

[HOME](#)
[Site Français](#) [Site Guide](#) [Who We Are](#) [Content Providers](#) [Advertising](#) [My Account](#) [MyAfrica](#) [Biztech](#) [Sustainable](#) [Peace](#) [Mobile](#)

## Topics

## FREE EMAIL HEADLINES

Special Reports & Briefings  
Photo Essays  
From allAfrica  
Topical Focus Pages  
Resources and Documents  
RSS Feeds

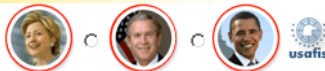
Arts, Culture, Entertainment  
Books  
Book Reviews  
Children & Youth  
Conflict and Security  
Crime and Corruption  
Economy, Business, &  
Finance  
Editorials  
Education  
Environment  
Sustainable Development  
Food, Agriculture and  
Rural Issues  
Health  
AIDS  
Malaria  
ICT and Telecom  
Legal Affairs and Crime  
Media  
Music  
Music Reviews  
Religion  
Refugees  
Science and Biotech  
Sport  
Soccer

Travel  
Women

U.S., Canada and Africa  
Europe and Africa  
Asia, Australia, and Africa  
Middle East and Africa  
Latin America and Africa

BlogAfrica  
Internet Gateway  
Content Providers

Answer for a chance to win  
a Green Card to the USA  
Who is the US President?

**Nigeria: 460 Killed in Jos Crisis**

Cosmas Ekpunobi and Tony Ailemen Abuja

21 January 2010

Lagos — After four days of blood-letting, the death toll in the clashes between Muslim and Christian gangs in Jos, Plateau State, has risen to 460, according to a mosque official and human rights activists.

[Email](#) | [Print](#) | [Comment\(12\)](#)

Share:



"We found more than 200 bodies gathered at the mosque in Kuru Gada Biu and 22 more at Mai Adiko," said Muhammad Tanko Shittu, a senior mosque official organising mass burials, who had earlier estimated the death toll among Muslims at 177.

**WELCOME TO AMERICA**

**Save 10%**  
when you rent in the USA

**AVIS**

BOOK

Unites States (US) based Human Rights Watch (HRW) put the number of Christians dead at 65.

Official police figures were significantly lower with 35 people dead, 40 injured and 168 arrested since Sunday.

"More troops have come in and the situation is now under control. But there are still many hoodlums dressed in fake police and military outfits causing havoc," said Gregory Yenlong, spokesman for the Plateau State government.

Six military units and hundreds of police officers were stationed throughout the city to enforce the 24-hour curfew imposed on Wednesday by the state governor, Jonah Jang.

Apparently shocked by what he saw at the scene of the crisis, Inspector General of Police (IGP), Mr. Ogbonna Onovo declared as devastating, the monumental destruction of properties in Bukuru town and environs.

He stated this while the Chief of Army Staff, Major General Abdulrahman Danbazau visited scenes of the crisis in Jos north local government. He pledged to provide the refugee camps with necessary immediate needs.

However, the state government, in consultation with the state security council, reviewed the 24-hour curfew to begin from 5pm and 10am each day.

This is as residents of Bukuru complained of the presence of "fake soldiers" who have been going from house-to-house killing and maiming Christians and other natives.

Meanwhile, Residents of Gyel and environs have appealed to the government to bring an end, the activities of fake soldiers who have continued to torment them even when they are obeying the curfew.

**Ads by Google**[Support Our Troops](#)[Support Military](#)[Support Troops](#)

Reports have it that the fake soldiers have a base at the federal secretariat in Jos, where they disguise as real soldiers and enter the city wrecking havoc as they pleased.

One of the captured soldiers, who said he was a policeman, is now helping security personnel with useful information.

Meanwhile, renewed high level plot to remove Jang from office failed yesterday as Senate rejected a motion asking the presidency to declare another state of emergency in the crisis-ridden state..

But the Upper House however tasked the Plateau State government "to fish out the perpetrators and sponsors of this latest act of violence and bring them to book to serve as deterrent to others with similar tendencies."

