

# Akwa Ibom Police Arrest Cleric for Allegedly Killing Wife

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A cleric, 40, has been arrested by the Akwa Ibom State police for allegedly killing his wife, a mother of five, over domestic crises.

The clergyman, Ukachukwu Enoch Christopher, who is the founder of Omega World Global Ministry (Fellowship Church), reportedly committed the crime last week, but the corpse of the wife, Patience Christopher, was discovered on June 16, 2021.

The pastor was said to have

accused the wife of being the source of his numerous woes in life, as well as infidelity, hence he allegedly beat her to death on June 9, 2021.

A statement issued by the state Police Command yesterday, said the incident happened at the resident of the cleric in Ikot Abia village of Eket Local Government Area of the state.

The statement signed by the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Odiko MacDon, said the cleric, who hails from Ebonyi State, allegedly

buried the wife, 40, in a shallow grave in his compound in Ikot Abia village.

The police said the arrest was effected following credible information from youths of the area, prompting the DPO of Eket Divisional Police headquarters, CSP Sunday Digha, and his team to arrest the cleric.

"The state Police Command has arrested one Ukachukwu Enoch Christopher, 49, a resident of Eket LGA, who hails from Ebonyi State, for allegedly murdering his wife and burying

the corpse in a shallow grave in his compound.

"The suspect, who said he had domestic differences with his wife, accused her of being the source of his numerous woes in life and infidelity, confessed to have beaten her to death as a result of the unresolved differences on June 9. In order to cover his tracks, he dug a shallow grave in his compound and buried her. The deceased's corpse has been exhumed by the police and deposited in the mortuary for autopsy," the statement stated.