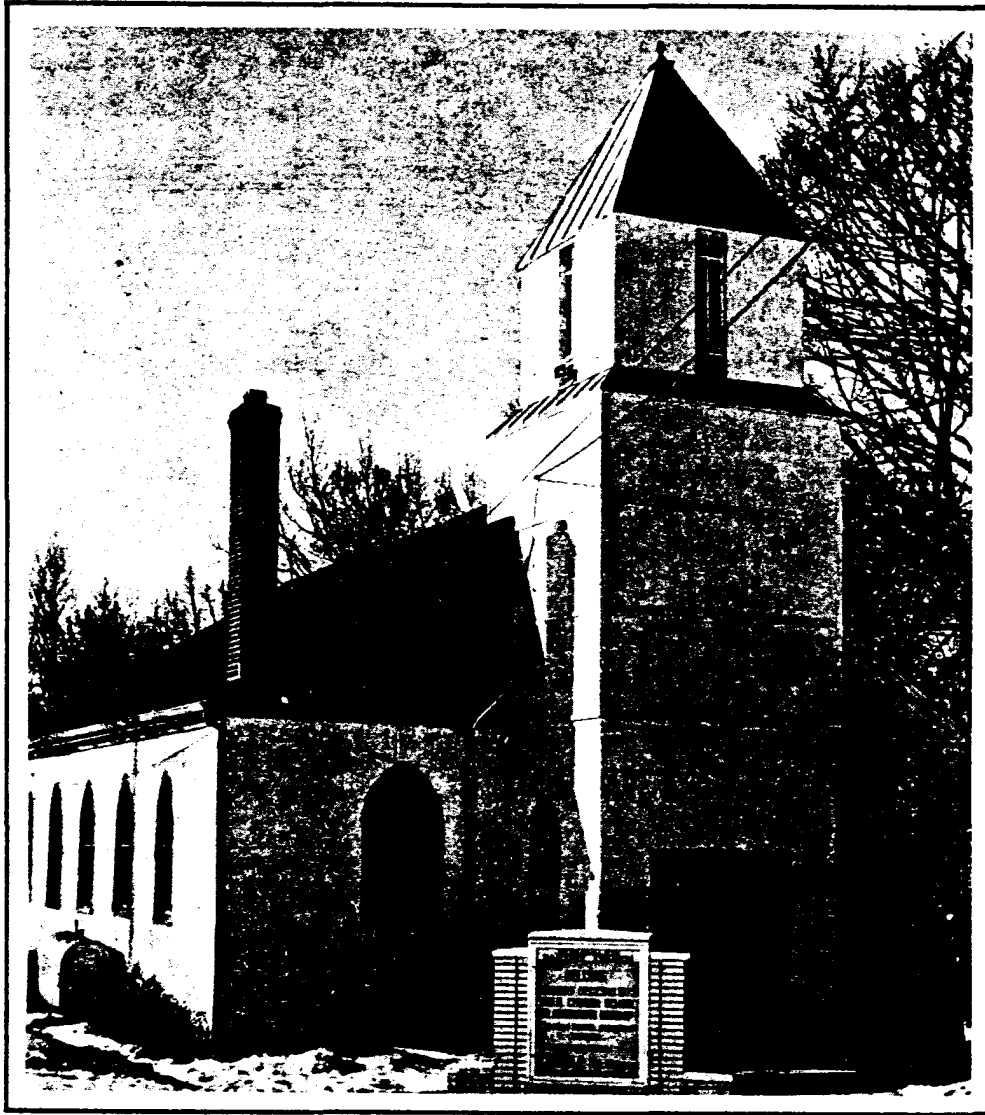
1974

"Enter to Learn and to Worship,

Depart to Serve"

CENTENNIAL of Jerusalem Baptist Church

JERUSALEM ROAD
POOLESVILLE, MARYLAND



Souvenir Book

MARCH 11 - 17, 1974

JAMES B. HAILE, SR., PASTOR

HISTORY OF JERUSALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Jerusalem Road
Poolesville, Maryland 20837

Compiled and Written by
Charles Harper, Sr., — Historian

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*"And I say unto them, Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."* Matt. 16:18

THE FIRST CHURCH

It was in the year of 1874 that Brother Robert Williams founded the first Church in the community of Jerusalem, Poolesville, Montgomery County, Maryland, in his one room log cabin. Brother Williams spent most of his time preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. He opened the doors of his home so that it would serve as a lighthouse to all who would come in to be saved and to be strengthened.

Those who toiled in the service, for the building of God's kingdom in those days have thus finished their work and gone to a peaceful rest. Numbered among those who served in those pioneer days were: Brother Jim Dorsey, Brother Charles Arthur, Sister Mary Copeland, Sister Anna Moore, Sister Lee Ann Clark, Sister Mary Dorsey, Sister Emma Dorsey, and Sister Mary Genus. They united and grew to the point that they were able to call their first minister, Rev. Noah Dellard. It was under Rev. Dellard's leadership that the first church was built on land given by Brother Robert Williams. Brother George Dorsey was one of the principal contractors in the construction of this church, which was a two-story frame building with a balcony. To the best of our knowledge Jerusalem was the first Baptist Church in the area. People came from all the neighboring communities to worship — Sugarland, Sugarloaf Mountain, Martinsburg, and Sellman. This church had several Ministers who, like the Biblical, John the Baptist, preached the words, "repent and be baptised." The second of these ministers to pastor this church was Rev. Jake Williams followed by Rev. Townsend. Then, the Rev. Croxton was called to take over the leadership of the church and it was during his pastorate that it was realized that all Shepherds should have a home, which led to the erection of the parsonage. Shortly thereafter the Rev. Burke was called and he served his period of pastoring faithfully and well.

