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## Former Kingsport police officer Richard Chandler accessed child pornography over wireless networks

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KINGSPORT, Tenn. (AP) — Investigators say a former Kingsport police officer accessed child pornography over wireless networks belonging to neighbors, businesses and a church.

Richard Chandler is one of 72 people indicted in an investigation into an international child pornography network that prosecutors say used an online bulletin board called Dreamboard to access thousands of images and videos of sexually abused children.

WJHL-TV reports (http://bit.ly/pWb8x8) that the federal search warrant alleges Chandler made 117 posts to the site, including twice when he was on duty. According to court papers, members used screen names rather than actual names and accessed the bulletin board via proxy servers, with Internet traffic routed through other computers to disguise a user's location.

Special agents said Chandler was able to access the Internet from more than 30 locations, including one belonging to the Higher Ground Baptist Church. "Chandler's residence ... is uniquely positioned such that numerous wireless networks from adjacent streets appear to be accessible," according to the warrant.

The Kingsport church's network is now password protected.

"As soon as we found out we took care of it," said Wayne Bledsoe, who is in charge of pastoral care.

Another connection allegedly accessed by Chandler belonged to Marty Blevins.

"To believe that man's in there going online on my account to get on there to do something like that with children and stuff, I hope he rots in jail," he said. "That's putting it nicely."

The U.S. indictments were unsealed in Shreveport. La. The Greeneville attorney listed as representing Chandler did not return a message from The Associated Press seeking comment.

Blevins said he planned to change to increase his security settings.

"I don't want nobody on my stuff," Blevins said. "I want it private."

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