

Special Report:

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- **Africa: Tsunami Islamic Jihadism Sweeping And Menacingly Threatening Africa's 750m Christians-Targeting To Obliterate Them From 2100AD To 2125AD (Next 75-100 Years)-And Will Be Inches Away From Overrunning 300m Christians In Congo DRC, Nigeria And Ethiopia From 2075AD To 2100AD (Next 50-75 Years) Through Tsunami Islamic Jihadist Incursions-Already Inches Away From Doorstep Of Nigeria's State Power**
- **Nigeria: (1) 7,500 Christians Killed And 8,500 Abducted Under Tsunami Islamic Jihadism In Nigeria's Six Regions In 2025: (2) 1,600 Including 1,050 Christians And 550 Muslims Killed In First 78 Days (Jan-March 19, 2026) Of 2026 And 2,340 Others Including 1,690 Christians And 650 Muslims Abducted: (3) 190,150 Including 128,750 Christians And 61,400 Muslims Killed In July 2009-March 2026 And 131,100 Others Including 81,100 Christians And 50,000 Muslims Abducted: (4) No Fewer Than 19,500 Churches Burned Down Or Destroyed In July 2009-March 2026 Including 400 Lost In 16 Months Of Dec 1, 2024-March 19, 2026**

Executive Summary:

Africa: According to monitored, tracked, collected, analyzed and archived statistics by **International Society for Civil Liberties and Rule of Law (InterSociety)**, "estimated 750m Christians in Africa, roughly half of the Continent's estimated population of about 1.5billion using the United Nations population estimates are religiously endangered-majorly by a swarm of Islamic terror groups, followed by transactional and questionable evangelism or ministrations run by tens of thousands of business and integrity-challenged priests and pastors using the name of Jesus Christ to swindle and defraud people of billions of their local and international currencies. Such ministries-they run are also found to have constituted a major threat to growth, spread and development of the Gospel of Jesus Christ-with many ready to switch over to "evangelization in Islamism" in the event of the projected terminal declining and eventual demise of Christianity from next 50 years and above". The population of Christians in Africa (originally estimated at 10m in 1900AD-1910AD, about 125 years ago) is also found to have spread across the Continent's 54 Member-States and scores of non-independent States under the mandate or outside the mandate of the United Nations Trusteeship Council. Already uprooted in North Africa and left in a quandary of shrinking population size, Christians were once in commanding majority in the North Africa and the Maghreb.

Today, for instance, Christians are not more than 100,000 in Algeria, Africa's largest country by landmass. In Egypt, particularly Asyut, the hometown of Dr. Boutros-Boutros Ghali, a Coptic Christian and former Secretary General of the United Nations, Christians especially Asyut Coptic Christians who used to constitute about 10% or 8m-10m of the entire Egyptian population about 40 years ago, have lost no fewer than 90% of their numerical strength to radical Islamism-during which most were forced into exile or persecuted and killed or forced or induced to be converted to Islam or arbitrarily arrested and unjustly imprisoned under hostile influences of the unchecked jihadist activities of the Muslim Brotherhood and radical religious policies of the country's successive regimes. It is also historically correct to remind that Egypt and Ethiopia are home to Africa's oldest Christian communities-with Egypt having one of the oldest Christian Churches in Africa including the Saint Virgin Mary's Coptic Church (The Hanging Church of Cairo)-built between Third Century AD and Fourth Century AD. Present day African Christians are densely populated and concentrated in "Black Sub-Continent of Africa"-with Nigeria, Congo DRC and Ethiopia-pulling roughly 300m or about 40% of the Africa's entire Christian population.

While there are estimated 110m Christians in Congo DRC including about 55m Catholics, Nigeria is home to estimated 113m Christians and Christianity affiliated others including about 30m Catholics. There are also estimated 77m Christians in Ethiopia (majorly Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Christians), out of the country's estimated 132m population. In other words, estimated 300m Christians are found in the Congo DRC, Nigeria and Ethiopia where they are facing jihadist threats and risk obliteration or total annihilation starting from 2075AD-2100AD (next 50-75 years). Not only that these three countries are recording serious jihadist imprints but Islamic Jihadists are also making steady incursions into their forest landscapes and digital spaces especially from Sahel and Maghreb. While Nigeria is inches away from being totally encircled by at least 22 Islamic Terror groups, physically and digitally, assembled from within and across Africa-majorly controlled by Fulani Islamic terror networks and ISIS and ISIL-affiliated others; Ethiopian Christians are majorly threatened by Al-Shabaab, a Somalia based terror groups wreaking havoc in Kenya and conducting cross-border incursions into Ethiopian cities of Aato, Yeed, Bale and so on.

Congo DRC and its estimated 110m Christians are majorly threatened by the Allied Democratic Forces-Islamic Terror Group operating in Eastern part of the country, which in 2025 alone killed no fewer than 1000 Christians and burned down or destroyed dozens of churches. Africa's 750m Christians are also found to have been threatened by more than 40-50 Islamic terror groups assembled from Africa, Middle-East and former Soviet States and the Europe; locally and internationally funded by some Sultanate oil sheiks majorly drawn from the Gulf Cooperation Council region. They are also allegedly funded by some roguish Islamic regimes, radical Islamic groups and Islamist politicians using stolen and stashed away public funds. Among the Islamic terror groups and their physical and digital networks troubling Christians in Africa are the ISIS-linked Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), ISIS-linked Boko Haram, Ansaru and ISWAP, the Boko Haram/ISWAP-allied Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and Jihadist Fulani Bandits; the Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'awatti (JAS), the Jamaa'at Nusrat al-Islam (JNIM)-active in West Africa, Sahel and Maghreb; the Islamic State in Greater Sahara, the Islamic State Sahel Province, the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM)-Al-Qaeda in the Lands of Islamic Maghreb and other ISIS and ISIL-linked Islamic terror networks including IS-CAP (Islamic State-Central Africa)-all under general control and supremacy of the global Al-Qaeda Networks ("the Base") of Osman Bin Laden-founded in 1988. From our recent research findings, while jihadist activities are largely non-state actor originated in Congo DRC and Ethiopia, they are found to be both state actor and non-state actor originated in Nigeria where they are inches away from doorstep of the country's State Power in furtherance of their dreaded whims and caprices. Nigeria presently hosts highest number of Islamic terror groups (at least 22) not only in Africa-to the extent that in the past 16 months of Dec 2024 to March 2026, the country recorded highest number of attacks against Christians-with no fewer than 7,500 Christian deaths and 8,500 abducted Christians in 2025 alone. In the last 16 months of Dec 2024-March 2026, no fewer than 400 churches and other Christian worship centers were burned down or destroyed or closed down.

