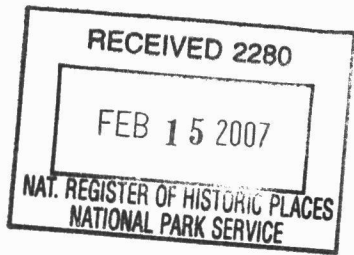


(Rev. 10-90)
NPS Form 10-900



OMB No. 1024-0018

United States Department of the Interior
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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Bluemont Presbyterian Church and Cemetery
other names/site number 070-5044

2. Location

street & number Blue Ridge Parkway, Mile Post #192 not for publication _____
city or town Fancy Gap vicinity X
state Virginia code VA county Patrick code 141 Zip 24328

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination _____ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide X locally. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 2/12/2007
Signature of certifying official Date

Virginia Department of Historic Resources
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register
____ See continuation sheet.
____ determined eligible for the National Register
____ See continuation sheet.
____ determined not eligible for the National Register
____ removed from the National Register
____ other (explain): _____

Signature of Keeper [Signature]

Date of Action 3/30/2007

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	buildings
<u> 1 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	sites
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	structures
<u> 0 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	objects
<u> 2 </u>	<u> 0 </u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
Reverend Robert Childress Presbyterian Rock Churches, MPD

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Religion Sub: religious facility
 funerary cemetery

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Religion Sub: religious facility
 funerary cemetery

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

 Gothic Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation concrete
roof asphalt
walls stone
other wood

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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7. Summary and Site

Bluemont Church and cemetery occupy 2.0 acres on the south side of the Blue Ridge Parkway, which is a unit of the National Park Service, and just to the east Willis Gap. The land surrounding the church and cemetery is owned by the Park Service. The church is in northern Patrick County, within a few hundred feet of the Carroll County line, which follows the parkway through the immediate vicinity of the church. Between the church and the parkway is a split-rail fence. The cemetery begins immediately southwest of the church.

Description

Bluemont Church is a small edifice sited on the south side of the Blue Ridge Parkway, with its rear elevation facing toward the parkway. Besides its natural quartz and quartzite stone facing, the main character element of the church is the Gothic styled bell tower on its north (rear) elevation. The tower is semi-hexagonal, with three sides facing outward and a back side, and has triangular-headed louvered openings on the three outward sides. It has no other openings. The church is entered from the south elevation, through a shallow, gable-roof entrance portico, and a vestibule appendage that is neither as tall or as wide as the sanctuary. The portico, vestibule and sanctuary all have front-gable roofs covered with new, brown-colored asphalt shingles. The church has a total of six windows—three tall, triangular-headed, stained-glass windows on each long side of the sanctuary. Between the windows and at both ends of the long elevations are shallow stone buttresses that tapered inward toward the top, terminating near the top of the walls. The interior of the church has a nave plan with pews facing the rear of the church, is plainly decorated, and has sheetrock walls and ceiling, painted white. A white marble cornerstone reads, “Bluemont Presbyterian Church, 1919.”

Situated to the southwest of the church is the church cemetery of perhaps one hundred graves with mostly modern, granite markers. Bluemont Cemetery is perhaps the most impressive of the Rock Churches, with a large number of closely-spaced, robust, ashlar masonry pillars and heavy, painted steel chains between them. The cemetery is nearly as old as the church and thus is considered a contributing site for the purposes of this nomination. •

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions) Religion, Social History, Architecture

Period of Significance 1919-1956

Significant Dates 1919; 1946

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above) N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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8. Statement of Significance

Summary and Justification

Bluemont Presbyterian Church is one of the six Childress rock-faced churches located in the Virginia counties of Floyd, Carroll, and Patrick, built between 1919 and the early 1950s by Presbyterian minister Robert W. Childress. The six churches are significant in their embodiment of Appalachian patterns of Presbyterian religious worship and Presbyterian social activism in western Virginia. The churches also tell the story of the remarkable ministry of Robert W. Childress, who brought spiritual faith and social awakening to the people of the central portion of the Blue Ridge Province in Virginia. As such, Bluemont Church is significant under Criterion A in the areas of Religion and Social History, and under Criterion C for its unique architecture. The period of significance is from 1919, the year of its construction, to 1956, the year of Robert Childress's death.

