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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF HARDIN COUNTY

Historic Name: Blue Ball Church (HD-2)
Common Name: Blue Ball Church

Classification: Building

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Owner: Congregation, c/o Pastor Mark Fisher, Route 3, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Location: Six-tenths of a mile south of the intersection of KY 220 and KY 1375 on Blue Ball Church Road.

| <u>Contributing:</u> | | <u>Non-Contributing:</u> | |
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| Buildings | 1 | Buildings | 0 |
| Structures | 0 | Structures | 0 |
| Sites | 0 | Sites | 0 |
| <u>Total:</u> | 1 | <u>Total:</u> | 0 |

Description:

The Blue Ball Church is a one-story brick church constructed in 1849. The church is gable front design building of common bond brick construction with a limestone foundation. The original brick section has a gable roof of composition shingles. The main entrance has a rounded arch entrance with brick relief arching. Windows are segmental arched one-over-one sash. The building has a simple cornice at the roofline. Attached at the rear of the brick church is a two-story frame addition added ca. 1950. This addition has a gable roof of composition shingles and has been covered with metal siding. The interior was inaccessible.

Period of Significance: 1849

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown.

Statement of Significance:

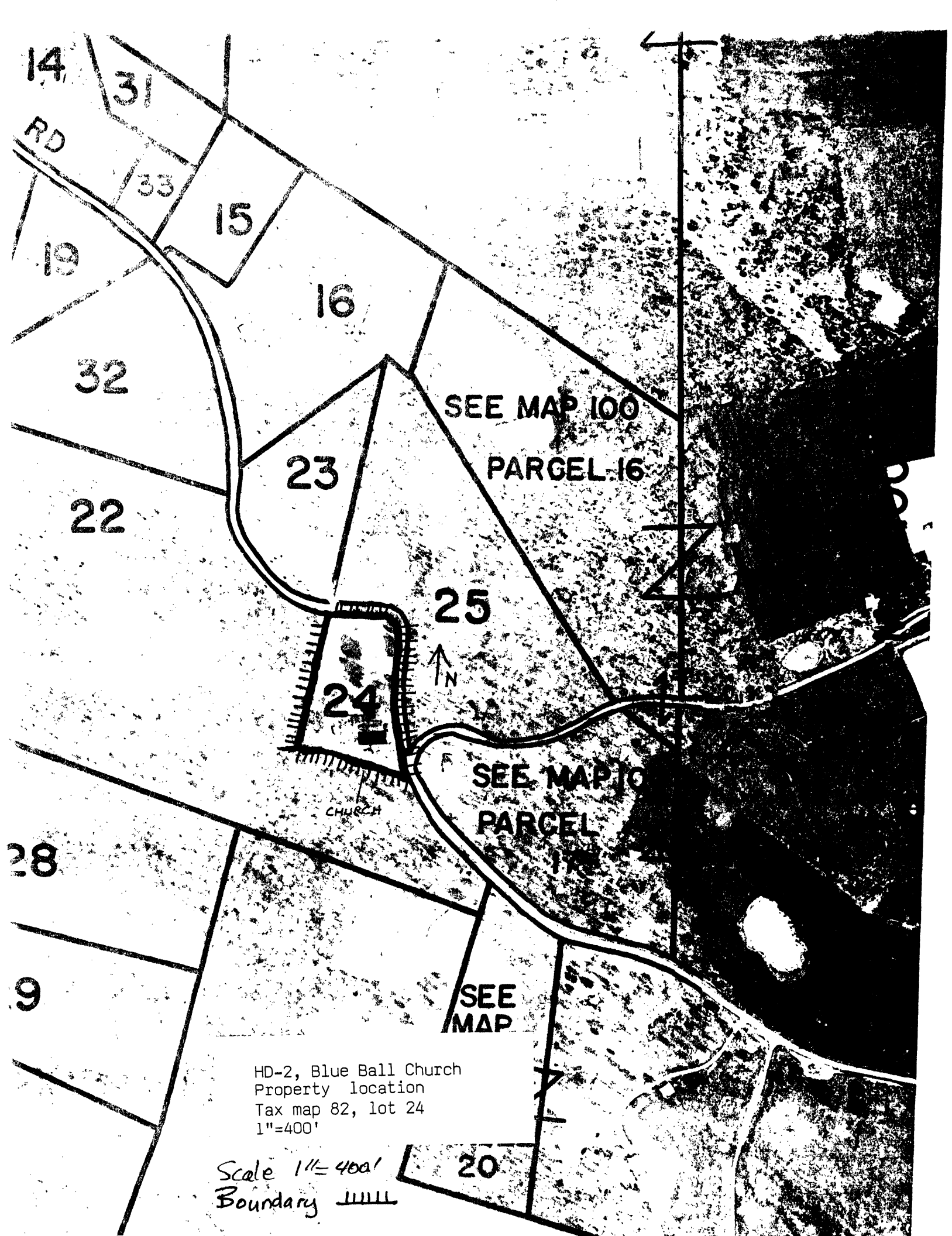
The Blue Ball Church is significant under criterion C as a notable example of an ante-bellum gable front church. The church is the only ante-bellum brick church located in the county outside of Elizabethtown and is a good example of an early brick church constructed by congregations in the early to mid-19th century. The building retains its original entrance, windows and brick detailing. The building has been continually used as a church since its construction. The two-story frame addition at the rear of the structure is a substantial addition to the original building. Because it only masks one facade on the original building and matches in plan and roofline it does not result in a substantial loss of integrity.

Acreage: 3.4 acres

UTM References: Howe Valley Quad 16/584840/4175590

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for the Blue Ball Church is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County tax map 82, lot 24, and is defined by the legal boundary of the property. The church sits on a small lot of 3.4 acres and there are no significant outbuildings. The boundary includes the church and property sufficient to protect the historical setting of the site.



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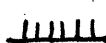
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PARCEL 17

CHURCH

SEE MAP

HD-2, Blue Ball Church
Property location
Tax map 82, lot 24
1"=400'

Scale 1"=400'
Boundary 

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