

ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1. Name: Goshen Methodist Episcopal Church

2. Planning Area/Site Number: 14/41      3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 8  
D-10

4. Address: 8410 Brink Road, Gaithersburg

5. Classification Summary

Category	<u>building</u>	Previous Survey Recording	<u>M-NCPPC</u>
Ownership	<u>private</u>	Title and Date:	<u>1976 Inventory of</u>
Public Acquisition	<u>N/A</u>		<u>Historical Sites</u>
Status	<u>occupied</u>	Federal	<u>State</u> <u>x</u> <u>County</u> <u>x</u> <u>Local</u>
Accessible	<u>yes: restricted</u>		
Present use	<u>religious</u>		

6. Date: 1870

7. Original Owner: Methodist Episcopal Church,  
Rockville Circuit

8. Apparent Condition

a. good      b. altered      c. original site

9. Description: The church is a common-bonded brick structure, 30' x 48', with a high mansard roof. It is three bays long and has a three bay front (north) facade with two-over-two, 8' high double-hung sash windows flanking the double wooden doors. The windows have plain stone sills and lintels. Above the doorway lintel is an arched rose window. The front facade is finished in dark red brick. The mansard roof has fish-scale shingles on the side walls. The frieze and cornice of the building are carried around the rose window as a frame. The graveyard contains handsome headstone motifs, at least one by John M. Heagy who in 1880 established the Montgomery County Marble and Granite Works on East Montgomery Avenue in Rockville.

10. Significance: The Goshen Methodist Church is significant for its unique architecture, and as the successor to one of the oldest Methodist Episcopal churches in Montgomery County.

In 1790 Ignatius Pigman gave one acre of land to an existing congregation to construct a new church. The first structure built on the Pigman grant was a log church, undecorated inside but furnished with plain plank benches, a board floor and a elevated pulpit.

Having prospered, the congregation decided by 1830 to build a brick church, and started a brick kiln across the road. The structure built was similar in proportion to the present church, but by 1869 the building was considered unsafe, and the congregation met in the schoolhouse. The building was demolished, and some of its materials recirculated in a new building completed in 1871 by master builder S.G. Henseley, following the design of architect Walters West. Goshen continued to be a center of church activity until 1936 when consolidation moved the congregation to Laytonsville. The Goshen Church next served as a farm animal shelter. In 1950 the building and land were leased by the trustees of the Eastern Mennonite Board Missions and Charities.

11. Researcher and date researched: Evelyn Ripps-8/79

12. Compiler: Gail Rothrock

13. Date Compiled: 10/79

14. Designation  
Approval       

15. Acreage: 2 3/4 acres

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Goshen Methodist Episcopal Church  
AND/OR COMMON  
Goshen Mennonite Church

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
8410 Brink Road  
CITY, TOWN  
Gaithersburg  VICINITY OF Goshen CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 8  
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 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 type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Trustees of the Goshen Methodist Church Telephone #:  
STREET & NUMBER  
8410 Brink Road  
CITY, TOWN  
Gaithersburg VICINITY OF STATE, zip code  
Maryland 20760

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, LIBER #: EBP 19 D  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Folio #: 129 489  
Montgomery County Courthouse  
STREET & NUMBER  
CITY, TOWN  
Rockville STATE  
Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
MNCPPC Inventory of Historical Sites  
DATE  
1976  FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL  
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
Park Historian's Office  
CITY, TOWN  
Derwood STATE  
Maryland 20855

# 7 DESCRIPTION

10.11-91

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The church is a common-bonded brick structure, 30' by 48', with a high mansard roof. It is three bays long and has a three bay front (north) facade with two-over-two 8' high double-hung sash windows flanking the double wooden doors. The windows have plain stone sills and lintels finished off in a dark color to match the woodwork, while the window frames are painted white.

Above the doorway lintel is an arched window, with a rose consisting of eight petals around a circular center pane. Like all the glass in the church, these windows are clear. The rose window illuminates the loft inside.

The front facade is finished in dark red brick, without header courses; this wall was probably rebuilt when alterations were carried out in the building. The original rough lighter colored brick remains in the other three walls, which is laid up in common bond with headers on every eighth course. The brick walls are approximately twelve feet high.

The stone foundation shows about 15" above ground level at the front, and as the site slopes to the south, shows three feet at the rear.

