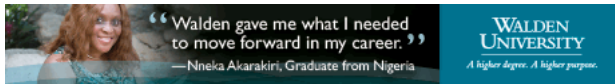


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55 killed, many injured, as cleric escapes death in Plateau explosions (/55-killed-many-injured-cleric-escapes-death-plateau-explosions)

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JOS, the Plateau State capital, was thrown into pandemonium on Monday, following explosions that rocked a restaurant and a mosque on Sunday, leading to the death of no fewer than 55 people, with several others sustained injuries.

The first explosion occurred at about 9.45 p.m. on Sunday, at a popular restaurant along Bauchi Road, when two female suicide bombers on the pretense of patronising the restaurant, detonated the bombs strapped on their bodies, killing scores of people and leaving many with severe injuries.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the restaurant was always a beehive of activities, especially during Ramadan by travellers from the neighbouring states of Bauchi, Gombe and Adamawa, who often stopped over to break their fasting and bought food to take along as they proceed on their journey.

A source, who escaped the incident by the whiskers, said 18 bodies were recovered immediately after the explosion, while there were those whose bodies were dismembered and could not be recognised, adding that those who sustained injuries were taken to nearby health centres.

He said those with complicated injuries were later transferred to the Plateau State Specialist Hospital and the Bingham University Teaching Hospital respectively.

While security men and other good Samaritans were making frantic efforts to salvage the situation, another suicide bomber, alongside gunmen, stormed a mosque at Dilimi, where prominent Islamic preacher, Sheik Yahaya Jingir was delivering a lecture, forcing worshippers to scamper for their lives.

One of the worshippers, Zakari Mohammed, disclosed that six gunmen, at about 9.55 p.m. positioned themselves at various strategic positions within the vicinity of the mosque and started shooting sporadically towards the mosque, while two suicide bombers made frantic efforts to force their way into the mosque, but were prevented by the local security men at the entrance.

According to him, in the process of the shooting, quite a number of people, especially those running away from the scene were shot at close range and died on the spot, adding that the two local security men at the entrance of the mosque died alongside the suicide bombers, while some aged people and children within the vicinity also died of stampede.

An official of the mosque, who spoke with Nigerian Tribune on condition of anonymity, said after the gunmen bolted away, the entire area was littered with shattered bodies of people, adding that 37 bodies were evacuated from the scene, while those who sustained injuries were taken to a nearby hospital for treatment.

He further disclosed that those who remained inside the mosque alongside Shiek Jingir did not sustain injury, adding majority of those who rushed out of the mosque or were outside when the gunmen and bombers struck, were affected.

Speaking with newsmen, North-Central Coordinator of National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), Mallam Abdulsallam Mohammed, confirmed 44 people dead and 47 critically injured as at 3.30 a.m. on Monday, adding that NEMA, alongside other major stakeholders, were not resting on their oars regarding the unfortunate incident.

It was gathered that some hoodlums took advantage of the chaotic situation to loot shops and vandalise churches within the vicinity of the incident. Some of the churches affected were First Africa Independent Church, Church of Aladura and others around the vicinity.

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