The estimated remainder of 450m African Christians are found to have spread across other Black African countries including estimated 52m in South Africa, 40m in Uganda (populated by 50m-52m people)-where ISIL-linked Allied Democratic Forces in neighboring Congo DRC are launching sustained cross-border attacks; 31m in Tanzania and 8m in Chad and so on. In present day Africa, almost every largely populated Christian country is undergoing periodic or steady jihadist incursions and political power conquest and Islamization plots. Included is the Central African Republic-where Fulani Seleka Jihadists drawn from the country's about 5% Fulani Muslim population and assembled others from neighboring African States triggered a civil war and toppled the country's 95% Christian population and their Christian Government in 2013, but were later ousted by mobilized anti-Fulani Seleka revolutionaries.

Muslim Jihadists are also wreaking direct or cross-border havocs in largely Christian populated countries of Mozambique (Cabo Delgado Province), Namibia, Uganda, Kenya (Al-Shabaab), Ivory Coast, Cameroon (ISWAP, Ansaru and Boko Haram), Togo, Burkina Faso (ravaged by several Islamic jihadist groups and 2024 world declared most terrorized country) and Chad-where the country's estimated 40% Christians have been brutally silenced, relegated, persecuted and Islamized. In Republic of Ghana, more than 400 Jihadists were recently recruited and sent to Burkina Faso's Islamic jihadist training camps to be indoctrinated and transformed into future Ghanaian based Islamic terror networks. In South Africa, Islamic terror groups are gaining grounds and threatening through their terror activities in Mozambique. Republic of Tanzania is presently threatened by the jihadist activities of the trio of ISIS-Mozambique or ISIS-M, Al-Shabaab and Allied Democratic Forces. The Republics of Benin, Sierra Leone, Liberia, among others are also not exempted. Republic of Angola is also likely to be tormented in nearest future by the Islamic State-Central Africa Province (IS-CAP). In Sudan, Christians and their communities are in the redline of obliteration and the last traces of Christianity are almost erased. Not only that the post of Vice President traditionally kept for Christians was abolished in 2019, but also there have been massive and widespread deportation of thousands of Christians of South Sudan origin especially women and children who are brutally cracked down, rounded up and deported to South Sudan. Despite having lived in Sudan for decades, no fewer than 1000 were rounded up and deported in 2025 alone. Practice of Christianity, especially voluntary conversion from Islam to Christianity and open profession of Christianity are now a taboo and a serious criminal offense in the war and radical Islamism ravaged country. These are just to mention but a few.

By our monitored, tracked, collected, investigated, analysed and archived statistics, Africa used to be a continent with approximately 10m Christians as of 1900AD-1910AD and by 2025, a period of about 125 years thereafter, the number had exponentially increased to 750m-with additional 740m-out of the Continent's estimated current population of 1.5billion. Apart from threats of radical Islamism, Christianity in Africa is also faced with challenges of transactional and questionable evangelism especially since the Year 2000AD, following the failed physical Second Coming of Jesus Christ. It is therefore our strong warning that if these hydra-headed monsters are not timely and frontally dealt with in the nearest future, the number of Christians in Africa is likely going to shrink brutally downwards in 50-75 years' time by 90% especially by end of 2100AD-after which the remaining 75m will likely be deleted or obliterated before or at the end of 2125AD by would-be speedily growing number of 'Islamic Sultanates'. This is more so when further independent projections have strongly indicated, using the massacre of approximately 130,000 Christians in Nigeria in 16 years and downing of estimated 19,500 churches as a case study. Such unchecked and widespread massacres and church destructions are capable of generating 3000-5000 displacements and thousands of destroyed homes per killing of 10 Christians and may further generate 3000-5000 conversions (from Christianity to radical Islamism) especially under intensified, widespread and brutal jihadist butcheries and campaigns and infliction of widespread fears and terror arising from increased number of Islamic jihadist terror groups, projected to rise to no fewer than 400 or above in the next 50 years and above. That is to further say that in the next 75-100 years from today or counting from the end of 2025AD and at recording of projected 650,000 killings of Christians and hundreds of thousands of permanent disappearances in the next 75-80 years, there is likely going to be catastrophic and genocidal war-like 400m-500m exterminated Christians-during which other genocidal and terminal factors at uncontrollable proportion or apogee may lead to obliteration of the remaining hundreds of millions of the would-be traumatized and enslaved Christian population especially under circumstances of brutal war-era hunger, starvation and stunted population birth and growth rates.

Corroboratively, according to Open Doors 2026 World Watch List, "388m Christians around the world experience high or extreme levels of persecution and discrimination due to their faith or for being Christians. According to the Fox News Digital of April 14, 2024: Christianity is in deadly crisis in more than half of Africa's 54 countries and there are 28 countries on the African continent listed on the Open Doors' US 2024 World Watch List as nations where Christians routinely face oppression, harassment and violence because of their faith in Christ."; and...despite an estimated 46% of the Nigerian population being Christians, Nigerian Christians are often ripped from their homes...and of the 34.5 million currently displaced people across sub-Saharan Africa due to political instability, conflict, religious extremism and persecution, an estimated 16.2 million are found to be members of the Christian Faith." <https://www.foxnews.com/world/christians-africa-face-worrying-rise-killings-persecution-displacement>. Relatedly, independent findings also recently indicated that as of 2025, no fewer than 35 of the 54 African Member-States have become places where Christians routinely face oppression, harassment and violence especially in the hands of non-state actor Islamic Jihadist groups because of their faith in Christ."