The building is topped by a high mansard roof, the sidewalls of which have fish scale shingles. The stone front door slabs, set as two steps, are long and generous.

The frieze and cornice of the building are carried around the rose window as a frame. The eave overhang of the roof extends out about one foot beyond the head of the walls. Below it is a wide, bracketed cornice; the carved pair brackets over the front door resemble a modified Horn of Io, while those at the corners and along the side walls are abstracted florals.

Three 8' windows appear on the west wall, and two windows and a door on the east wall. The rear wall has only a door leading to the basement, which appears to have been improved at a later date. The rear wall brickwork shows the face bricks which provided for the chimney, and a second chimney cuts the east side slope of the roof.

The graveyard is behind and beside the church, down the slope to the S.E. Gravestone motifs include doves, the righteous and outstretched hand pointing the way to heaven, the lamb, the lily, the weeping willow, and the open gate of heaven. The only decipherable signature among the artisan carvers is that of J.M. Heagy, who did work for the Crawford family.

John M. Heagy came to Rockville from the Middletown area of Frederick County, and in 1880 established the Montgomery County Marble and Granite Works on East Montgomery Avenue in Rockville. He advertised himself as "Proprietor and Manufacturer", "Dealer in Marble and Granite Monuments", "Headstone, Building Work, etc.", "Fine Work a Specialty", "Iron Fences at Reasonable Rates." Heagy also established a branch at Beallsville in 1897.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Land & Corporation Records of Montgomery County, Md.  
 Plummer, Ella, "Old Goshen Methodist Church", Montgomery County Story,  
 Vol. VI, #1, Montgomery County Historical Society, (Nov. 1962).  
 Griffith, Ira S. Revised by Coxx, George B., Carpentry, The Manual Arts  
 Press, Peoria, Illinois  
 Stieri, Emanuele. Concrete and Masonry. Barnes and Noble, 1956.  
 Files of the Montgomery County Historical Society, including excerpts from  
Sentinels and photographs.

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 2 3/4 acres

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION****LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE	COUNTY

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Evelyn Ripps

ORGANIZATION

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

DATE

August 1979

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 87

TELEPHONE

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

Dickerson

STATE

Maryland 20753

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
 The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
 Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
 (301) 267-1438

Attachment Sheet A  
Goshen Methodist Episcopal Church

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Goshen Church served as a shelter for farm animals for several years. In 1950, the unused buildings and land were leased by the trustees to the Eastern Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities for the consideration of upkeep of the building and care of the cemetery. The Mennonites rededicated the church for their own house of worship and a small congregation continues to worship there.

FOOTNOTES:

- 1 Land Records of Montgomery County, Maryland. D 489 (August 14, 1790).
- 2 Plummer, Ella, "Old Goshen Methodist Church", Montgomery County Story, Vol. VI #1, Montgomery County Historical Society, Nov. 1962, p. 2.
- 3 Land Records, op. cit., EBP 19/129 (October 11, 1878).
- 4 Montgomery County Corporation Records, Book 1/101 (recorded Dec. 4, 1888).

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

<b>1. NAME</b>					
COMMON: Goshen Mennonite Church					
AND/OR HISTORIC: Goshen Methodist Church					
<b>2. LOCATION</b>					
STREET AND NUMBER: Brink Road					
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg					
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Montgomery			
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>					
CATEGORY (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		OWNERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Public    Public Acquisition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work In progress	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)					
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<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____	
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>					
OWNER'S NAME:					
STREET AND NUMBER: Brink Road					
CITY OR TOWN: Gaithersburg		STATE: Maryland			
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>					
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Montgomery County Courthouse					
STREET AND NUMBER:					
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville		STATE: Maryland			
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):					
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>					
TITLE OF SURVEY: Historic Sites in the Bi-County Region					
DATE OF SURVEY: 1969		<input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local			
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission					
STREET AND NUMBER: 8787 Georgia Avenue					
CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring		STATE: Maryland			

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The church is a brick structure with a bracketed cornice and high mansard roof. It is three bays long and has a three bay facade with 2/2 double hung sash windows flanking the double door. Above the doorway lintel is an arched window, which breaks through the wide, bracketed cornice into the roof. The frieze and cornice of the building are carried around the window as a frame.

The lower slope of the roof has fish scale shingles; the upper slope is a low-pitched "A" roof.

