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Daji Sani in Yola

Unknown gunmen suspected to be members of Boko Haram killed a pastor and 10 other persons in a fresh attack on Friday night at Ekklisiya Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN) Church in the village of Sabon Garin Yamdula in Madagali area of Adamawa state.

This is coming barely a week when the suspected members of the Islamic sect attacked a Catholic church at Chakawa village of Madagali local government area of Adamawa and killed over 45 persons in the area.

Confirming the Friday night attack, the chairman Madagali local government council, Mr. Maina Ularamu, said the attackers had attempted to burn down the village head, but were resisted by some youths and other local vigilantes that kept firing local guns to dispel them.

"However they shot 10 persons and the resident pastor of EYN church who was rushed and later died in hospital at Madagali town. Soldiers were later deployed. For now I cannot confirm the exact casualty" he said.

A local resident, who simply identified himself as Kwahe, said “we saw hell, when the attackers came shooting sporadically, they attempted to burn down our church but we the youths and other local vigilante resisted by firing our local guns. “To avoid been caught by soldiers that later came, the gunmen which we believe are members of Boko Haram, escaped into the bush, but they have looted our foodstuffs and 5 cows, which they conveyed in their camouflage vehicles. Up to this moment, we have also not seen two of our church members, they are missing and we don’t know whether they are killed or not,” said the villager.

In the meantime, efforts to get the commanding officer, Special Operation Battalion, Mubi, Lt. Colonel Beyidi Martins proved abortive, as he could not pick his phone, while the army spokesman of the 23rd Armoured Brigade, Yola, Captain Jafaru Nuhu, could not be reached.

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