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Build an Alternate Pew End

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In the original pew design introduced in this series, the pew end was made from 2 x 8 and 2 x 12-inch material and required a dado blade and radial arm saw to make the pew end fit. This operation is time consuming. This alternate pew end design will save time and can be built with less tools.

The most difficult part of this plan is gluing.

You are not bound by the design of this pew end. Instead of the Gothic top, you may wish to use a square design.

The materials listed below will make two pew ends. It does not include Part M from the original plan, Build Church Pews, Part 2. (Missions Blueprints Vol. 1)

Tools and Materials Required

83 inch 1 x 8 yellow pine or spruce

77 inch 1 x 12 yellow pine or spruce

1¼-inch finish nails

Wood glue

Wood clamps

Circular saw, table saw or radial arm saw

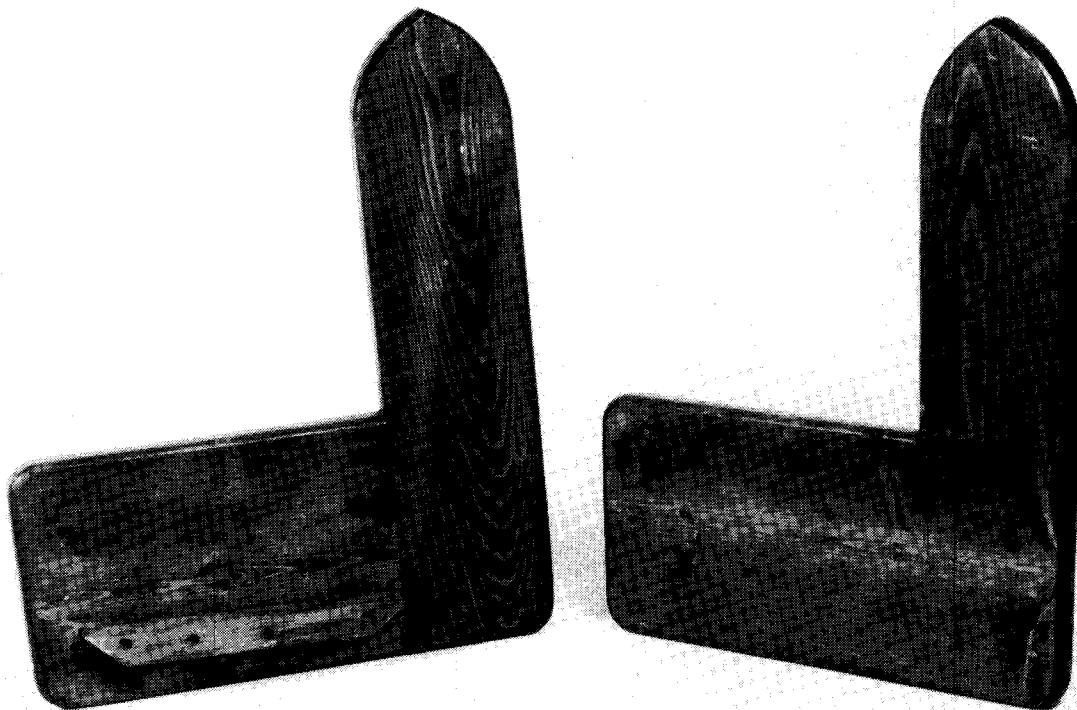
Nail set

Wood putty