The brick on the facade is new but on the side and rear walls, the original brick remains. This wall was probably rebuilt when the other alterations were carried out.

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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

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

- Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century
- 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

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

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation   |   |  | _____                                    |

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

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Empty space for the Statement of Significance.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreeage Justification:

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

STATE:	COUNTY:

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:  
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC      DATE: 12 July 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

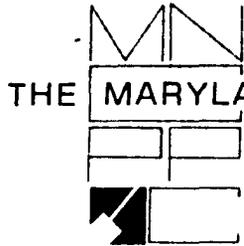
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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- Associated with the Pearre family, early agriculturalists and prominent citizens of upper Montgomery County.
  - Because the acreage associated with this site is protected under a conservation easement, the site is designated with an environmental setting of approximately 6.7 acres to include the main house, the log dairy, the corn crib, and bank barn as features representative of the historic farmstead.
- 14/41 Goshen Mennonite Church (p. 10)
- 1870 -- Unique brick structure, based on a design by Washington architect, Walter West, and built by master builder S. G. Henseley.
  - Site of one of the oldest Methodist Episcopal Churches in Montgomery County.
  - The parcel includes, in addition to the church building, a cemetery and semi-circular tree-shaded drive with wrought iron entrance gates, all of which contribute to the churchyard setting. The entire parcel should, therefore, be retained as the environmental setting.
- 14/59 Fertile Meadows (p. 10)
- Fine example of a late 18th century County farmhouse with a "distinctive southern Maryland flavor."
  - Associated for nearly a century with the Riggs family, prominent businessmen and farmers in Montgomery County.
  - An appropriate setting should include the main house, the log meat house and corn crib, plus sufficient land to protect the complex from future development.
- 14/60 Riggs/Wilcoxon House (p. 10)
- Late 18th century, simple Federal style farmhouse with Flemish bond brickwork.
  - Example of typical tenant farmhouse once found throughout the County.
- 15/65 Waters Gift (p. 11)
- Mid-18th century altered log farmhouse.
  - Associated with the Waters family, early settlers of the northeastern part of the County.
- 22/17 Flint Hill II (p. 12)
- Early 19th century log and frame farmhouse.
  - Associated with the Bowie family, a prominent family in Montgomery County and Maryland history.

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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
8787 Georgia Avenue • Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

June 12, 1984

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Richard Ferrara, Director, Department of Housing and Community Development  
 John L. Menke, Director, Department of Environmental Protection  
 ✓ J. Rodney Little, Director, State Historic Preservation Office  
 Susan Kuklewicz, Chairperson, Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Perry Berman, Chief, Community Planning North

SUBJECT: Approved and Adopted May 1983 Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation

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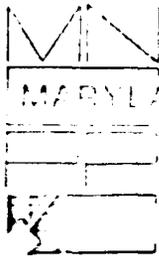
P.B.

I am pleased to transmit to you the May 1983, Approved and Adopted Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation.

This amendment designates fourteen historic resources for preservation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. In addition, it identifies 83 sites that have been reviewed and found not suitable for regulation under the Ordinance. Those properties listed on the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Resources in Montgomery County, Maryland are also exempted from any further regulation under the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the Preservation Ordinance.

Please adjust your records to reflect this action. Should you have any questions concerning this amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart of Community Planning North at 565-7354.

PB:MR:sdr  
Enclosure



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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

