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Oklahoma Zion Plaza Church Pastor Gregory Ivan Hawkins Accused of Raping Teen Relative

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An Oklahoma pastor listed as the owner of a child care and learning center has been arrested a second time in relation to allegations that he raped and impregnated a 15-year-old female relative. The alleged sexual assaults occurred numerous times over the last year, including at the pastor's church, home, in a park, and a hotel, according to a police report.

Gregory Ivan Hawkins, 54, is the pastor of Zion Plaza Church in Tulsa, Okla., and has found himself behind bars again after posting a \$50,000 bond in June when the allegations were initially made. Hawkins was [reportedly](#) re-arrested last week on charges of four counts of lewd molestation and two counts of rape. His bond has been set at \$250,000.

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(PHOTO: TULSA COUNTY JAIL)

Gregory Ivan Hawkins, 54, is the pastor of Zion Plaza Church in Tulsa, Okla. He was charged July 23, 2013, with four counts of lewd molestation and two counts of rape involving the abuse of a teen relative.

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The teen, who was 14 when the abuse started, informed police that Hawkins allegedly began molesting her in April 2012 with the latest time of contact being in January 2013. Investigators have said that the young girl provided recorded phone calls, in which Hawkins admits to having sexual intercourse with the girl because he thought she was "very sexy, attractive and beautiful," and apologizes several times. There were reportedly also text message exchanges between Hawkins and the girl that support her claim.

The teen, who told investigators she had been living with Hawkins when the alleged abuse began, is six months pregnant. It was not immediately known why the teen had been living with Hawkins. Her mother reportedly filed a protective order against the pastor in February, which requires him to refrain from coming within 300 yards of the teen.

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