THE CROWLEY ERA

Then came Rev. George Crowley to continue the endless task of feeding the hungry souls already saved and relentlessly searching for new ones. Rev. Crowley can vividly be remembered by many for his outstanding soul stirring revivals and the lost souls that were added to the church through him.

THE SECOND CHURCH

It was in the year, 1922 while the Rev. Crowley was still pastoring that the members decided with rapid growth of membership and the desire to have a more beautiful and more modern establishment, the second church was started. However, before it was completed, misfortune was to beset these people, the old church burned down. Fortunately the divine grace of God, the spirited leadership of Rev. Crowley, and the intense desire of the members of this little church to see God's work through to the end, finally achieved their goal and entered their new house of worship. Then Rev. Crowley had to lay down the torch light and move from Jerusalem. The Rev. Shirley picked it up and carried it boldly onward. He displayed a kind of leadership that has lingered vividly in the minds of many of the old warriors and is still part of this church. It has been said that due to the lack of transportation he often walked from his home to the church to deliver a sermon (approximately ten miles) sometimes receiving less than two dollars from collection. It was during the one-year reign of Rev. Roy Shirley that the following Deacons were ordained in Jerusalem Baptist Church, Deacons: William Hartley Moore, Noah E. Clark, Vernon Turner, and Luther Brown.

THE PALMER ERA

Succeeding the Rev. Shirley in the year 1935 was a man chosen from one of our neighboring communities, Rev. Ernest Palmer. A man of marvelous stature, and kindheartedness that was exemplified wherever he went. He served this church diligently until illness forced him to stop. It was during his pastorate that Brother Millard Clark was ordained as a Deacon. The year 1951,

while Rev. Palmer was still pastoring, our own beloved Deacon Millard Clark preached his trial sermon and in 1953 was ordained a minister. Brothers: Cole Harper, Alexander Hamilton, and Charles Moore, Jr. were added to the Board of Trustees.

THE GRAY ERA

In 1955, Rev. Issac H. Gray was called to the church (Jerusalem). Rev. Gray was faithful to the church. He worked hard to make the church grow. It was during this pastorate that renovation was done on the church to make God's house more attractive. At this time, Charles Harper, Samuel Harper, and Charles Turner were added to the Board of Trustees.

Under Rev. Gray's leadership Deacon William Moore was installed and ordained as a Deacon of the Jerusalem Baptist Church. Also during this time, Deacon Delaware Helms was ordained as a Deacon. Rev. Gray served Jerusalem for ten years until he had finished the work which the Master had given him to do. Asleep in Jesus, Blessed sleep for which none ever wakes to weep. Rev. Gray is best known for his stirring sermons and his melodious heart warming songs.

THE HOWARD ERA

The year 1966, the ninety-third year of Jerusalem Baptist Church's existence the church called the Rev. J. Bernard Howard. Rev. Howard came to us displaying an eager determination to offer vigorous leadership from the outset. His keen intelligence and dedication to duty did truly rally everyone here at the church to a higher degree of responsibility and a new sense of rededication. He really gained admiration of all the surrounding churches and their communities.

Rev. Howard came to Jerusalem from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and during his one-year period he made many contributions to this church. Numbered among these were the acquisition of a pulpit ensemble, the beautiful carpeting, the addition of the pastor's study, and many other small things, but most important, was the acceptance of Jesus Christ under his ministry by ten new members and the return of many others who were formerly connected with this church. This was also our most productive year financially. Brothers: Percy Ricketts, Truman Thomas, Sr., and Eugene Hamilton were added to the Trustee Board.

THE HAILE ERA

In April of 1968, after a brief period without a pastor, the church accepted the leadership of Rev. J. B. Haile, who promptly added several new members. It was under the leadership of Rev. Haile that several functions were conceived. First, the creation of our splendid Youth Organization, second, the installation of a Baptismal Pool, third, the furnishing for the Pastor's Study. Also under his administration was borne the idea of tiling the floor of the lower auditorium, that has since been completed since the termination of his pastorate here.

The year 1969, again as in 1968 for a brief period, Jerusalem Baptist Church finds itself without a pastor, but, living with an undying faith and expectation that we may soon call a pastor who might assist and lead us on to new heights and even greater goals.

