



Malone's Methodist Episcopal Church Site Recognized

The Network to Freedom Accepts New Listings

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Church Creek, MD – The National Park Service's National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom accepted Malone's Methodist Episcopal Church site, in Madison, Maryland., as one of 22 new listings, from the 46th round of applications, representing sites and programs in 14 states across the U.S. These new listings, alongside more than 750 sites, facilities, and programs already in the Network, provide insight into the diverse experiences of freedom seekers who bravely escaped slavery and allies who assisted them.

"Our national program has been dedicated to preserving and commemorating stories of freedom for the past 25 years." says **Ka'mal McClarin**, acting National Program Manager. "Today, we find ourselves at a crucial turning point that marks the beginning of a new chapter in our journey to honor the bravery and resilience of countless known and unknown freedom seekers through various sites, programs, and facilities. This round of nominations highlights 18 unique locations and four new programs, casting light on the courageous journeys of those who sought their freedom and the allies who supported them. As we welcome these 22 new additions to our collection of over 700 stories, we are reminded that pursuing freedom is a tapestry woven with courage, resilience, and interracial unity. Together, we continue to uncover and celebrate the profound legacy of the Underground Railroad, inspiring future generations to uphold the values of liberty and justice for all."

The people for whom Malone's Methodist Episcopal Church in Madison, Dorchester County, Maryland, served when the congregation was first founded in 1864, had spent their lives building a community rich in faith, kinship, and the pursuit of freedom—most famously, perhaps, for Harriet Ross Tubman and her family, for her confidant and Underground railroad agent Jacob Jackson, and freedom seeker Vincent Green. The church, though now closed, continues to serve as a place of memory and legacy for the descendant families rooted here, who are honored to maintain the physical site and celebrate their historical social, cultural, and faith foundations that nurtured the pursuit of and fight for freedom. Their ancestors and loved ones are buried in the church graveyard. Freedom seeker Vincent Green was an original founder of Malone's. In 1827, Green fled his enslaver, but was captured and eventually sold to unknown buyers far away in Baltimore. Remarkably, in 1845, Green returned a free man and became a leader in the community and this church.

The National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom serves to honor, preserve, and promote the history of resistance to enslavement through escape and flight, which continues to inspire people worldwide. The Network currently represents over 740 locations in 40 states, plus Washington D.C. and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Through its mission, the Network to Freedom helps to advance the idea that all human beings embrace the right to self-determination and freedom from oppression.

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