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Inventory—Nomination Form

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Site No. 3

NAME First Church of Christ, Scientist COUNTY Lamar BLOCK 118  
ADDRESS 339 W. Kaufman CITY Paris LOT 1  
UTM 269660/3727140  
ARCHITECT/BUILDER unknown DATE 1917 PERIOD 1900-  
OWNER Ensign Christian Center  
(same address) 75460 STYLE Classical Revival  
THEME

DESCRIPTION Raised one-story brick structure; broad steps lead to portico supported by Ionic columns; double French doors with transoms lead to sanctuary; heavy entablature; three tall arched windows at sides.

Building material: wall brick roof composition

Physical condition good site: original ☒ or moved ☐ date

Alterations none known

SIGNIFICANCE One of the earlier Christian Science churches in Texas; one of the first Beaux Arts buildings constructed in Paris after the fire, it is an unusually well-detailed small church. It compares favorably with Temple Frede (NR 1984) in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas.

Area of significance architecture Level of significance local

DESIGNATION: NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER

ORIGINAL USE church PRESENT USE none, vacant

RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS older residential area near Paris Commercial Historic District

ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION less than one acre

BIBLIOGRAPHY (cornerstone); W.P. Webb, Handbook of Texas, I

RECORDED BY Peter Flagg Maxson INFORMANT

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic GroupName Paris MRA  
State Lamar County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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- 36 1. Alford, Jess and Lucille, House

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- 37 2. Atkinson-Morris House

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3. Bailey--Ragland House

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- 39 4. Baldwin, Benjamin and
- 
- Adelaide, House

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5. Baty--Plummer House

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- 41 6. Brazelton, Thomas and Bettie, House

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7. Carlton--Gladden House

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- 43 8. Church Street Historic District

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9. Daniel, J.M. and Emily, House

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- 44 10. First Church of Christ, Scientist

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY First Church of Christ, Scientist  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Paris MRA  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: TEXAS, Lamar

DATE RECEIVED: 9/12/88  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 10/13/88  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

DATE OF PENDING LIST: 9/27/88  
DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/27/88

REFERENCE NUMBER: 88001912

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: Y SLR DRAFT: Y

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 10/26/88 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

*Locally significant Classical Revival  
Church.*

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C  
REVIEWER Savage  
DISCIPLINE Architectural History  
DATE 10/26/88

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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CLASSIFICATION

     count           resource type

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STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

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FUNCTION

     historic           current

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DESCRIPTION

     architectural classification  
     materials  
     descriptive text

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SIGNIFICANCE

Period      Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates      Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

     summary paragraph  
     completeness  
     clarity  
     applicable criteria  
     justification of areas checked  
     relating significance to the resource  
     context  
     relationship of integrity to significance  
     justification of exception  
     other

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

     acreage           verbal boundary description  
     UTM's           boundary justification

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ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

     sketch maps           USGS maps           photographs           presentation

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OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

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Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

ENSIGN CHRISTIAN CENTER

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST  
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
SUNDAY MORNING  
9:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
11:00 AM

Paris National Register Nomination  
Photo No. 3 First Christian Science  
Church  
339 W. Kaufman  
Paris, Texas

Camera Facing: South  
Photographer: ArchiTexas  
Date: Winter 1984/85

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

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