Ethiopia's Threatened And Endangered 77m Christians: According to AciAfrica Report (aciAfrica.org/news) of March 12, 2026, titled: "Ethiopia's Catholic Bishops Call for Investigations into Christian Killings in Oromia Region", members of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Ethiopia (CBCE) have in their statement, dated March 6, 2026, condemned the chain of attacks targeting Orthodox Christians in the Arsi Zone of the country's Oromia Region, calling on authorities to bring perpetrators of the attacks to book. In most recent incidents, six people were killed and more than 20 others injured in a reportedly "heavy weapon attack" on the Tte Adbaraat Wetaekka Negesat Atronse Mariam Monastery in the Mahal Saint district of the Amhara region. The February 28 attack on the monastery came two days after Islamic extremists reportedly stormed a market in the east Arsi, opening fire on citizens. Some 20 Orthodox Christians, including a Priest, are said to have been killed in the February 26 attack in which an unknown number of other victims were kidnapped. Local sources reported that attackers entered a church shouting religious chants before shooting at those inside. The assailants moved on to set fire to homes and crops, causing panic to spread and many residents to flee to nearby towns for refuge.

In a statement that was shared with ACI Africa on Tuesday, March 10, Catholic Bishops in Ethiopia expressed "profound sorrow and unequivocal condemnation" of the recent killings of innocent civilians across the country, including the brutal attacks in the Arsi Zone. They said, "The deliberate taking of innocent human life is a grave sin before God and a violation of the sacred dignity bestowed upon every person created in the image of God ... Such violence against defenseless civilians can never be justified by religion, ethnicity, or political interest." "We call upon the responsible authorities to undertake investigations and to ensure that those responsible for these crimes are brought to justice," the CBCE members said, and added, "The protection of innocent citizens is a fundamental duty of the state." The Bishops expressed their solidarity with victims of the terrorism, saying, "We mourn especially with our Orthodox Christian brothers and sisters who have lost loved ones in these attacks." "The Catholic Church stands in solidarity with the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church, the Ethiopian Islamic Affairs Supreme Council, and all religious communities who reject violence and uphold the sanctity of life," they said.

Aside from the attacks, tensions have reportedly been accumulating between different groups within the community. Open Doors research has unveiled what it describes as “an unsettling pattern” that indicates “the targeted and organized nature of the attacks against Orthodox Christians specifically.” The Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church (EOTC) reported that more than 25 civilians were killed in East Arsi Zone, Oromia regional state, in October 2025 alone. In November last year, Catholic Bishops in Ethiopia also condemned October 25 and 27 attacks that they said “resulted in the loss of lives and the destruction of property belonging to members of the Catholic community.”

According to Open Doors, attacks against Orthodox Christians specifically, are related to, among others, “authorities encouraging Muslim settlement and offering Muslim citizens government employment over Orthodox believers.” The U.S. government estimates that 44 percent of Ethiopia’s population adheres to the EOTC, 31 percent are Sunni Muslim, while 23 percent belong to evangelical Christian and Pentecostal groups. According to the U.S. government statistics, Islam is most prevalent in Oromia, Afar and Somali Regions. Open Doors says that in what is described by locals as a historically peaceful area with a blend of Muslims and Orthodox Christians, the February 26 attack in particular took inhabitants by surprise. Meanwhile, members of CBCE have cautioned Ethiopians against giving in to divisions that the attacks seek to create.

Lebanon: 77.5% Christian Population In 1910 To 30.3% And 69.7% Muslims In 2022:

Lebanon was once a Christian nation, but fell into violence and ruin after Muslims took control of the country, according to Brigitte Gabriel, a Lebanese-American who survived the Lebanese Civil War in her recent verified social media post. Gabriel is sending a warning to the United States because she sees the same thing happening in the US that happened in Lebanon. According to her, “As Christians, we opened our doors to Muslims, and welcomed them into our country. We wanted to be inclusive and even made them part of the government.” “But due to having several wives and many children, Muslims became the majority. Once they were the majority, they thought they could do whatever they wanted, and began massacring the Christians who welcomed them.” Gabriel said that Lebanon used to have the best universities, banking system, economy and was known as Paris of the Middle East. She also said the Christian country focused on education for both girls and boys and welcomed their Arab neighbors to share in their success. However, everything started to change when Muslims were allowed in, then took over.

“By the Seventies Muslims became the majority and once they became a majority they started massacring Christians, killing Christians”. “ I remember in 1974, we stopped traveling because Muslims started setting up Fly by Night Checkpoints they would stop cars, tell them to get out, see on their ID their Christian religion then shoot everyone in the car in cold blood”. “By 1975, a Civil War broke out because Muslims walked into Church on Sunday morning and started shooting at Christian Worshipers, killing a countless number of Christians”. “As Muslims organized - supported by Oil Money Flowing from Saudi Arabia -they wanted to use Lebanon as a base to fight Israel, kill Jews and drive them into Sea using Lebanese Democracy”. By the 1970s, experts say Muslims had become the majority through a combination of higher birth rates among Muslim communities, and mass influxes of Muslim Palestinian refugees”

Statistical Details: In 1910, Christians made up about 77.5 percent of Lebanon's population. By the 1932 Census, Christians were around 53 percent nationwide. In the Post-civil war (2010): Christians dropped to 34 percent and by the 2022 population estimates: Christians sharply dropped to 30.7% as against Muslim population which exponentially rose to 69.3%. Gabrielle is telling Christians and their religious and political leaders in the United States and Nigeria to wake up.