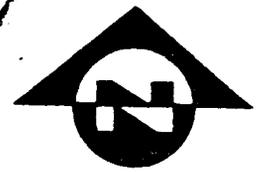
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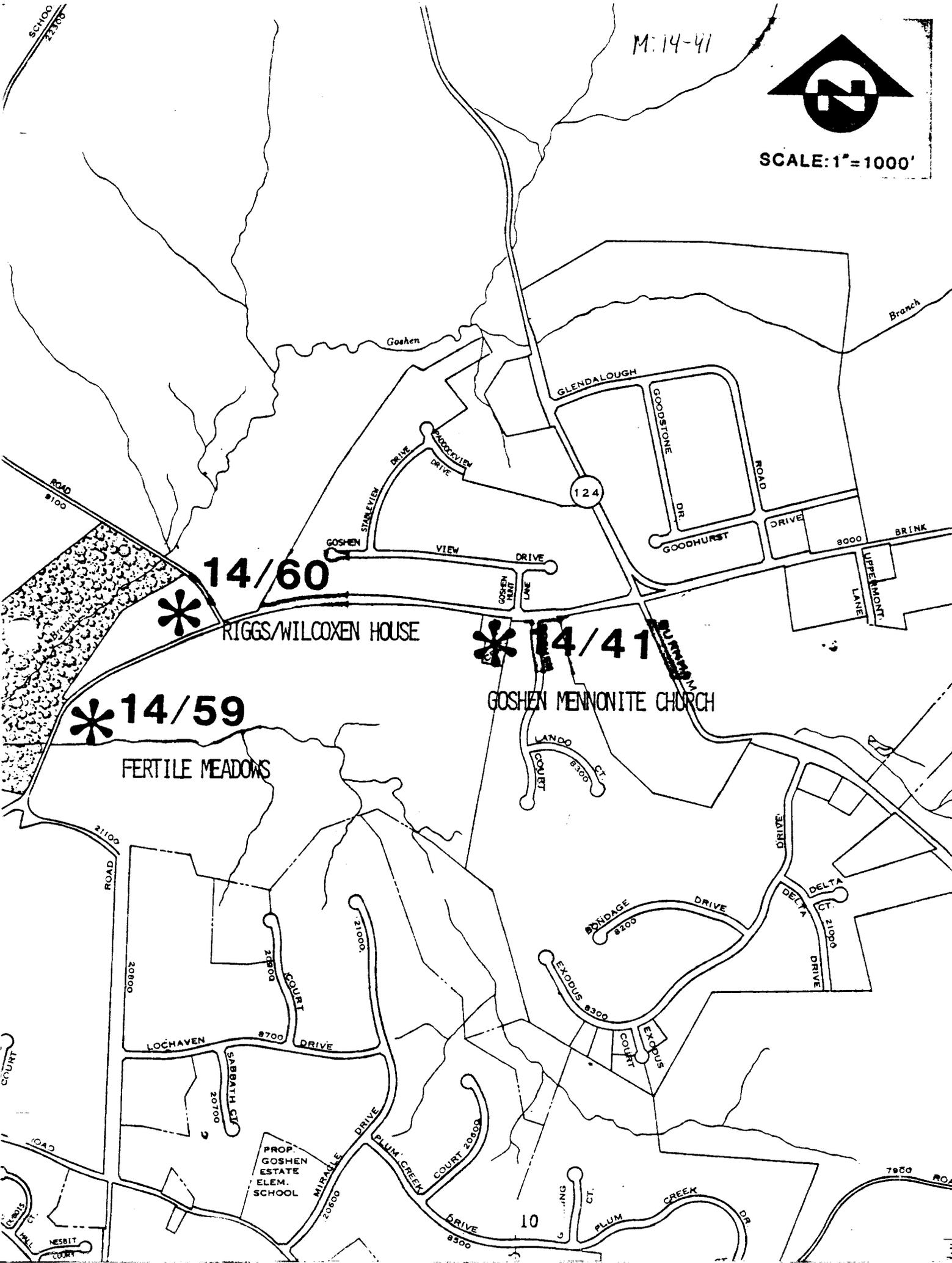
8/25/82.....Sites recommended for inclusion in  
Chapter 4 of the Master Plan

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- M: 22/17
- M: 23/57
- M: 23/78
- M: 23/92
- M: 28/11-1
- M: 28/13

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SCALE: 1"=1000'



**\* 14/60**

RIGGS/WILCOXEN HOUSE

**\* 14/41**

GOSHEN MENNONITE CHURCH

**\* 14/59**

FERTILE MEADOWS

ROAD 21100

ROAD 20800

COURT 21000

21000

LOCHAVEN

SABBATH CT. 20700

MIRACLE DRIVE 20600

PLUM CREEK COURT 20600

DRIVE 8300

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BONDAGE DRIVE 8200

EXODUS 8300

COURT

EXODUS

DRIVE

DELTA CT. 21000

DRIVE

ROAD 7900

ROAD 8100

Goshen

GLENDALOUGH

GODSTONE DR.

ROAD

GOODHURST

DRIVE

8000

BRINK

LANE

UPPERMOUNT

Branch

124

LANDO COURT 8350

COURT

ROAD

NEBBIT COURT

PROP. GOSHEN ESTATE ELEM. SCHOOL

CT.

