

# Suspected Cultists Kill Prophet, Father In Akwa-Ibom Community

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Suspected cultists said to members of the dreaded Iceland confraternity have gruesomely murdered two members of the same family from Ikot Ibekwe community in Ukanafun Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom at the weekend.

Comrade Esem Udoiong, a local resident identified those killed to include Chief Ephraim Jacob Obonukut and his son, Prophet Kufre Obonukut, who, according to him, were macheted to death in their family compound at Ikot Ibekwe, few kilometres to Ikot Akpankuk, headquarters of the Local Government.

Family sources explained that “the cultists came to kill Prophet Kufre, and when he raised the alarm, his father was alerted to come up to save him, but the criminals turned and also attacked and macheted on his head and other parts of his body.”

Another source from the bereaved family said the killing might not be unconnected with the fact that Prophet Kufre who was the founder of Last Bus Stop Church (LBC), Ikot Ibekwe, was an object of envy by some Church founders in the area.

According to the source, the prophet was accused of luring members from other Churches through miracles.

“It is very sad to miss a father and a son at the same time. At the moment, the mother is bedridden. The prophet had been buried while the father is to be buried later because of his chieftaincy status,” the source said.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Superintendent Odiko Macdon, said an investigation was ongoing with a view to unravelling the immediate and remote causes of the attack.

“Discreet investigations are ongoing to ascertain the immediate and remote causes of the incident,” he assured and urged members of the civil society to volunteer intelligence to security agents with a view to apprehending the culprits, whom he said were still at large.