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Georgia Pastor Accused of Molesting Girls He Drove to Church Is Released From Jail on \$25,000 Bond

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Georgia pastor Wiley Leverett accused of molesting children that he drove to church.

A Georgia pastor accused of molesting four girls while driving them to church was released from the Houston County jail Friday morning on a \$25,000 bond.

Wiley Leverett, who pastors Solid Rock Community Church in Centerville, Ga., was arrested on Monday and faces charges for allegedly committing "three counts of child molestation, four counts of sexual battery and one count of aggravated sexual battery," according to WMAZ.

Prosecutors have accused Leverett of molesting four girls, ages 8, 12, 14 and 15, over the past two years by touching their thighs and genitals.

Leverett's attorney, William Noland, said the pastor has declared his innocence on all of the allegations, and will return to his work at the church and his job at an auto dealership.

"He'll be working and taking care of his family and his church," Noland told WMAZ. "He denies all of the allegations against him, and he denies doing anything inappropriate with anyone. He's going to fight these charges in court."

A judge ordered Leverett to wear an electronic bracelet and said he could continue preaching as long as he had no contact with children.

Roughly 60 people showed up to support Leverett during the hearing, some of whom cried when the charges were read against him.

Paul Tindell, the church's youth pastor, reminded the congregation on the Solid Rock Community Church Facebook page that "God is still on the throne and is still in control."

"We can't put our Hope in the Solid Rock building, we have to make sure our hope has always been in Christ Jesus. This is a time where we can still be the light in the darkness, not a time to run and flee," Tindell wrote.

"Mrs. Geraldine and Wiley and Family still need our love and support regardless (sic) of the outcome," Tindell added. "I will be around for a while to see this through and shepherd and love ya'll regardless (sic) of what outsiders say about the church. This doesn't define us, it gives us a chance to show our foundation in Christ. Let this be a time to bring us together all the more. Their family needs Gods love, let's let our hands and feet go to work."

Solid Rock Community Church did not return The Christian Post's requests for comment by press time.


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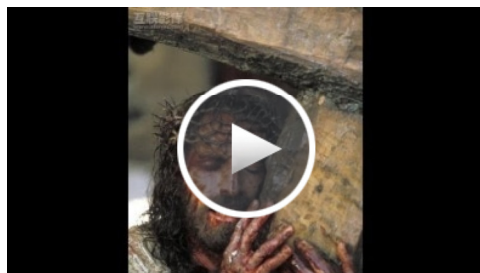
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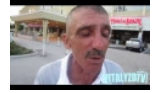
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