

STATE OF VERMONT

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Vermont Life Magazine 828-3241

April 3, 1978

Mr William Burpee
RFD
Vergennes, VT 05491

Dear Mr Burpee

The Division for Historic Preservation is pleased to inform you that we are considering initiating a study to nominate the Addison Baptist Church to the National Register of Historic Places

Nomination to the National Register is a formal and selective process for recognizing and recording at the federal level those buildings, structures, sites, and districts which have particular value as physical evidences of our local, state, and national history

Nomination to the National Register also protects the property, through a review process at state and federal levels, from federally funded, licensed, or permitted projects which would adversely affect it. The owner of a property entered on the National Register is eligible to apply for federal Grants-In-Aid for preservation work. In addition, commercial properties on the National Register are eligible for tax incentives for certified rehabilitation as provided by the Tax Reform Act of 1976 (P L 94-455, Section 2124). The Tax Reform Act of 1976 also stipulates tax disincentives in the case of demolition of a property on the National Register, when the site is subsequently re-used for any commercial purpose. Listing in the Register does not involve local zoning.

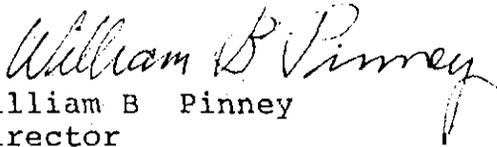
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The Vermont Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, in accordance with 22 V.S.A. Chapter 14, has approved this proposal on July 7, 1977. Thirty days have been allocated for any written comments you may wish to make concerning the significance of this property.

Included with this letter are folders explaining the purpose and scope of the National Register of Historic Places. Further notification regarding the status of the nomination will follow.

Sincerely,

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION



William B. Pinney
Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures

cc Senator Arthur Gibb
Erwin S. Clark



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May 4, 1978

Dr William J Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service
18th and C Streets, N W
Washington, D C 20240

Dear Dr Murtagh

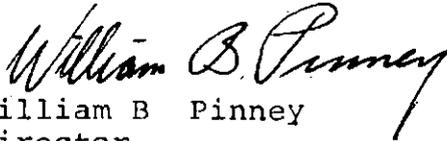
Enclosed please find National Register nomination forms
for the following

Addison Baptist Church, Addison, Addison County, VT

First United Methodist Church of Burlington,
Burlington, Chittenden County, VT

These properties are being submitted under the Historic
Preservation Act of 1966 for inclusion on the National
Register of Historic Places

Sincerely,



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May 4, 1978

Mr William Burpee
RFD
Vergennes, VT 05491

Dear Mr Burpee

We are pleased to inform you that the Addison Baptist Church is being submitted to the Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation for consideration for entry in the National Register of Historic Places. Notification of acceptance or rejection of the property will follow.

Please feel free to contact us if any further information is desired.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'William B. Pinney'.

William B Pinney
Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

WBP/tt

cc Senator Arthur Gibb
Howard Grant, Chairman, Board of Selectmen, Addison,
Addison County, VT
Michael Preziose, Addison County Regional Planning
& Development Commission

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

VERMONT

STATE

Date Entered NOV 2 1978

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Hawley's Ferry House	Ferrisburg vicinity Addison County
Addison Baptist Church	Addison Addison County
Sudbury School No 3	Sudbury Rutland County

Also Notified

Honorable Robert T. Stafford
Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Honorable James M. Jeffords

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United States Department of the Interior
HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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The Director of the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

Chris Therral Delaporte

is pleased to inform you that the historic property listed on the enclosed sheet has been nominated by the State Historic Preservation Officer responsible for your State's implementation of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, P L 89-665 (80 Stat 915), as amended. It has accordingly been entered in the National Register of Historic Places. A leaflet explaining the National Register is enclosed for your information and convenience.

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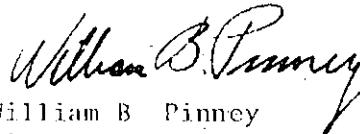
Mr William Burpee
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Vergennes VT 05491

Dear Mr Burpee

We are pleased to inform you that the Addison Baptist Church has been officially entered on the National Register of Historic Places

If you desire further information regarding this nomination please feel free to contact us

Sincerely



William B Pinney
Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

WBP/CHA rmd

cc Chm Board of Selectmen Shoreham
Addison County Regional Planning & Dev Comm

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Addison Baptist Church

AND/OR COMMON

Addison Community Baptist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Intersection of routes 22A & 17

