

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: Tennessee	
COUNTY: Maury	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
JUN 13 1972	

12-29-72

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME:
COMMON: Zion Presbyterian Church (Representative William Anderson)

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: One Mile south of Hwy. 99 at a point 6.3 mi. west of Columbia

STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47 COUNTY: Maury CODE: 119

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"/> 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	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:
Zion Presbyterian Church

STREET AND NUMBER:
Route #1

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Register of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:
Maury County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Columbia STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1971 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Washington STATE: D.C. CODE: 11

STATE: Tennessee

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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)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered
(Check One)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site

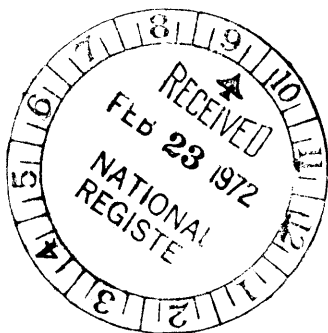
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Zion Church has remained relatively unchanged since its erection in 1849. This rectangular brick structure, built on a Tennessee limestone foundation, contains one story and a basement. The overall dimensions are 80'4" x 50'1". The solid masonry walls, made of natural brick laid in common bond, have stepped parapets on the north and south ends. A recessed porch is located on the south end with two square columns supporting the upper wall. Eight supporting rods run through the building and are evident by the traditional star-shaped caps that decorate the south end of the structure. The roof is of composition shingles and five brick chimneys are visible above it. The building has four panel solid wooden doors and windows of stained glass that are 1/1 double hung with operable shutters.

No!
 reason
 porch
 facade

Two doors enter directly into the sanctuary from the south end, one on either side of the pulpit. Stairways either side of the entry doors wind around modern toilets to the balcony. The ten-foot wide balcony is continuous on all but the altar wall. The walls and ceiling are painted plaster and the floor has carpet over a wooden floor. The basement contains the mechanical equipment room, kitchen, a large room and toilets. The basement has an exterior entrance on the east side.

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6. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1849**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

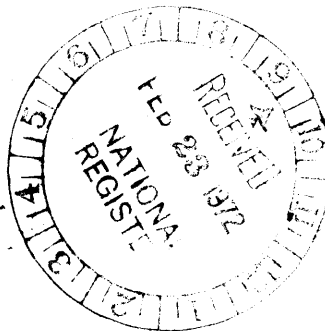
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Zion church, used since its erection as a house for religious services, reflects in its architecture, stern tenets of the presbyterian community for which it was built. Its decoration is limited to such structural adornment as its stepped gables, but it is representative of the sound and stable community of means that built it.

Descendants of John Knox migrated from Ireland and Scotland to South Carolina in 1731. In 1805-6 eleven families moved westward to Maury County, Tennessee. They organized and built Zion Presbyterian Church in 1807 on their 5,120 acres of land purchased from the heirs of Gen. Nathaniel Greene, who received 25,000 acres now in Maury County for his services in the Revolutionary War. Here these pioneer settlers erected their homes and built a church. The first building of logs served six years, the second of brick served until 1849, when this church was completed at a cost of seven thousand dollars. It has served as a religious and social center of the community to the present time.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Highsaw, Mary W. "A History of Zion Community in Maury County, 1806-1860," Tennessee Historical Quarterly, Vol. 5, March, 1946, p. 3-34.

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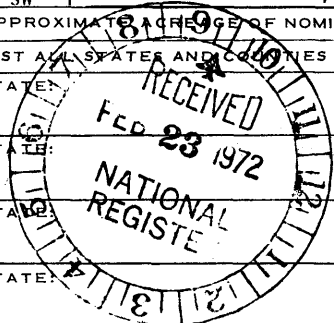
10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	35	0	35
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	56	0	87
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"	42	0	08
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"			

APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **5**

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
May Dean Eberling, Director of Programs

ORGANIZATION: **Tennessee Historical Commission** DATE: **2-8-72**

STREET AND NUMBER:
403 7th Avenue, North

CITY OR TOWN: **Nashville** STATE: **Tennessee** CODE: **047**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 Herbert L. Harper
Herbert L. Harper
 Director of Field Services
 Title Tennessee Historical Commission

Date 2/8/72

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

Robert M. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 6/13/72

ATTEST:
William J. Swartz
 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____