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1 **W**HEN Emmanuel Omuta bade his mother goodbye

while leaving for a vigil last Friday, little did they know they were exchanging their last pleasantries.

The 20-year-old was

reportedly killed by suspected robbers, who made away with his laptop in the Agbado Crossing area of Ogun State while he was returning from

the vigil in the early hours of Saturday, November 24, 2018.

PUNCH Metro gathered that Emmanuel was killed a walking distance away from a police station.

It was alleged that despite the victim's cry for help, the police failed to rescue him.

Speaking to our correspondent on the telephone, the distraught mother of the deceased, Christiana Omuta, said despite the fact that the incident was reported to the police, they had not done anything about it.

The mother of five stated, "My son worked as a projector operator and he was always invited to churches. On Friday, he told me that he was going for a vigil. On his way back from the vigil around 6am on Saturday, he was attacked by some criminals. He was trying to protect his laptop, so he was stabbed.

"In the morning, when his brother was going out, he saw his brother's corpse beside the road. He immediately ran home to inform me. By the time I got there, I realised that he was the one.

"The puzzling part of the whole story is that a police

station is just three minutes' walk to the place where he was attacked by the criminals and despite the fact that the incident has been reported, the police have neither made any arrest nor done anything about it."

The widowed mother said she had yet to recover from the grief of losing her husband, adding that the

death of her son is empty.

"He (Emmanuel) was my third child. I was very close to my son. I can't speak to you, my son, without him. If not for the support of the church, I probably would have died because I have yet to recover from the death of my son. I can only be at

Generator fumes kill three family members in Osogbo

Bola Bamigbola, Osogbo

2 **T**HREE members of a family residing at the Olorisaoko Compound, Osogbo, Osun State, were found dead in their home in the early hours of Thursday.

Although their death was blamed on many factors, including the last meal ate by the late police Sergeant Mary Samuel and her family, but security sources said the victims might have been killed by generator fumes.

A security source, who pleaded anonymity, told our correspondent that the late Samuel had a torch in her hand when security men gained access to her apartment, adding that she must have slumped while heading towards the direction of the kitchen, where a generator was kept.

Others found dead in the apartment located on the ground floor of a storey building behind the Osogbo Central Mosque apart from Samuel, were her daughter, Abigail, and her grandchild, whose name could not be ascertained as of the time of filing this report.



• Generators

"Samuel was found almost naked and she was confirmed dead at LAUTECH. Two others were dead too. But Jumoke, the eldest daughter of the deceased, who came around with her two children last weekend, was revived at LAUTECH and has been rushed to the OAUTH, Ile-Ife.

"The only person not affected by the fumes was a four-month-old granddaughter of the deceased. She was taken away by neighbours as the corpses of the others were being evacuated."

Photo: File

Samuel, said to be an indigene of Ekiti State, was married to another policeman from Kogi State and served at the Works Department of the Osun State Police Command until her death.

The remains of the deceased were deposited in the morgue of LAUTECH, Osogbo.

The Police Public Relations Officer for the Osun State Command, Folasade Odoro, said carbon monoxide emission from a generator was "reasonably suspected to have been the cause of the death."

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