

TLP CLEAR – DISSEMINATION UNLIMITED



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(TLP-C) TLP-C CHURCH ATTACK HIGH POINT NC 30 JUL 2026

KNOW THE TARGET – WATCH THE TARGET – LOOK DEEPER -EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

Micah 7:4 The best of them is as a brier; the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge. The day of thy watchman and thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

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IN OBSCURA COMMENT

High Point PD posted a media release on their Facebook page concerning this neutralized attack. There is a comment on that release by someone who claims to know SUBJECT and that HE was agitated in church last week. Also, my focus on the protection of churches, a source claimed sixty-five percent of crime and risk happen in the parking lot. One of my In Obscura weekly Significant Activity reports also detail the murder of a church security officer who, alone, approached a suspicious vehicle and was shot to death. The officer notified his director by mobile phone. No backup.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- SUBJECT was in possession of a "...NC Tactical Interoperability Guide (Public Safety Sensitive) ..." which I interpret as an official government document classified at the Unclassified. For Official Use Only, Law Enforcement Sensitive (U//FOUO/LES level). This was at some point exfiltrated and posted on an anarchist or activist website, which brings this attack into a higher level of investigative leads.
- Media and police reporting cited SUBJECT [is] a "...danger to public because he has **experience with bombs**", believed to have mental issues...."

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- SUBJECT was purportedly familiar with the church, in what capacity, unknown. Pre-operational indicators are not released if they existed. SUBJECT allegedly had displayed alerting behavioral cues noticeable enough to comment on them on the police press release posted on Facebook.
- The sheer size of the church and expanse of the property and parking lots presents surveillance, monitoring and tactical challenges, especially during church attendance arrivals and departures, especially after dark, where lighting and security presence is crucial.
- The most crucial moment is the visual detection by a congregant who was able to observe, comprehend and report suspicious and, or anomalous indicators. This person observed a firearm inside the vehicle and reported this to security. It is exceptionally critical that our co congregations be briefed on the threat environment, intelligence collection and target surveillance against churches and related equities. How to detect and report suspicious activity and anomalies.
- Pastor counseling, including Chrisitan License Clinical Workers operating in Chrisitan churches, must be able to know, detect and report concerning behavioral indicators. The church attack in Wayne, Michigan, the SUBJECT was of concern to that Pastor, who later admitted he did not realize the indicators.

THE ATTACK NEUTRALIZATION



SUBJECT/MILLIKEN

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It happened around 10:15 a.m., Sunday on June 28, 2026, in the middle of church services at 1225 Chestnut Drive in High Point. A 911 caller spotted a man in camouflage sitting in a truck in the parking lot and said he had a gun.

An off-duty High Point police officer who was already working security at the church rushed straight to the truck. That off-duty police officer confronted the suspect, who claimed he was enforcing a smoking violation, before responding officers disarmed him and took him into custody without incident. Investigators also found body armor, a pepper ball launcher, over 500 rounds of ammunition, oxycodone pills and a notebook containing addresses of churches, schools and public buildings.

Milliken is charged with felony possessing a weapon of mass destruction, misdemeanor impersonating a law enforcement officer and possession of a controlled substance, according to court documents. Details of a motive have not been released, and detectives have not said if the suspect has ties to the congregation.

Court documents cite the reason for bond denial is that he "has a love for guns", and had the following in his possession:

- A notebook full of addresses of churches, schools, public buildings
- 2 radios with police scanners
- GPS coordinates
- Body armors
- Handcuffs & keys
- A copy of NC Tactical Interoperability Guide (Public Safety Sensitive)
- Weather proof notebook
- Two gatorades for hydration
- Three yards of duct tape
- An enlarged NC map
- 4 oxycodone pills

The document also stated "Per High Point Police, reason to believe defendant is deemed a danger to public because he has experience with bombs, believed to have mental issues."

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High Point is about a 75-mile drive northeast from uptown Charlotte.

