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PINE FLAT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER

Constructed in 1871, the Pine Flat Presbyterian Church, located in Autauga County, is a wonderful example of a rural, vernacular, single nave church. It was listed to the Alabama Register for its association with religion and architecture.

The original log church building, constructed at the present site in 1829 served the community until 1871 when the present wood frame church building was erected. The church is reportedly the longest, continuously active church in Autauga County. In 2003, the church was used to film the final scene in "Big Fish," based on the book written by Birmingham native Daniel Wallace. It was the location for the funeral of the film's main character.

The Pine Flat Cemetery includes burials dating from the late-1870s to present-day. Among those buried within the cemetery are the earliest settlers of the Pine Flat community, including the Johnson, Lewis, and Norris families. The Johnson family reportedly played an important role in the establishment of the Church in 1829, and even hosted the congregation on their property.



About the Program: The Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage is a listing of buildings, sites, structures, objects, and districts worthy of preservation. These properties may be of national, state, and local significance. The designation is honorary and carries no restrictions or financial incentives. The Alabama Historical Commission created the Alabama Register to provide the public with a quick and easy way to document and recognize historic places, such as houses, schools, churches, and commercial buildings that are

at least 40 years old.

A [list of properties in the Alabama Register](#) is available alphabetically by county.

What is the process for getting your property listed? Start by completing the [Alabama Register Form](#) (refer to the [instructions](#)).



About the Alabama Historical Commission

Located in historic downtown Montgomery at 468 S. Perry Street, the Alabama Historical Commission is the state historic preservation agency for Alabama. The agency was created by an act of the state legislature in 1966 with a mission to protect, preserve and interpret Alabama's historic places. AHC works to accomplish its mission through two fields of endeavor: Preservation and promotion of state-owned historic sites as public attractions; and, statewide programs to assist people, groups, towns, and cities with local preservation activities. For a complete list of programs and properties owned and operated by the AHC, hours of operation, and admission fees please visit ahc.alabama.gov

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