

New Bedford Pastor Elmer Perez Arrested for Rape

Pastor Elmer Perez, 44, of 1413 Acushnet Ave. in New Bedford, was arrested Dec. 18 on charges of rape, witness intimidation, kidnapping, indecent assault/battery, and threatening to commit crime after a month-long investigation into accusations of sexual assault.

Perez serves as pastor at Iglesia De Jesucristo Church, 1411 Acushnet Ave.

This investigation is ongoing and police urge anyone who may have to information to please come forward by calling 508-991-6300 and ask for Det. Sherburne.