Trouble started when Tafida Arungunu asked the Senate to invoke the relevant

SELECT -- Regions/Countries: [GO!](#)SELECT -- Topics -- [GO!](#)
 [SEARCH](#)

**cndp**  
Commission particulière  
du débat public  
Nanotechnologies

Suivez le débat public  
en direct sur Internet :  
[www.debatpublic-nano.org](http://www.debatpublic-nano.org)  
**LE 26 JANVIER 2010 DÈS 19H30**

Decouvrez  
le vrai  
**romance  
africaine!**

Voir photos!  
Inscription gratuite! >

**AfroIntroductions.com**  
[www.AfroIntroductions.com](http://www.AfroIntroductions.com) Ads by Google

**Most Active Stories: Nigeria**
[Most Read](#) [Most Commented](#) [Most Emailed](#)

1. [Court Challenges Govt on Yar'Adua Illness](#)
2. [Scores of Violence Victims Thrown Into Wells](#)
3. [Obasanjo Calls for Yar'Adua's Resignation](#)
4. [460 Killed in Jos Crisis](#)
5. [Winnie Mandela Thanks Nation for South Africa's Liberation](#)
6. [Edo, Abia, Rivers Evacuate Indigenes From Jos](#)
7. [Campus Girls, Big-Time Prostitutes](#)
8. [Nigeria/Zambia: Super Eagles Face Copper Bullets in Battle of Lubangu](#)
9. [Rights Group Calls for Full Investigation of Massacre Reports](#)
10. [13 Men Arrested With Guns in Kaduna](#)

[More Most Active >>](#)

**WELCOME TO AMERICA**



**Save 10%**  
when you rent in the USA.

GET THIS DEAL

**AVIS**  
We try harder.

section of the 1999 Constitution to empower the President to impose an emergency rule on the troubled state.

Argungu in his amendment to a substantive motion drawing the attention of the Senate to the renewed skirmishes in the state insisted that emergency rule was the only option for now to restore peace and order in the state.

His motion was quickly supported by other northern senators including the Chief Whip, Kanti Bello who alleged that there was clear evidence of break down of law and order in the state and that the only way forward was to declare a state of emergency.

#### Femmes Africaines

Rencontrez Des Femmes Africaines À La Recherche De L'Âme Soeur!  
[www.AfroIntroductions.com](http://www.AfroIntroductions.com)



Ads by Google

Both spoke during a hot debate on a motion yesterday by Senator Gyang Dantong (Plateau State) drawing the attention of the lawmakers to the outbreak of fresh hostilities in Jos.

Senators were however, unanimous in agreeing that both the federal and state governments had failed to restore peace in the state.

Argungu in a proposed amendment to the motion however claimed that it was clear that the Plateau State government had failed to find lasting solution to the incessant crisis in Plateau State.

He prayed the Upper Legislative Chamber to quickly intervene through the declaration of a state of emergency.

But the Senate President, David Mark, in a remark that assuaged the feelings of some senators cautioned them not to rush to judgment about the performance of the state government using the crisis as a yardstick.

In his own contributions, Senator Joel Danlami Ikenya (Taraba State) said the cause of the crisis was the failure of the present crop of leaders to address issues of poverty in the Northern part of the country.

Senator James Manager (Delta State) said it was time for government at all levels to rise above mere debate and setting up committees to taking pragmatic steps to forestall crisis in the country.

He said: "We have to go beyond mere debates on the floors of lawmaking bodies. Where is the report of all the committees that were set up on previous crises in this country?"

Deputy Majority Leader, Victor Ndoma-Egba, said lack of political will to apprehend and punish culprits was responsible for the repetition of the crises in most parts of the country.

"It is too bad that this fresh crisis is coming at a time when we just debated the classification of Nigeria as a terrorist state by the US," he said.

Senator Ahmed Rufai Sani expressed the fear that if the crisis was not taken care of in good time, it would spread to other States.

Also yesterday, the Senate Mark announced that Nigeria had donated the sum of one million dollars to the people and government of Haiti to ameliorate the pains of the massive earthquake that ravaged that country.