Nigeria: By our monitored, tracked, collected, investigated, analysed and archived statistics, covering July 2009 to March 2026, estimated 7,500 Christians were killed in 2025 (more than twice the figure recently reported on Nigeria by Open Doors, USA: 3,490) by the country's Islamic Jihadists and their armed state actor enablers, aiders and abettors. Apart from widespread, systematic and unchecked massacre of estimated 7,500 Nigerian Christians in 2025, no fewer than 8,500 others were abducted-during which their killings and abductions were found to have arisen from the raging tsunamic Islamic jihadism in Nigeria, which is also inches away from conquest doorstep of Nigeria's State Power. By our findings, the killings and abductions have spread and escalated across the country's six regions of North-Central (the most affected), followed by North-East, North-West, South-South especially Edo and Delta States; South-East and South-West. The escalation of the killings and abductions also followed our investigative finding that Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen are the most widespread and atrocious in the jihadist terror campaigns, followed by Jihadist Fulani Bandits.

Further found was the fact that other than Boko Haram, Ansaru and ISWAP and their recently joined allies-JAS and JNIM Islamic terror groups, others including Lakaruwa, Mahmuda, Bororos, Wulo-Wulo, etc., are locally and regionally Fulani-linked or affiliated. For instance, it has been widely reported across the media that Lakaruwa was invited into Nigeria in 2018 by Fulani herders' proprietor association-MACABAN. Independent findings also indicated that Fulani terror groups have accounted for about 65% of Islamic terror attacks in Nigeria especially since June 2015. All the Islamic terror groups in the country are also independently found to be working in alliance using the canopy of Boko Haram and ISWAP as their "Lead-Esprit De Jihad". Our collected and analyzed statistics also indicated that "1,600 defenseless Nigerians including 1,050 Christians and 550 Muslims have been killed in the first 78 days (Jan-March 19) of 2026 and 2,340 others including 1,690 Christians and 650 Muslims abducted. From July 2009-March 2026, no fewer than 190,150 civilian persons including 128,750 Christians and 61,400 Muslims were killed for being peaceful religionists and estimated 131,100 others including 81,100 Christians and 50,000 Muslims abducted-during which 19,500 churches were burned down or destroyed or violently closed by Islamic jihadists and Nigeria's religiously radicalized security forces especially the military. Also, in the past 16 months of Dec 2024-March 2026 no fewer than 400 churches were attacked, burned down, destroyed or sacked.

The tsunamic Islamic jihadist attacks in Nigeria since July 2009, according to our findings, also generated no fewer than, independently speaking, estimated 10m internally displaced persons (IDPs) who are mostly Christians from North-Central, North-East and North-West including Southern Kaduna's estimated 5m Christians now facing serious existential threats. Millions of Muslim IDPs are also found in core Northern Muslim States of Northern Borno, Zamfara and Birnin-Gwari part of Northern Kaduna as well as in Sokoto, Katsina, Northern Kebbi and Niger States-largely of indigenous Hausa Muslim stock and their Christian brothers and sisters-attacked and displaced majorly by Islamic Jihadists of Fulani stock and those of Kanuri such as Boko Haram in Borno State.

Out of the estimated 10m mostly Christian IDPs, only about 4m are independently found to be living in IDP camps including no fewer than 1m in Benue State. Estimated 6m others are independently found to be those living outside the IDP camps and largely found in relatively secured places including urban centers, extended families, friends' circles and Southern parts of the country. There are also estimated 300,000 Christian refugees generated by the radical religious butchery campaigns including the trapped and endangered 120,000 mostly Christian Gwoza refugees of Southern Borno stock living in Cameroonian refugee camps since 2014-where estimated 250-300 of the 12,000 tricked by Borno State Government to return home ended up being repeatedly attacked and killed by Boko Haram particularly since January 2026. Despite Nigerian Government having terrible data records including having not conducted a national census since 2006, a period of 20 years, the Government in Sept 2025 disclosed that "there are 6.7m IDPs in Nigeria and 134,000 refugees living outside the country".

Islamic terror attacks in Nigeria since July 2009 have also uprooted no fewer than 15m of the estimated 30m Christians in hinterland parts of Northern Nigeria and forced most of them to flee. There are independently estimated 40m Christians in Northern Nigeria, out of which estimated 30m-32m are found to have populated Northern hinterlands and the rest including resident Christians in their millions found mainly in Northern urban cities. Approximately half of the estimated 30m Northern hinterland Christians are presently threatened and many, if not most forced to flee. The tsunamic Islamic jihadist attacks have further affected no fewer than 25,000 square miles of landmass belonging to indigenous Christians and estimated 1,200 of their communities, seized and taken-over by Fulani jihadists-who also renamed and Islamized several of them including in Plateau State, a 95% and second most populated Christian State in Nigeria after Benue State. In the State's Bokkos, Barkin Ladi and Riyom Local Government Areas, for instance, Rankum has been Fulanized and renamed Mahanga, Fass in Riyom renamed Tafawa, Gwoi in Barkin Ladi renamed Lugere, Fit ma Bucher renamed Magaraje, Farandong Hai renamed Josho) and Horop Mushere renamed Dajin Gwamna; to mention but a few. No fewer than 1000 Christian clerics including estimated 300 Catholic priests and 100 nuns, brothers and seminarians-and 600 pastors, prophets and prophetesses are independently believed to have been abducted since July 2009 till date (Feb 2026)-during which dozens were killed or still missing. By our collected statistics, the six worst affected churches in Nigeria's tsunamic Islamic jihadist campaigns since July 2009-Feb 2026 included Catholic, ECWA, COCIN, UMC, OAIcs and EYN. Thousands, if not tens of thousands of Christian children were also found to have been seized, indoctrinated and Islamized. In Kano State, for instance, the following abducted Christian children have been renamed and Islamized by former Government of the State: David who was abandoned to die was before his death Islamized and renamed Dauda, Emmanuel Islamized and renamed "Ismail", Destiny Islamized and renamed "Samaila", Mercy Islamized and renamed "Amina, Martha Islamized and renamed "Khadijat,"; and Esther Islamized and renamed "Fatima." **Note:** Attached to this Special Report are a must read relevant references provided at the signature section including our recently gathered statistics regarding tsunamic Islamic jihadist attacks on Nigerian Christians and Muslims in the first 78 days or Jan-March 19, 2026. **End of Executive Summary**

