

# Six Arraigned For Killing Cleric In Osun

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Six persons have been arraigned before an Osogbo Magistrate Court over the alleged murder of a pastor.

The accused persons, according to the police prosecutor, Meret Wilson, are Bosede Edward, James Samuel, Anthony Gabriel, Sade Ojo, Gabriel Felicia and Kehinde James.

The offence was reportedly committed at 5, Isale Oja, Ijebu-Ijesa, in Oriade Local Government Area of Osun State on March 5, 2007.

The police prosecutor told the court that the accused persons allegedly hit the deceased with club severally until he eventually gave up the ghost.

According to him, the offence was committed when the deceased visited one of the accused persons, Bose Edward, who was reportedly his lover, at the scene of the crime, but met another man with the her.

The now deceased gospel minister, identified as David Popoola, could not however stomach this. He had reportedly warned the man to stay away from her because she was already carrying his (pastor) baby.

The situation however turned sour when James Samuel, the other lover, allegedly gave the pastor a slap on the face and this resulted in a free-for-all fight. The four other accused came and joined in beating the pastor, which led to his death.

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