

MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Subject:

Church Employee Arrested in Child Exploitation Case

Miami Police Special Victims Unit – Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) detectives have arrested 23-year-old Elvin Daniel Ortiz-Cruz, D.O.B. 02/11/2002, a driver for a church, located at 2300 NW 23rd Street for sending inappropriate and sexually explicit messages to a juvenile whom he transported to and from church activities.

On November 3, 2025, the victim's mother discovered text messages between the subject and the victim. She immediately reported it to police. Special Victims ICAC detectives began an active investigation and gathered additional evidence of his criminal intent.

An undercover operation led to the subject's arrest on November 23, 2025. He is facing multiple felony charges, to include:

- (1) counts - Sexual Performance by A Child/Promoting
- (3) count - Electronic Transmission/Harmful to Minor
- (4) counts - Seduce/Solicit/Lure/Child/Engage/Sex

Detectives believe that due to his regular access to children there may be additional victims and are encouraging them to come forward.

Anyone with information is urged to contact the Miami Police Department's Special Victim's Unit at (305) 603-6300. Those with information that wish to remain anonymous can contact Miami-Dade Crime Stoppers at (305) 471- TIPS (4877), visit www.crimestoppersmiami.com and select "Give a Tip" or Send a text message to 274637. Enter CSMD followed by tip information and press send.

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