Theme (8) The Contemplative Society S.C. Congressional District #5 Thomas S. Gettys Form 10-300 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR (July 1969) NATIONAL PARK SERVICE <u>South Carolina</u> COUNTY: NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES <u>Fairfield</u> 28.19INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM FOR NPS USE ONL ENTRY NUMBER (Type all entries - complete applicable sections) 1. NAME COMMON: Ebenezer Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church (Old Brick Church 2. LOCATION STREET AND NUMBER: 1971 Jenkinsville vicinity. 4.3 miles north on S. C. 213. Jenkinsville COUNTY: CODE CODE 29065 South Carolina 45 **Fairfield** 3. CLASSIFICATION CATEGORY **ACCESSIBLE** OWNERSHIP STATUS TO THE PUBLIC (Check One) Z Public Public Acquisition: District Building Occupied Restricted Private ☐ In Process ☐ Site Structure Unoccupied Unrestricted □ Both Being Considered Object Preservation work ☐ No in progress PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate) \supset ☐ Park Agricultural ☐ Government Transportation ☐ Comments œ Commercial Industrial Private Residence Other (Specify) ☐ Military Educational Religious Entertainment Museum Scientific 4. OWNER OF PROPERTY 7 OWNER'S NAME: Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod STREET AND NUMBER: ш 125 West 11th Street CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE North Carolina 37 Charlotte LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Fairfield County Court House STREET AND NUMBER: Congress Street CITY OR TOWN: STATE CODE 45 South Carolina Winnsboro 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE OF SURVEY: South Carolina Preliminary Survey of Historical Places State Local DATE OF SURVEY: ☐ County 1969 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: South Carolina Department of Archives and History USE 1430 Senate Street, P. O. Box 11,188, Capitol Station 29211 CITY OR TOWN: CODE Columbia South Carolina

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Built in 1788. Small rectangular building, very plain, with gable roof and unornamented windows. Bricks for thick masonry walls made by members of congregation. Church and cemetery surrounded by a granite wall added in 1852.

Interior, classic in simplicity with long, straight-back wooden pews. Dais-style pulpit, three steps above floor level with plain rails around two sides, back against wall, entered by a pair of steps on front, one set on either side of center which contains Bible stand. At west end is slave gallery.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Birthplace of Associate Reformed Presbyterian denomination in South Carolina. Ebenezer pastor, the Reverend James Rogers, first ARP Moderator, organized the Associate Reformed Synod of Carolinas here on May 9, 1803. Church grew in numbers until War Between the States when young manhood of congregation joined the Confederate Army en masse.

Building was damaged by Union troops, who removed part of its floor and woodwork to rebuild a bridge across Little River. An apology by a Union soldier, penciled on the wall, has been kept legible: "Citizens of this community: Please excuse us for defacing your house of worship, so much. It was absolutely necessary to effect a crossing over the creek, the Rebs had destroyed the bridge. A Yankee."

Church was later repaired and remained in active use until 1920.

Today, annual commemorative services are held.

Adjoining cemetery contains numerous graves of Revolutionary and Confederate War soldiers. One of few 18th-century meeting-house churches remaining in South Carolina.

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