

① Armed men kill Plateau teacher, steal from wife

James Abraham, Jos

A school teacher in Plateau State, Mr Emmanuel Kyesmen, has been killed by gunmen.

PUNCH Metro learnt on Thursday that the victim, who worked with the Betany Academy in Barkin Ladi, the Barkin Ladi Local Government Area of the state was shot dead by the gunmen who attacked him on Wednesday evening.

A resident of the community, Ferdinand Goyit, confirmed the school teacher's death to our correspondent in Jos on Thursday.



• Plateau CP, Bartholomew Onyeka

Goyit said, "Our people here in Barkin Ladi have once again been thrown into mourning following the gruesome killing of a teacher by gunmen."

"The name of the teacher is Emmanuel Kyesmen. He was a staff member of Betany Academy Barkin Ladi before he was killed yesterday evening and he has a shop in the community which he operates after school hours."

"The gunmen came around 7pm when he was about to close his shop beside his residence in the town and opened fire, killing him on the spot. They also gained entrance into his residence and demanded money

from his wife before they left."

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Alabo Alfred, could not be reached when contacted on the incident as his phone lines were switched off.

PUNCH Metro reports that shortly before the latest killing in Barkin Ladi, the acting Inspector-General of Police, Olukayode Egbetokun, had visited the state Governor, Caleb Mutfwang, at the Rayfield Government House in Jos to discuss the security situation in the state.

He was said to have assured the governor of the police's commitment to maintain law and order in the state.