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## CHURCH UNDER THE BRIDGE

# A FAREWELL FIT FOR HOLY WEEK



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Pastor Jimmy Dorrell and his wife, Janet, look on during Church Under the Bridge's Palm Sunday service, their last at the church they started 33 years ago. They will take part in an Easter service Sunday at Camp Hope on the Middle Bosque River before their retirement officially starts the following week.

## Dorrell preaches to flock under I-35 for last time as pastor

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Jimmy Dorrell packed much into his last service leading Church Under the Bridge at its home base under Interstate 35.

He and his wife, Janet Dorrell, last month announced their retirement after 33 years shepherding a flock that included ex-cons, the downtrodden and others who didn't mesh with society or other houses of worship. His last acts as pastor will arrive Sunday, for the church's annual Easter baptism service on the Middle Bosque River.

Dorrell, 76, wearing a Baylor University

baseball cap and windbreaker, and with Janet steadying his microphone, stood atop the church's stage to deliver a Palm Sunday message. He instructed the 150 or so in attendance at Fourth Street and I-35 to break into small groups and discuss pertinent Scripture and apply it to their own life experiences. Then came communion, each group dispatching someone to fetch dark bread and juice in disposable cups. Later, shouts of "Hosanna" competed with rumbling car engines overhead.

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## MIDDLE EAST

# 2 US aircraft shot down

SAM MEDNICK, KONSTANTIN TOROPIN AND SEUNG MIN KIM  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Two U.S. military planes were shot down in separate incidents on Friday, and while one crew member was rescued in Iran, the whereabouts of at least one other was unknown — marking a dramatic escalation since the war began almost five weeks ago.

It was the first time U.S. aircraft was downed in the conflict and came just two days after President Donald Trump said in a national address that the U.S. has "beaten and completely decimated Iran" and was "going to finish the job, and we're going to finish it very fast."

One fighter jet was shot down in Iran, officials said. A U.S. crew member from that jet was rescued, but a second was missing.

The rescue occurred as the U.S. military conducted a search operation, a U.S. official and an Israeli official said. Three people familiar also confirmed that a search was underway. All spoke on condition of anonymity.

No official details were released. But the Pentagon notified the House Armed Services Committee that the status of a second service member wasn't known.

In an email from the Pentagon obtained by The Associated Press, the U.S. military said it received notification of "an aircraft being shot down" in the Middle East, without providing more details.

Separately, Iranian state media said a U.S. A-10 attack aircraft crashed into Persian Gulf after being struck by Iranian defense forces.

Earlier, a U.S. official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said it wasn't clear if the aircraft crashed or was shot down and whether Iran was involved. Neither the status of that aircraft's crew, nor exactly where the aircraft went down, was immediately known.

Those incidents came as Iran fired on targets across the Mideast on Friday, keeping the pressure on Israel and its Gulf Arab neighbors, despite U.S. and Israeli insistence that Iran's military capabilities have been all but destroyed.

Iran's attacks on Gulf energy infrastructure and its tight grip on the Strait of Hormuz, through which a fifth of the world's oil and natural gas transits

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# Duo indicted locally in \$1.1M Ponzi scheme

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Two men accused of starting a Waco-based Ponzi scheme almost a decade ago and misusing more than \$380,000 in investor money have been indicted on first-degree felony charges, the Texas State Securities Board announced Wednesday.

A McLennan County grand jury on March 19 indicted Christian Kranenberg and Sebastian Silea, each on charges of misapplication

of fiduciary property and money laundering tied to their company, KS Cartel LLC, according to a securities board press release.

"According to the indictment, Kranenberg and Silea solicited investments from friends, family members, and acquaintances by representing that funds would be invested in mutual funds and private stock portfolios," the press release says. "Instead, prosecutors allege the defendants misused investor funds for personal

expenses and Ponzi-style payments to earlier investors. ... Authorities also allege that the defendants engaged in money laundering by using investor funds to acquire assets, including a Mercedes-Benz."

Kranenberg and Silea dropped out of college in late 2016 or early 2017 and pooled savings from part-time jobs, one a waiter and the other a pizza delivery driver, along with an inheritance Kranenberg had recently received, to day-trade

stocks, according to a 2020 federal lawsuit filed by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. In mid-2017, they formed KS Cartel with the intent of raising money from investors, according to the suit, which resulted in a permanent injunction barring them from the securities industry and fines of almost \$266,000 after their attorney withdrew for nonpayment and they failed to mount a defense.

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