

Another youth killed by alleged cult members in Ekiti

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ANOTHER youth identified as Sunday Afolabi was on Sunday killed at the Igbole area of Irona in Ado-Ekiti, the state capital.

According to *Nigerian Tribune* findings, Sunday, who was said to be in his late 30s, was killed in his room while his pregnant wife was away to observe a 'night vigil' at a nearby church.

The body of the deceased, soaked in blood, was still lying in the room around 10:00 a.m. when the *Nigerian Tribune* visited the scene, while a deep hole, made possibly by the killer shot, was very visible just below his chest.

Sunday's killing by a gang believed to be cultists brought the number of such killings to five, according to findings.

Sympathisers, family members and friends of Sunday, thronged the Irona residence, lamenting a death they said "Sunday did not at all deserve."

He was said to have retired indoors about 9:00 p.m. in a house said to be built by his biological mother, just after having a chat with some residents around the area.

One of the sympathisers who craved anonymity explained that, unlike being generally peddled, Sunday was not a member of any cult gang, clarifying: "He was a pleasant person, amiable and could not hurt a fly."

Some independent findings, however, revealed that while Sunday was not a member of any of the three rival cult gangs currently ravaging the small town, he was said to have sympathy for Eye Fraternity, a situation which made him a target for other gangs who equally desired and wanted him to join them, overtures regarding which he was said to have rebuffed.

Confirming the development, the State Police Spokesperson, Alberto Adeyemi, said "Sunday Afolabi, 38 years, was said to have been killed around Irona area."

Alberto's words: "He was a notorious armed robber who we have been looking for. His family had picked his corpse up for burial as they claimed they could not afford the cost of either autopsy or mortuary. We are doing investigations into the killing."

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