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## State Fire Marshal Seeks Information in Vivian Church Fire

**CADDO PARISH-** State Fire Marshal deputies continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding a small fire at a church in Vivian.

Around 7:45 a.m. on Sunday, March 31, Caddo Fire District #8 responded to a fire call to Vivian United Pentecostal Church, located in the 900 block of South Pecan Street.

State Fire Marshal deputies were called to investigate after it was discovered that a small fire had been set inside of the church's sanctuary overnight. Fortunately, the fire burned itself out without damaging more than a small area of the floor.

After assessing the scene, collecting evidence and gathering witness statements, it was confirmed the fire was intentionally set.

Investigators are actively conducting interviews and following leads in this case, but assistance from the public is always appreciated.

Tips about the fire at Vivian United Pentecostal Church can be submitted anonymously to SFM investigators by calling our Arson Hotline at 1-800-256-5452 or by submitting information through our online tip form which can be found at lasfm.org.

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