Again, gunmen kill nine, injure several others in Plateau community

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of Plateau State struck again on Wednesday and killed no fewer than nine people, injuring several other and burnt down several houses at Wereng camp community in Riyom local government area of the state.

It will be recalled that Bokkos, Wase, Barakin-Ladi local government areas of the State have been under attack by gunmen in recent time, leading to loss of lives and destruction of properties worth millions of naira.

A source close to Wareng camp community revealed that the gunmen struck at 9:00 pm and started shooting into the air, forcing the inhabitants to scamper for safety.

"The attackers who were in large number attacked

victims from house to house while Aldi setting fire to their homes. Some of the inhabitants mustered the bravery to defend their community, but we're overwhelmed by the attacker's superior fire power.

"The onslaught lasted for more than two hours and at the end, nine individual were slain, largely children and aged. Almost all the houses in the community were torched down by the marauders before they went while foodstuffs were also carted away," the source said.

The National President Berom Youth Moulders Association (BYM), Barrister Solomon Dalyop, also confirmed the attack.

Efforts to reach the State Police Public Relation Officer DSP Alfred Alabi proved abortive as he could not be reach on his phone.