

# Ex-sergeant kills brother in land dispute

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A dismissed police sergeant has stabbed his younger brother to death over a parcel of land. The tragedy occurred yesterday morning at Okafor street off Okpanam road, Asaba, the Delta State capital.

Though, details of the incident were sketchy as at press time, an eye-witness account said trouble started for the victim Israel Ogaga, an Electrical Engineering student of the

University of Benin (UNIBEN) when his elder brother got wind of it that he had proceeded to sell the disputed land despite several warnings against it by him.

*Daily Champion gathered from a family source that the land which was sold to a Senior Police Officer attached to the State Police Command, Asaba at N2 million was one of the property left behind by their late father. We learnt that all moves initiated by the dismissed policeman to get his share of the proceeds of the transaction were thwarted by the student.*

Obviously, dissatisfied with this development, the cop reportedly drew a battle line with his younger brother. Sources said a series of meetings summoned by an elder in the family, Mr. Steve Okolie to reunite both parties yielded no positive result as the student claimed that the money realised from the sales of the land was made for funding of his education.

This development reportedly angered the policeman who had allegedly taken alcohol to a state of stupor when he brought out a sharp knife and stabbed his younger brother twice on his chest. Before help could reach him, the UNIBEN student had given up the ghost. The Delta State Police Spokesman, Mr. Charles Muka who confirmed the incident said the command had launched investigation into the alleged murder.

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