Historical Background

Bluemont Presbyterian, on the border between Patrick and Carroll Counties, was built in 1919 eight miles southwest of Buffalo Mountain and rock-faced in 1946 shortly after Bob Childress assumed the pastorate there at the close of World War II. Rev. Roy Smith, Childress's mentor by 1919, preached the first Presbyterian sermons near Bluemont at Pilot View and Rome School houses beginning in 1915. In 1918 the Abingdon Presbytery promised \$500 for a church building, provided that worshipers would raise an equal amount. The wood-frame Bluemont Presbyterian Church was ready for use in the spring of 1920, and the church was organized in September 1920 with G. E. Willis as elder and James A. Vass as deacon. Granville "Ernest" Willis owned the first automobile in the region and traveled to Presbytery sessions in southwest Virginia and to Richmond to represent Bluemont. Ernest Willis's daughter Polly Willis, later Polly Willis Cock, and Vida Bowman taught Sunday school at Bluemont when Bob Childress became pastor in 1945.

Polly Willis Cock remembers when Bob Childress approached her father, Elder Ernest Willis, about rock-facing Bluemont. Childress asked the Sunday school teachers Polly Willis and Vida Bowman to write letters to church members to solicit funds for the project. In September 1945 Childress wrote Polly Willis and Vida Bowman that he was beginning to receive pledges. The

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next month Childress thanked both women for their funding efforts to rock-face Bluemont, pledged \$100 of his own to each of their subscription lists, and closed with the following:

Please make it plain to those approached, that we expect to finish regardless of what they give but that you want them to have a part in it for their own sakes as well as for the cause. Let them also know that those who desire to work can work out their pledges and we expect to begin hauling stones within a few days, weeks at most. We will need a lot of helpers for that.

Vida Bowman remembers that when her husband came home from World War II in December 1945, he began helping haul fieldstones to Bluemont. He collected field rock from Ed Gardner's place. Cecil Cock, who married Polly Willis two years later, brought one of his favorite quartz rocks and still remembers its placement in the Bluemont stone facing.

Bluemont Church received a scenic easement with the Blue Ridge Parkway in October 1937, which stipulated that church buildings could not be erected or altered without Park Services consent and approval. Polly Willis Cock remembers that several times a Park ranger would ask Childress to stop the alterations at Bluemont. Childress would tell the workers to stop, but then would have them resume as soon as the ranger left. Polly remembers Childress saying, "I don't care what they say, we will finish rocking this church even if we have to work on it at midnight." In disregard of the Park Service scenic easement, Bluemont Church was rock-faced in 1946 under the supervision of Sam Branscome, who had learned rock laying in Tennessee.

During the ten years of his pastorate at Bluemont, Bob Childress installed a Delco Battery System that provided electric lights and public address system with outside speakers that broadcast music and church services for several miles. He also employed perhaps the first use of church busses in the area to transport children to Sunday school and vacation Bible school.¹

Endnote

1. This information on the Childress pastorate at Bluemont is drawn from Randle Brim, *Simple Pleasures*, July 2004. Brim has made excellent use of primary source interviews he conducted with Polly Willis Cock and Vida Bowman. The two women have retained personal letters from Rev. Childress and are grateful that he encouraged their leadership in the church. Brim also reported that Childress invited the choir from Clark's Creek Primitive Baptist Church, a black congregation, to sing at Bluemont and another of the Childress churches. Brim, *Simple Pleasures*, February 2005.

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Primary Location of Additional Data

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: Virginia Department of Historic Resources

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 2 acres

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing				
1.	17	538086	4056857	2.	17	538150	4056849	3.	17	538132	4056714	4.	17	538058	4056742

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title: Randle Brim, John Kern, and Michael Pulice
 Organization: Virginia Department of Historic Resources date December, 2005
 street & number: 1030 Penmar Ave SE telephone 540-857-7586
 city or town Roanoke state VA zip code 24013

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Rev. Stuart Lee Childress (contact)
 street & number 30 Lynn Drive telephone _____
 city or town Ararat state VA zip code 24053

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.).

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10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nominated parcel includes only the church and cemetery and the immediate grounds around them, as shown on the accompanying GIS-produced aerial image. The following UTM points designate the boundary polygon as it is being nominated: 1. 17 538086 4056857
2. 17 538150 4056849 3. 17 538132 4056714 4. 17 538058 4056742

Boundary Justification

The nominated boundary corresponds exactly to that of the original church and cemetery parcel.

