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TYPE OF CRIME: Hate Crime

CASE NUMBER: 06-253-0453

LOCATION: 400 block of Blossom Hill Road

DATE: 9-9-06 **TIME:** 9:00PM

VICTIM: Oak Grove Baptist Church

AGE:

ADDRESS: 400 block of Blossom Hill Road, San Jose

SUSPECT: Daniel Scott Vargas

AGE: 19 years (Adult male)

ADDRESS: San Jose resident

DETAILS:

On September 9, 2006, between the hours of 9:00PM and 8:53AM on 9-10-06, a felony hate crime/vandalism occurred in the 400 block of Blossom Hill Road. The suspect spray-painted Satanic statements on the exterior of the Oak Grove Baptist Church causing an estimated \$1,000 in damage.

Follow-up investigation by San Jose Police Department Detectives resulted in the identification and arrest of suspect Daniel Scott Vargas. The Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office has filed felony Hate Crime charges against the suspect.

Additional hate crime/vandalisms have occurred on August 30, 2006 to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in the 3900 block of McLaughlin Avenue and on September 23, 2006 to the Queen of Apostles Church in the 4900 block of Moorpark Avenue. These two cases are currently under investigation and do not appear to be connected to the Oak Grove Baptist Church case. Detective Norene Marinelli is assigned to these two cases.

Anyone with any information on these cases is urged to call Detective Jose Uribe or Detective Norene Marinelli of the San Jose Police Department's Juvenile Assaults Unit at 408-277-4781. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at 408-947-STOP.

BY: Sgt. Nick Muyo #2086
DATE: 10-6-06 TIME: 9:00AM

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. Vaughan Edwards
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PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES NO**

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