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Oakwood Methodist Church

c. 1880-1920

The present Oakwood Methodist Church is a late 19th or early 20th Century replacement of an earlier Methodist Church. The previous building was across the street where the cemetery still exists with its intricate cast iron entrance gate. The older structure appears along with the cemetery on the east side of the road of the 1858 Martenet Map and 1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File # 848

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Oakwood Methodist Church

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of Oakwood crossroads

CITY, TOWN

Oakwood

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY

Cecil

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Trustees of the Oakwood Mennonite Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Oakwood Road

CITY, TOWN

Conowingo

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21918

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

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #: RRC 81

Folio #: 15

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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 Oakwood Methodist Church C. 1877-1900 is a late 19th century or early 20th century replacement of an earlier Methodist Church. At the moment it is not known what happened to the earlier structure but it previously stood across the street where the cemetery is located. The earlier structure ~~appears~~ appears on the 1858 Martenet map at the cemetery site.

The structure is a 1½ story frame main block located on the west side of the Oakwood - Old Conowingo Road. The main gable faces the road with gable roof running east/west.

The main block is a 3 bays deep by one large room across. The structure rests on a stuccoed uncoursed fieldstone foundation. A 2 story 3 bay front vestibule was attached to the eastern gable end, as an entrance in the 20th century.

The exterior of the church is sheathed with aluminum. The fenestration is symmetrical with a 2/2 sash and plain trim on the main block and 6/6 in the newer front section. The roof is of a medium pitch with a corrugated tin covering. The eaves are extended on all sides and the soffits closed. A block stove stack rises against the west end wall.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The church has been extensively altered on the exterior and entrance was not obtained at the time of the first visit. It couldn't ~~be~~ ~~been~~ determined whether much had been changed inside. The church still provides the community with its usual services but has lost most of its 19th or early 20th century character. The history of the earlier church and reasons for its relocation will undoubtedly prove interesting when investigated. The cemetery has a fancy cast iron fence directly in front along the road, and 19th and 20th century grave markers.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

9/21/78

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

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CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

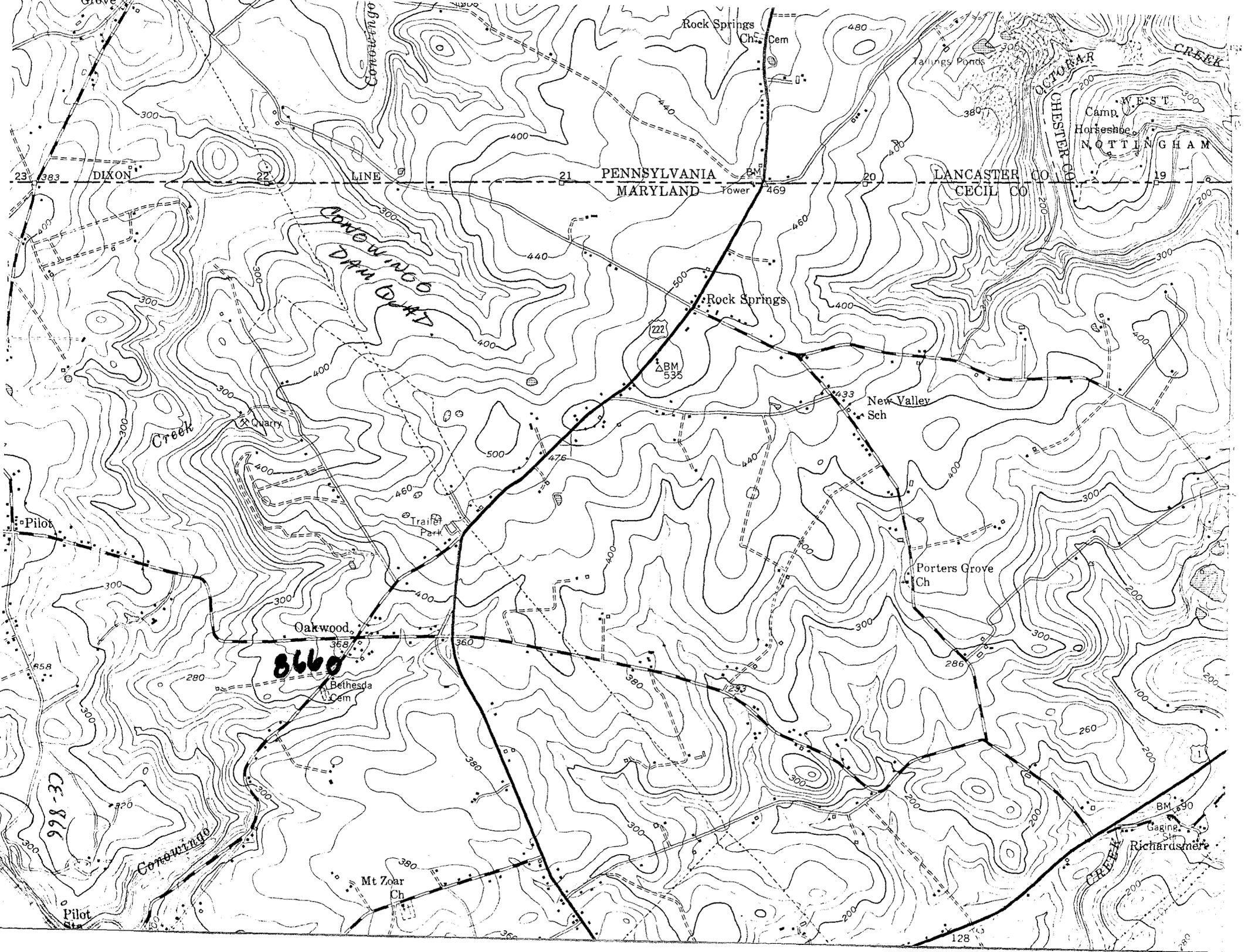
STATE

Maryland

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.

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23 22 21 PENNSYLVANIA MARYLAND 20 19
DIXON LINE Tower 469
LANCASTER CO CECIL CO

CONEWINGO DAM DAM

Rock Springs

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BM 535

New Valley Sch

Pilot

Traifer Park

Porters Grove Ch

Oakwood

8660

Bethesda Cem

998-30

CONEWINGO CREEK

Mt Zoar Ch

BM 590
Gagins St
Richardsmere

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OAKWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

SOUTHEAST ELEVATION

NR
OAKWOOD, MD.

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