In the spring of 1949 Church Services began in the home of Robert and Rosa Hughes, the parents of Sister Garnet Eddy, on North 5th Street in West Branch. An apartment was set up in their home for the families that wished to use it. Services were carried on there until September of 1959. At that time a building was purchased on South First Street in West Branch.

We are in debt to those who began the work here in West Branch. Even though Brother Robert Hughes passed away November 29, 1955, we should never forget what he and his wife Rosa did to begin the Lord's church here in

West Branch.

Several men preached for the church during those first years. Brother Bill Burton preached the first sermons in the Hughes home. Others whe preached were our brothers Hammingway, Burns, Sulinger, McAlister, Randolp, Cunningham, Gentry, Brown, Win, Brocklin, Sellers, Pyles, Jones, Rinks, Thomas, Hackett, Utley, Kuhn, Herber, Brackeen, and many students from the Bristol Road School of Preaching.

Brother Rupert Warren came to West Branch in 1964 and worked several years. Also, Brothers Jack Oppenshaw, Fred Ady, Kent Stover, Danny Schnell, Pat Powers, and Brother Ken Burtch who came in August of 1983 and Brother Bill Parkhurst came in December of 1985. Brother Al Bugg came to West Branch in October of 1987 and is now our

minister.

The church in West Branch presently meets at 107 S. Second St. This building was purchased so that we could continue to grow. The old building on 1st Street served its purpose, but we outgrew it. So, now, we have a meeting place that is better suited to our needs. It is our prayer that we will soon outgrow this facility also in the coming years.

OUTSIDE SUPPORT

Oakland Church of Christ, Detroit \$200 per month Preston Road Church of Christ, Dallas \$600 per month ---- ---- ----

We are now self-supporting.

In April 1987 Brother Don Sperow began a work in · Pinconning, Michigan. They Obtained a building and met together for one year.