Special Attention: The attention of the readers of this Special International Research Report is drawn to our references section, after the signature section. To fully read and comprehend this Report, readers are encouraged to go through the references and their contents provided. For purpose of collected and documented statistics regarding the Jan-March 2026 Islamic jihadist attacks and other religiously motivated violence against defenseless Christians and Muslims, readers are specifically referred to the link attached here (15-Pages): <https://intersociety-ng.org/our-recently-tracked-collected-and-archived-statistics-on-nigerian-christian-genocide/>

Understanding Our Position And Data Management Methods:

Our Data Collection Rested On Natural Methods And More Than 50 Verified Sources: Our data collection and management are built on natural processes including determining the crime or atrocity scene, time and space; the nature of the incident and identities of the victims and the perpetrators involved. We also seek to determine the situations or conditions of those affected and those responsible (victimology versus penology). In our data collection and management, we fundamentally and specifically seek to know: who are those killing who and their socio-religious motives; who are those they killed and where, when, how and why did they kill them; did they kill in group or individually and with what killing methods; did they kill individually or in group; how many of their victims or targets were killed and how many of the perpetrators were involved in the killings; and were the victims killed on the grounds of their religious faith or in circumstances of general insecurity or intra and inter-communal violence. What about those abducted and killed and those abducted and seized; where are bodies of those abducted and killed or body-persons of those abducted and disappeared-presumed alive. In the context of justice remedies and victimology, we seek further to know how many of the perpetrators have been apprehended and brought to book and the present conditions of the affected victims-whether they have been adequately compensated and rehabilitated; or left in situations of aggravated traumatization such as “post-traumatic stress disorder”, etc.

Also, our data collection is done using more than 50 verified sources: involving primary sources such as fieldtrips and scene of crime data collection; and secondary and sub-secondary sources including tapping from the works of international expert-personalities and research Bodies- such as the likes of Amnesty International, Release International, Christian Solidarity International, Open Doors, the Alliance against Genocide, US State Department’s Democracy, Labour and Human Rights, the International Committee on Nigeria (authors of Nigeria: Silent Slaughter and Genocide: 2020), the US International Commission on Religious Freedom, Aid to the Church in Need, Ewelina Ochab, Prof Joash Amupitan, Nina Shea and Prof Gregory Stanton, a renowned prof of law and criminology, etc. We had over the years established strong local contacts for data sharing and advocacy solidarity with leaders of Christian and socio-political communities, victims and eyewitnesses in places like Obigbo in Rivers State, Eha-Amufu in Enugu, Ezeagu in Enugu, Nkalaha in Ebonyi, Uzo-Uwani in Enugu and some parts of Anambra, Imo, Abia, Edo, Delta, Ondo, Oyo and Ogun, likewise, in Taraba, Adamawa, Niger, Kebbi, Kwara, Benue, Plateau, Southern Borno and Southern Kaduna, etc. Our relationship with the Southern Kaduna Peoples Assembly (SOKAPU), the Adara Development Association and the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN), etc., started since 2012, out of which CAN under late Rev Dr Musa Asake as Secretary General was one of our major sources of data collection as far back as in 2016.

In the area of our media sources of data collection and analysis—specifically on especially the raging egregious Persecution against Christians in Nigeria (“Christian Genocide”) are largely divided into “general media reports” and “specific media reports”—subject to further verifications and analyses. ‘Specific media reports’ include those from specialist media tracking and documenting jihadist attacks on Christians and their sacred places of worship and learning and they include Truth-Nigeria, Christian Post, Morning Star News of the International Christian Daily, the Cruz, Catholic World Report, CBN News, etc. General media reports are those characterizing their reports as “farmers-herders’ clashes” and “gunmen killings”, etc. They rarely give religious details of those attacked and killed and their attackers and their religious motives except in suspected reprisal attacks where ethnic and religious identities of the victims are not only disclosed, but also sensationally and widely promoted in their media platforms. To be factored into our database and analytical reports, such reports arising from ‘general media reports’ are subject to further analysis including analysing the location and nature of the attacks and ethno-religious identities of the victims and the perpetrators involved, etc. Such general media reports usually include those from the likes of Sun, Vanguard, Punch, This Day, Guardian, Daily Post, Nation, Business Day, Daily Telegraph, Daily Independent, Leadership, Daily Trust (key promoter of “herders-farmers’ clashes”), etc. There are also neutral others such as Nigeria’s Sahara Reporters, Sundiata, News Express, Arise TV, Afia TV, Signature TV, Trent, UK Daily Mail, Newsweek, Fox News, Sky News, Odogwu Media, and a litany of FM radios, among others.

Others Report In Pieces, We Report In Bulk And Congregate Our Collected Data: Intersociety is not a media organization but a research and investigative human rights Organization since 2008. While others report in pieces or in bits, we report in bulk and aggregate and congregate our collected statistics by keeping detailed database or records in line with universal principle of circumstantial evidence that rules the world of criminal justice system and administration. Unlike other organizations, our scope of monitoring, tracking, collecting, analysing and archiving religiously related human rights abuses and violations is much wider than theirs by way of the fact that we beam our advocacy searchlight across Nigeria’s six geopolitical regions in tracking and unmasking patterns and trends of the ongoing tsunamic Islamic jihadism. Apart from the fact that no two research works arrive at the same figures due to differences in their scopes, research personnel and resources deployed and their thematic areas of their advocacy and interests, etc., our advocacy on religious violence in Nigeria is therefore wider in scope and size, likewise, statistics or data collected and their numbers.

