

## Baby, Others Die In Smoke At Vigil

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**A**N eight-month-old baby, a pastor's wife and another woman have lost their lives at a church vigil in Lagos.

Trouble started last Friday night when the

wife of an assistant pastor of a church at Ogunsolu Estate on the Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway, asked that the church's generator be switched on during the vigil.

A minor disagreement had ensued as some of

the other women complained, saying that the generator should be kept outside because of the smoke. But the pastor's wife insisted, arguing that thieves might steal it.

Barely hours into the vigil, smoke from the

generator started choking inside the enclosed church.

By the morning hours, the pastor's wife and an eight-month-old baby lay dead. Another church member who was rushed to the hospital and placed on danger list, died during the week.