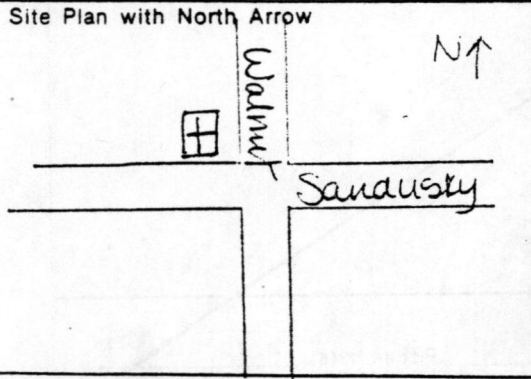



OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

No. CHP-520- County Champaign Location of Negatives Village of Mechanicsburg		4. Present Name(s) (Mechanicsburg MRA) Mechanicsburg Baptist Church 5. Other Name(s) Methodist Protestant Church		PHOTOS 11-13 LG. MAP BLDG. G	
Specific Location NW corner of Walnut & Sandusky		16. Thematic Category religion		28. No. of Stories 1	
City or Town Mechanicsburg		17. Date(s) or Period 1890		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Site Plan with North Arrow 		18. Style or Design Gothic Revival influences		30. Foundation Material stone	
U.T.M. Reference 7 28 18 60 44 38 58 10		19. Architect or Engineer not known		31. Wall Construction brick	
Name Easting Northing Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>		20. Contractor or Builder not known		32. Roof Type & Material gable/slate	
On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		21. Original Use, if apparent church		33. No. of Bays Front 8 Side 3	
Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Present Use church		34. Wall Treatment - brick common bond	
Name of Established District N/A		23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		35. Plan Shape irregular	
12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Free Will Baptist Church Sandusky St., Mech. 43044		36. Changes (Explain in #42) N/A Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		37. Condition Interior unknown Exterior good	
26. Local Contact Person or Organization Dohron Wilson		27. Other Surveys in Which Included NA		38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary) Handsome building with some outstanding details including the corbelled brickwork and ornamental roof cresting. Other features include the stained glass windows, stone trim and the corner bell tower. It is virtually unaltered.				39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
History and Significance The Methodist Episcopal Church congregation split in the early 1850s over the issue of slavery. The Methodist Protestant Church was formed at that time. The church they built in 1853 was demolished in 1890 for the construction of this church which served the congregation until they reunited with the United Methodist Church. It was sold to the Mechanicsburg Baptist Church at that time. This is one of the finest and		40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		41. Distance from and Frontage on Road —	
Description of Environment and Outbuildings least altered buildings in Mechanicsburg. (over) It is located on a corner lot in a residential area west of the commercial business district.		Sources of Information Dohron Wilson, local historian Ware, History of Mechanicsburg, 1905		46. Prepared by N. Recchie	
				47. Organization B. D. Rickey & Co.	
				48. Date 6/84	
				49. Revision Date(s)	

1. County
 2. Present Name(s)
 3. Other Name(s)
 4. Present Name(s)
 5. Other Name(s)

51. Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies

Barn Type(s):

Code No. Type

- Corn Crib or Shed
- Smoke House
- Summer Kitchen
- Spring House or Ice House
- Carrage House

Other _____

52. Archaeological Site on Property?

- Yes
- No

Basis for Information

- Owner Collection
- Above Ground Earthworks or Mound
- Cultural Materials Noted
- OAI No. _____

54. Photo

Roll No. _____ Picture No(s). _____

42. Conto.



It features the finest decorative brickwork found in the community. The stained glass windows, and belfry are also notable. This building is located on a prominent corner location and is an important visual landmark in the neighborhood.

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Prepared by _____
 Date _____
 Organization _____
 B.D. Ricker & Co.
 48 Dow _____

Mechanicsburg Baptist Church
NW corner of Sandusky & Walnut Streets

Significance Statement

This building meets criterion C. It is an outstanding example of late 19th century eclecticism in Mechanicsburg. Of the five churches included in the nomination, this building features the most interesting detailing including: extensive use of corbelled brickwork, decorative stone trim, polychrome slate roof, ornamental roof cresting, carved woodwork and stained glass. It also features the pointed arch windows from the Gothic Revival style. This building is a true visual landmark in Mechanicsburg.

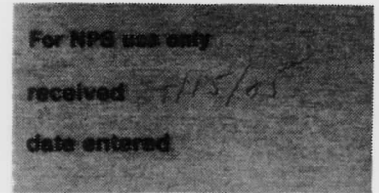
Acreage

Less than one acre.

EASTERN 1/2 LOT # 460

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 2 of 3

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Mechanicsburg Multiple Resource Area
State Champaign County, OHIO

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Lowler's Tavern

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 8/29/85

Attest

12. Magruder Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 8/29/85

Attest

13. Masonic Temple

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National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 8/29/85

Attest

14. Mechanicsburg Baptist
Church

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 8/29/85

Attest

15. Mechanicsburg Commercial
Historic District

Substantive Review

for Keeper

Patrick Andrews - Accept 8/29/85

Attest

16. Ninchelser, Dr., House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Melrose Byers 8/29/85

Attest

17. Rathburn, Levi, House

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National Register

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Attest

18. Second Baptist Church

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Attest

19. St. Michael Catholic Church

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

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20. United Methodist Church

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Mechanicsburg Baptist Church (Mechanicsburg
MRA)
Champaign County
OHIO

Working No. JUL 15 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86
Date Due: 8/15/85 8/29/85
Action: ACCEPT 8-29-85
 RETURN
 REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Entered in the
National Register

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
		<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____

date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Champaign County, Ohio
Mechanicsburg Multiple Resources
N. Recchie, Benj. D. Rickey & Co.
391 Library Park South, Cols., Oh
7/84

Mechanicsburg Baptist Church
NW corner Sandusky & Walnut
south (facade) and east elevation
Photo #11 *Bldg. G*



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Mechanicsburg Baptist Church
NW corner Sandusky & Walnut
detail of decorative brickwork on facade
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

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