

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Weekly Report – 2019-03-31 through 2019-04-06



Nigeria

Amos Samuel (aged 40, said “We were all asleep in our various homes when at about 4 a.m., we heard gunshots everywhere in my village. Everyone ran out of their homes to escape from the Fulani herdsmen. Three hours after the herdsmen left, those of us who survived the attack returned to the village to find that our houses were destroyed and 10 of our villagers killed”)

Charles Danladi (county chairman, said “The attack occurred while the villagers were still sleeping. Normalcy has now been restored in the village, and we are making efforts to assist victims”)

Shehu Nicholas Garba (National Assembly member, local resident, stated in a press release “about 10 [people were killed and] about 30 [houses were burned]...Our communities are helpless and are pleading that all persons of conscience should speak out”)

[Date: March 16, 2019](#)

[Location: Nandu Gbok village, Sanga county, Kaduna state](#)

Luke Waziri (attorney, wrote that 130 Christians were killed in a series of attacks: “Kajuru land and by extension the Adara nation has been gripped by a fully funded and supported group of terrorists that have been wreaking havoc in our lands for long, while those saddled with the responsibility of securing us deliberately looked the other way. First, Ungwan Barde was attacked on February 10, 2019, and nobody said anything, even though those in government knew. Furthermore, the government pretended that the 11 people killed didn’t matter...While the victims [of a February 26, 2019 attack in Karamai] were buried in a mass grave and the injured yet to recover, Ungwan Barde village was attacked again on Sunday, March 10. Seventeen people were killed and dozens of houses burned...The smoke had barely settled [from attacks in Inkirimi and Dogonnoma villages in Maro on March 11, 2019 which killed 52] when an attack was launched in the [same] evening at Ungwan Gora [Labi Village], with dozens injured and 43 houses burned down...In all these, not a single person has been arrested, nor even questioned. This is despite the fact that all the attacks took place either in the morning or in the evening – in full glare of everyone. However, in a strange twist of the application of justice, nine Adara elders and village chiefs were indiscriminately arrested and thrown into the Kaduna prison on allegations of complicity. The victims that have been killed and brutalized are the same ones being arrested and thrown into prison, while the real killers

are being pampered, supported and allowed to freely continue their onslaught on people and our land”)

Date reported: March 18, 2019

Location: Kajuru county, Kaduna state

Paulina Irimiya (confirmed that at least 32 Christians were killed in a Fulani Muslim attack on a church service)

Date: February 26, 2019

Location: Karamai village, Kajuru county, Kaduna state

Source: <https://morningstarnews.org/2019/03/another-10-christians-killed-in-kaduna-state-as-carnage-continues-in-nigeria-sources-say/>

Event: Boko Haram attacked a village, killed one, abducted two sisters, and burned a church

Stella Ibrahim (abducted)

Plungwa Ibrahim (abducted)

Date: March 14, 2019

Location: Ngurhlavu village, Lassa, Askira-Uba local council area, Borno state

Source: <https://www.persecution.org/2019/03/14/boko-haram-attacks-christian-village-destroys-church/>

Rev Emmanuel Haruna (**UPDATE**: abducted in front of his home by gunmen)

Date: March 25, 2019

Location: Gidan Ausa, Nasarawa state

Fr John Bako Shekwolo (abducted)

Date: March 25, 2019

Location: Ankwa Kachia county, Kaduna state

Source: <https://morningstarnews.org/2019/03/christian-clergy-among-those-caught-in-wave-of-kidnappings-in-nigeria/>

Joy Danlami (aged 19, daughter of Danlami Mante, sister of Patience and Aboy Danlami, ambushed by Fulani Muslim herdsmen, beaten, raped, **shot dead**)

Patience Danlami (aged 16, daughter of Danlami Mante, sister of Joy and Aboy Danlami, ambushed by Fulani Muslim herdsmen, escaped with machete and gunshot wounds)

Aboy Danlam (aged 14, son of Danlami Mante, brother of Joy and Patience Danlami, ambushed by Fulani Muslim herdsmen, escaped with machete and gunshot wounds)

Danlami Mante (father of Joy, Patience and Aboy Danlami, said “The armed herdsmen chased them with dangerous weapons. Joy’s nose and face was battered, and then she was sexually assaulted by the herdsmen before being killed. She was shot”, said the herdsmen proceeded to their village and burned 17 homes)

Pastor Samson Gamu Yare (later said “We are faced with the burden of caring for those who fled the two villages in order to escape from the herdsmen carnage”)

Date: March 23, 2019

Location: Mante village, Nasarawa state

Source: <https://morningstarnews.org/2019/03/christian-woman-raped-killed-as-herdsmen-attack-two-villages-in-nigeria/>

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