1969 A SHORT PERIOD OF TRAVAIL

The end of the year 1969 again found us wedded to the able leadership of Rev. J. B. Haile, in whose hands Jerusalem Baptist Church has entrusted its future. The beginning of 1969 was not a joyous one. The church without a pastor, then came the tragic sickness that claimed the life of the last of the "Old Guard", the last one of our great Biblical Orators, Deacon Vernon Turner, Chairman of the Deacon Board. The church was left to mourn because once again a mighty pillar had fallen. The church activities slowed during this period but did not stop, largely because God always has "A Ram in the Bush." One of whom is Deacon William Moore, who assumed the leadership previously entrusted to Deacon Turner until his death. Much praise must be extended to

Deacon Moore for his courageous leadership, his full devotion to the duties he inherited. Particularly significant was the circumstances prevalent at the time of his takeover. First, the church was without a pastor, then came the illness that forced Deacon Turner into inactivity. Deacon Moore quite often was called upon to make decisions of a very sensitive nature regarding church supervision. He with a number of the older members was able to arrest the wide spread discord generated by a small faction of the younger members, reunited the church and re-elected Rev. J. B. Haile as pastor. These monumental tasks were accomplished under very trying conditions. Only an over passionate love for Jerusalem Baptist Church and its members and an undying faith in God to see his work fulfilled made this possible. Also during this period Jerusalem Baptist Church was totally indebted to all the fine ministers who graced our pulpit and aided us when we were in great need.

The close of 1969 saw the addition to the Deacon Board of Brother Worthington Ricketts, and welcome return of some of our former members. As 1970 starts with the return of Rev. J. B. Haile to Jerusalem we have once more embarked on a course hopefully that will see more progress in the seventies and the ultimate reward of another life after death, if we do the work of Him who put us here.

The year 1970 has passed, closing another chapter of events in the history of Jerusalem Baptist Church.

The most rewarding things occurring during 1970 were the remodeling of the building's upper and lower auditorium, and the addition of sidewalks around the outside. Also the addition of two new members to the Board of Trustees, namely; Brothers: George Marcellus Ricketts and Dozier Jones. These two men have brought to both the Trustee Board and the Church excellent examples of Christian unity by their desire to assist in making improvements in the church.

The year 1970 also saw the inauguration of a finance committee and the addition of equipment for publishing our weekly bulletins and other church correspondences.

The end of 1970 found our pastor, the Rev. J. B. Haile somewhat slowed by illness due to an auto accident. However, determined to fulfill his duties as pastor of Jerusalem Baptist Church, often refusing to obey the doctor's orders to stay off his feet and stay home and rest, would come to church for services barely able to walk into the pulpit.

1971 began sadly with the passing of Brother Charles Moore, Sr. the oldest active member of the church.

"Little sparks of fire fly up the chimney into the sky, And God above in the heights of high selects the best as they go by."

As we continue to tread the path of Christianship here at Jerusalem Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. J. B. Haile, Sr. we see the passing of another year of harmonious work.

1971 was an industrious year. Our main project was the installation of central air conditioning and with cooperative planning by all our church members and organizations, our goal was obtained.

As the responsibilities of our Trustee Board continued to increase, the need for additional members became apparent, therefore, three new members were added, they were Sisters Evelyn Harper, Elizabeth Honemond and Geneva Jones. These ladies graciously accepted the challenge and added strength and enthusiasm to the Board.

One might say 1972 started on a musical note, with the welcoming back of Brother Milton Moore into the church, the revitalization of the Sr. Choir, the initiation of the Men's Chorus, and the birth of the Jr. Choir, and with the purchase of a public address system, melodious sounds can be heard throughout the community on Sundays and/or whenever there is activity at the church.

At mid-summer Jerusalem found itself involved for the first time ever in a Horse Show (for the purpose of raising money for the church). The church paused long enough to extend best wishes to Rev. J. B. Haile, our pastor for the successful completion of work, for his doctorate. During this 1972 period Brother Milton

Moore was appointed to the board of Trustees.

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The year 1973 began on an up-swing with the appointment of three new Deaconess, Sisters Idella Dorsey, Beulah Harper, and Evelyn Harper; one trustee, Sister Katie Harper, two Ushers, Brothers Charles Turner and Dozier Jones. As the 98th ends and the 99th year begins... "WE HAVE ONLY JUST BEGUN."

At the close of another year, we certainly can look back over a well spent year and recall how good the Lord has been to us, standing by us in all our tasks that were undertaken, and as a group of appreciative and grateful members, we look at our many blessings in which we thank the Heavenly Father, day by day as multi-colored patches in our quilt of prayer.

At times we are prone to shiver from the urgent feeling of a need to do more, but instead beneath our patch work quilt of God's remembered blessings, we find we are truly warm enough.

We thank God for another wonderful year, March, Nineteen Hundred Seventy-two to March Nineteen Hundred Seventy-three.

The year 1973 has come and gone but the events that transpired during this span were both joyous and sad.

Joy came in the form of new converts in our church, April, Charles Harper, Jr.; May, Marilyn Copeland, Patricia Hamilton and Jacqueline Battle.

The church paused for a period during the spring to congratulate Rev. Haile for his academic achievement which is the ultimate dream of all scholars (The awarding of his Ph.D.).

Sadness came first on the second of May, when after a long illness our beloved Sister Gertrude Harper, a faithful member passed.

"I have found the way that leads to endless day, yonder in the glory land;
And the road is bright for Jesus is the light, and I hold his guiding hand."

