

Easter Sunday Vandals Won't Deter Church from Preaching the Gospel

The pastor of a church in rural Virginia said his congregation is undeterred after vandals destroyed their building on Easter Sunday, smashing windows and spray-painting the walls with sacrilegious words.

While Pastor Clarence Blevins said the attack on Konnarack Baptist Church left members devastated, he made clear it wouldn't stop them from sharing the gospel with their community in Washington County.

"It's not going to stop us," Blevins, a longtime member of the church, told WCYB-TV of the vandalism. "We're going to keep lifting [Jesus] up and serving Him the best we can."

The preacher, bewildered by the out-of-the-blue vandalism, wondered "how anybody could be so cold" as to attack the congregation's building, particularly on Easter Sunday.

"The little place here on the side of the road that's here to give people a place to come and worship the Lord and hear the Gospel preached in truth and spirit—and then somebody have that much hate of the truth—is just beyond my comprehension," Blevins told the local news outlet.

 The vandals spray-painted several disturbing messages on the walls of the church building. Detective William Smarr, who is leading the criminal investigation into the incident, told WCYB-TV the vandals could be staring down felony charges for their actions, which he believes took place after Konnarock Baptist had concluded its two Easter services.

Smarr also noted he is not ruling out hate crime charges.

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