



The Bethlen Home, PA

Reformed

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Pastor: Rev. Imre A. Bertalan
Hungarian Church Serv.: Sun. 11 AM & 2:30 PM
Hungarian Congregation: n.a

Church History

On July 4, 1921 the old Park Hotel was rededicated as the Bethlen Home, an orphanage for Hungarian children who lost parents through mine disasters and other tragedies.

At the same time, the Hungarian Reformed Federation of America (HRFA) purchased surrounding farmland to provide food and revenue for the orphanage.

In the 1930s, the need for elder care was realized as the individuals tending to the orphans aged. At that time, the orphanage moved to downtown Ligonier, while the elderly remained in the original Home.

1951, 1962, 1975

Space in the original Home became limited. Thus, in 1951, the first wing of the historic Bethlen Home for the Aged was built. Newer sections were dedicated in 1962 and 1975.

In 1979 the orphanage closed its doors. Over the span of nearly six decades, the orphanage provided a home for more than 3,000 children.

1980s – Present:

Built 20 cottages in the Bethlen Retirement Village

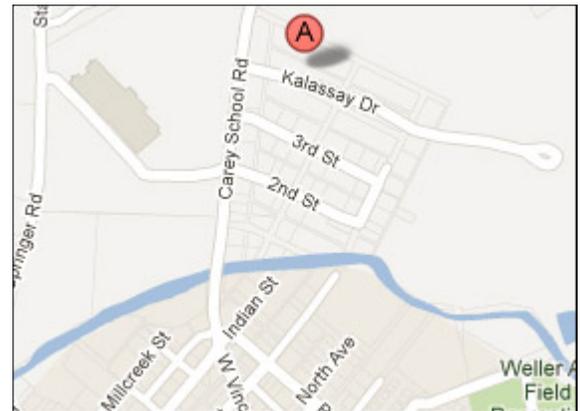
Remarketed the old orphanage as the Bethlen Apartments

Acquired Ligonier Gardens Personal Care Home

Constructed a new Bethlen Nursing Home to replace the historic facility

Wrapped its multiple services and lifestyles under the name Bethlen Communities

Opened Home Health and Hospice Services



Map: <http://g.co/maps/nrchh>

