

Ogun church founders allegedly kill member during fellowship

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THE Ogun State Police Command on Monday paraded 15 suspected criminals for various crimes, including armed robbery, murder, kidnapping, among others.

The state Commissioner of Police, Lanre Bankole, who paraded the suspects at the police headquarters, Elewera, Abeokuta, on Monday, said they were arrested in different parts of the state.

Speaking during the parade, Bankole said his men arrested 15 suspects in March with various

operative guns

a working day since then," the source added.

The victim's uncle, Justus Opah, affirmed that Chinenye was killed by the DSS, adding that several residents witnessed the incident.

The state police spokesman, Daniel Ndukwe, did not take his calls or respond to text messages on the incident.

The DSS spokesperson, Peter Afunanya, however, denied the incident.

He said, "This is not true. It is completely misleading information."



• Some of the suspects

weapons.

He noted that a murder suspect, Saheed Ogundahun, was arrested on March 13, for allegedly killing a Fulani herdsman with a dane gun and burying him on his farm in Ewekoro.

He explained that the corpse was exhumed and taken to the Ifo General Hospital's mortuary for an autopsy.

Bankole said, "On credible intelligence, one Saheed Ogundahun, a hunter, was arrested in connection with the case.

"On interrogation, the said Saheed confessed that he shot the victim to death and buried him in the bush."

Also paraded were two notorious kidnapers, Sulaimon Mohammed, 40, and Jato Bello, 40.

Others who were paraded were two suspects, Chidi Samuel and Paul Zakari, who were co-founders of a Christian fellowship group, Life Builders Network, for allegedly killing a church

member, Favour Okumazor, in Oyan village, Imala, in the Abeokuta-North area of the state.

Bankole said, "The suspects took some youths numbering seven away from their parents to an isolated area in Oyan village via Imala for what they called Bible study and fellowship."

The police boss said the suspects were arrested following a report by a parent, who was alerted by one of the victims after he escaped.

Meanwhile, the police boss said his men were neither involved nor carried along by relatives of kidnap victims in the payment of ransom.

Bankole described kidnap cases as sensitive, adding that the police were always careful to ensure the safety of victims first.

He said, "The issue of payment of ransom, when victims are kidnapped, to the best of my knowledge, if ransoms are paid, it is not to the knowledge of the police."

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