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Lighthouse Ministries Church Massive Fire Leads to Devastating Damage



By Michael Ortoski

BANGOR - Sirens went off one by one in the Bangor area Wednesday morning around 6:30am. It didn't take long before billowing smoke and flames poured thru the roof of the Lighthouse Ministries Church on South Main Street in Bangor.

Officials say the blaze caused the floor and the roof to collapse on the back of the building, the church was built in 1929

No one was injured in the blaze thanks to a neighbor who was first to see the smoke and alerted 911 to the fire.

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No one was inside at the time, and the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

Over six fire departments were on scene for hours Wednesday morning battling flames and smoke at the church.

The Borough and Fire Marshal placed a condemned sign on the door of the lighthouse ministries church. Church officials said for the time being, services will be held at the Hub Community Center on Broadway in Bangor, just a 100 yards from the burned out church.

The Slate Belt Chamber Announces 'Best Of The Slate Belt Awards' Winners!

By Beth Duyssen / Dir. of Slate Belt Chamber
SLATE BELT - Best of the Slate Belt Awards - THANK YOU to the 8000+ members of the community for voting and supporting all of the nominees! The 2025 categories and winners include:

- Moonlight Pizza - Best Local Pizza
 - Awareness 365 - "Turning Pain Into Power"
 - Best Community Nonprofit
 - Just Dance Dance Studio - Best Dance/Fitness Studio
 - The Vault Hair Company - Best Salon/Spa
 - T. Mac Builders - Best Construction Company
- The Chamber's committee reviewed the nominations submitted for the following awards and we are pleased to announce these very deserving winners!


- Ashley Thomas, owner of Six Ten Salon & Boutique - Businessperson of the Year
- Sherry Haycock - Volunteer of the Year
- New this year is the Legacy Award, which is



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Second from left, Chamber board member Jeff Ott presents for the first time the 'Legacy Award' to Miller's Paint & Wallpaper from Bangor

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