

Form 10-300  
(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: <b>South Carolina</b>	
COUNTY: <b>Edgefield</b>	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER <b>71.5.45.0019</b>	DATE <b>5/6/71</b>

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
**Horn Creek Baptist Church**

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: **From Edgefield south on secondary 34 (.5 mi.) to secondary 133 on left; After 1.5 miles, 133 becomes dirt road; continue on 4 miles until road intersects with another dirt road, church on left.**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Edgefield**

STATE <b>South Carolina</b>	CODE <b>29824</b>	COUNTY: <b>Edgefield</b>	CODE <b>03119</b>
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**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
**In custody of Edgefield Baptist Association**

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Edgefield**

STATE:  
**South Carolina**

CODE:  
**45**

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
**Edgefield County Courthouse**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**Courthouse Square**

CITY OR TOWN:  
**Edgefield**

STATE:  
**South Carolina**

CODE:  
**45**

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
**The History of South Carolina Baptists**

DATE OF SURVEY: **1964**  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
**South Carolina Department of Archives and History**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
**1430 Senate Street, P.O. Box 11,188, Capitol Station**

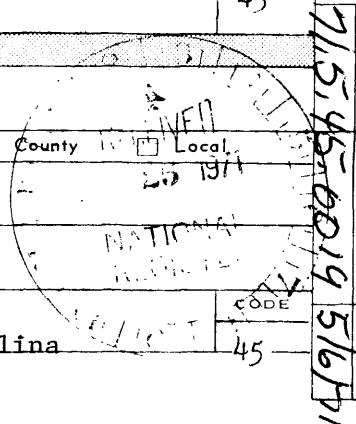
CITY OR TOWN:  
**Columbia**

STATE:  
**South Carolina**

CODE:  
**45**

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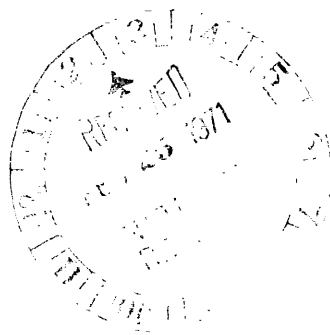


**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Horn Creek Baptist Church, incorporated in 1790, is simple one-roomed country church, has no electricity and remains essentially unchanged. Supported by fieldstone foundation piers, the church has wooden steps; two front doors hinged to fold in center; wide board floors and louver shutters. Door behind pulpit leads to creek for baptizing. Adjoining cemetery has excellent iron work including cast iron gate at Bettis plot with design of Palmetto tree flanked by lambs and roses. Wooden picket fence next to Bettis Plot surrounds fieldstone markers. Church open on occasion for special services.



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**SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 19th Century            |                                       |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1790**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |  |   |  |
|--|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education           | <input type="checkbox"/> Political                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry            | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture                      | _____                                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape           | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian            | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature          | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater                        | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation                 | _____                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music               |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |  |   |  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

One of oldest Baptist churches in South Carolina Up Country, Horn Creek was incorporated in 1790. One of few remaining meeting house style churches reflecting austere simplicity and manifesting frugality of early settlers. Revolutionary activity in the Horn Creek area included 1781 skirmish in which patriot, Captain Thomas Kee of Colonel Leroy Hammond's regiment, attacked Tory party under Captain Clark. Clark was killed, and entire company made prisoners. Church burial ground has 18th century graves in fair condition. Plot fencings vary from ornate iron work to old wooden pickets.

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**9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

King, Joe M. The History of South Carolina Baptists. Columbia, South Carolina. 1964. The R.L. Bryan Company.

McCord, David J. The Statutes At Large of South Carolina Vol. VIII. Columbia, South Carolina. 1840.

McCrary, Edward. The History of South Carolina in the Revolution. New York, 1902. McMillain Company.

Townsend, Leah. South Carolina Baptists 1670-1805. Florence, South Carolina. 1935. The Florence Printing Company.

**10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		33° 43' 15"	81° 55' 48"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: Less than 10 acres.

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

**11. FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME AND TITLE:  
**Nancy R. Ruhf, Historic Resources Coordinator I**

ORGANIZATION: South Carolina Department of Archives and History      DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET AND NUMBER:  
1430 Senate Street, Capitol Station 29211

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia      STATE: South Carolina      CODE: 45

**12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: Charles E. Lee

Title: Director, South Carolina Department Archives & History

Date: 2/14/71

**NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ernest A. Connolly  
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation  
 MAY 6 1971

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

William H. Huntley  
 Keeper of The National Register  
 APR 9 1971

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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