

Pastor, assisted by Rev. Dr. Wilkes. On January 14th and 15th, 1877, the building was opened for Divine Worship with special Dedicatory Services.

In September, 1886, Dr. Stevenson resigned the Pastorate, on receiving a call to the Brixton Independent Church, London; and amid many tokens of respect, both from the church and the general community, he left for England, at the beginning of November, 1886.

On May 25th, 1887, the church extended a unanimous call to Rev. F. H. Marling to assume the Pastorate, which call he accepted, and entered upon the duties of his office on Sunday, September 4th, 1887.

On March 28th, 1889, Mr. Marling tendered his resignation of the Pastorate; which resignation was ultimately accepted, and his official connection with the Church terminated, amid many tokens of high regard and esteem for Mr. Marling, on June 15th, 1889.