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CAN petitions IGP, demands probe into death of gospel artiste

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S the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) called on the Inspector-General of Police, Usman Baba Alkali, to commence an investigation into the alleged murder of a gospel artist, Osinachi Nwachukwu, by her husband, Peter Nwachukwu, the FCT Police Command, yesterday, disclosed that the husband has been arrested.

It would be recalled that Osinachi, 42, died last Friday at an Abuja hospital after allegedly suffering from domestic violence inflicted on her by her pastor husband.

The Christian body made this demand in a petition to the IGP by the national chairman of its youth wing, Mr Belusochukwu Enwere, which was obtained by journalists in Abuja.

According to him, the probe became necessary because information at the disposal of CAN's youth wing (YOWICAN) from reliable sources including friends and close family members revealed that Nwachukwu died as a result of injuries owing to domestic violence at the hands of her husband.

The petition read: "We humbly write on behalf of YOWICAN, the umbrella body that coordinates and oversees the affairs of all the Christian youths in Nigeria, over the sudden death of Osinachi Nwachukwu.

"Before her demise, the deceased was a gospel minister, a singer and an artist. She was a devoted Christian and worshipped at Dunamis International



The late Osinachi.

Peter Nwachukwu.

Church, Airport Road Lugbe, Abuja and was 42 years old at the time of her death.

"The deceased, Osinachi Nwachukwu, was married to Peter Nwachukwu (the prime suspect) who also doubles as her manager, and with whom she had four children, all minors.

'Information reaching us from reliable sources including friends and close family members has it that Osinachi Nwachukwu died as a result of injuries owing to domestic violence in the hands of her said husband, Peter Nwachukwu."

But, a Police source disclosed that

police operatives from the Lugbe Division, Sunday, arrested Mr Nwachukwu and that investigation has commenced into the singer's death as a result of alleged domestic violence and that Nigerians should await the outcome of the autopsy on the late gospel artiste Osinachi Nwachukwu.

Contacted, DSP Josephine Adeh, Public Relations Officer, FCT Command, confirmed the arrest of the late singer's husband, saying: "He is now in our custody. The younger brother of the deceased reported the matter and we have commenced an investigation.

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