Sent Enquirers Must Comprehensively Study Our Reports And Avoid Intellectual Laziness: Those sent or hired or lobbied with borrowed public funds to interrogate our collected data and archived and released reports must shun intellectual laziness by comprehensively studying our detailed reports and their references; a key feature of intellectual work. Intersociety will no longer entertain enquiries from half-baked enquirers and data interrogators who obviously are intellectually lazy by dodging to read or study in full our detailed reports and their references. Those sent or hired or lobbied to interrogate our archived or released reports must first, read and study them thoroughly and analytically and refrain from taking refuge in “search-engine and remote location data analysts”.

Human Rights Reports all over the world always have unique standards and patterns and trends-usually blended in natural methods already explained above. Human Rights Reports are remarkably different from media reports-which explain why they (HR-reports) are uniquely divided into: “general human rights reports” and “specific human rights reports”; out of which the latter are specifically concrete evidence based including survivors and eyewitnesses’ accounts or testimonies and their biodata profiling and their contacts and feedback database. Included are verified incident video clips and photos-with all of which courts can be approached for remedies, awards and criminal sanctions. They are also Ratio Decidendi-friendly. **Intersociety leaders** will henceforth restrict themselves from entertaining questions regarding our works unless such enquirers are found to have thoroughly read or gone through our collected data, archived and released reports. We are also ready (if contacted) to forward alternative copies of our collected data and archived or released data or reports in the event the uploaded copies become digitally inaccessible.

We Are Too Old And Intellectually Superior To Be An Appendage Of IPOB Or Separatists:

Before the founding of **Intersociety** in July 2008, our leaders were already intellectually grounded and grown far above any form of separatist interests. **Intersociety** and its leaders had also existed more than eight years before the coming on board of separatist agitations and their groups in Eastern Nigeria especially the IPOB and its leaders and factions. We are therefore not unaware of the maddening level of ethnic and religious divisions in Nigeria, accompanied by deep-rooted hatred especially against the works and breakthroughs recorded by Eastern Nigeria-based rights activists and their bodies such as **Intersociety** and its leaders. The above is to the extent that such deep-rooted hatred against Achiever-Easterners arising from the maddening ethnic and religious divisions have steadily been promoted by the country’s federal and state public office appointees including one Daniel Bwala, whom we understand, has never set his foot in his Southern Borno hometown since the Boko Haram Islamic insurgency of July 2009 and its genocidal campaigns primarily targeted at Christians and their churches-and-defenseless Muslims. It is on account of these that we came well prepared, never to be cowed or intimidated.

Otherwise, how possible is it that the same organization falsely accused of separatist interest or bias or attachment or tribalism; has consistently risen in priceless defense of persecuted Christians and moderate Muslims in faraway Northern Nigeria including persecuted Christians in Southern Borno, Taraba, among others in faraway North-East and persecuted Shiite Muslims in faraway Zaria especially between Dec 2015 and Sept 2017? The above is more so when our Boss (Emeka Umeagbalasi) and members of his nuclear family miraculously survived two abduction attempts in Nov and Dec 2024, including snatching of his Hilux van by strongly suspected counterfeit Biafra agitators. We had also had more six open confrontations and disagreements with the mainstream IPOB leaderships dating back to 2017 over elections and electoral process participation in Anambra State and the South-East. These, however, can never stop us from documenting and archiving or speaking out against discriminatory and atrocious conducts of the drafted security forces in Eastern Nigeria who continued hiding under “IPOB/Biafra separatist counterinsurgency operations” to massacre, abduct, torture and disappear yearly hundreds of unarmed and defenseless Easterners-who are controversially and dangerously labeled “IPOB/ESN members or family members or friends or sympathizers or spiritual fathers”.

Nigerian Government Grossly Undermines And Brutally Breaches Religious Freedom Laws:

Nigeria's Religious Freedom Laws and the country's regional and international obligations especially on human rights and religious freedoms are in gross breach-with impunity and recklessness. The State of Nigeria is also under inviolable obligation to promote and protect religious freedom enshrined in Section 38 of the country's 1999 Constitution. The Nigerian Government is equally under inviolable obligation to uphold the country's secularity status in Section 10 of the 1999 Constitution, by ensuring that Islamism is never adopted in practice or in theory as "a State Religion". The Right to Freedom of Religion, Conscience and Thought in Constitutional Section 38 is reinforced by Articles 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) as well as Article 8 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights (ACHPR)-inviolably ratified/domesticated by Nigeria in 1960, 1976 and 1983-respectively. Under the Geneva Conventions of 1949 (Laws of the Armed Conflicts) and their Protocols of 1977 (inviolably acceded by Nigeria in 1961) and the ICC's Rome Statute of 1998 (ratified by Nigeria in September 2001), attacks on sacred places of worship and their worshippers and other religious symbols-are serious breaches of the international criminal law including "war crimes and crimes against humanity".

Nigerian Government Still Protects And Pampers Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen And Bandits:

Apart from naked denials by the Nigerian Government over the ongoing Religious Genocide in Nigeria especially industrial scale violence against Christians (Christian Genocide), the Nigerian Government has also continued to protect and pamper Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and Jihadist Fulani Bandits-to the extent that till date, none of those responsible for killings and abductions on the grounds of religion have been arrested and brought to book. The above is also fueled by widespread allegations that ransoms worth billions of naira belonging to Nigeria's public funds, from borrowed sources, are splashed on the jihadists allegedly by agents of the Nigerian Government and Governments of the affected States to secure the release of the victims of recent high profile abductions including the 177 abducted Christian worshippers in Southern Kaduna and over 300 abducted Christian school girls in Niger State. While the case of alleged Nigerian Government ransom payment to Boko Haram for the release of some 230 Catholic school children was exclusively reported on Feb 23, 2026 by the Foundation for Investigative Journalism and AFP, that involving the release of the abducted 177 Kaduna church worshippers was earlier reported exclusively by Truth-Nigeria on Feb 11, 2026.