Shortly thereafter on the eighth day of July we watched the passing of one of our young pillars, music director, trustee, Sunday School teacher and faithful church member, Brother Percy Ricketts also died after a long illness.

"I have a song in my heart to sing and a peace only God can bring,
Take my hand and lead me, Lord Jesus then I can't stray from thee.

On the fifth of September, death was to claim yet another of our very own in the person of Reverend Miliard E. Clarke. Many church members can trace Brother Clark's spiritual progress from his days as Sunday School Teacher, to deaconship and finally into the ministry where he was to eventually organize and oversee the building of a church for his congregation.

"Whisper a prayer in the morning, whisper a prayer at noon,
Whisper a prayer in the evening, to keep your heart in tune".

1973 as in 1972 found our church involved in many activities during the year that were highly rewarding both spiritually and financially. At this writing Jerusalem Baptist Church is hard at work in preparation for its coming Centennial.

ANNIVERSARIES can become memorable seasons in the life of the church, for such occasions strengthen fellowship and stimulate members to renew loyalty. Church anniversaries stir the memories of older members and enable newer members to walk happily through the doors of the past. New challenges for the future progress are more readily accepted as the past and present are united.

Church anniversaries also provide favorable climate for repairing, remodeling, redecorating, paying off church debts, and enlarging the work of enlistment, and evangelism.

The old Testament is filled with directions for the proper observance of the great anniversaries of God's chosen people. The New Testament continues the emphasis. The experiences of the people of God for 4,000 years prove beyond question that individuals and congregations are blessed who give proper attention to recalling the high spiritual occasions of the past. Those who do not, suffer real loss.

I REMEMBER



As a small child, every Sunday morning, I remember my parents having family prayers and getting us ready for Sunday School and church. My Mother preparing food in case someone from the morning service would stay over if there was an evening service.

As the years passed, they planned special event programs such as Rainbow, Clothespins, Flashlight and Tom Thumb Weddings, trips around the world – dishes prepared by the church ladies representing different countries, and State Rallies, all given to raise money.

To assist in the preparation for building this church, the late Rev. George A. Crawley would bring many preachers to help dig the foundation, working side by side with the men of this church; spending their nights at our home.

I remember the complete construction of the church, running errands, bringing lemonade, ice tea and sandwiches for the workers at lunch time.

I remember my mother cooking in the wee hours of the nights, planning for dinners to help with her financial contribution.

She kept the communion sets and cloths in impeccable order until sickness prevented her from continuing.

I remember the many hours they sat and planned for the up-building of God's Kingdom. They never complained or got tired over any service they had to render.

In addition to the many long hours my Dad contributed while pioneering the construction of the first High School for Black boys and girls in Montgomery County; the many trips to Annapolis (long before the advent of smooth super interstate highways); the difficult task of helping to achieve integrated schools in the county; traveling limitless miles to teach music to students – he never neglected his church duties.

Of particular interest to him, was the formation of a Church Group organized for the purpose of going to churches throughout the county to render fellowship, spiritual and financial assistance. The organization branched out later to include other counties in Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

My mother looked forward to these services and to seeing her many friends. My Father's concern for the church extended to his final days. Aware that the capacity of the church cemetery would soon be reached, he left provisions that specified that a portion of his land be donated to the church for cemetery purposes.

Mother saw the need for additional parking at the church and donated more of their land for this purpose.

I remember my Father the Deacon, Church Clerk, Musician, Sunday School Teacher and Church Custodian; my Mother encouraging him all the way.

This is but a brief summary of a few of the things that I remember about Deacon Noah E. and Deaconess Mollie E. Clarke – my parents.

Daughter Beulah.