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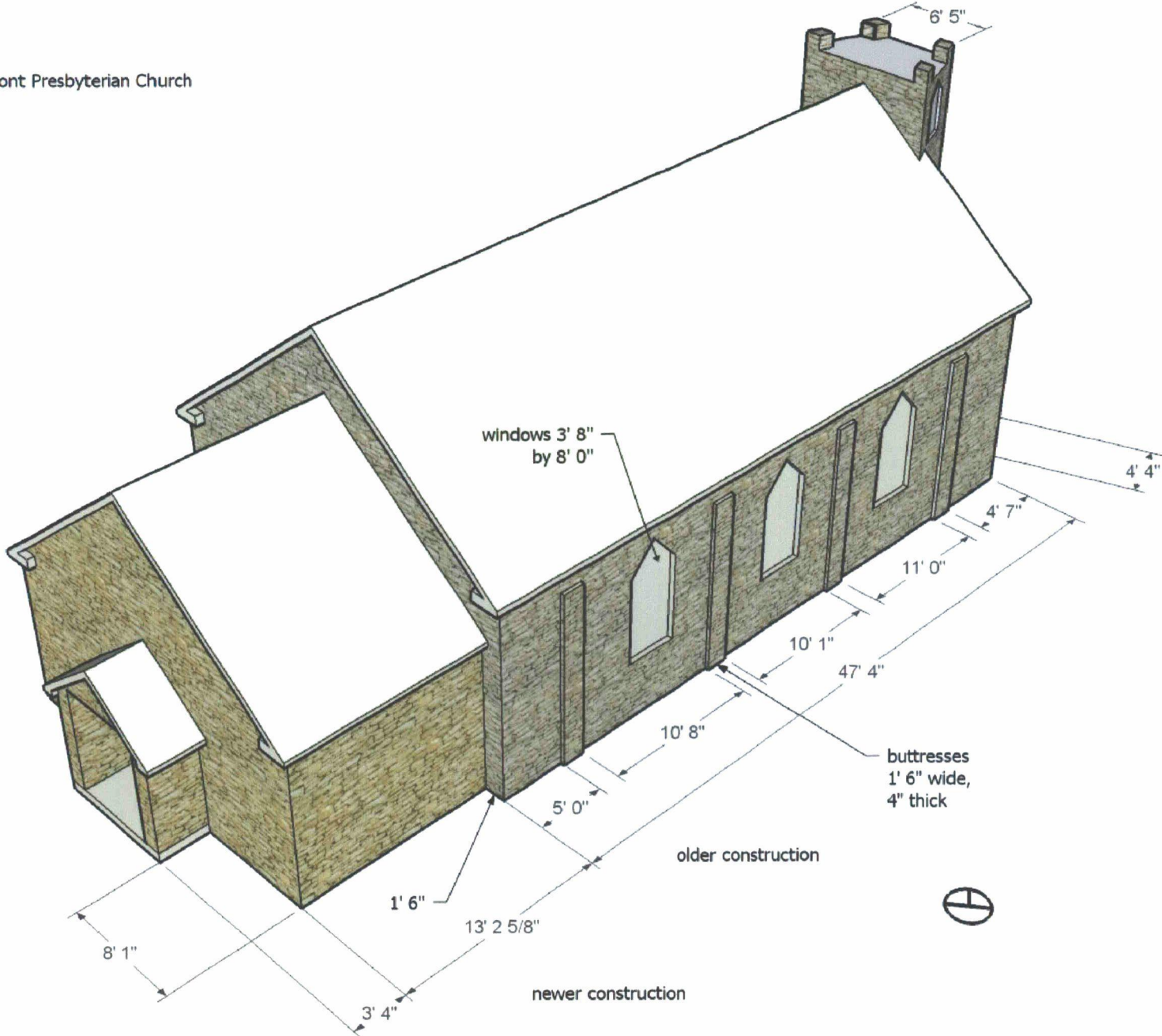
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Photographs

Bluemont Presbyterian Church (DHR #070-5044)
Patrick County, Virginia
Date: December 2005
Photographer: Michael J. Pulice
Negative No. 22020

1. Church, principal (south) facade.
2. Church, facing southeast.
3. Church and cemetery, facing southwest.
4. Church and split-rail fence, as seen from the Blue Ridge Parkway.
5. Church and cemetery, facing northeast.
6. Cemetery, facing southeast.
7. Church interior, facing rear of sanctuary.
8. Church interior, view of windows and pews.
9. Church interior, detail view of window.
10. Church cornerstone.
11. Church, facing west.

