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DATA SHEET

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

****** SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC *Cumberland*
Pleasant Mount, Presbyterian Church *see letter 9-1-77*
AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER *SP of Columbia off 2000*
Route 6 (Glendale) NOT FOR PUBLICATION
CITY, TOWN *Columbia* VICINITY OF *Sixth*
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
STATE *Tennessee* CODE *47* COUNTY *Maury* CODE *119*

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Pleasant Mount Presbyterian Church
STREET & NUMBER Route 6, Glendale
CITY, TOWN *Columbia* VICINITY OF *Tennessee*
STATE

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Maury County Courthouse
STREET & NUMBER
CITY, TOWN *Columbia* STATE *Tennessee*

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
DATE
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE
FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Pleasant Mount Cumberland Presbyterian Church is located at the top of a tree-studded knoll above Fountain Creek, a short distance east of the Glendale community. Designed in the popular Gothic Revival style, this church was built in 1899 by a Franklin contractor, Mr. Fisher, to replace the former 1868 frame church which was dismantled. The main facade wall faces west and the iron fenced church graveyard is located in the right side yard. The former parsonage constructed in 1906 was torn down about 1965, and replaced by the present manse. The one story concrete block addition built adjacent to the rear wall of the church structure was added to replace the old parsonage Sunday School rooms. This structure was erected in 1960. Entrances to this building are located on the east wall.

The Pleasant Mount Cumberland Presbyterian Church has been carefully maintained and preserved in its original design. The interior design and furnishings are original to the building. The three by five bay design featuring bilateral symmetry, clasping buttress, pier and spandrel delineation serves to emphasize the crisp line, handsome proportioning, and compact design. The decorated end gable is the main facade. Common bond pattern, manufactured red brick structural bearing walls are constructed on rock faced limestone plinth forming the foundation walls. The structure has been reinforced by iron tie rods run through the gable ends. Star shaped anchors are attached at the front facade. The steeply pitched gable roof is clad with shingle design, pressed galvanized tin roof cladding. As a distinctive feature, the main facade has a centered projecting vestibule entrance and bell cast gable roof over the double door entrance. The doorway is punctuated by a lancet shape transom divided into two sections and banded with rectangular shape colored lights. A large wheel window located above the entrance is repeated in the design of the lancet shape windows at either side of the entrance. The lintel arches feature diamond shape stone voussoirs. The masonry lug sills and wood moldings have been painted white to accent the conformation of the decorative elements to the overall design.

The interior design is enhanced by a contrast of textures effected by the plain white plaster finish walls and the natural oak finished woodwork of the lowered ceilings, oak floors, wood wainscot, panel doors and oak windows enframements. The plan is composed of one large, rectangular-shaped room with a centered vestibule entrance and side doors leading to the center and side aisles, formed by the alignment of the curved shape oak pews, arranged in rows facing the rear wall. The raised platform centered at the back wall contains the pulpit and altar. The dias is divided by oak balustrades which feature lath turned balusters and corner posts.

Jewel-colored natural light filters through the large lancet shape sash windows located across the three wall elevations. The rear wall behind the dias is windowless. There are four bilateral set single lancet windows symmetrically spaced across each aisle side. These windows are set in rectangular shape enframements. The sashes are banded by jewel-colored clear glass lights which border the opaque glass lancet shape center light. The paired lancet shape sashes at either side of the entrance are patterned after the old plate tracery designs of thirteenth-century Gothic style English churches. The spandrel section carries the wheel window and the paired lancet shape lights are set apart by the Y-shape mullion panel. These windows are encased by heavy carved oak torus and bolection moldings. The cast brass door hardware is original.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1899

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Pleasant Mount Cumberland Presbyterian Church was built in 1899. The church was formed in 1868 by the union of the Hebron and Silver Creek Churches. The history of these groups goes back to 1809 when the Cumberland congregations were first organized in Tennessee. The land on the hillside overlooking Fountain Creek Mill was donated by Mr. Thomas Whitaker and the first church was built where the present church stands in 1868. This church derives its name from the serene rural setting.

The first Presbyterian Church was organized in Columbia in 1810. The Cumberland group, a name derived from the frontier west of the Cumberland mountains, met and became established in Dickson County, Tennessee, on February 4, 1810. The "Cumberland Council" or "Cumberland Party" met at the McCains Campground in Maury County in 1809. The first Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Maury County was organized in Maury County in 1810 at McCains. In the early 1840s a part of the McCains Church, the Hebron Church formed and met two miles west of Glendale. In 1842 the Silver Creek Society of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church met at the old United Meeting House in Maury County and after 1865 this group started meeting in the frame church at Glendale. These two congregations originated from the campground meetings held at McCains and the first Cumberland Presbyterian congregations formed in Maury County.

The first Pleasant Mount Cumberland Presbyterian Church was built of frame construction. The first story became a school for the children of this area. It was called the Mount Pleasant Academy. The second story of the building was the church. After thirty years, this building became inadequate for the growing congregation. The school was moved elsewhere and the church building was torn down in 1899. As this church was dismantled, a cornerstone was laid for the present church building and the materials were sold and the profits were used to furnish the new church. The new building was dedicated in 1906. Mr. Fisher of Franklin was contracted to build the brick church for a fee of \$3,000. The design provided seating for 400 persons. This church has been maintained through the years and it has remained unchanged since its beginning. Services are celebrated twice every Sunday by the resident pastor and his congregation.

A parsonage was built in 1906 and it became the residence of a full-time pastor. After 1929 this property was first rented and later turned into a Sunday School building. The concrete block construction, the Education Annex, was built adjacent to the east elevation of the brick church in 1960. Five years later the old 1906 building was torn down and replaced by the new manse.

The earliest marked grave in the adjoining graveyard is that of a Civil War veteran who died in 1870. There are many other Civil War veterans buried among the old stone markers which list the names of various persons who settled in this area.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 A History of the Pleasant Mount Presbyterian Church-1868-1968, an unpublished manuscript
 Garrett, Jill. "Pleasant Mount on Fountain Creek" The Daily Herald, Columbia, Tennessee
 November 17, 1973.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Gail Hammerquist, Architectural Historian

ORGANIZATION

Tennessee Historical Commission

DATE

March 1976

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Nashville

STATE

Tennessee

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Herbert E. Hooper

TITLE

Executive Director, Tennessee Historical Commission

DATE

8/24/76

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Charles A. ...

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

8/16/77

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

8-12-77

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The Pleasant Mount Cumberland Presbyterian Church is an effective illustration of the Gothic Revival style church architecture built during the latter part of the nineteenth century. The simplicity of this design addresses itself to the Gothic Revival style in its simplest form. The architecture and furnishings of the church have been maintained and preserved in their original form since the church was dedicated in 1900.