

BAPTIST CHURCH. BUILDING

WASHINGTON, ARK.

Hempstead Co.

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807 · SOUTHERN BLDG. LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

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Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas

HISTORICAL NOTES:

Located in Washington, Hempstead County, Arkansas. This was built about 1830 and is a small frame building but in very good state of repair, as it is still used by the Baptist Church. During the war between the States, this Church Building was converted into a hospital where both Federal and Confederate Troops were treated. There were four solid timber columns in front but the West column was cut up for fire wood for the hospital. This column at present, has been replaced by a box column to match the remaining three in appearance.

Right after the finish of the war, the first negro school in the State was organized in this old building.

Source of information:
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ARCHITECTURAL NOTES:

This frame one-storey church was built on catalpa wood blocks with rock footings. Three of the four front porch columns are original, the column to the west having been used for firewood. The church bell is concealed between the porch ceiling and the main roof. Under the rostrum is the old wooden tin-lined baptistry, now out of use and rotten.

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