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WICHITA, KAN. – The former executive director of Inter-Faith Ministries in Wichita has been sentenced after he embezzled more than \$100,000 dollars from a church in Wichita where he was a member.

Garland Egerton, 66 of Wichita, pled guilty to one count of theft on February 1st of this year. A judge sentenced him this morning to 60 months of probation with an underlying sentence of 32 months in prison.

Egerton was ordered to pay \$129,556 in restitution. His lack of criminal history and the request of the church were cited in the court's decision to grant probation. The defendant was also ordered to have no contact with the Unity of Wichita Church and attend a theft offender class.

After an audit, the church discovered \$120,000 was missing. An audit showed the theft occurred from 2013 to 2018. Egerton was the bookkeeper for the church at the time. He left Inter-Faith Ministries last April.

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