

Queen Anne's - 379
Metropolitan U.M. Church
near Rt. 18
Queenstown, MD 21658

1886

The present Metropolitan U.M. Church stands 12' from the northside of old Rt. 18 in rural Queen Anne's County. The church faces south. The building is covered with asbestos shingles. This building was originally weatherboard and the shingles were added at a later date. There are ruins of brick piers twenty ft. from the road in front of the present church. It appears that another church was once on this location. The current structure was built at the turn of the century.

Metropolitan U.M. Church is abandoned. It once housed a large congregation. It served a rural black Methodist congregation that has declined with the farm population of the State. The graveyard that is located at the rear of the church contains the remains of many black clerics.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Metropolitan U.M. Church

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Near Rt. 18 North side of Tilghman's Neck Road

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF Queenstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT First

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Queen Anne's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Trustees, Metropolitan U.M. Church
C/O Jeremiah R. Lee

Telephone #: 827-8533

STREET & NUMBER

R.D. 1, Box 205

CITY, TOWN

Queenstown VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
MD 21658

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Queen Anne's Co. Courthouse

Liber #: NG 43

Folio #: 245

STREET & NUMBER

Courthouse Sq.

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

STATE

MD

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

N/A

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

QA-379

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		DATE 1886

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Metropolitan ME Church stands 42' from the north side of old Rt. 18 in rural Queen Anne's County. The church faces south. The building is covered with white asbestos shingles. This building was originally weatherboard and the shingles were added at a later date. There are two 8' clear glass windows (conventional) in the front facade and 3 windows of identical construction on each side of the body of the church. These windows are surrounded by 14 small red pane's of glass (lights) . The entrance has three concrete steps and double doors of recent vintage. The Church measures 22' across the front and is 36' in depth.

There are ruins of brick piles twenty feet from the road, directly in front of this church. It appears that another church was once on this location. The present church was built at the turn of the century.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" 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 1886

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Metropolitan ME Church is abandoned. It once housed a large congregation. It served a rural black Methodist population that has declined with the farm population of the State. At least two churches have stood at this location. The graveyard that is located at the rear of the Church (North) contains the remains of many black clerics.

It is apparent that the area around Metropolitan will remain agrarian for awhile. That this Church will remain without some intervention by the State or a private party is doubtful.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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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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ORGANIZATION Maryland Commission on Afro-American History & Culture DATE