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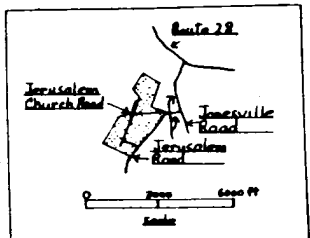
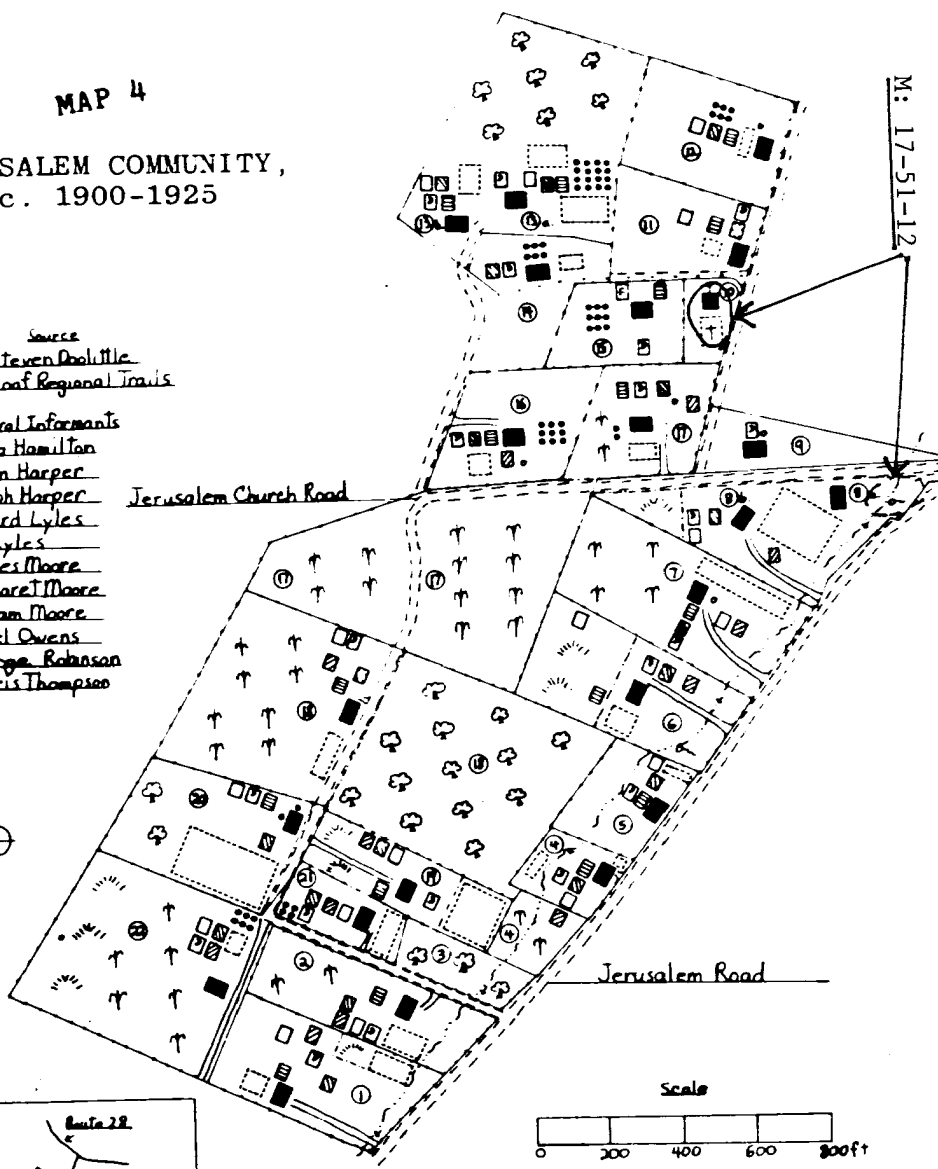
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MAP 4
 JERUSALEM COMMUNITY,
 c. 1900-1925

Source
 Steven Doolittle
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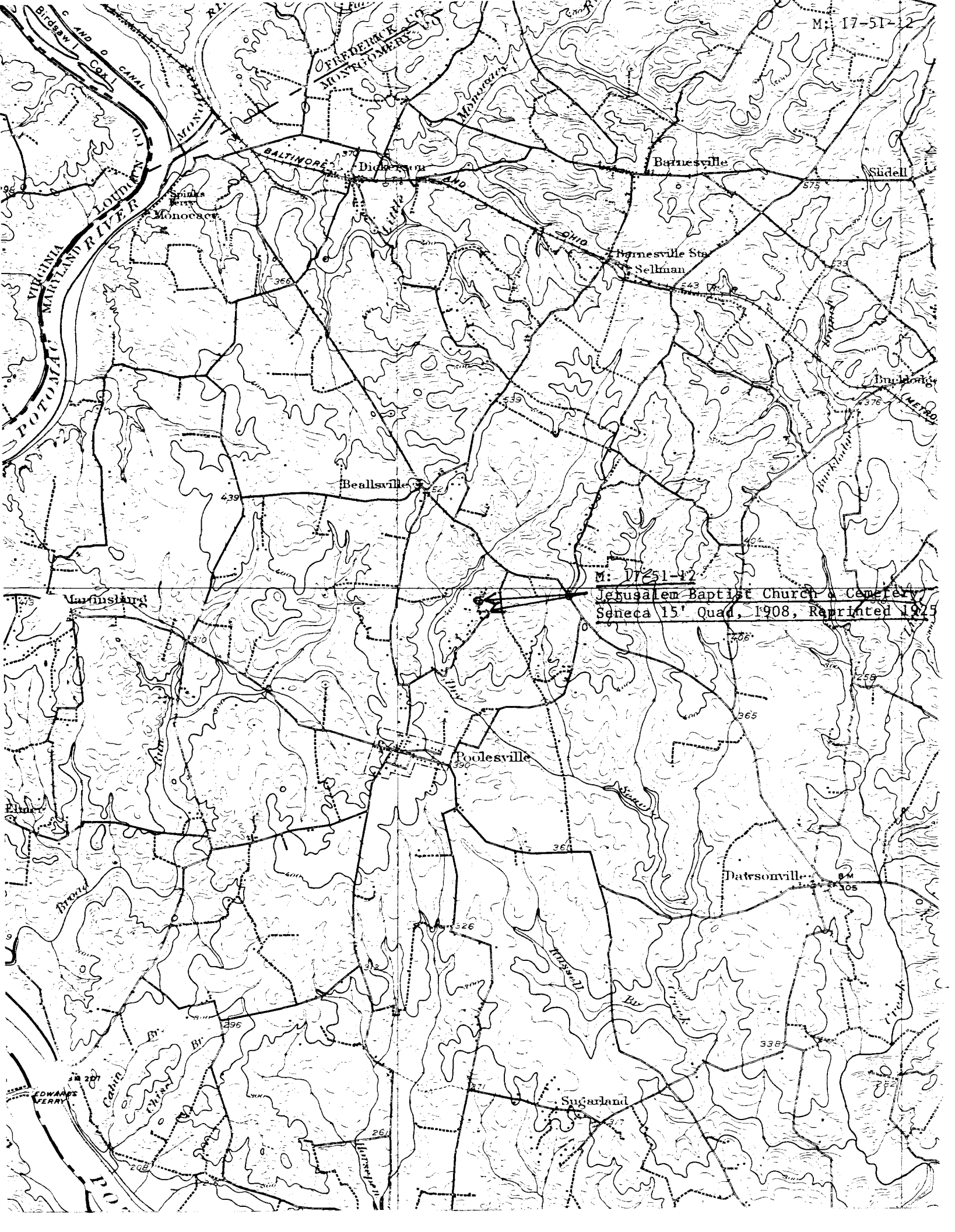