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Addison

VICINITY OF

Vermont

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Vermont

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Addison

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3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

 DISTRICT PUBLIC OCCUPIED AGRICULTURE MUSEUM BUILDING(S) PRIVATE UNOCCUPIED COMMERCIAL PARK STRUCTURE BOTH WORK IN PROGRESS EDUCATIONAL PRIVATE RESIDENCE SITE PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE ENTERTAINMENT RELIGIOUS OBJECT IN PROCESS YES: RESTRICTED GOVERNMENT SCIENTIFIC BEING CONSIDERED YES: UNRESTRICTED INDUSTRIAL TRANSPORTATION NO MILITARY OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Addison Community Baptist Church

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Addison

VICINITY OF

Vermont

STATE

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Office of the Town Clerk

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Addison

STATE

Vermont

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Vermont Historic Sites and Structures Survey

DATE

1977

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

CITY, TOWN

Montpelier,

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

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FAIR

UNEXPOSED

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Addison is a small town located in the fertile Champlain Valley of Vermont. The Addison Baptist Church, located at the intersection of Vermont routes 22A and 17, helps define the Addison Village Center. The Addison Town Hall is the other major structure at the intersection.

The Addison Baptist Church is a large, two-story, rectangular building of post and beam construction, covered with clapboards and set on a stone foundation. It is three bays wide and three wider bays deep. Each bay is defined by panelled pilasters which support a full entablature. This entablature continues across the front (East) facade to create a pediment.

The two central pilasters on the front facade project slightly to frame the recessed entrance. The entrance consists of a double-leaf panelled door below a rectangular spandrel with similar panels. Above the spandrel is a pair of 2/2 windows in a crosssetted architrave surround, whose lintel corresponds with the level of architrave of the building's entablature. The spaces between the door and the flanking pilasters are flushboarded.

In the center of the main facade, resting on the cornice of the horizontal pedimental entablature, is the first stage of the three-tier tower. It is engaged into the body of the church, projecting slightly into the front pediment, but resting primarily on the ridge. This lower section is a nearly cubical clapboarded mass with cornerboards and a small three-part entablature. In the center of the east front of this base is a panel bearing the date, "1816". The second stage is a smaller flushboarded cube with pilasters at the corners supporting a smaller, more detailed entablature. In the center of each face of this stage is a rectangular louvered panel in an architrave surround. Rising from the hipped roof of this stage is a chamfered tapering square spire which terminates in a ball finial. The spire, like the gabled roof of the main block of the Church, is covered with slate.

Both the side (North and South) elevations contain three 15/15 windows on the second floor level. These are framed by tall surrounds which extend down to include clapboarded spandrels, and 10 light windows at the basement level. The Easternmost basement windows on the North and South facades have been slightly altered.

The rear (West) elevation contains an ell, added in 1962, which is clapboarded and has a gabled roof; this ell contains the rest rooms and a pastor's study.

On the interior, certain features remain from the 1849 renovation. The original box pews have been retained, with the doors presently in storage. The original Ionic columns, reflecting the former Federal character of the building, are used as supports in the basement, now the vestry.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

1816/1849

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Addison Baptist Church is among the older Baptist Churches in Vermont, organized on October 25, 1797. By the second decade of the nineteenth century, the congregation grew to the extent that on December 14, 1811, it was, "voted to meet on Friday evening next in an extra Church meeting to consult on matters relative to building a meetinghouse and forming some system to carry it into effect" ¹. It was not until 1816 that the meeting house was built on a hill overlooking the village of Addison Four Corners.

The Church's early history is not atypical of Nineteenth Century Vermont congregation. The early congregation opposed the Masons, expelling one William Whitford in 1816, for "his un-gospel arguments to justify and support himself in the practice of meeting with his Masonic bretheren" ².

By 1842, Freemasonry was less of an issue, and the congregation was concerning itself with the political and moral issue of slavery. The Church records contain the following resolution on the subject for the year 1842: "Where slavery is contrary to the letter and spirit of the Gospel and consequently a sin against God, therefore, resolved that we will not hold in Church fellowship slave holding Churches or any brother or sister who is a member of such until they have given evidence of reformation" ³.

While the congregation was enunciating its social and political attitudes, the building itself was undergoing change. In 1849, considerable alterations were made to both the interior and exterior of the Church, resulting in a Greek Revival stylization. It was at this time that the side galleries were removed and the vestry installed on the ground floor.

