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KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # Be-296
Boone County

1. Name of Resource: Big Bone Methodist Church

2. Original Owner: Big Bone Methodist Church

3. Other Names: none

4. Prehistoric Site Building X Object
Historic Site Structure Other

5. Location: 3435 Beaver Road
Union, KY

6. Owner's Name: Mark Sorrell []

7. Owner's Address: 3422 Beaver Road, Union, KY 41091

8. Evaluation: National Register []

9. Recognition & Date:
Nat.Landmark _____ Local Landmark _____
Nat.Register _____ HABS/HAER _____
Highway Marker _____ KY Inventory 1977
KY Landmark Certificate _____

10. N.R.Status & Date: _____

11. N.R.Group:
District Name: []
Mult.Resource Area: Boone County []
Thematic Name: []

12. Historical Theme:
Primary: Architecture []
Secondary: []
Other: []

13. Statement of Significance:
This property is significant under criterion C as a good example of vernacular architecture, significant to Boone County in the period 1880-1930. The building is notable for its vernacular interpretation of ornamental devices from the Gothic Revival and Queen Anne styles and of traditional church form in the area: nave plan, []

14. History: rectangular gable form, gable-front facade.

16. Date: Original Building 1888* []
Addition []

17. Style: Gothic Revival []
Queen Anne []

18. Architect/Builder: unknown

19. No. of Stories: one []

20. Original Floor Plan: nave []

21. Single Pile Double Pile N.A. X

22. Roof Form & Material: Original X
gable/asph. shingle Not Original

23. Structural Material: wood frame []

24. Exterior Material: weatherboard []

25. Foundation Material: fieldstone []

26. Major Alterations: None X
Moved/Rebuilt Other

Additions

27. Special Features: two stories of windows rather than one

28. Outbuildings: none []

29. Original Function: church []

30. Present Use: church []

31. Condition: excellent []

32. Endangered: Yes _____
No X

33. Attach Photos: Roll: 10 Photo Nos: 33-34 No. of Slides: _____

The congregation was organized in 1887, serving the community known as Big Bone, known since the 18th century for local deposits of prehistoric animal remains. The first minister of the church was the Reverend George Froh, a German veteran of the Civil War.

15. Source of historical information and/or contact person:
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34. Prepared by: Kenneth T. Gibbs
35. Organization: Boone Co.Hist.Pres.Rev.Brd.
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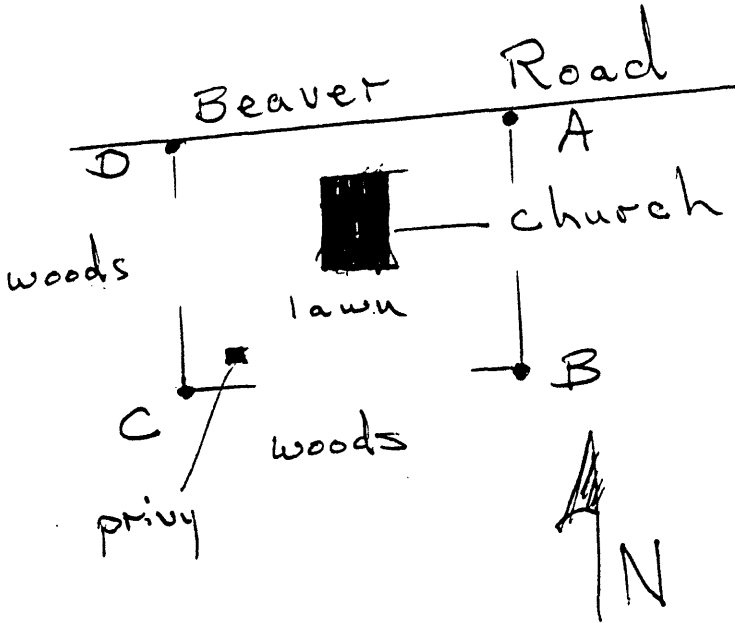
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 Quadrant: Rising Sun 16 695060 4306600 40. Coordi.Accuracy []

41. UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):

A. _____ D. _____
 B. _____ E. _____
 C. _____ F. _____

42. Total Acreage in Present Property: .215 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary: .215

44. Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):



The nominated property occupies tax parcel 31-48 and is roughly 125' x 75' in size. The boundary includes the building and sufficient acreage, marked on two sides by lines of woods, to provide a setting. The privy is also included.

Contributing: 2 buildings

45. Description and House Plan:

The simple gable-front building features a regular, tiered placement of pointed-arch windows, four bays on the two sides and three bays on the front and back. Part of the interior, above the door, is occupied by a balcony. All the windows are double-hung sash, consisting of opaque glass surrounded by small panes of colored glass. A semioctagonal, one-story bay projects beyond the plane of the wall in the center of the rear of the building. The foundation is quarried stone in even courses, topped with a projecting wooden water table. The chief decorative detail, drawn from the Queen Anne style, is in the front, ornament and the gabled hood over the door, built of chamfered wooden elements and filled with panels pierced with delicate stems and leaf shapes. The space between the building and the higher elevation of the roadway has been paved with concrete to encourage water runoff. There is a small wooden privy to the southwest of the church, built at about the same time as the church.

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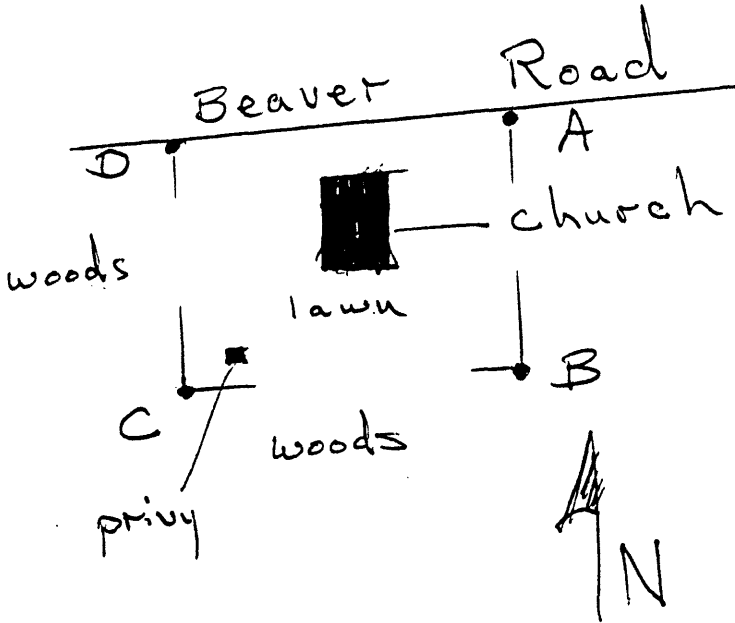
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