

School classes are offered from preschool through teens, and three adult classes are available each week. In addition, Children's Church classes are held each Sunday at 10:30 a.m., while morning worship is held in the sanctuary. Sunday evening service starts at 6:00 p.m. and youth groups (grades 7-12) meet at the same time. Wednesday evenings are slated for a variety of ministries such as Bible study, IMPACT Girls Ministry, SOD Boys Ministry, PreTeens, Young Teens, and Older Teens. Other church ministries include puppet ministry, Boys & Girls Missionary Challenge, kids camp, youth camp, ladies fellowship, mens' ministry outreach, and other community outreach efforts.

1980 Easter Sunday was an attendance record breaker with three hundred and eleven (311).

The SonShine Day Care Center opened in the basement of the church in 1983.

Rev. T. Bluford Conway and his wife Florence.

In 1986 the property adjoining on the east side was purchased to house the youth pastor and his family, and to possibly expand the parking facilities. However, after remodeling, the SonShine Day Care Center was moved into the building. This move was made in 1987.

In 1988 complete remodeling of the current facilities began and a new addition was built to house a large fellowship hall, kitchen, evangelists quarters and extra classrooms. Building was completed and dedicated to the Lord on the 23rd day of July, 1989 with Brother Nelson Sachs, our district superintendent officiating. Deacons present for the dedication services were Henry Hauck, Richard Best and Don Baker and special thanks going to Pete Chapman, Bob Rowden and Dan Hathaway.



HANCOCK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Submitted

The Hancock Christian Church was organized over 100 years ago. The first recorded meeting was held at the Brown Schoolhouse October 21, 1871. At this meeting James N. Routh and Jacob Teeples were chosen elders, John Roberts and Hoard Claybrook were chosen deacons. There were 36 members at this time. The first minister mentioned in the records was Elder J. Lane.

Sometime later the congregation moved from the Brown Schoolhouse to the Hancock Schoolhouse. When a new schoolhouse was built the old school building was bought by Harve Goodman for \$50.00 and given to the church. He deeded the ground to the church where the building now stands. The building was moved on to this ground in 1906.

In the early days ministers were not available every Sunday for church services but Sunday School has been held nearly every Sunday since the beginning. Evangelist services, youth rallies, and other special services have been held thru the years. A special mission of the church has been to give Bible College students and others who wish to become ministers a chance to practice preaching.

The church celebrated their 100th anniversary in October 1971 with Robert L. Roberts, a great grandson of John Roberts, one of the first deacons, bringing the special message. About 150 present.

In recent years the church building has had repairs, new pews and wall to wall carpet has been installed. Louis Faust is the present minister.

The church has during all the years tried to follow the plan of the New Testament.

HANCOCK

Hancock, Midway between Crocker and Dixon on Highway



1755 Terry Gillmore, Pat Gillmore, Joy Kelley, Elroy McMillian, David Gillmore, Jimmy Malone, Terry Kelley, Larry Kelley, Tom Kelley Pat Malone and Ted Gillmore

133, was platted by William H. Murphy and the plat and description of the town filed May 1, 1869. First called Iron Summit.

The South Pacific Railroad acquired land for a right-of-way, it then went to the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad and then the Frisco Railway in 1877. Town name changed to Hancock for an official of the Frisco.

Early businesses were stores dealing in groceries, drygoods, hardware, shoes, etc. There were saloons, blacksmith shops, a hotel, flour mill, grain elevator and a Patron Cooperation Association; two churches, the Christian organized by Routh family and the Baptist organized by Goodman and Porter families; a schoolhouse where the Woodman Lodge held its meetings. In later years a bank was chartered and was located in the Mitchell store until the brick bank building was built; an addition to west end of town called Raines-Veasman.

Post offices were in the stores of the postmasters, Murphy, Burk, Decker, Alexander and perhaps others.

Early families living in and around Hancock: Allens, Alexanders, Burks, Bakers, Cannons, Carmacks, Claiborns, Davis, Deckers, Dentons, Dodsons, Duncans, Fanshers, Fergusons, Flossoms, Goodmans, Halls, Hamiltons, Hancocks, Bousers, Lipscombs, Loagues, Lumbars, Mitchells, Murphys, Perkins, Porters, Roberts, Rouths, Sewells, Singletons, Skaggs, Stokes, Thompsons, Wheelers, Winninghams, Wists, Withers and Woods.

At first the depot had telegraph operators then the wires were removed and it became an agency.

Present residents are Pitts, Goodmans, Gillmores, Cross', Kehrs, Brassiers, Schrafts, Michells, Crews, Richmonds, Creamers, Davis', Reischlings, Copelands, and Burns.