

ARCHITECTURAL/HISTORICAL SURVEY

DAVENPORT, IOWA

The Architects Office

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 801 day building, Iowa city, Iowa 52240

DAVENPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
 IOWA DIVISION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SITE # 82-10- 4-W2202 MAP # 2

HIST. DIST. _____

NAME First Bible Missionary Church H (C)

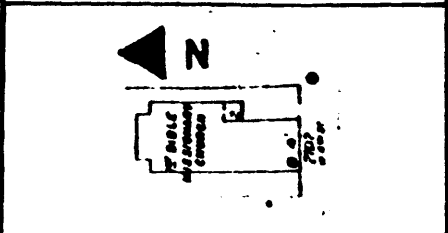
ADDRESS 2202 W. ^{4th} Fourth Street

LEGAL DES. Wallace's Subd. 2 1
SUB-DIVISION BLOCK PARCEL SUB-PARCEL

UTM 3 15 619,9310 4,599,420 ACREAGE -1 ZONE R-4D
EASTING NORTHING

OWNER First Bible Missionary Church
412 N. Pine St., Davenport, IA 52802

TITLE H. _____
 (IF DIFF) _____



SITE SHEET

DESCRIPTION

FORM cross-gable church w/entrance tower in re-entrant angle CONST. DATE 1902
 MATERIALS Brick on rockfaced stone basement ARCH STYLE _____
 FENESTRATION Variously segmental, round & depressed arches
 DIST. FEATURES Stained glass windows in sanctuary
 ALTERATIONS Concrete staircase in front of main entrance steps
 SITE & RELATED STR. Corner site in late 19th-early 20th century residential neighborhood

STATEMENT

Unlike many churches included in this survey, the First Bible Missionary Church is not grandly ornamental nor clearly definable in terms of style. Rather, it represents the architecture of the city's smaller, less ceremonial denominations whose budgets would not allow construction of great edifices. Originally built as the Berea Congregational Church, this building is characterized by plain surfaces and clean, sharp lines. Decoration is limited to narrow, molded string-courses and stained glass windows. The variety of window shapes provides additional interest. The early 20th century date of construction is stylistically expressed in the use of short cornice returns, pedimented roof dormer and palladian-like arrangement of windows on the east side, all derived from the turn of the century Neoclassicism.

ARCHITECTURE

SOURCES

Downer, Harry E., History of Davenport and Scott County, Iowa, Chicago: S.J. Clarke, 1910. Vol. I, p. 614

FINANCE

This building is associated with a minor protestant congregation in the community. It played no statewide religious role and had no important religious leaders associated with it.

HISTORY

DESCRIPTION

Berea Congregational Church was organized in 1909 as the result of the merger of two other congregational churches - German Congregational Church and Bethlehem Congregational Mission. Berea remained a small west end, neighborhood church.

SOURCES

"Davenport churches Have Eminent Part in City's History," "Centennial and Fiftieth Anniversary Edition," Davenport Times, July 11, 1936.

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EVALUATION

ARCHITECTURAL

- I. ARCH. EVALUATION Good
- II. ENVIR. STATURE Focus
- III. INT. OF CONTEXT Good
- IV. INT. OF FABRIC Excellent

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- NAT. STATE LOCAL N. ELIG.

HISTORICAL

I. THEME(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE:

- A. PRIMARY Religion
- B. SECONDARY Congregational

II. LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

- NAT. STATE LOCAL

III. N.R.H.P.

- ELIGIBLE NOT ELIGIBLE

HISTORIC DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION

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| NOT ELIGIBLE FOR N.R.H.P. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| B. FEDERAL REVIEW | APP. <input type="checkbox"/> | DISAPP. <input type="checkbox"/> | TABLED <input type="checkbox"/> | DATE _____ |

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