

Church of Christ
(THE PLUM STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST, INC.)
HAMILTON AND TUXEDO AVENUES
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

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Dear Brother Bamkes:

I had a chance to go through some old files this afternoon while in the office. Here are a few of the things I discovered.

From the minutes of a business meeting held October 12, 1920, Brother Archie Hastings was found complaining of the poor accommodations in Pontiac. The church was meeting in a hall and in a bad neighborhood. He suggested that a school building or temporary portable building be secured.

At the next meeting, November 16, 1920, he reported that they had secured a place on Paddock Street, across from the McConnell school. This was apparently used for a couple of years.

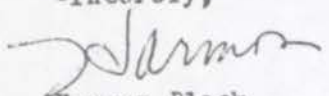
On February 14, 1922, he reported finding a building which could be bought for \$5,000.00. It was located on Auburn avenue. This was purchased about April 11 of the same year, and Brother Farley and Brother Fry of Detroit were named Trustees. The purchase price was \$4614.52.

This property was sold in June of 1926, at which time the church was working on the new building on Tasmania. On December, 14, 1926 Brother Field Fleming reported that the new building was nearly finished and should be ready for the opening service by Jan. 15, 1927.

I'm sure there are those in the congregation now who can supply information from the latter date up until now.

These are interesting details to me, as I can well remember the days when the church in Pontiac was fighting for its life. Particular credit should go to men like Brother Archie Hastings and Ed Howe for their sacrificial efforts in those early days.

Hope to see you again one of these days. I enjoyed very much the chance to chat with you yesterday.

Sincerely,

Harmon Black