

Overstreet Statement

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Elders, Conklings and Overstreets want to address something that occurred recently with the Overstreets that we feel is important to communicate to our church family. As you may have heard, Daren recently underwent a stressful and needless interaction with law enforcement while on vacation.

While driving home from dinner and shopping together in early May, the Overstreets and Paul and Tamara Sheldon were pulled over by a police officer for a minor traffic infraction. In the course of the traffic stop, Daren, who was driving, was asked by an officer on DUI patrol to submit to a sobriety test. Daren readily agreed because other than one glass of wine at dinner nearly 2 hours earlier, he had absolutely no other alcohol or other substance in his system that would impair his driving. After this he was inexplicably charged with a DUI violation because the officer felt like he performed poorly and arrested him. It was shocking and surprising to all in the vehicle.

Daren submitted to a breathalyzer test, and blew a .000. A drug test administered that same night was returned completely negative. The case has been dismissed by the State Prosecutor, citing a lack of evidence. His arrest is currently in the process of being expunged.

We want to be very clear about this: Daren Overstreet has done absolutely nothing wrong. The prosecutor has acknowledged this, and it is in the process of being remedied.

Of course, this unjust accusation has brought a great deal of emotional pain to the Overstreets and their family, but we want to be completely transparent with you about this situation so that all who know Daren, and his many years of service to the Lord, can be fully assured that there is no doubt about his innocence and character.

We know that you love Daren and Karla as much as we do, so we thank you in advance for your prayers, your support, and your love for them, as they deal with the emotional toll a false arrest has placed on their family.

Please feel free to reach out to Ron or any of the elders with any questions that you may have and we will be more than happy to address them as best we can.

Additionally, Paul Sheldon, an elder in the Dallas church who as we mentioned was Daren's passenger that evening, wanted us to share with you that he and his wife Tamara are also available to answer any questions you might have.

Your brothers in Christ,

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