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A landlord, Mallam Isah Safo, yesterday beat his tenant, Mr. John James Enwerem, to death following a disagreement over house rent in the Kpakungu area of Minna, the Niger State capital. The 70 year old Enwerem was said to have died from blows he received from Safo while attempting to prevent the landlord from beating his wife.

He was said to have collapsed and died on the spot. The landlord who was said to have given the couple an eviction notice over three months ago had argued with the tenant over three month rent being owed him.

The landlord was also angered by the way the tenant's children between the ages of 8 and 10 hit the wall of the house, saying it was capable of breaking the wall.

Threats to deal with the children according to a source drew the attention of their mother (Ngozi) who intervened and pleaded with the landlord to ignore the children, saying there was no way they could bring down the house considering their ages. he pounced on the woman and was beating when her husband intervened and got hit.

Police Public Relations Officer Mr Richard Oguiche confirmed the story.

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