

## Valley Baptist Church Past and Present

**1960** – Vacation Bible School is held in the garage of Lee and Marian Edwards.

**1961** – Five families begin worship in rented quarters and move to a Wisconsin Avenue storefront.

**1962** – The Church purchases the cornfield where our first building would be completed in 1964.

**1985** – The first building expansion adds “wings” to the sanctuary.

**1994** – The education wing is added with the help of Builders for Christ. The Church purchases the “Blue House” property. The house was subsequently sold to Bay Lakes with the stipulation Valley had the first right of refusal to buy it back.

**1998** – Valley sponsors the beginning of Living Vine Church in Neenah.

**2004** – A Master Plan for future expansion is created, and the *Changing Lives* Campaign begins.

**2004** – As the Campaign is getting underway, God provides for the purchase of the house and land next door to the church.

**2005** – Church members renovate the house to provide urgently needed classrooms and meeting space. The house is named the Annex.

**2005** – *Changing Lives* gifts pay off the Annex loan and renovation



1964



1985



The Cove

cost. The building is renamed the Cove.

**2007** – A new *Changing Lives* Campaign begins in preparation for building the next phase of our Master Plan in 2008.

**2008** – Built the 8878-sq. ft. Welcome Center/Fellowship hall and lower-level Youth Center with Builders For Christ “C Team” help. (120 for fellowship; 25 – 30 youth).

**2016** – A new *Changing Lives* Campaign begins in preparation for building the next phase of our Master Plan in 2020.

**2016** - Repurchased the Bay Lakes office for future land use. Now using it for 2 classes. We call it the Wright House in honor to a missionary family.

**2019** – Started a second capital campaign and broke ground in the fall to build the basement of our new Worship Center and Classroom Area

**2020** – Looking ahead, Builders for Christ will come to complete the construction of the Worship Center and Classroom Area.



2009