

# Woman, child die of fuel attack in Delta

ALPHONSUS AGBORH - ASABA

BARELY two weeks after the family of a pastor was set ablaze in their house in Ogwashi Uku, Delta State, another family has suffered the same fate as a woman and her child died the same way at the weekend.

Reports from the area said unknown persons poured petrol through open window of their residence at Isah Road axis and set the room on fire.

So far, over five families in the town had been serially attacked by the throwing of fuel into their homes at night before setting the occupants ablaze.

Five children were said to have lost their lives in the inferno while survivors were still battling for their lives at various hospitals.

Reason for the new trend of attack on homes could not be established immediately but unconfirmed sources linked it to cult activities.

The Ozoma of Ogwashi Uku, Chief Lawrence Okolobi, who spoke on the

sad development, described the new crime as worrisome, saying that the community's authority had tasked the vigilance groups to buckle up and nip it in the bud by strengthening their investigation.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Andrew Aniamaka, had earlier condemned the action of the unidentified attackers, though he said victims did not report the matter officially to the police.

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WIDESPREAD fears have enveloped Idua community in Eket Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State following the death, at the weekend, of two students of Alex Secondary School.

The deceased, Aniekan Harry and Uche Okoli, said to be Senior Secondary School (SSS) Two students of the private school, were reported to have drowned at Qua Iboe River, after playing football on the beach.

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