

# Kogi gunmen kill worshippers during church service

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Two persons were killed and three others injured on Sunday when gunmen attacked a Celestial Church of Christ at Felele, Lokoja, Kogi State.

An eyewitness, who asked not to be identified for security reasons, said the gunmen, who were fully armed, stormed the church and started shooting continuously.

It was learnt that two people died on the spot, while the injured were taken to the Federal Medical Centre, Lokoja.

He said, “When they entered, they started shooting at everyone outside the church. I went and hid inside a cassava farm. What I saw yesterday was like an action film. Kogi is no longer safe.”

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The state Police Public Relations Officer, William Ovyé-Aya, confirmed the incident on Monday.

He said, “It was a distress call that the Divisional Police Officer of B Division, Felele, received that hoodlums invaded a Celestial Church behind the NNPC Mega Station and they began shooting. Two people were confirmed dead in a

hospital, while three are receiving treatment.

“The Commissioner of Police has deployed our operatives and ordered the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of investigation to commence investigation to unravel the cause of the attack with a view to arresting the perpetrators.”