





In 1915, when the Detroit population was rapidly expanding, the main Church of Christ located in the downtown area – the Fourth and Plum Street Church – wanted to start a mission on the East side of the city to match their successful mission on the West side – the Vinewood mission. One of the elders at Plum Street was wealthy, having prospered first in the candy business, then the automobile industry, and finally as a banker. He completely funded the construction of the Fairview church and gave to the disciples, most of who were immigrants from England, the building seen in the photographs. The building can still be seen at 2500 E. Vernor and is now the home of the Lemay Church of Christ that has constructed a new auditorium on the north side of this structure.

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