

Stabbed in father's presence, twin dies as police hunt for killer

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The view from the veranda of house No 5, Olalekan Adeoya Street, Off Liasu Road, Ikotun area of Lagos is one that is likely to send shivers down the spine of whoever knew what took place on April 15, 2016 right in front of the building.

Anyone standing on the veranda of the top floor apartment of the Megwa family will be looking directly at the exact spot where 23-year-old twins Elvis and Lewis Megwa were both stabbed.

That is one spot their father, who is in his early 60s, has not been strong enough to direct his sight, days after he lost one of his sons in a tragic attack that put the one who survived in intensive care.

When our correspondent visited the family on Wednesday, the grief-stricken Mr. Emmanuel Megwa shook his friend as he delved into the seemingly harmless confrontation, which degenerated to a brutal attack on his family.

Mr. Megwa, who spoke in an emotion-laden low tone, explained that on that night which turned out to be the worst day of his life, a girl living with him had gone out to buy something in a kiosk which doubles as the security post and petty trading store used by the security guard employed to man the street gate in front of the Megwas' house.

He said, "My boys – the twins – were standing on the veranda watching the goings on on the street and at the girl walking out of the house around 10.30pm.

"When the girl got to the guard's kiosk, about three boys, who were standing around the area, started harassing and groping her. She raised the alarm and I had to rush downstairs to challenge the boys, just to make them stop.

"As I rushed downstairs, one of my twin boys followed me. I opened the gate and noticed that the boys were still standing by. I asked them simply why they were harassing the girl and one of them challenged me for asking them such question.

"They started charging towards us, becoming aggressive, so, I pushed my son back. As he was trying to move back, he fell and got up again. At that point, his brother had come downstairs to ask what was happening."

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