Like the other four San Antonio missions, Concepcion enjoyed its heyday during the middle eighteenth century. Together with San Juan Capistrano and San Francisco de la Espada, Concepcion was relocated on the San Antonio River in 1731 after the abandonment of the East Texas missions. The mission was secularized in 1794, and is today maintained by the Catholic Church, which holds services in the chapel on special occasions.

The adobe and tufa church of Concepcion Mission is perhaps the best preserved of all Texas missions, and at the same time has been the object of only minor restoration work. Aside from the addition of tile floors, replacement of doors, and re-roofing of the infirmary, the mission stands much as it did in the eighteenth century. Notable features of this mission include the original carved stone baptismal font and altar, and partly visible frescoes executed by the Franciscan friars. In contrast to the other San Antonio missions, however, none of the compound walls remain.
FIG. 10. PLAN OF THE MISSION OF NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA CONCEPCIÓN PURÍSIMA DE ACÚNA, TEXAS


From Cleve Hallenbeck, Spanish Missions of the Old Southwest.

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