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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

1. STATE Maryland
COUNTY Allegany
TOWN Cumberland VICINITY
STREET NO.
248 Williams Street
ORIGINAL OWNER Land--David Shriver
ORIGINAL USE
PRESENT OWNER Kingsley Church
PRESENT USE Religious
WALL CONSTRUCTION Brick
NO. OF STORIES 2 + basement

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY AL-96

2. NAME KINGSLEY METHODIST CHURCH (UNITED)
DATE OR PERIOD 1883
STYLE
ARCHITECT
BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC Yes

1869-Because of the growth of Cumberland following the arrival of the B & O Railroad and the C & O Canal, the need for another church was recognized. A committee from Centre Street Methodist was appointed to decide on a location for a small chapel.

1870-Kingsley Chapel was built at corner of Oldtown Road and Gay Street at a cost of $1,000. It was built on the land of Asahel Willison-a lot 132 feet by 80 feet with a 25 foot alley.

1881-Trustees negotiated a 99 year lease for $30.00 a year from Fred. Minke and his wife Eva, who had purchased the Willison land.

1882-Building committee of 119 members to find new location, purchased the lot on Williams Street from David Shriver.

1883-Cornerstone laid. Sunday School room completed and opened Mar. 25, 1883. This was used for church services.

1884-June 22-Church building finished at cost of $12,000.

1885-Parsonage completed.

1928-Addition costing $28,000 added.

1942-Sanctuary renovated at cost of $20,000.

1970-Drive to build new church.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Good Exterior Excellent

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

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