

Fire tragedy: Man burnt to death, house razed

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A MIDDLE aged man, John Nwagu was Tuesday night at Abakaliki, Ebonyi State burnt to death as he tried to rescue his property which was engulfed in fire.

The incident *Daily Champion* gathered happed at 31 Nkaliki road, Abakaliki.

The fire outbreak, which started about 7.30 pm was allegedly caused by fuel stored in the house.

An eye witness said, the deceased, a Tipper driver who hails from Okposi community in Ohaozara local government area of the state, was restrained twice by neighbours from entering the apartment due to the intensity of the inferno, but

he resisted and rushed inside the house.

He was said to have been overwhelmed by the inferno as he could not come out again.

It was the following morning that the charred remains were found in the debris as the entire building was razed down by fire.

Men of the State Fire Service

who arrived at the scene of the incident late could not do much as the building had already collapsed.

None of the deceased two wives and about eight children was seen when our reporter visited the scene as they were said to have taken refuge in another relation house.

Registrar advises students on Valentine

D R. Linus Nnamani, the Registrar, IMT, Enugu, has advised students to remember that AIDS is real while celebrating Valentine day.

Nnamani told the *News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)* today in Enugu that it was a misnomer for people to believe that Valentine day was

a special day for reckless sex.

He explained: that Valentine day, celebrated on Feb. 14, "has nothing to do with sexual relationship "It is a religious ceremony in honour of St. Valentine of blessed memory."

He urged parents to restrict and monitor the movement of their children to curb some