## Husband kills wife over alleged infidelity

By Peter Duru

AKURDI—
ANDEMONIUM
broke out at the Wurukum
area of Makurdi town at the
weekend when a middleaged man, Moses Ablega
clubbed his wife and mother
of three, Veronica Ablega, to
death for alleged infidelity.

The late woman, who was a nurse by training and worked with a private clinic in Makurdi before her demise, had on the fateful day took permission from her husband to stand in gap on a relief duty for a colleague at her place of work

Her husband obliged her but not quite ten minutes that the woman left home than the husband trailed her to the clinic only to discover that his wife did not show up there.

According to our source, Moses had on quite a few occasions had course to question his wife's faithfulness giving rise to his trailing the woman on several occasions.

The suspect our source disclosed further, waited for upward of three hours before his wife reported for work at the clinic and when he confronted her to know why she failed to turn up at work

hours after leaving home, the deceased woman failed to offer any meaningful explanation to calm her fidgeting husband.

An ensuing argument sparked a fight between the two at the hospital, prompting the intervention of onlookers and staff of the private clinic who asked the couple to go home and resolve their differences amicably.

But not done the couple were said to have gone to their residence at the Wurukum area of Makurdi and resumed the fighting, and in the process the husband grabbed a club and struck his wife with it, leaving her dead in her own pool of blood.



FLAG-OFF: Minister of Commerce, Chief Achike Udenwa flanked by NACCIMA President, Dr Simon Chukwuemeka (1) President, KADCCIMA, Hajiya Saratu Iya Aliyu (right) and others cutting the 30th anniversary cake of Kaduna I'ntnl trade fair on Saturday. Photo by Olu Ajayi.

## Labour lauds Amaechi over kidnap bill

By Emeka mamah

ADUNA—THE Vice President of the Nigerian Labour Congress (NLC), Comrade Issa Aremu, has commended the Governor Rotimi Amaechi of Rivers state for initiating a bill that will outlaw kidnapping in the state.

Aremu said that Governor Amaechi has blazed the trail as the legislation will curb what he described as the "menace of serial kidnaps, criminal extortions and murders," adding that the movemust be encouraged and deepened further by the Federal government.

In a statement in Kaduna weekend, the labour leader said that the, "Rivers' state legislature has taken the lead where the National Assembly is scandalously found wanting.

"Rivers legislation is recommended for other states in which kidnapping are fast turning into business of oppression and extortions.

"The issue is not whether the law carries death penalty or life imprisonment. Either option is worthy punishment for criminality called kidnapping. The point is that, for the first time, the nation witnesses a governor from Niger Delta, who does not cheap play to the gallery but commendably faces up to challenge of development through bold leadership and activist legislation.

"In its transformation agenda for Niger Delta, United Nations Development Programme

peace as a foundation for development in the region.

## Church loses N20m property to Bauchi riots

By PATIENCE OGBODO

Bible Church headquarters in Bauchi said it lost property worth over N20m when part of the church was set ablaze during the recent crisis that erupted in some part of Bauchi metropolises.

This was disclosed by the administration officer of the church, Pastor Linus Muffat while speaking to *Vanguard* in his office. According to him, the burnt buildings include children church and it office, Yoruba church, Ibo church, Accounts office, Pastor's waiting room, Pastors counselling room, Pastors office, Guest room, welfare room, prayer warriors room, main store and kitchen.

He lamented the damage done to the church, saying it was set on fire by 1.00am on Sunday 22nd February 2009 being the second day of the crisis due to lapses of security agents in the state.

## Peugeot 307 can sell for less than N1m, if...

By Emeka mamah

KADUNA—PEUGEOT
Automobile Nigeria
[PAN] says it can sell its new 307

company certain concessions.

According to Head, Corporate Communication at PAN, Toyin Akigbogun, the company has started local assembly of the 307