Later improvements to the Church consisted primarily of technological modernizations in heating and lighting, having no effect on the building's architectural integrity. The last structural improvement was the addition of the rear ell, added in 1962.

The growth and evolution of the Addison Baptist Church is a reflection of that of the Town of Addison. Located adjacent to the Town Hall, overlooking the village, the Church is an ever-present testimony of the history of this small Vermont Township.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- 1 Clark, Erwin S History of the Town of Addison, VT, 1609-1976
(Middlebury, 1936) p 39
- 2 Ibid. p 40
- 3 Ibid. p 41

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY One acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Port Henry, NY-VT

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:62500

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Coextensive with land on which building sits, owned by the Addison Community Baptist Church

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

Richard C. Cote/Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Vermont Division for Historic Preservation

STREET & NUMBER

Pavilion Building

CITY OR TOWN

Montpelier

DATE

8/77

TELEPHONE

802-828-3226

STATE

Vermont

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

William B. Timney

TITLE

DATE 5/5/78

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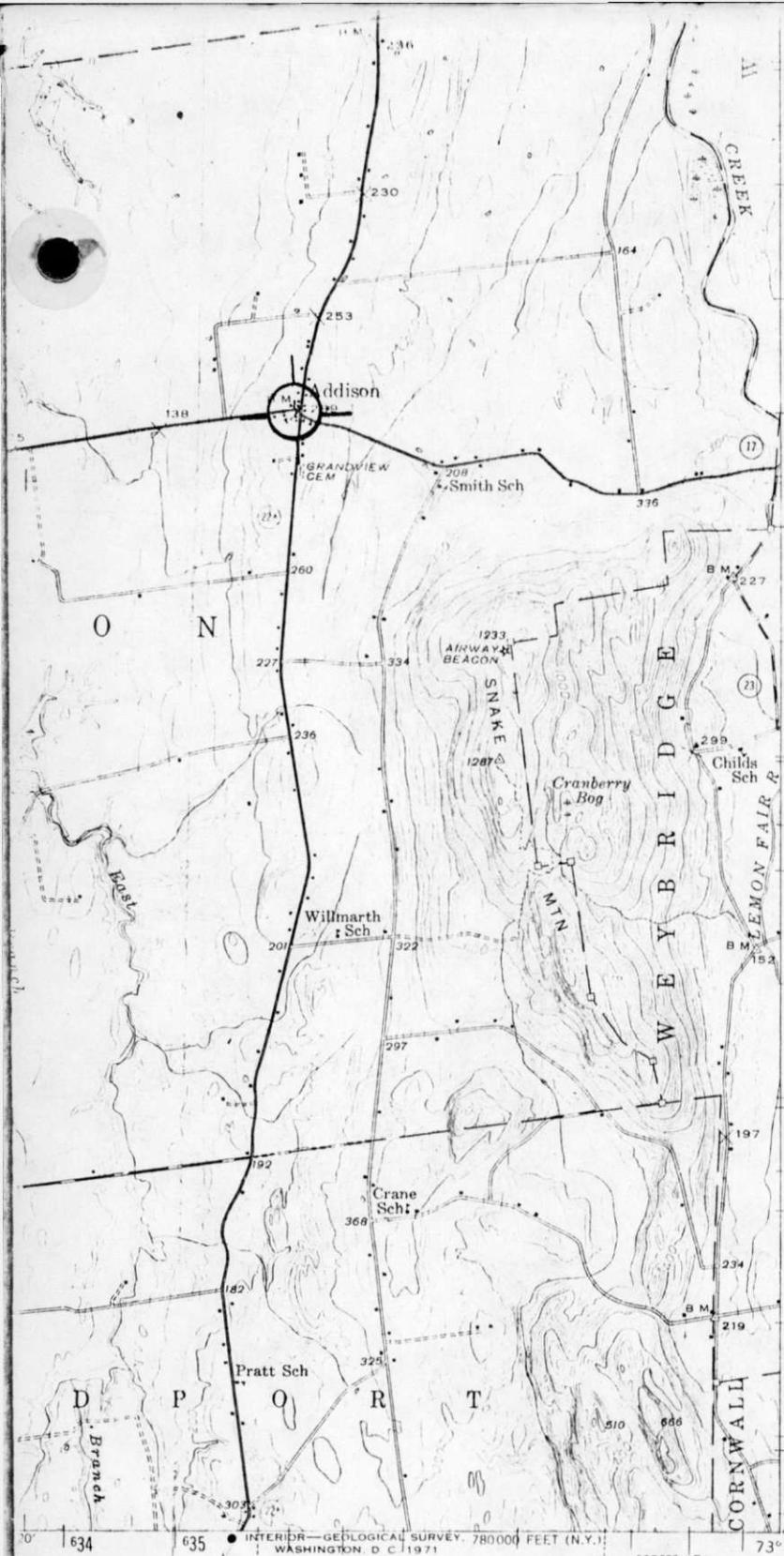
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION



