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Shots Fired

Saint Albans, WV- On Thursday, July 25, 2024, around noon, Kanawha County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to a shots-fired call at the Brown Community Worship Center in the 1600 block of Dry Ridge Road in the Saint Albans area. It was reported to 911 dispatchers that someone had shot a bullet through the front door of the church.

Deputies arrived on the scene to find damage to the front church door consistent with an apparent gunshot and a bullet was recovered inside. Nobody was injured in the incident; however, the church pastor, his wife, and their grandchild were inside an adjoining room cleaning when the shooting occurred. Deputies say the two were extremely lucky and they narrowly escaped what could have otherwise been a tragedy.

Deputies are examining evidence at the scene and are looking to question the driver of a white pickup truck that displayed an "I carry Naloxone" sticker on the left rear bumper. The pickup truck was seen in the area around the shooting time.



KCSO is also using some new technology to solicit help from the community. If you live or traveled in the area and have information or camera footage from the incident, you can submit copies to us via our community outreach link at https://kanawhacsowv.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/2024-00023284 or scan the attached QR Code with your smartphone. Deputies request you please take a moment to review your cameras and send us anything that may help identify the perpetrator(s).



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