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A 17-year old boy, Nwanakwo Udo Edet, who was forced to drink acid by his father has died at the University of Uyo Teaching Hospital, (UUTH) Uyo, the Akwa Ibom State capital.

Nwanakwo was referred to the teaching hospital in July from General Hospital, Ikono, after his father, Udo Edet, forced him to drink acid and also bathed him with same, on suspicion that he was a wizard.

A few days before he died recently, the boy told P.M.News that his trouble started when he was invited to attend a Mount Zion Light House Gospel Church meeting in Oban, Akamkpa, Cross River State.

“When I got to the church, I joined others in singing, dancing and praying. Suddenly, the pastor turned to me and declared, ‘you are a wizard’. I answered him, ‘no, I am not’. He then gave me a bottle of anointing oil to drink at home after he had beaten and slapped me, though I did not confess. I left the church in annoyance. So when I got home, I informed my dad, expecting he would go and arrest the pastor. But I was disappointed when he did not,” Nwanakwo narrated.

Instead, the boy said four days later his father hired an okada (motorcycle) tricked him and took him to a bush in Ikono, where his dad forced his mouth open and poured acid into it, accusing him also of being a wizard.

As he shouted and begged the old man while on the ground, the late Nwanakwo said his father further poured acid on his head and body.

“Thinking that I was dead, my father abandoned me and ran away, while the okada rider later took me to the hospital,” Nwanakwo said.

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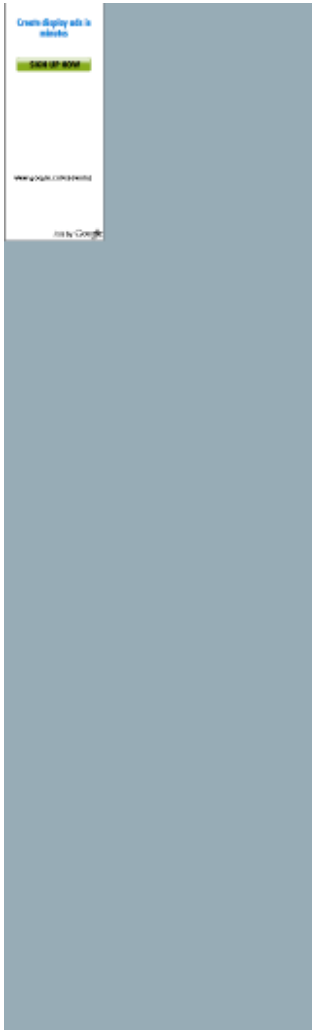
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Since the incident in July, Nwanakwo was admitted first at the General Hospital and later at UUTH where he eventually died after about three months of treatment.

Contacted, the Chief Medical Director, UUTH, Prof. Emmanuel Ekanem, told out correspondent that the Head of Corporate Affairs Unit of the hospital has contacted the Divisional Police Officer in Ikono area who has assured that his men have been assigned to investigate the matter.

The late Nwanakwo's case represents one in hundreds of children in the South-South East states of Akwa Ibom, Cross River, Rivers, Bayelsa etc. who are murdered regularly by being thrown into fire, or drowned in a river, stoned to death or killed in similar manner after being accused of witchcraft or wizardry.

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