

Man Kills Wife Inside Imo Church, Flees With 2 Children



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A yet-to-be-named man has reportedly killed his wife inside a church in Owaelu, in Owerri North local government area of Imo State.

The spokesperson for the Imo State Police Command, DSP Henry Okoye, confirmed the incident to journalists yesterday.

He said the police had commenced a manhunt for the fleeing husband, who took two children with him but left the toddler beside the woman's corpse.

A source who pleaded anonymity said the corpse was discovered by neighbours yesterday morning following the endless cry of the baby.

According to Okoye, the Owerri North divisional police officer, had visited the crime scene and handed over the suckling baby to a trusted family relative for care.

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He appealed to the public to assist the police by providing any useful information that could help arrest the suspect, and to report to the Owerri North Divisional Police Headquarters or call the command's emergency line on 0803 477 3600.

Okoye said, "The Imo State Police Command is aware of the tragic incident reported this morning at Owaelu, Owerri North LGA, where the lifeless body of a woman, allegedly killed by her husband, was discovered in a church premises. The suspect reportedly fled with two of their children, leaving behind a suckling baby, who has since been rescued and handed over to a trusted family relative.

"The divisional police officer (DPO) Owerri North Divisional Headquarters has visited the scene, and efforts have been intensified to apprehend the suspect and rescue the two children.

"The command urges anyone with credible information to report to the Owerri North Divisional Police Headquarters or call the command's emergency line on 0803 477 3600," Okoye said.