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STATE		VICINITY OF	COUNTY	CODE
Oklahoma		40	Latimer	077
CLASSIFIC	CATION			
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRES	ENTUSE
DISTRICT	PUBLIC		AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	_XPRIVATE		COMMERCIAL	PARK
STRUCTURE	BOTH	WORK IN PROGRESS	EDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDEN
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	XRELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	X YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL MILITARY	TRANSPORTATION
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## 7' DESCRIPTION

#### CONDITION

EXCELLENT	DETERIORATED	UNALTERED		SITE	
X_GOOD	RUINS	XALTERED	MOVED	DATE	
FAIR	UNEXPOSED				

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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The Cupco Free Will Baptist Church is a rectangular 35 feet by 25 feet single story wood structure. The gabled roof supports a small wood bell tower toward the front gable. A smaller gabled-roof porch with square-post supports shelters the main entrance. There are four equally spaced sash windows on either side of the building. A small sign on the porch pediment identifies the church. Tar (asbestos) siding covers the original wood siding. A rectangular wing at right angles and to the rear of the original structure are currently under construction giving the building a T shape. Extensive interior renovation has been done over the years. The glass double doors replace the original wood doors.



				Indian History
<u>X</u> 1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	INDUSTRY	-POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	XOTHER (SPECIFY)
<u>X</u> 1800-1899	COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	TRANSPORTATION
	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER
1600-1699	ARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS		SCULPTURE
1400-1499	ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	CONSERVATION	LAW	SCIENCE
PREHISTORIC	ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	XRELIGION

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Cupco Church, built in 1889, is one of Southeast Oklahoma's oldest continuously functioning churches. It was built by Methodist missionaries, instrumental agents in the forceful accomodation of the Choctaws to white culture. By 1889 when the church was built, it was already assumed that the Choctaws were assimilated into the Christian religion. The Choctaw Nation maintained the church for tribal members of the Methodist faith until 1914. At that time the building and grounds were sold to the Oklahoma Free Will Baptist Association. In spite of, or perhaps because of, denominational change, most of the approximately fifty member congregation are Choctaw. Construction underway gives some indication that the group is thriving, continuing the long process of propagating the Christian faith among Native Americans.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

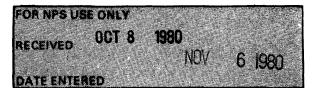
Interview, Jack Mauser, Wilburton, OK, June 19, 1979 The Promoter, Free Will Baptist Newsletter, April, 1979, Vol. 46, No. 39.

	UTM NOT VERIFIED
<b>10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA</b>	ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED
ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 acre	
QUADRANGLE NAME Yanush, OK	QUADRANGLE SCALE 7.5'
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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION	
Within the SE $1/4$ , SW $1/4$ , SE $1/4$ ,	of Sec 28, T 3N, R 19E
LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PRO	PERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES
STATE CODE	COUNTY CODE
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<b>11</b> FORM PREPARED BY	
NAME / TITLE	
	l by Dr. Annetta L. Cheek
ORGANIZATION Oklahoma Historic Preservation Surv	DATE
STREET & NUMBER	vey August, 1979 TELEPHONE
Oklahoma State University	(405) 624–5678
CITY OR TOWN	STATE
Stillwater	ОК
12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVAT	ION OFFICER CERTIFICATION E OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:
-	the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I onal Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the rvice.
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE	Denn Jurden
TITLE	DATE 4/10/80
FOR NPS USE ONLY I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLU Beth Grouperty	DED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER DATE 4/4/40
ATTEST:	DATE
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION	

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### Verbal boundary description

From the road intersection in the SE corner of section 28 proceed west along unpaved road for 400 meters. Turn right and proceed north for 60 meters and establish point A. Proceed 10 meters further north, turn left 90 degrees to the west and proceed 10 meters, turn left again 90 degrees and proceed south 10 meters, turn 90 degrees to the left again and proceed 10 meters east to point A.