Mark's announcement was sequel to a motion sponsored by Senator Bassey Ewa Henshaw (Cross River State) which was accorded serious attention on the floor of the Senate.

He told Senators that the problem was that Nigeria did not do much publicity about the donation like other countries were doing.

The motion had asked for such donations but Mark quickly informed his colleagues that it was now belated because he had been informed by Vice President Goodluck Jonathan that the sum of one million dollars had been donated by Nigeria.

Senators also agreed that each of them would voluntarily contribute money to be sent to Haiti for further assistance.

#### Relevant Links

[West Africa](#)  
[Nigeria](#)  
[Conflict](#)  
[Religion](#)

Vice President Goodluck Jonathan, in his first use of executive power, ordered troops to Jos on Tuesday to restore order and prevent a repetition of clashes in November 2008.

President Umaru Yar'Adua, who has been in hospital in Saudi Arabia for nearly two months, has been briefed on the situation, Minister of State for Information and Communications, Ikra Bilbis said.

Jos University Teaching Hospital was forced to turn away some patients late Tuesday because doctors were too overwhelmed. "Ninety per cent of the

Nigeria  
at a Glance

[Obasanjo Calls for Yar'Adua's Resignation](#)  
[13 Men Arrested With Guns in Kaduna](#)  
[Ruling Party Attacks Obasanjo Over Yar'Adua](#)  
[Pressure Mounts, Saudis Want Yar'Adua Back Home](#)  
[Archbishop Slams Media Reports on Muslim-Christian Fighting](#)

#### Charlotte



Profession: enseignante  
Age: 27

Situation de famille: **Single**

...et bien d'autres célibataires séduisantes à rencontrer

#### Marie



Profession: conseiller fiscal  
Age: 30

Situation de famille: **Single**

[meeticaffinity.fr](http://meeticaffinity.fr)

Ads by Google



**GET YOUR UNITED STATES GREEN CARD**

[Click Here To Register Online](#)

[www.USAGreencardLottery.Org](http://www.USAGreencardLottery.Org)

[www.USAGreencardLottery.Org](http://www.USAGreencardLottery.Org)

Ads by Google

#### Rescue Yoruba Kids Abroad

Save Your Kids From Being Lost Culturally Now, Yoruba In 27 Days  
[www.YorubaForKidsAbroad.com](http://www.YorubaForKidsAbroad.com)



Ads by Google



casualties were from gunshot injuries with a few from knives and bows and arrows," said Dr. Dabit Joseph, who works at the hospital.

The Red Cross has 40 staff workers and several volunteers at seven centres in Jos to help thousands of displaced residents, an agency spokesman said.

[Read comments.](#) [Write your own.](#)

Explore Topics

powered by

## 460 KILLED IN JOS CRISIS

[Incessant Crisis](#) [Jos Crisis](#)

[Jos University](#) [Fresh Crisis](#)

[Jos North Local Government](#)

[Northern Senators](#) [Senate President](#)

[Plateau State Government](#) [Substantive Motion](#)

### More News on allAfrica.com



**FG to Penetrate U.S. Market, Establish Vocational Institute**  
To enable Nigerian ...



**HIV Researchers Target an African-Focused Agenda**  
THE World Health Organisation (WHO) has ...



**Nitel - BPE Extends Deadline for Submission of Proposals**  
The deadline for the submission of ...



**Journalists Wary of Media Commission**  
MEMBERS of the Zimbabwe Media Commission (ZMC) have no ...



**Assembly Flays Contractors over Projects**  
Delta State House of Assembly has warned foreign ...



**Igali Advocates More Actions for Wrestlers**  
Former Olympic gold medalist, Daniel Igali has ...

Copyright © 2010 Daily Champion. All rights reserved. Distributed by AllAfrica Global Media ([allAfrica.com](#)). To contact the copyright holder directly for corrections — or for permission to republish or make other authorized use of this material, [click here](#).