Bluemont Presbyterian Church



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Name of Property

County and State

Section number _____ Page _____

Name of multiple property listing (if applicable)

SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 07000224 Date Listed: 3/30/2007

Property Name: Bluemont Presbyterian Church and Cemetery County: Patrick State: VA

Reverend Robert Childress Presbyterian Churches MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrus
Signature of the Keeper

3/30/2007
Date of Action

=====
Amended Items in Nomination:

This SLR is issued to make a technical correction to the registration form. In Section 5 (Category of Property) two property categories are checked, while the instructions call for choosing only one. The form is amended to show the category of the nominated property is Building, the main resource.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file**
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)**

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Bluemont Presbyterian Church and Cemetery

MULTIPLE NAME: Reverend Robert Childress Presbyterian Churches MPS

STATE & COUNTY: VIRGINIA, Patrick

DATE RECEIVED: 2/15/07 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 3/05/07
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 3/20/07 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/31/07
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 07000224

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: Y NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 3/30/07 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Historically and architecturally significant early 20th century church.

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept A&C

REVIEWER Patrick Andrus

DISCIPLINE Historian

TELEPHONE _____

DATE 3/30/2007

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



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Bluemont Presbyt. Ch.

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Patrick Co. VA

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2.

Bluemont Presbyt. Ch.

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Patrick Co. VA

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Bluemont Presb. ch.

Patrick Co. VA

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Bluemont Presb. Ch.

Patrick Co. VA

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6.

Bluemont Presb. Ch.

