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CHURCHES BURGLARIZED IN NORTH OKALOOSA

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is investigating a series of church burglaries that were all reported Tuesday in North Okaloosa County.

Burglars entered the Bethel Assembly of God Church at 7417 County Road 393 in Laurel Hill and took the church's sound system, as well as a collection of coins donated by Vacation Bible School participants, and other items.

The First Baptist Church of Holt at 532 West U.S. Highway 90 was also targeted and thieves took an office safe, cell phone, and computer.

In addition, deputies were called to New Travelers Church at 3500 New Ebenezer Road in Laurel Hill after a church worker found the rear door open. Burglars had taken a lawn mower, fuel can, and fire extinguisher.

All three churches suffered some damage due to the forced entries.

Anyone with information on these crimes is asked to contact the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office at 850-689-5705 or Emerald Coast Crime Stoppers at 850-863- TIPS.

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