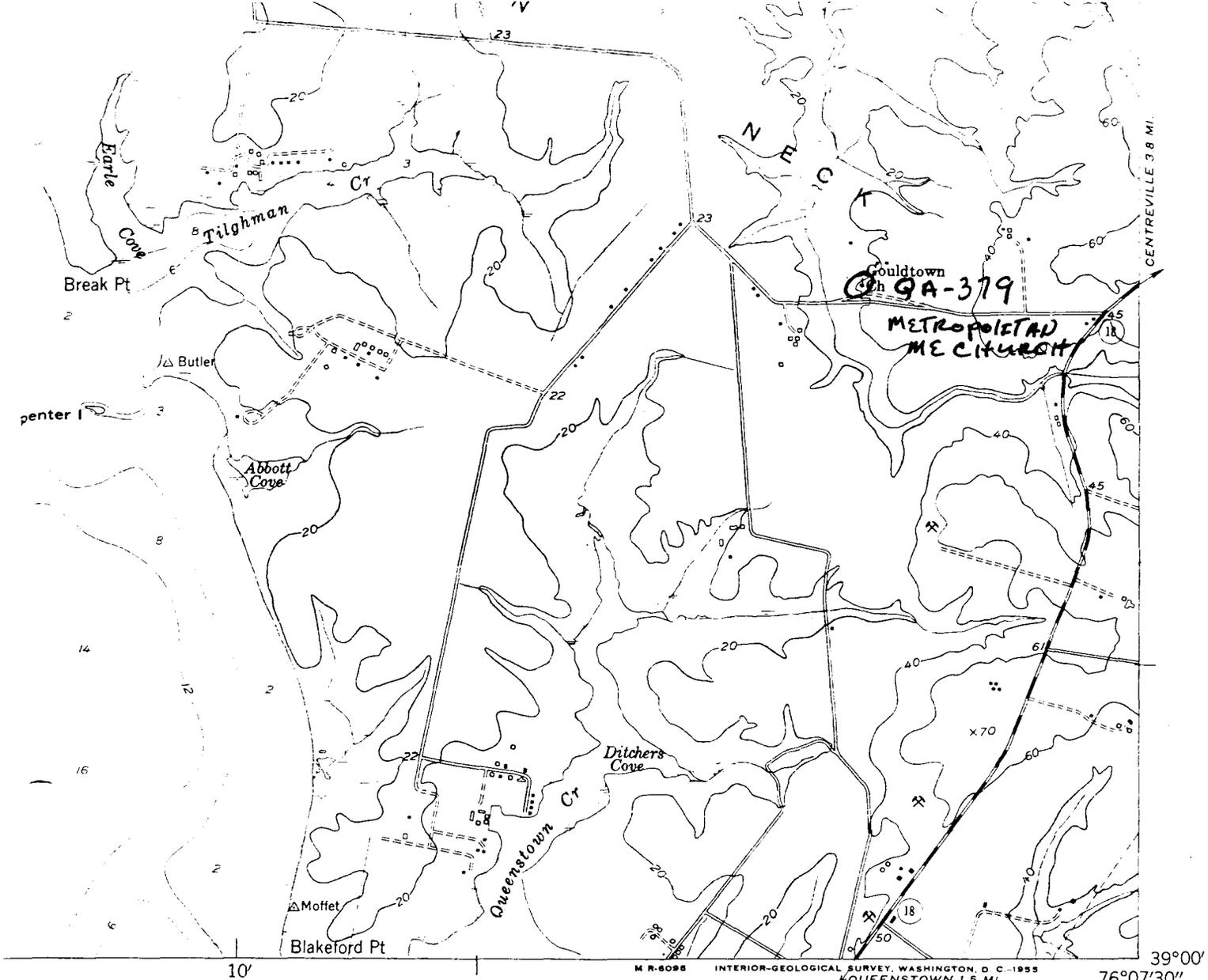
STREET & NUMBER 20 Dean Street TELEPHONE 269-2393

CITY OR TOWN Annapolis STATE Maryland

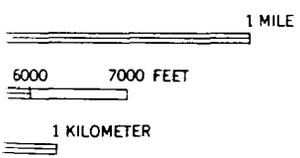
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



M R-6085 INTERIOR-GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON, D. C.-1955
 QUEENSTOWN 1.5 MI.
 GRASONVILLE 5.1 MI.



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	4 LANE 6 LANE	Light-duty
Medium-duty	4 LANE 6 LANE	Unimproved dirt
	U. S. Route	
		State Route

