

Historic name: <u>Oak Grove Methodist Church</u> Common name: <u>Oak Grove Methodist Church</u> Address: <u>Pinhook Ferry Road</u> <u>vicinity of Ten Mile, Tennessee</u> Owner's name: <u>Holston Conference-United</u> Owner's address: <u>Methodist Church, 1111 North-</u> <u>shore Blvd., Knoxville, TN</u> Classification: <u>Building-private</u> 37919 Tax map reference: <u>Dist. 3, Map 19, Parcel 19</u> Acreage: <u>2.13 acres</u> UTM reference: <u>Zone 16 N3945260</u> <u>E701940</u>	STATUS	Open to public: Yes ___ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted ___ Visible from road: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ___ Occupied: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ___ Present use: <u>Religious</u> Current condition: <u>Good</u> Alterations: <u>Frame addition made to rear</u> <u>elevation ca. 1965. Original foundation</u> <u>replaced by concrete blocks.</u> Site features: <u>N/A</u>
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Date of construction: <u>ca. 1890</u> Architect/builder: <u>unknown</u> Original or previous owners: <u>Oak Grove</u> <u>Methodist Church Congregation</u> Original use: <u>Religious</u> Theme/s: Primary <u>Architecture</u> Secondary <u>N/A</u> Other <u>N/A</u>	SOURCES	Bibliographical data: <u>Lillard, Stewart. Meigs County, Tennessee.</u> <u>Interview with Nora Armour, Meigs County,</u> <u>Tennessee, March 12, 1979.</u> Form prepared by: <u>Ann Toplovich</u> Title: <u>Cultural Resource Surveyor</u> Organization: <u>Tennessee Historical Commission</u> Date: <u>8/11/81</u>
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The Oak Grove Methodist Church, built ca. 1890, is a rectangular shaped frame building with a weatherboarded exterior, concrete block foundation, and metal gable roof. A small frame addition, ca. 1965, is attached to the rear of the church. The facade (south elevation) of the church is 3 bays wide. The central bay is an enclosed gabled entrance porch with a double leaf panelled door and a lancet arched transom with y-tracery. A belltower with bellcast pyramidal roof covered with shakes surmounts the entrance porch. The belltower has louvered rectangular openings on all four sides, a circular opening in front, and is topped by a finial. To each side of the entrance is a lancet window with y-tracery. The church is 3 bays deep with lancet windows like those of the facade on both the east and west elevation. The lancet windows, entrance, and belltower of the church reflect a Gothic Revival influence.

The Oak grove Methodist Church, built ca. 1890, is one of the best preserved, least altered of Meigs County's rural churches. Located in the community of Peakland, the church is one of the few buildings still standing in the settlement Brinkley Hornsby attempted to develop as a town ca. 1820 as an experiment in land speculation. The Oak Grove Methodist Church is an excellent example of the type of church built by a small but prosperous rural congregation. Furthermore, it is the only example of Victorian Gothic period ecclesiastical architecture in the county. Although religious structures are ordinarily not considered eligible for the National Register, the primary significance of the Oak Grove Methodist Church is architecture, thereby qualifying the church for the Register.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

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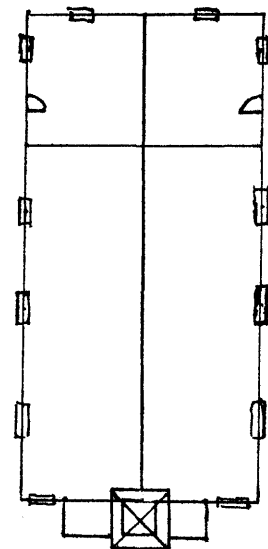
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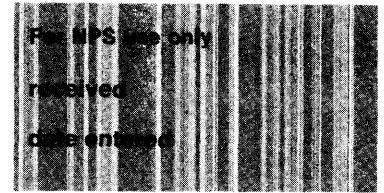
CONTINUATION

SITE PLAN - Include North Arrow



**United States Department of the Interior
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MEIGS COUNTY MULTIPLE RESOURCE NOMINATION - Oak Grove Methodist Church (#4)

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

4. The boundaries shown on the map conform to the dimensions of the lot occupied by the church, consisting of 2.13 acres.

Historic Resources of Meigs County,
Tennessee
(Partial Inventory: Historic and
Architectural Resources)

OAK GROVE METHODIST CHURCH (#4)

