

Man dies during church deliverance in Edo

BANJI ALUKO - BENIN CITY

A 45-year-old man, Osayande Ekhaton, allegedly lost his life during a deliverance session at a church in Benin City, the Edo State capital.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the late Osayande was taken to Hope Ministry, aka Holy Ghost Deliverance Centre, located at Okwanga Street, Uslu, Egor Local Government Area of the state by his family members for

spiritual cleansing on Monday, due to an undisclosed ailment.

It was gathered that noise from the church caught the attention of neighbours who discovered the body of the deceased inside the church.

The occurrence reportedly drew a large crowd to the church, as they came to catch a glimpse of the dead man.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that some angry youths stormed the church and

vandalised property.

Father to the deceased Pa Ekhaton, alleged that the deliverance session was inhuman. He also alleged that the hands and legs of his late son were tied.

When contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer, Stephen Onwoche, said the pastor had been arrested, while the case had been transferred to the state Criminal Investigation Department for investigation.