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CEMETERY	
LODGE	
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STORE	
POST OFFICE	
SCHOOL	
DWELLING	
PRIVY	
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MEAT HOUSE	
BEN HOUSE	
MILK HOUSE	
CORN/FEED HOUSE	
PIG PEN	
GARDEN	
PASTURE	
CORNFIELD	
HAY FIELD	
ORCHARD	
FOREST	
TRICKET	
WELL	
SPRING	
STREAM	
POND	
PARCEL BOUNDARY	
FENCED PARCEL BDY.	
FENCE	
DIRT ROAD	
LANE	
PATH	
STREAM FLOW	

DWELLINGS AND OUTBUILDINGS NOT DRAWN TO SCALE
 HSTD. = HOMESTEAD PROP. = PROPERTY

Key

1. WILLIAM ROBINSON ESTD.	3.22 AC.
2. SARAH JOHNSON ESTD.	2.00 AC.
3. MILTON HARPER ESTD.	1.00 AC.
4. WILLIAM LYLES ESTD.	2.00 AC.
5. SUSAN PROCTOR ESTD.	1.00 AC.
6. FRANK DORSEY ESTD.	2.90 AC.
7. GEORGE DORSEY ESTD.	4.75 AC.
8a. 1st CLARKE HOME (log)	4.40 AC.
b. 2nd CLARKE HOME (frame)	
9. JERUSALEM PARSONAGE	1.50 AC.
10. JERUSALEM CHURCH	0.50 AC.
11. WILLIAM DORSEY ESTD.	2.00 AC.
12. JAMES DORSEY ESTD.	3.00 AC.
13a. WILLIAM MOORE ESTD.	7.00 AC.
b. HARTLEY MOORE ESTD.	
14. DAVID COPELAND ESTD.	2.00 AC.
15. ROBERT WILLIAMS ESTD.	3.75 AC.
16. WALLACE HAMILTON ESTD.	2.50 AC.
17. DENNIS HAMILTON ESTD.	9.66 AC.
18. CHARLES McPHERSON ESTD.	11.00 AC.
19. LIZZIE GRIMES ESTD.	4.00 AC.
20. GEORGE LYLES ESTD.	3.00 AC.
21. JOHN HARPER ESTD.	1.00 AC.
22. JOHN HALLMAN ESTD.	10.00 AC.



FREDERICK CO.
MONTGOMERY CO.

POTOMAC RIVER
VIRGINIA
MARYLAND
LOUISIANA CANAL

BALTIMORE

Beallsville

Barnesville

Sidell

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Monocacy

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Jerusalem Baptist Church & Cemetery
Seneca 15' Quad, 1908, Reprinted 1975