ADDISON BAPTIST
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 ADDISON, VERMONT
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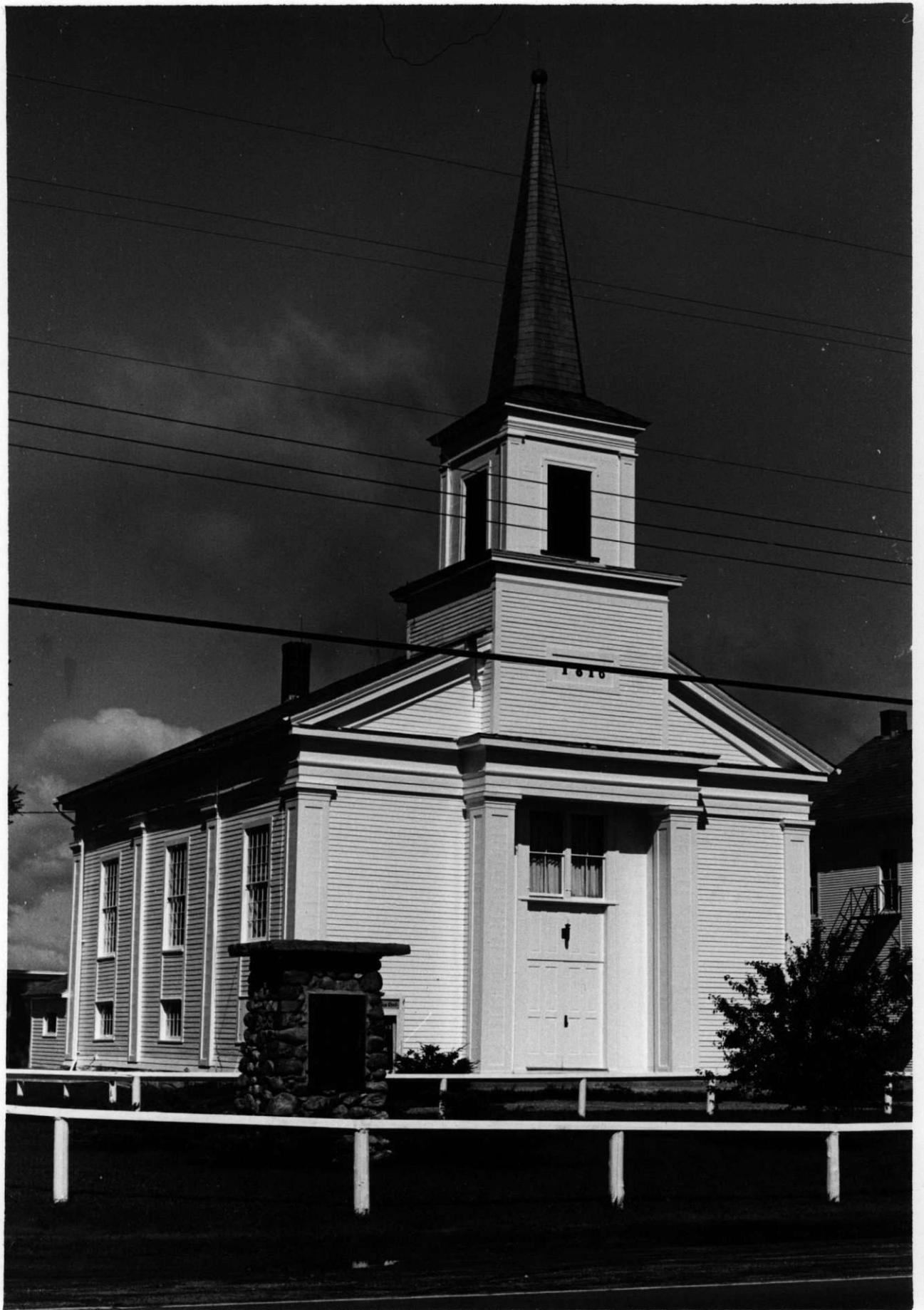
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