

Justin Bieber Seeks Spiritual Cleansing, Baptism in New York

Justin Bieber, who has found himself in legal troubles multiple times in the last few weeks, sought spiritual help Saturday night.

According to the *New York Post*'s Page Six, the pop star was on the hunt for a private pool in Manhattan so he could get baptized with Hillsong NYC. Bieber was reportedly in New York Saturday for *Maxim* magazine's Super Bowl party.

"Justin and his team spent time on Saturday searching for a place with a pool where they could conduct a baptism for him, a cleansing ritual, with the Hillsong Church. But they couldn't find a place in time," a source told Page Six.

Another source said, "Justin is serious about his Christian faith, and after recent events, he needed to take a pause."

The megachurch's pastor, Carl Lentz, is a friend of Bieber, to whom Bieber tweeted, "Amazing sermon at church this morning. Love you man. I broke down today," after attending a service in September.

The 19-year-old entertainer was arrested Jan. 23 in Miami Beach on charges of driving under the influence, resisting arrest and driving with an expired license. He could face six months in jail if convicted.

The Canadian was also charged last week with assaulting a limousine driver in Toronto in December. An assault conviction in Canada carries a maximum sentence of five years.