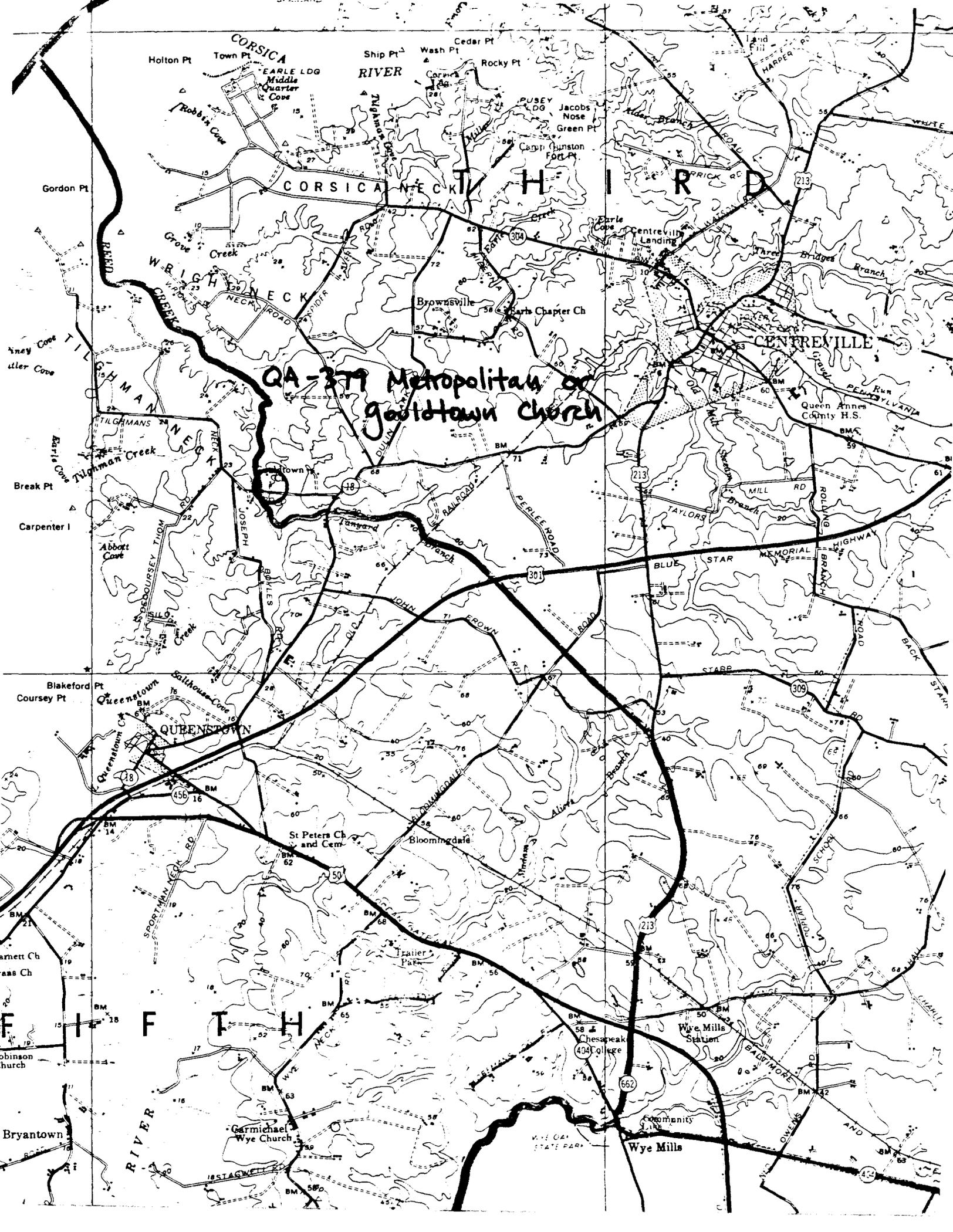
LANGFORD CREEK, MD.
 SW/4 CHESTERTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE
 N3900—W7607.5/7.5

1954

WATER
 WATER
 BRDS
 25, D. C.
 FILE ON REQUEST

(WYE MILLS)

1406



QA-379 Metropolitan or Goldtown Church



QA-379 Metropolitan Church
Gouldtown, Maryland
Orlando Ridout V 1981
Front facade from Southeast



QA-379 Metropolitan Church
Gouldtown, Maryland
Orlando Ridout V 1981
Rear facade from Northwest



QA-379 Metropolitan Church
Gouldtown, Maryland
Orlando Ridout V 1981
Parish Hall, front facade



QA-379 Metropolitan Church
Gouldtown, Maryland
Orlando Ridout V 1981
Parish Hall, rear facade



John
Hardy

QA-379 Metropolitan Church
Gouldtown, Maryland
Orlando Ridout V 1981
Handmade Concrete Tombstone



Metropolitan United Methodist Church QA-379
Queenstown, Queen Anne's County, MD
Michael Hosford

Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, MD
Southeast elevation
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