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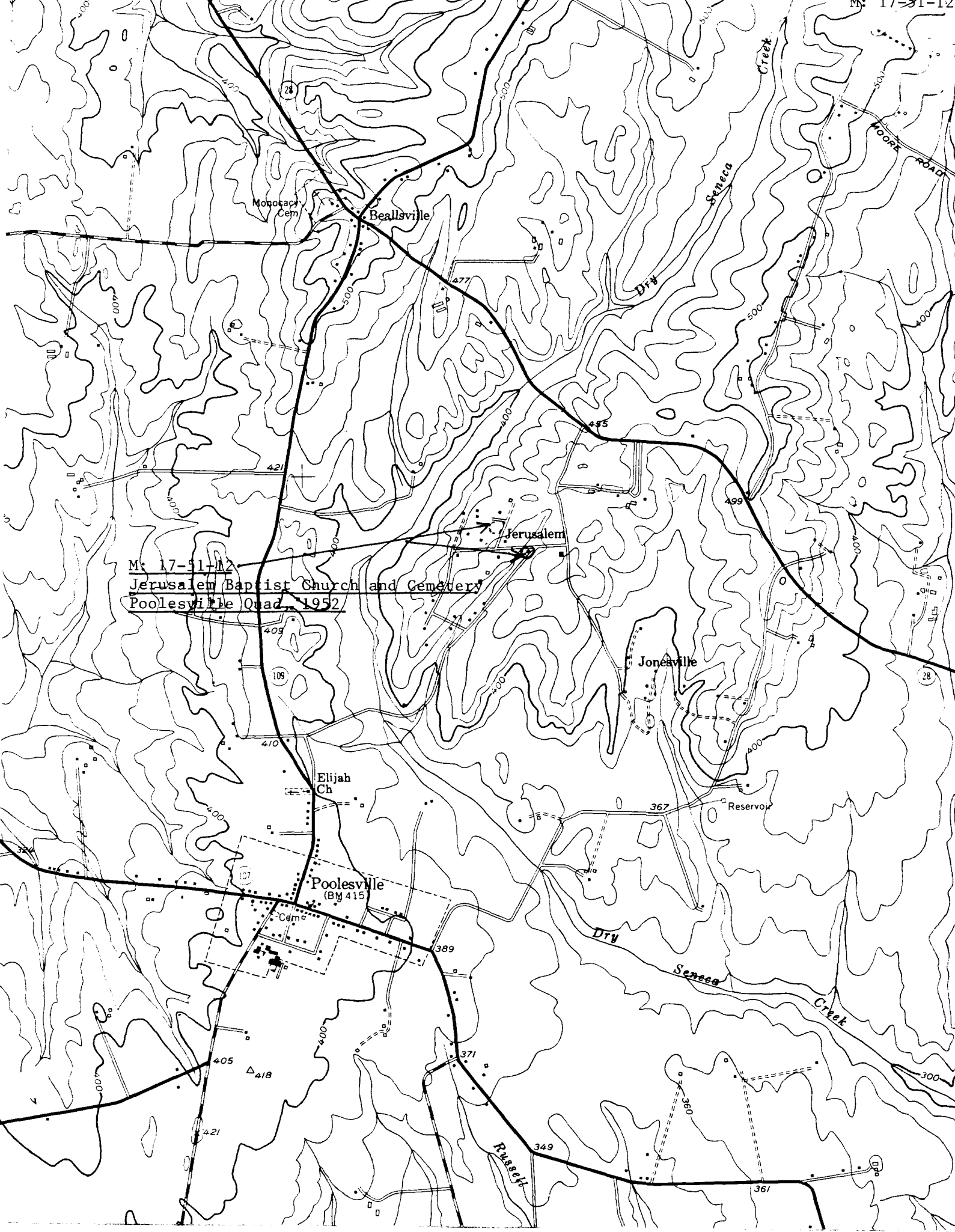
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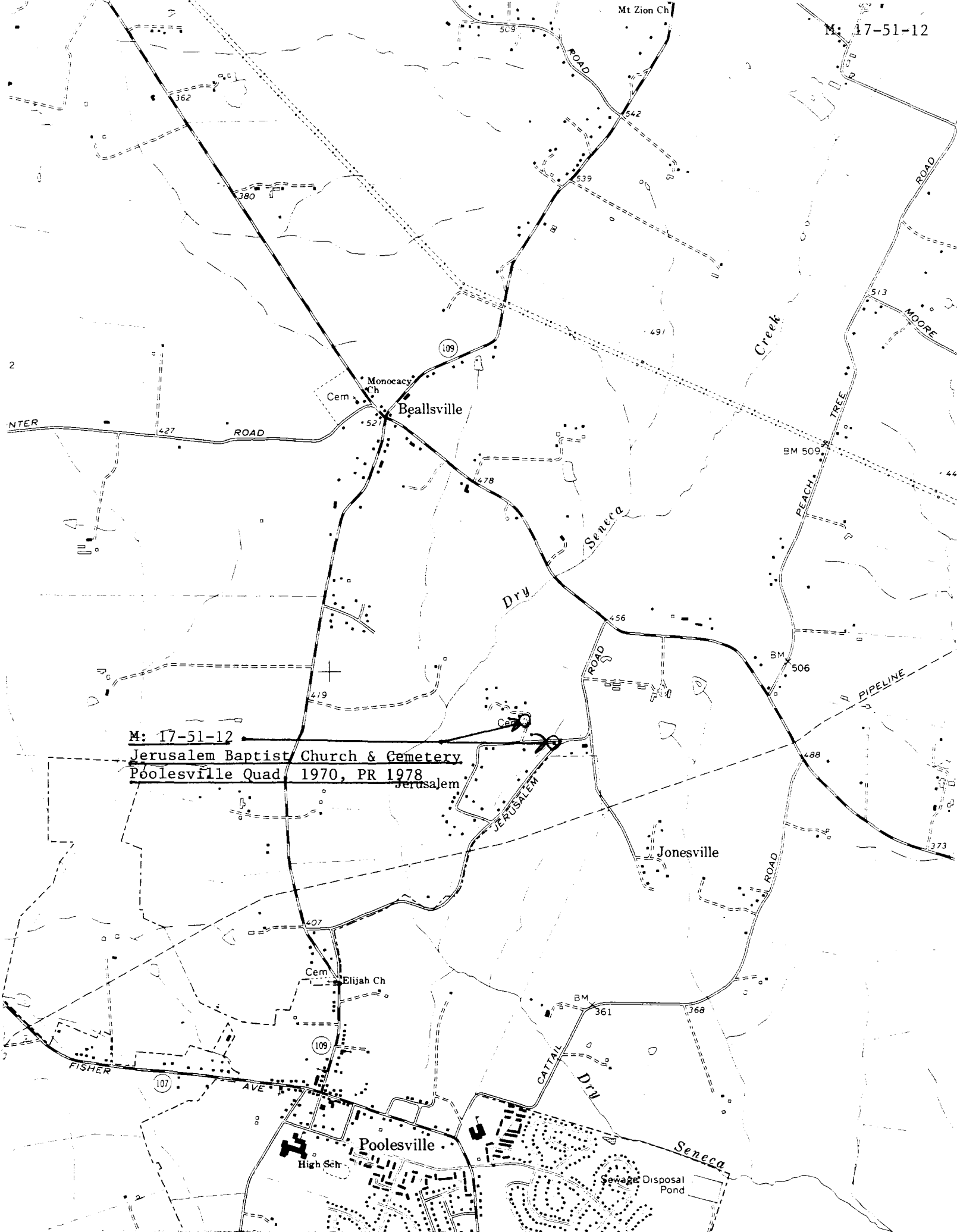
