



## Man accused of killing mother commits suicide

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A twenty-eight-year old, Ekene Ezeogo, has allegedly committed suicide after he was accused of killing his mother, Prophetess Mary, who died a few days earlier.

Prophetess Mary was rushed to hospital when she complained of pains after her son pushed her to the ground while she tried to separate a fight between him and his younger sister.

The incident happened at their no. 24 Agbaja Road, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State family home.

It was gathered that after his mother died, Ezeogo reported the matter to the Central Police Station in Abakaliki.

He, however, fled the station when policemen wanted to arrest him. He ended up at his uncompleted house at Onuebo residential area, where he allegedly drank three bottles of rat poison.

His elder brother, Chidi, said Ekene was rushed to the emergency unit of the Federal Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki, where he eventually died.

A neighbour, Mr. Chinedu Sunday, who corroborated Chidi, said when they got news of Ekene's health condition, they contacted the police, who helped to take him to the hospital.

Ekene's half-brother, Onyema lamented that the incident had dragged the family's name in the mud, saying he never imagined that the deceased could commit suicide at a time when efforts were on to resolve the crisis in the family following their mother's death.

Police spokesman Jude Madu said they were yet to get a report of the incident.