

HISTORIC RESOURCE INVENTORY FORM

Resource Address: 634 N Austin Blvd Oak Park Illinois 60302 USA
County: Cook
Historic name: Austin Boulevard Christian Church
Present name: New Life Ministries Church of God in Christ
Local place name:
Visible from public right of way: Yes
Ownership:
Owner/Address:
Land unit size:
Site/Setting:



Lat/Long: 41.8929950642669500, -87.7755381631946500 [WGS84]

UTM: Zone 16T, 435664.0654 mE, 4638186.4553 mN

Parcel No.

Historical Information

Historic Function: Religion: Religious Facility	Current Function: Religion: Religious Facility
Construction Date: ca. 1920-1929 , documented 1922*	Architect: Krieg, Hetherington and Son
Original or Significant Owners: Austin Boulevard Christian Church	Builder: Christensen Construction Company
Significant Date/Period:	Developer:
Areas of Significance:	

Architectural Information

Category: building, Church	Style: Gothic Revival	Demolished: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Additions (1958) <input type="checkbox"/> Alterations <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Other Ancillary structures:
Structural: masonry	Exterior Material(s): original brick, original stone	
Stories: 2.5, Bays:	Roof Material: replacement asphalt shingles	
Form or Plan: Church, H	Roof Type: High Front Gable with Parapet	
Foundation:	Windows: original wood Decorative stained glass	
General condition:	Chimney(s):	
Basement:	Porch: single-bay platform/stoop	

Historical Summary:

The Economist, July 8, 1922, p. 125 = William T. Krieg, J. T. [John Todd] Hetherington and Son, 105 North Clark, awarded entire contract to John T. Christensen, 35 South Dearborn Street, for a church, 46 x 114, with classrooms in basement, Austin Boulevard and Superior Street, for Austin Boulevard Christian congregation. Cost \$60,000.

Status (Current Listing or Designation)

National: indiv. district landmrk.
 State/Province: indiv. district landmrk.
 Local: indiv. district landmrk.

Evaluation (Preparer's Assessment of Eligibility)

Recommendation
 Individually eligible
 Eligible as contributing resource
 Not eligible / non-contributing
 Not determined

Level of potential eligibility
 National
 State
 Local

Landmark potential

National
 State
 Local

Eligibility: Architecture, physical integrity, architects, social history



Description/Remarks

This is a 2.5-story church in the Gothic Revival style built in 1922. The structural system is masonry. Exterior walls are original brick and original stone. The building has a high front gable with parapet roof clad in replacement asphalt shingles. Windows are original wood, Decorative-light stained glass. Square, arched and pointed stained glass fixed and casement windows. There is a single-bay platform/stoop. Side entry in recessed pointed arch stone surround. There is a two-story, rear, brick addition. compatible with original in size and location.

Date source: Village of Oak Park building permit archives. Other sources: Building permit records.

Survey and Recorder		
Project: Historic Resources of Oak Park	Sequence/Key no.:	Survey Date: December 4, 2014
Prepared By: Douglas Kaarre, AICP Village of Oak Park	Report Title/Name: Survey and Planning	Previous Surveys:
Inventoried: 12/04/2014 3:21:36 pm Last updated: 12/04/2014 3:21:35 pm by /	Level of Survey: <input type="checkbox"/> Reconnaissance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intensive	Additional Research Recommended? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No