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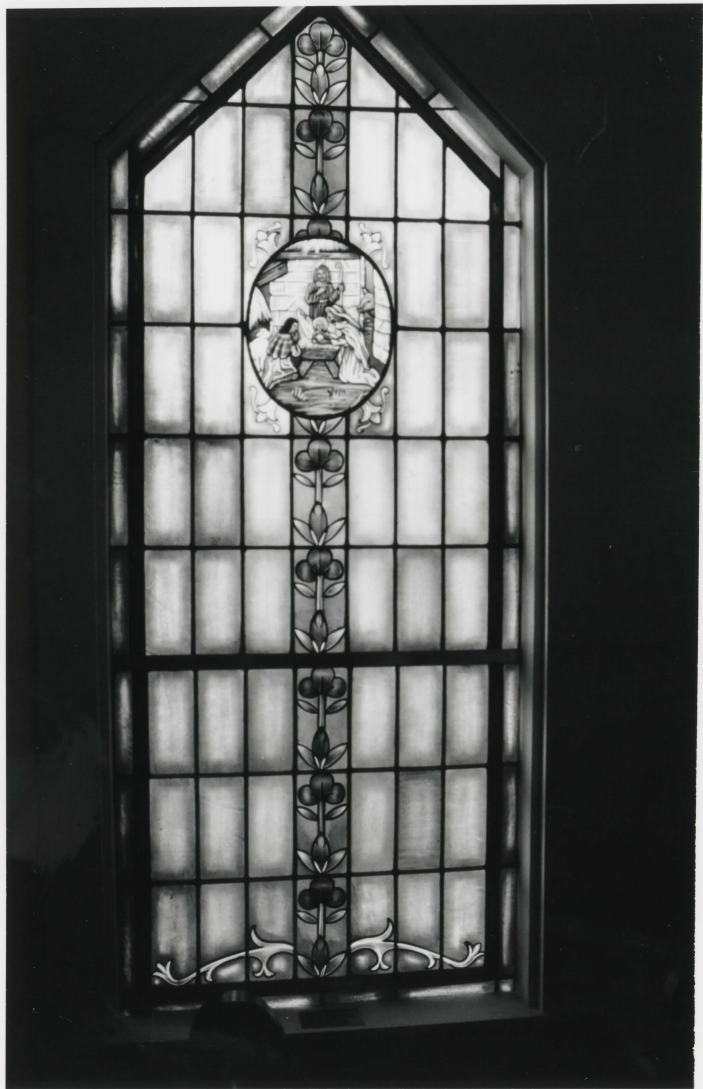
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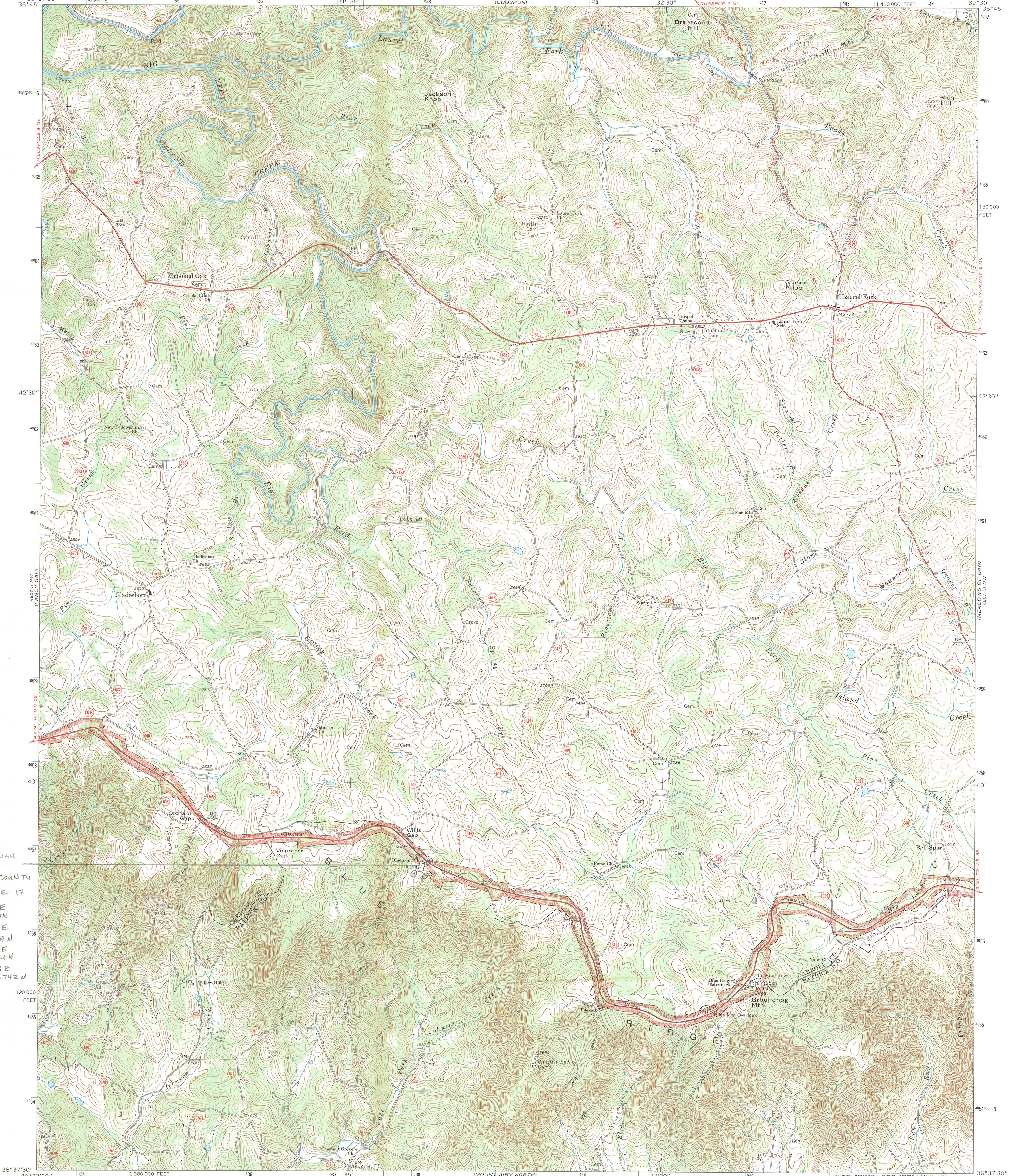
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PATRICK COUNTY
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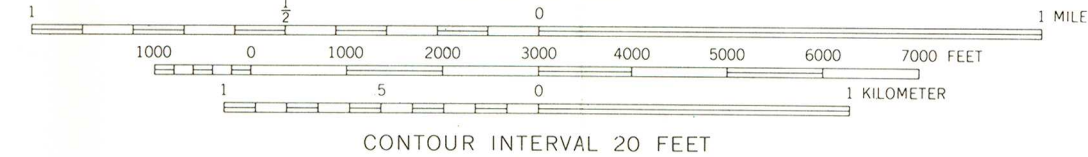
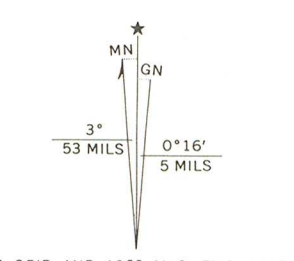
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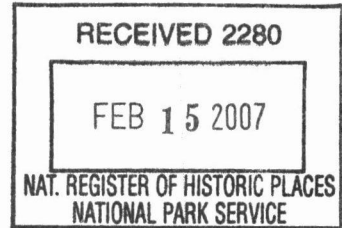