AllAfrica aggregates and indexes content from over [125 African news organizations](#), plus more than [200 other sources](#), who are responsible for their own reporting and views. Articles and commentaries that identify [allAfrica.com](#) as the publisher are [produced or commissioned by AllAfrica](#).

### AllAfrica - All the Time

Author: kurah200066

Thu Jan 21 15:02:52 2010

haba nigerian government this shows that you cant control the nation, since you failed to take any action against the jonah jang administration. and every one is seing what is happening there. but time will come when god will put everything in control.

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

Author: Tijjani muhammad jos

Thu Jan 21 17:10:49 2010

My own comment hear is to advice the Federal Government to declare State of emergency in Plateau State. i want to let world known that, jos crisis is not a politics crisis, it's a Religions crisis.

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

Author: BeeDay

Thu Jan 21 17:22:37 2010

It is really unfortunate for people to sit and immergine that the Jos crisis is all about "Jang" or his leadership styles. How can a human explain the situation better when some religious groups are in their worship place and some persons bursting into them :killing and burning a "Jang's affairs".

Please i advice those law makers who are quick in talking about state of emergengy in the state to play their role as law makers effectively and shop up,before the Almighthy himself who sees their heart beyond the lips will visit them personnally. Can they please in honesty swear... [\[Read Full Text\]](#)

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

Author: Dan Abba

Fri Jan 22 15:45:45 2010

It is an undisputed fact that Gov. Jang never hid his disdain for the muslims and Hausa Fulani. There are crystal clear evidences implicating both the governor and the plateau state government in the Nov. 28 genocide on muslims which explained the angry protest of the state government over the Abisoye panel, and reluctance of the authorities to implement the recommendations of numerous panel set over the previous crisis. For now God favour is on us that the crisis is being contained within the boundaries of the state, but for how long will we continue to enjoy this magnanimity... [\[Read Full Text\]](#)

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

Author: martinsgumut

Thu Jan 21 22:14:03 2010

I dont think the Vice President is being fair and rational for annoucing that the federal

government is coming in to take over security in the State. The Federal government if anything is a culprit to the failure of the crisis to be nipped in the bud. what the VP should have done is to partner with the Plateau state government, instead of trying to trigger off another constitutional crisis. Plateau State is not the first state to experience a crisis of this magnitude, and we all know that it is not in the powers of the State governor to... [\[Read Full Text\]](#)

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

**Author:** tujay

Fri Jan 22 06:26:13 2010

Only a foolish & someone that is not reasonable will think that Pastor-Governor Jonah Jang is responsible for the attacks on Christians on Sunday. It is high time we start telling our selfs the truth, we all know those that started it, the same people are calling for the declaration of state of emergency in the state.

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

**Author:** Al amin husain

Fri Jan 22 07:18:03 2010

Please lets give a room for truth. We all have senses for reasoning, how can we have fake soldiers in plateau state without the knowledge of the state government? So if there is anyone to spread this crisis is no one other than the state governor. This is not the first time of shedding blood in plateau state. If there is anything more than executing this governor to death, please lets try the justice for peace to flow in the state and the country at large.

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

**Author:** saratuman

Fri Jan 22 07:38:41 2010

What happen in jos is as a result of hate and distrust between natives and hausa settlers. The situation also highlights the need for efficient leadership. Our leaders are always buzzy embezzling public fund. Governor jang is not the only one to blame. The federal government and its security apparatus should have put up permanent security response unit in Jos knowing fully that jos is a hotspot of ethnic cleansing. Government should always try to monitor and manage situations that can lead to hatred and mutual suspicion among the ethnic groups. For example, the recent cancellation of deferred scholarships by... [\[Read Full Text\]](#)

[Read our contribution guidelines](#) [Report inappropriate comments](#) [Reply](#)

[See all comments \(12\).](#)

[Top](#) | [Mobile](#) | [Who We Are](#) | [Advertising](#) | [Search](#)  
[My Account](#) | [Make us your home page](#) | [RSS](#) | [Contact](#) | [Privacy](#)

[Sign up for FREE daily 'top headlines' by email »](#)