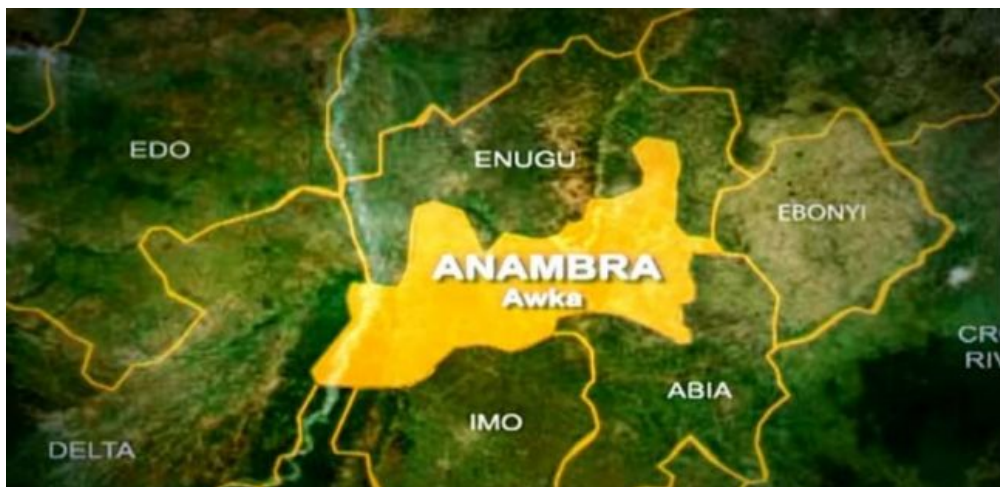


Police condemn attack on Anambra Church



- ***Vows to hunt down perpetrators***

The **Anambra State** Commissioner of Police (CP), Ikioye Orutugu, has condemned the attack on the Anglican Church last Sunday, during which the wife of the cleric was killed and part of the church as well as part of the building razed.

In a statement, the Police spokesperson, Tochukwu Ikenga, said: “The Commissioner of Police Anambra State Police, Ikioye Orutugu, condemns in the strongest terms the attack in the morning of December 7, 2025, carried out by armed criminals which resulted in the death of one person confirmed with serious injuries inflicted on a few others, including the church building partially burnt, and other properties destroyed at a church premises in Lilu, Ihiala Local Government Area.”

The CP states that the attack was wicked and an affront on the community, peace, sanctity of life, and freedom of worship.

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“The CP notes that no community should be subjected to such brutality as the command will not allow criminals to instill fear or destabilise the peace we are working tirelessly to maintain.

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He assured of strengthened surveillance across the area.

“The operatives are following every lead as no resource will be spared in ensuring that those responsible are apprehended and made to face the full weight of the law.

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“The Command urges residents to remain calm and cooperate with the Joint Security team by providing useful information that can assist ongoing investigations for justice to be served.

“The Command remains steadfast in its commitment to protecting lives and property across Ihiala and the entire state,” the CP added.