

Erf number	Date built	Type of building
668 669	1823; front wing 1840	Religious
Style	Architectural Period	Present NHRA protection
Cape Dutch	Cape Dutch	Previous "National monument (1963, and pulpit 1948)"
Street Address	Alterations	Use
The Braak Stellenbosch	See History. At the time of first publication of Fransen & Cook (1965) the church had a corrugated iron roof.	Church
Date of Survey		Zoning
November 2009		
Name of the building	General Evaluation	Suggested Grading
Rhenish Mission Church	Outstanding	II
Description	History	Social History



Date of photograph(s): November 2009,

"Thatched church in the shape of an incomplete T. The earlier part parallel to the Braak has pedimented gables with pilasters and straight sloping sides, and rusticated corner pilasters. The gable of the front wing has a winged pediment, curly sides, fluted pilasters and vases. The 3x3 door has a half-round small pane fanlight and a pilastered surround. 15x15 casements with arched small pane fanlights and simple plaster surrounds. Wrought iron fence with capped posts; double-arched bell-tower with fluted pilasters and ""ball"" vases."

""Het Stellenbosche Meedewerkende Zendelings Genootschap"" was formed in 1801 with MJ Bakker as the first missionary. In 1822 he was replaced by Erasmus Smit and the land on the Braak was acquired from the Stellenbosch Turf Club. The original small rectangular church was completed in 1823 and inaugurated the following year, the opening sermon delivered by Rev Meent Borchers of the DR Church. The congregation was transferred to the Rhenish Mission Society in 1829 with Rev D Luckoff as its first minister. As the church became too small, in 1839 the gallery was added and the vestry incorporated ...



Significance in terms of NHRA

	Very significant	Significant	Some significance	No significance	Not assessed
Historical	x				
Rarity		x			
Aesthetical	x				
Technological					x
Cultural	x				
Social History	x				
Slave History	x				