It has further been observed that there are routinely hyphened media attention and more Government reactions when Muslims are killed or abducted than when Christians suffer the same fate. Recent events in Woro and Nuku in Kwara State and Takum in Taraba State is a clear case in point. Same is the case when Muslim Fulani herders record a handful of attacks-randomly and hastily blamed by Nigerian Government and its security forces on indigenous Christian communities without any conclusive investigation by security forces. Such incidents also receive widespread media attention and Government sympathy and rehabilitative attention. The Nigerian Government of Senator Ahmed Bola Tinubu must be reminded that no life is superior or more important than the other-more so when religious freedom and security are for everybody and not restricted to Muslims or Christians alone. The Nigerian Government laughable and crocodile-tears argument **that Muslims are also being killed** is a clear recognition of the fact that Nigeria is hellishly going through Religious Persecution of genocidal proportion.

The Nigerian Government of Senator Ahmed Bola Tinubu as a Muslim President and Senator Kashim Shettima as his Muslim Vice must be lectured or educated to primarily understand that by the grand Principle of Religious Persecution, Christians and Muslims who peacefully profess their faiths but defenselessly come under state actor or non-state attacks or attacks from the both-for peacefully and nonviolently professing or practicing their religious faiths-are clearly-Victims of Religious Persecution in Nigeria which is on an industrial scale rapidity.

Understanding Religious Persecution Rooted In Tsunamiic Jihadism And Small Scale Others:

The Islamic Jihadists around the world fundamentally aim at (1) forcing moderate Muslim rulers and their population through jihad in Muslim populated land to be under strict sharia rule and ways of life and create Islamic Sultanates and (2) Islamization of the land through jihad ruled by non-Muslim rulers and their population especially Christian State-aiming to convert them into Islamic Sultanates where strict sharia law and Islamic ways of life must be enforced through the use of force (jihadism)". Both also aim at capturing State Powers and dethroning and replacing them with Islamic Sultanates (i.e. Taliban state power conquest and deepening of strict Islamic rule in Afghanistan).

In Nigeria, therefore, there exist state actor originated Islamic Jihadists targeting to obliterate Christians and Christianity and non-state actor Islamic Jihadists targeting to obliterate Christians and indigenous Northern Muslims and others considered to be "impure or moderates". We had as a result of our several research and investigations on religious violence across Nigeria identified key religious persecutors to include: 1. Mob action persecutors and their state actor aiders and abettors, 2. Christian persecutors (against traditional worshippers), 3. Muslim political/state actor persecutors (structural, cultural and physical violence against Christians including political exclusion), 4. Security forces ethno-religious profiling and attacks especially against civilian Easterners and non-Muslim others, 5. Security forces ethno-religious profiling and attacks against OAIC churches and their leaders; and 6. Non-state/state actor-backed Islamic Jihadists attacks against Christians, their churches, homes and livelihoods. **End.**

Fate Of Nigeria's 60 Catholic Dioceses Hanging In Balance: The fate of Nigeria's 60 dioceses of the Catholic Mission is seriously hanging in balance as the Mother Church goes down daily in statistics, growth and development, having been one of the worst affected Christian bodies facing grisly and egregious Islamic Jihadist attacks especially since the July 2009 Boko Haram Islamic Uprising and its systematic and coordinated amplification, aiding and abetting by the country's state actors since June 2015. Nigeria has the second largest Catholic population in Africa-with estimated 30m, out of the country's estimated 113m Christians including Christian-affiliated others-aggregated and congregated about 120,000 churches and other Christian worship centers. The Democratic Republic of Congo (Congo-DRC) remains the Africa's largest Catholic populated country-with not less than 50% or 55m of the country's estimated 114m-115m Christians being Catholics. More than 95% of the country's population are professed Christians. According to Nigerian Catholic Network (NCN) of Oct 18, 2023, currently, there are 60 Catholic dioceses in Nigeria including one eparchy, nine Ecclesiastical provinces with nine Metropolitan Archdioceses. The Suffragan Dioceses are those dioceses under the leadership of the Archdiocese. The Metropolitan Archdioceses of Onitsha and Lagos were elevated to their present status as Nigeria's oldest Catholic Archdioceses in 1950.

The number of the 59 dioceses and a suffragan is divided regionally as follows: Eight Dioceses under Metropolitan Diocese of Abuja-created on March 1994; Six Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Benin-created on 26 March 1994; Five Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Calabar-created as above dated; Six Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Ibadan-created as above dated; Eight Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Jos-created as above dated; Eight Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Kaduna-created on July 1959; Three Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Lagos-created April 18, 1950; Nine Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Onitsha-created on April 18, 1950; and Six Dioceses under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Owerri-created on March 26, 1994. The Our Lady of the Annunciation at Ibadan is the only Catholic Eparchy in Nigeria created since 28 February 2018. This brings their total to 60 Catholic Dioceses and an Eparchy in Nigeria.

27 Of Nigeria's 60 Catholic Dioceses In Danger, 17 Inching Total Emptiness: Currently, no fewer than 27 Catholic dioceses and their main and subsidiary parishes are under severe threat of extinction and may be heading to final point of extinction at least in the next 49 years (2075) from this year being 2026. Going by our several observations, investigations, compilations, computations and documentations in recent years, not less than fifteen of these 25 dioceses have become a shadow of themselves-existing in paper than in reality. That is to say that they have undergone series of severe threats, attacks and terror in the hands of Nigeria's state actor-backed and non-state Islamic terror attacks-especially within the context of structural, cultural and physical violence of "an industrial scale". The egregiously threatened and attacked Nigerian Catholic Dioceses including Metropolitan Archdiocese of Abuja and its seven suffragan dioceses of dioceses of Gboko Idah, Katsina-Ala, Lafia, Lokoja, Makurdi, Otukpo; Metropolitan Archdiocese of Jos and its seven suffragan dioceses of Bauchi, Jalingo, Maiduguri, Pankshin, Shendam, Wukari and Yola; Metropolitan Archdiocese of Kaduna and its seven suffragan dioceses of Kafanchan, Kano, Kontagora, Minna, Sokoto, Zaria, Katsina; Uromi and Auchi under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Benin; Ilorin diocese under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Ibadan; and Nsukka Diocese under Metropolitan Archdiocese of Onitsha-totaling 27 Catholic Dioceses; out of which seventeen are most gravely threatened and attacked especially since June 2015 and 2023 respectively and they under dioceses of **Gboko, Katsina-Ala, Lafia, Lokoja, Makurdi, Oturkpo, Metropolitan Archdiocese of Jos and dioceses of Jaliqo, Wukari, Maiduguri, Yola, Metropolitan Archdiocese of Kaduna, Kafanchan, Kontagora, Minna, Sokoto and Zaria.**

