

# Earl Paulk: Guilty of Felony Perjury

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Recently Earl Paulk turned himself into Atlanta-area authorities, the day after the Georgia Bureau of Investigation had issued a warrant for his arrest and gave him 48 hours to surrender to one felony count of perjury, reported the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* (AJC).

The 80-year-old founder of the once-thriving Cathedral of the Holy Spirit pleaded guilty the next day to lying and was sentenced to 10 years probation and also fined \$1000.

The AJC reported that the conviction came after new evidence challenged a deposition Paulk gave last year in a sexual misconduct lawsuit in which he claimed he had only one other sexual partner—former church member Mona Brewer—outside of his marriage.

Recent DNA evidence showing he fathered a child with his sister-in-law contradicted the sworn statement.