

Church History

During the early 1900s, literature evangelists canvassed the area bringing the Three Angel's Message to Panama City. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brown furnished the first piano, made in 1893, later located in the home of their daughter Roma Boswell. Small groups of Sabbath believers met in homes until May 16, 1931, when the first 38 charter members organized a church at 424 N. Magnolia Avenue, Panama City.

The church has since moved to different locations. While looking for a property to purchase, all services were conducted in a house in the Cove area from 1952-1954. Later in 1954, it moved to 1905 West 11th St. where the official dedication of the church was on July 24, 1954. The sanctuary seated around 300 in capacity. The members mortgaged their homes to provide building funds. Prominent members at that time included the first Mayor of Callaway, A.R. Patterson and John Pitts, a former Bay County Commissioner. The congregation met at the 11 th Street location from 1954-2001.

Preparing for yet another move, the congregation temporarily worshipped in the Grace Presbyterian Church while waiting for the 2700 Lisenby Avenue church and church school to be completed. The grand opening for this current facility was held on January 18, 2003.

The pastors who have served the church at 2700 Lisenby Avenue: Pastor Scott Tyman with Carlis Clinton and David Dordevic serving as Associate Pastor at different times, Pastor Don Kenyon (retired minister who served as interim Pastor), Dr. John Riggs with Eric Hagan as the Associate Pastor, Pastor Peter Trzinski, Pastor Larry Owens, and presently Pastor Jay Rosario.