

Gunmen kill estate agent during church service in Ilorin

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A 61-year-old estate agent based in Ilorin, the Kwara State capital, Sina Babarinde, was on Sunday morning reportedly shot dead by some gunmen during a church service at Basin Road in Ilorin.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Okasanmi Ajayi, who confirmed the incident to Nigerian Tribune on Monday, said investigation was already ongoing to arrest the perpetrators.

According to the PPRO, the incident occurred during the 7:00 a.m. service of the church.

The police spokesperson said: "Late Sina Babarinde was called on phone and as he walked out of the

church to receive the call, the sound of gun shots rent the air, which drew the attention of the congregation.

"By the time the congregation got out of the church to see what was happening, it was discovered that the estate agent was already in the pool of his own blood. It was discovered that he was shot on the head."

Okasanmi, who said the Commissioner of Police in the state, Mr Tuesday Assayomo, had directed discreet investigation into the matter, added, "I can tell you that investigation is on high gear. The shells of the bullet used in killing the deceased have been recovered and the corpse has been deposited at the UITH for postmortem.