MCW ROAD 11/8/06

Craggy Heights
PO Box 248
Fancy Gap, VA 21328

November 3, 2006

Ms M. Catharine Slusser
Deputy Director
Department of Historic Resources
2861 Kensington Avenue
Richmond, Virginia 23221



Dear Ms Slusser,

This is a response to your correspondence on October 23, 2006, regarding Bluemont Presbyterian Church, Patrick County

My wife and I live on the property adjacent to the church property. We are delighted that Bluemont Presbyterian Church has been recommended to the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,

John Ray

2014 Willis Gap Mtn Rd.
Fancy Gap, VA 24328
Herman O. Logan

Rec'd
11/21

11/20/06

RE: YOURS OF 10/23/06 CONCERNING
APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION
OF BLUEMONT PRESB. CHURCH,
PATRICK COUNTY.

AS ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS
WE THINK THIS CHURCH IS WORTHY
OF REGISTRATION AND REQUEST
WITHOUT OBJECTION THAT IT BE
APPROVED.

Herman O. Logan

Lorane Jerry Logan

P.S. PLEASE ADVISE RESULTS OF
DEC 6 MTG. THANK YOU.

REC'D & READ 11/4/06



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November 30, 2006

Mr. Marc Christian Wagner
National and State Register Manager
Department of Historic Resources
2801 Kensington Avenue
Richmond, VA 23221

RE: Reverend Robert Childress Presbyterian Rock Churches, MPD; Bluemont
Presbyterian Church; and Mayberry Presbyterian Church, Patrick County

Dear Mr. Wagner:

At its November Board meeting, the Patrick County Board of Supervisors received and discussed notification of proposed nomination of the aforementioned rock churches to the National Register of Historic Places and Virginia Landmarks Register.

Please be advised of the Board's full endorsement of the recognition of the rock churches. We consider these buildings to be an essential part of our tourism economy, and are very excited that their historic significance is being considered and acknowledged in this fashion.

Again, please accept the Board's complete support of this proposal. Should you require any further information from us, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Regena H. Handy
County Administrator

RHH



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Secretary of Natural Resources

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February 12, 2007



Ms. Jan Matthews, Associate Director
National Park Service 2280
National Register of Historic Places
1201 "I" (Eye) Street, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20005

RE: Reverend Robert Childress Presbyterian Rock Churches, MPD; Buffalo Mountain Presbyterian Church and Cemetery, Carroll County; Dinwiddie Presbyterian Church and Cemetery, Carroll County; Slate Mountain Presbyterian Church and Cemetery, Floyd County; Willis Presbyterian Church and Cemetery, Floyd County; Mayberry Presbyterian Church, Patrick County; Bluemont Presbyterian Church and Cemetery, Patrick County

Dear Ms. Matthews:

The enclosed nominations, referenced above, are being submitted for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The nominations have been considered, and approved, by the State Review Board and the SHPO has recommended them for listing. Any letters of comment or objection have been copied at the end of the nomination material, along with any FPO notification letters.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My direct phone line is 804-367-2323 at extension 115.

Sincerely,

Marc Christian Wagner
Director, Resource Information Division

Enclosures

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