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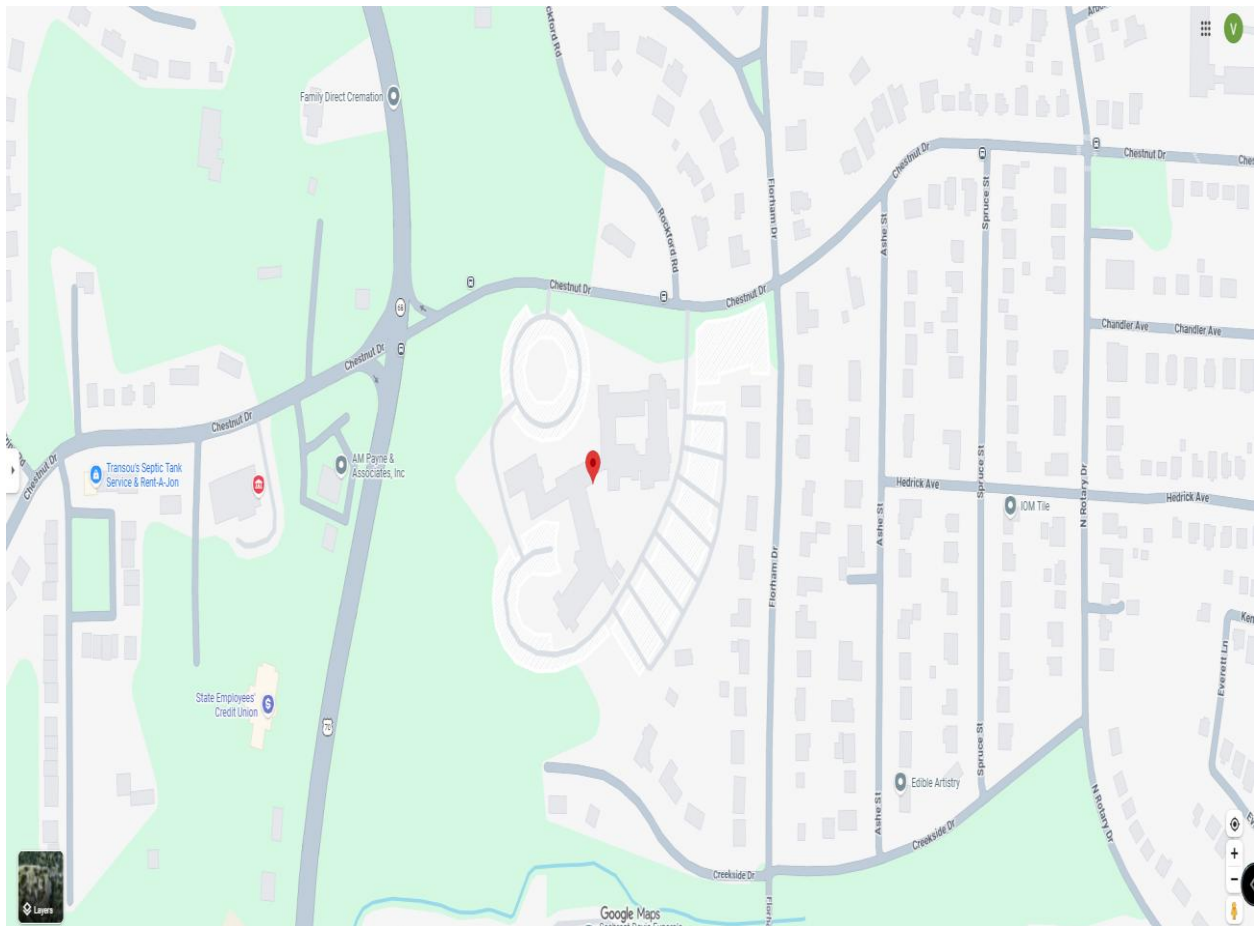
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SOURCES

Man Impersonating Officer With Flamethrowers, Crossbows Arrested at N.C. Church

An off-duty High Point police officer working at a church helped stop a heavily armed man who allegedly posed as a law enforcement officer and carried flamethrowers, crossbows and body armor. By Mark Price, Source The Charlotte Observer, June 30, 2026

<https://www.officer.com/on-the-street/news/55387860/high-point-church-incident-man-impersonating-officer-arrested-with-flamethrowers-crossbows>

Man arrested in High Point: flamethrowers, crossbows, more than 500 rounds of ammo found in truck, A Triad man is facing multiple charges after being arrested in a church parking lot while holding a gun and wearing body armor said the High Point Police Department, Posted 6:36 AM yesterday Updated 1:11 PM yesterday

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<https://www.wral.com/news/state/man-arrested-in-high-point-weapons-of-mass-destruction-june-2026/>

Man Shows Up To North Carolina Church In Body Armor With Two Flamethrowers, Crossbows & 500+ Rounds of Ammo, NC Beat

William Milliken III, 44, of Thomasville, arrested at Wesley Memorial Church in High Point after 911 caller spots armed man in truck, By Gerald Jackson. NC Beat, Published: June 30, 2026 11:11 am Updated: June 30, 2026 11:11 am

<https://thencbeat.com/william-milliken-iii-high-point-church-arrest/>

Addressing Human Threats in Church Parking Lots

Jeff Kearnan February 9, 2025, Kearnan Consulting Group

<https://kearnanconsulting.com/addressing-human-threats-church-parking-lots/>

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