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**KRISTOPHER NOBLE, MCLEANSBORO, & WILLIAM NOBLE, JONESBORO,  
SENTENCED TO ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR BURGLARY**

Michael C. Carr, Jackson County State's Attorney, announced today that two men, William Noble of Jonesboro, age 27, and Kristopher Noble of McLeansboro, age 22, were sentenced to the Illinois Department of Corrections for six counts of Burglary following a sentencing hearing on May 19, 2016.

On December 21, 2014, deputies with the Jackson County Sheriff's Department received a number of reports of burglaries to churches within Jackson County. Deputies investigated reports of forced entry into the Ava Missionary Baptists Church, the Ava Assembly of God, the Kinkaid Christian Fellowship Church, St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Pate Chapel Baptist Church, and the New Life Tabernacle. It was apparent that the suspects entered the churches looking for items to steal, and some of the churches reported money and other items stolen.

During the investigation, Deputies learned that law enforcement authorities in Union County were also investigating a large number of burglaries to churches in that jurisdiction. Ultimately, the investigation led to a search warrant being conducted on a home in Anna which was associated with William and Kristopher Noble, who are brothers. During the execution of that search warrant, a number of items were recovered which were identified as belonging to various churches in Union County. A few items were recovered which were identified as belonging to one of the churches in Jackson County.

Jackson County Deputies interviewed the Noble brothers who both admitted to burglarizing each church in Jackson County. In May, 2015, both of the defendants were sentenced in Union County for the burglaries that occurred in that jurisdiction.

On May 19, 2016, a sentencing hearing was held in the Circuit Court of Jackson County for both defendants. After evidence and argument, the Court sentenced Kristopher Noble to six (6) separate fourteen (14) year terms in the Illinois Department of Corrections, each to be followed by a three (3) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release, all to run concurrently. The Court sentenced William Noble to six (6) separate eight (8) year terms in the Illinois Department of Corrections, each to be followed by a two (2) year period of Mandatory Supervised Release, all to run concurrently.

The investigation was conducted by the Jackson County Sheriff's Department and the Union County Sheriff's Department. Assistant State's Attorney Casey E. A. Bloodworth was responsible for the prosecution of this case.