



28th November, 2025

The Speaker of the House Representatives,
National Assembly of Nigeria,
Three Arms Zone, Abuja, FCT.

Through:
Honorable Festus Olanrewaju Akingbaso,
Representing Idanre/Ifedore Federal Constituency.

Subject: Urgent Petition for the Legislative Intervention on the Escalating Killings of Christians and Widespread Insecurity in Nigeria

I, Ouwasina Oyewole Francis an undersigned citizen of Nigeria and resident of Aaye community, Ifedore Local Government Area, Ondo State. I am a Christian pastor, humanitarian, and an entrepreneur. I write to you with deep grieve and grave concern regarding the alarming escalation of insecurity and the organized, targeted killings of Christians across various region of the Nigeria.

It is no news that Northern Nigeria, and the Middle belt has continually suffered devastating attacks from bandits, armed herdsmen and extremist groups. However, this attack has escalated into the southern part of Nigeria especially in Ondo State and Ekiti State.

Innocent citizens have been brutally murdered simply for exercising their religious freedom. Several attacks have been lunched by armed Fulani herdsmen and bandits on churches, Christians gathering, farmers and individuals leaving many people dead and several people seriously injured and properties destroyed beyond repair; clergy members, students, and innocent worshipers are continuously killed, and others abducted for ransom, crippling socio-economic activities and religious gatherings.

The mischief carried out by the unidentified terrorists include but not limited to the attack on Christ Apostolic Church Eruku a boundary town in the Ekiti Local Government Area on 28th November 2025, leaving two people dead, one injured and other worshipers held captive in the

bush and were subjected to serious torture. Another attack by gunmen took place at Celestial Church of Christ (CCC) in Owo town, Owo Local Government Area of Ondo State, killing three worshipers during morning service, this occurred barely four days after armed assailants kidnapped a couple in Ilu-Abo community, Akure-North Local Government Area.

Armed bandits also invaded a church around the outskirts of Eda Oniyo, Ekiti State during a church program, killed pastor, and several worshipers including elderly persons and children were whisked into the forest. The continuous destruction of lives and livelihoods has created a state of fear, humanitarian crises, and economic hardship. Citizens are running from pillar to post for survival. Therefore, urgent action must be taken to halt this unpalatable menace and crisis.

I hereby call on the National assembly, in the exercise of its constitutional mandate to ensure the peace, order, and good governance of Nigeria, to urgently urge the presidency to declare a nationwide state of emergency on security, in the most vulnerable states and local government areas, mandate a comprehensive overhaul of the nation's security agencies to enhance intelligence gathering, operational effectiveness, and rapid response capabilities.

An ad-hoc legislative committee should be constituted to investigate the killings of Christians, ensure the arrest of perpetrators, and bring them to justice. Comprehensive compensation, and rehabilitation, and resettlement programs must be put in place for affected victims, displaced person, and destroyed communities. The government should enforce constitutional guarantees that allow all Nigerians to worship and live without fear of discrimination or attack.

The primary constitutional responsibility of the government is to prioritize the security and welfare of all citizens. The continuous killings, unrest, and bloodshed threatens the foundation of our democracy and collective survival. I trust that the National Assembly will give this petition the urgent attention it requires to restore peace and confidence to Nigeria citizens.

Thank you for your anticipated patriotism, and prompt legislative action on this matter.

Yours faithfully,


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