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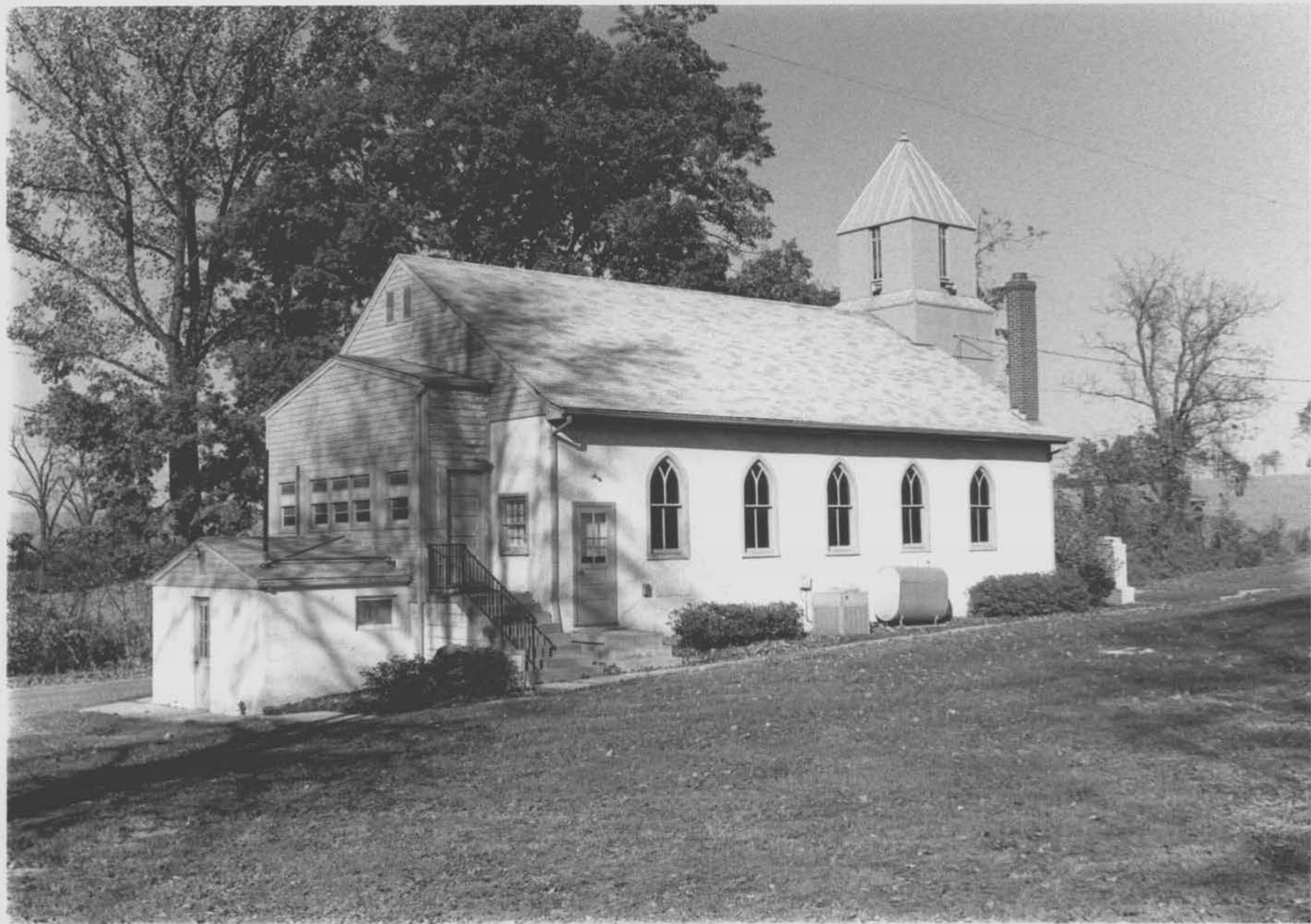
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