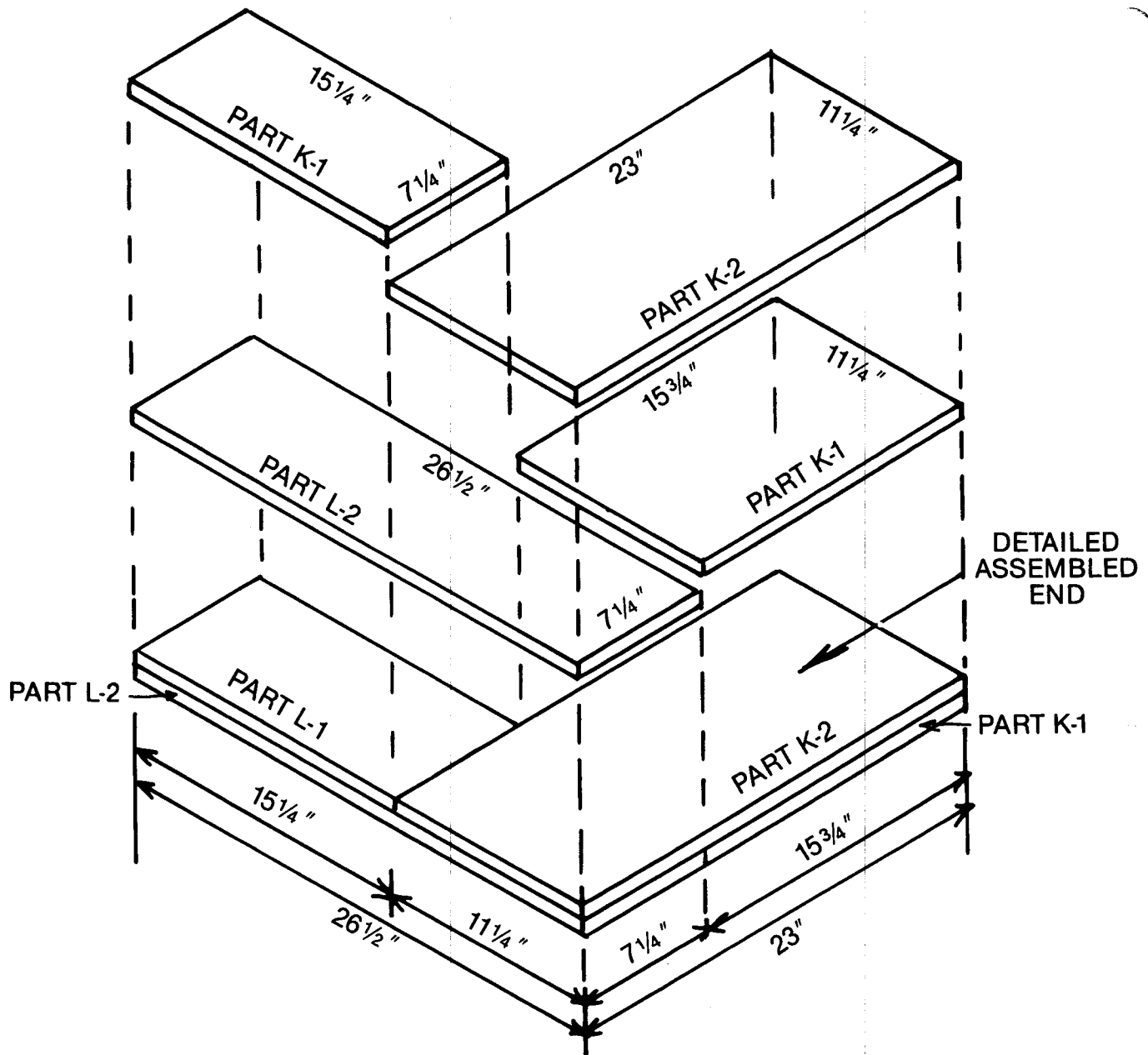
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This alternative pew end is the same design as originally offered, but is simpler to cut and assemble.



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Steps

1. For each pew end cut 1 x 8 into 15 1/4 inch and 26 1/2 inch lengths. These become parts L-1 and L-2.

2. Cut 1 x 12 into 23 inch and 15 3/4 inch lengths. These become parts K-1 and K-2.

3. Overlay parts as shown on plan detail, using wood glue, wood clamps and 1/4-inch finish nails. Instead of

wood clamps, you may want to lay the pieces on a flat service and use heavy concrete blocks or similar weight.

4. Follow the same steps in building the opposite pew end, remembering that the pew ends are mirrored. The horizontal cut will be exposed to the aisle.

5. Once the glue has dried, follow the steps in Build a Church Pew, Part 2, for

completion of rounded edges and Gothic top.

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