



**The Suspect, Blessing Okeze With the Corpse*

Woman, 35 Murders Step Son

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Thirty five year old Blessing Okeze from Delta State has told the police of the Alonge Police station, Oworoshoki, Lagos that the manner in which her nephew,

Prince Okeze died while she was correcting him was an act of God.

Blessing who resides on 22, Abiola Street, Oworonsoki Lagos had reportedly maltreated Prince, a two year old boy kept in her custody by her in laws after the death of the boy's

father. He had been divorced from the mother before his death in a motor accident about a year ago.

Her co-tenants said it has become her habit to beat the boy whenever her husband is not around. "Sometimes she claims that the boy, a two year old, was too dirty or too playful and we have reported her to the husband several times."

In an interrogation, the 35 year old suspect told the police that she did not intend to kill the buy, but was only beating him in order to correct him. "I was only trying to correct the child after he bed-wetted, I just try to beat him and he eventually died, it wasn't intentional". She submitted.

The boy who was rushed to Gbagada general Hospital gave up the ghost before he could get there. Doctors who attended to the deceased said the boy would have remained mentally disorganized because he had been hit by the head which also affected his brain.

The Police Public Relation Officer, Lagos Command, Frank Mba confirmed the incident to *The Pulse Weekly*. He said, "We are still investigating the case and the woman is still being detained. Her case looks peculiar because every right thinking person will not stop to wonder why a little boy of that age should be given such a treatment for merely bed-wetting."

As at the time of this report, all efforts to trace the woman's husband, mr. Kingsley Okeze, proved abortive.



**Crowd At The Scene*



**The Suspect Being Taken Away By Police*