

## FORMER METHODIST CHURCH



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1 methodist church cnr  
deakin avenue & tenth  
street mildura side view



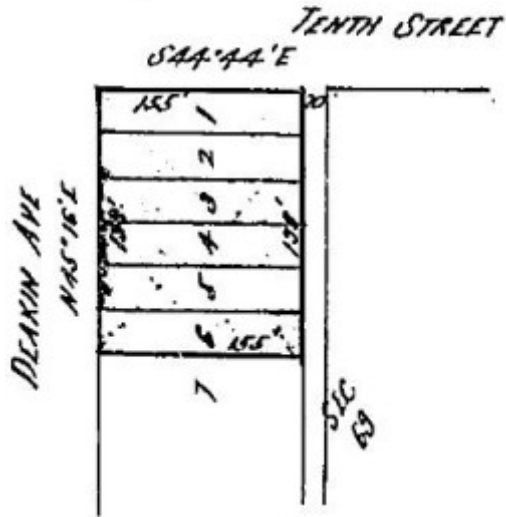
methodist church cnr deakin  
avenue & tenth street  
mildura exterior window  
sep1992



methodist church cnr deakin  
avenue & tenth street  
mildura rear entrance  
nov1989



methodist church cnr deakin  
avenue & tenth street  
mildura view of roof line  
jun1980



H0588 H0588 extent plan

## Location

126-132A DEAKIN AVENUE MILDURA, MILDURA RURAL CITY

## Municipality

MILDURA RURAL CITY

## Level of significance

Registered

## Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0588

## Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO16

## VHR Registration

October 3, 1984

## Heritage Listing

## Statement of Significance

Last updated on - June 24, 1999

The land on which the current building stands was acquired by the Wesleyan Methodist Church on 7th December 1907. The building was subsequently constructed in 1912 to a design by Melbourne architect GB Leith (late of Leith & Bartlett Architects).

The building was the successor to a bark church and a later (1887) building which was constructed in 9th street. The building is certainly one of unusual architectural form seemingly following Middle Eastern influences, from both Islamic and Christian Byzantine architecture. The external parapet walls are on an octagonal plan, the dome over the roof and striped brickwork are all important pointers to this stylistic tradition. Other notable features of the building are the "minarets", the more traditional rose window with its simple coloured glazing. Internally the building is particularly plain, bearing closer resemblance to the austere classical revival. A note on the symbolism of the church (Hammerton) describes the holes in the parapet as representing King Hezekiah's Siloam tunnel.

The importance of this building must lie in its unusual architectural form, a form which particularly suits the Mediterranean atmosphere surrounding Mildura. A more modern addition (1969) at the rear of the building is the only consequential alteration to its original form.

[Source: Historic Buildings Council]

## Permit Exemptions

### General Exemptions:

General exemptions apply to all places and objects included in the Victorian Heritage Register (VHR). General exemptions have been designed to allow everyday activities, maintenance and changes to your property, which don't harm its cultural heritage significance, to proceed without the need to obtain approvals under the Heritage Act 2017.

**Places of worship:** In some circumstances, you can alter a place of worship to accommodate religious practices without a permit, but you must **notify** the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria before you start the works or activities at least 20 business days before the works or activities are to commence.

**Subdivision/consolidation:** Permit exemptions exist for some subdivisions and consolidations. If the subdivision or consolidation is in accordance with a planning permit granted under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the application for the planning permit was referred to the Executive Director of Heritage Victoria as a determining referral authority, a permit is not required.

Specific exemptions may also apply to your registered place or object. If applicable, these are listed below. Specific exemptions are tailored to the conservation and management needs of an individual registered place or object and set out works and activities that are exempt from the requirements of a permit. Specific exemptions prevail if they conflict with general exemptions.

Find out more about heritage permit exemptions [here](#).

Construction dates 1912,  
Architect/Designer Leith, GB,  
Heritage Act Categories Registered place,  
Hermes Number 844  
Property Number

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## **Extent of Registration**

### AMENDMENT OF REGISTER OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

"Historic Building No. 588 Former Methodist Church, corner Tenth Street and Deakin Avenue, Mildura (to the extent of the whole of the building and the whole of the title Volume 3249 Folio 670 but excluding the ancillary buildings)."

[*Victoria Government Gazette* No103 3 October 1984 3469]

*This place/object may be included in the Victorian Heritage Register pursuant to the Heritage Act 2017. Check the Victorian Heritage Database, selecting 'Heritage Victoria' as the place source.*

*For further details about Heritage Overlay places, contact the relevant local council or go to Planning Schemes Online <http://planningschemes.dpcd.vic.gov.au/>*