

# Abandoned baby dies in gutter

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**K**ANO—THE corpse of a baby boy suspected to have been abandoned by his mother was found in a gutter adjacent to an Anglican church located Sabon Gari, Fagge Local Government in Kano State, Sunday night.

Apparently, the mother of the dead infant may have dumped the baby in the gutter adjacent the church in the early hours of Sunday to attract attention of people passing the road.

Unfortunately, the body of the dead baby, which was found with its umbilical cord, naked may have died out of the harsh scorching Sunday sun. The corpse was discovered about 8pm, Sunday night with the body swollen.

When *vanguard* visited the scene Sunday night, sympathizers were seen lamenting on the unfortunate situation, as the body of the infant was bare and swollen.

There has been reported cases of abandoned babies,

but the sight of this innocent dead infant was pathetic. One of the sympathizers commented: "God will punish the woman responsible for the wicked act against an innocent soul".

However, when *Vanguard* visited the place where the baby was dumped, Monday morning, the body of the dead baby had disappeared. Some residents around the area said the police came Sunday night, and carried the body of the dead infant.