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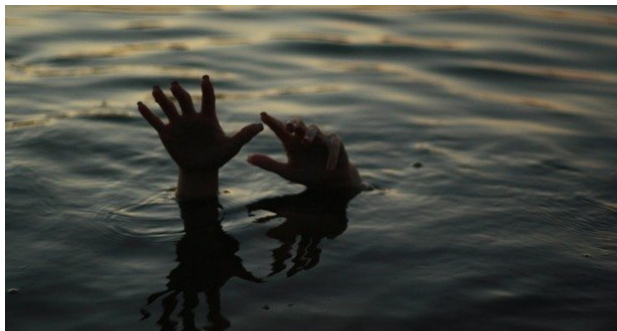
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## 2 siblings drown in Benue

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Two siblings on Saturday drowned at Lake Nguembi near St. Thomas Catholic Church in Gboko South of Gboko Local Government Area in Benue State.

Shater Abomnger, 10 and Terhide Abomnger, 8, were said to have drowned around while searching for used plastic containers around the lake.

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A witness, Joseph Orban, said Shater, had slipped into the water and Terhide also drowned while lending a helping hand to his brother.

He said their bodies were recovered and taken to the general hospital in Gboko where they were certified dead.

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He said in his 15 years of living in the community, he had witnessed over 30 of such cases.

The victims' father, Teryima Abomnger, a yam seller, said he and his wife were away in search of livelihood when the incident happened.

He said his deceased children were pupils of Aunty Ayam's Nursery and Primary School in Gboko.

The spokesperson of the state police command, Sewuese Anene, said she was yet to receive reports of the incident as of the time of filing this report.

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