PLUM CREEK DR

DRIVE

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Attachment Sheet B  
Goshen M.E. Church

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(Photographs by Evelyn Ripps - Winter 1979)



Attachment Sheet C  
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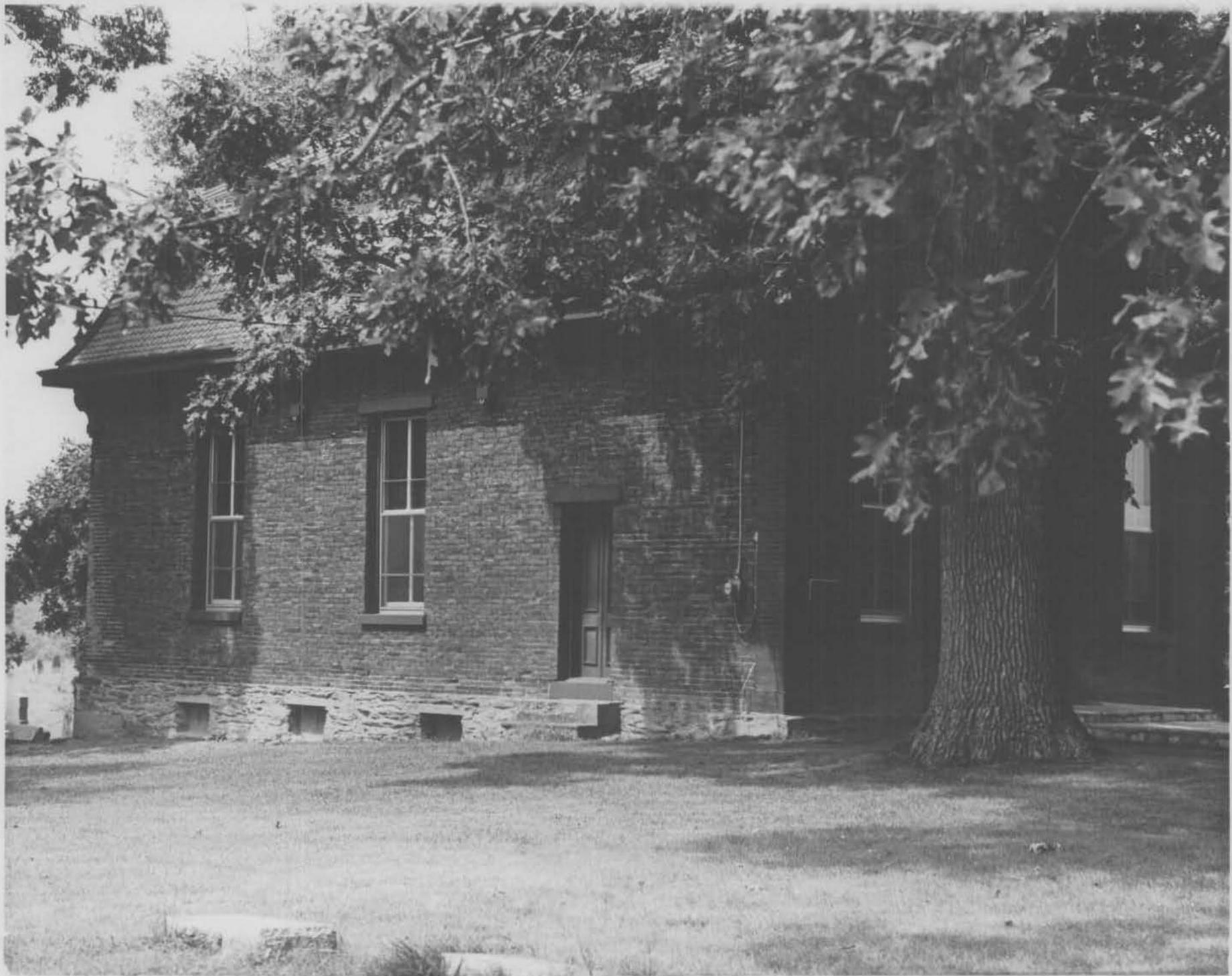
Tombstone with J.M. Heagy signature

Attachment Sheet D  
Goshen M.E. Church

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Photographs by Evelyn Ripps - Winter 1979





GOSHEN MENNONITE CHURCH  
In good condition and in use.

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