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News Release

Lea County- Tuesday, January 27, 2015 deputies with the Lea County Sheriff's Office received a call regarding a breaking and entering occurring at the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Grimes at Cope Pl. Upon arrival, Deputies observed a shattered door window and determined that entry had been made into the Church. The deputies secured the area and contacted Suspect Eben Ezer Cruz-De-Garcia, 35 yoa male. After interviewing the suspect, it was determined he had gained entry into the Church and was intoxicated.

Upon entry into the Church, the deputies discovered a damaged wooden bench and several of the walls displayed multiple profanities and the name of the suspect's girlfriend. After processing the scene, contacting management and completing the investigation Cruz-De-Garcia was placed under arrest for Burglary, Larceny and Desecration of a Church. The bond was set at \$10,500.

At this time, the investigation is closed.

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