11,500 Christians Killed By Boko Haram, ISWAP And Ansaru In July 2009-Dec 2014-More Than 7000 They Killed In June 2015-August 2021-Totaling 18,500 Christian Deaths: Based our database and other archived collected statistics since after the July 2009 Boko Haram Islamic Uprising-primarily targeted at Christians and their sacred places of worship and learning; likewise, government facilities and dozens of targeted and collateral attacks against Muslims in the North-East and parts of the North-Central and the North-West; more Christians were killed and their facilities torched by the combined Islamic jihadist forces of Boko Haram, ISWAP and Ansaru between July 2009 and Dec 2014 than between June 2015 and August 2021. In other words, estimated 11,500 Christians were killed by the trio between July 2009 and Dec 2014 (a period of five years-plus) than estimated 6,500 killed by the trio between June 2015 (the rise of Fulani Jihadism to state power) and August 2021; a period of another five years-plus. Boko Haram started their jihadist campaign by targeting and killing estimated 800-1000 Christians-during which their earliest targets and victims were Igbo residents, travelers and students in the North.

12,500 Christians Killed By Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen In June 2015-August 2021 More Than 6,500 They Killed In July 2009-Dec 2014-Totaling 19,000 Christian Deaths

In the case of Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen, they killed lesser number of Christians between July 2009 and Dec 2014-during which estimated 6,500 were slaughtered as against between June 2015 and August 2021-during which the Christian death tolls almost doubled with estimated 12,500 Christian deaths-during which more attacks by the jihadists were also targeted at churches and their places of learning. Our stored statistics also showed that Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen targeted and killed estimated 300 Christians during the Boko Haram Islamic Uprising targeted at Christians and their facilities in the North in which they participated. Between June to Dec 2015, Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen killed estimated 650 Christians and additionally killed estimated 1,700 of them in 2016; 2,000 in 2017; 2,400 in 2018; 1200 in 2019; 2,400, out of 3,530 estimated Christian deaths in 2020; and estimated 2100 Christians between Jan and August 4, 2021-totaling at least 12,500 Christian deaths.

How Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen Killed 6,500 Christians In July 2009-June 2015: The estimated no fewer than 6,500 Christians killed by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen between July 2009 and June 2015 included 300 killed in July-Dec 2009 and 1,229 killed in 2010 (during which they were designated in the World Terrorism Index as “the fourth deadliest Islamic terror group in the world”). By end of 2011, the Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen had accounted for estimated 1000 Christian deaths including post 2011 Presidential Election riots in Northern Nigeria and other religiously related killings. No fewer than 1,400 Christians were killed by the Jihadists in 2012 and by end of 2013 and 2014, estimated 1,100 and 1,300 Christians were massacred by the Jihadists-who also killed no fewer than 200 Christians between Jan and beginning of June 2015-totaling estimated 6,500 defenseless Christian deaths.

Our Figures Of August 2021 (43,000 Christian And 29,000 Muslim Deaths), June 2023 (52,500 Christian And 30,000 Muslim Deaths) And August 2025(125,000 Christian and 60, 000 Muslim

Deaths): In our collected, analyzed and archived statistics of August 2021, no fewer than 43,000 defenseless Christians were killed by combined forces of Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen, Boko Haram, ISWAP, Ansaru, Jihadist Fulani Bandits and religiously radicalized security forces especially personnel of the armed forces and Police crack squads. The 43,000 Christian deaths recorded in July 2009-August 2021 in the hands of Nigeria’s Islamic Jihadist groups and their allied state actors included 19,000 deaths by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen, 18,500 by trio of Boko Haram, ISWAP and Ansaru; 3000 by Jihadist Fulani Bandits (since 2011) and 2,500 by the country’s radicalized security forces that recklessly and indiscriminately killed citizens outside the law and on the grounds of their religion and ethnicity. That is to say that the 43,000 Christian deaths were arrived when the 19,000 Jihadist Herdsmen killings, the 18,500 BH, ISWAP and Ansaru killings, the 3,000 Jihadist Fulani Bandits’ killings and the 2,500 radicalized security forces’ killings are added together-totaling 43,000 Christian deaths and estimated 29,000 moderate Muslim deaths perpetrated by Fulani Muslim jihadists targeting mainly the indigenous Hausa Muslim population and hundreds of their Christian brothers and sisters in places like Kebbi, Sokoto, Katsina, Birnin-Gwari (Kaduna), Zamfara and so on.

From 52,250 Christian And 30,000 Muslim Deaths In 2023 To 125,000 Christian And 60,000

Muslim Deaths In 2025: By the beginning of June 2023, our collected, analyzed and archived statistics on Religious Persecution or Violence in Nigeria rose to no fewer than 52,250 defenseless Christian deaths and more than 30,000 moderate Muslim deaths-brought about by additions in terms of killing of Christians recorded in 2023 (8,222) and killing of Muslims-totaling estimated 52,250 Christian and more than 30,000 Muslim deaths or more than 82,000 Christian and Muslim deaths. A shocking increase was recorded in both statistics-following a fundamental omission of no fewer than 48,000 to the list of Christian deaths and 30,000 to the list of moderate Muslim deaths. While the addition of 48,000 deaths was brought about by estimated 18,000 deaths arising from the list of “permanently disappeared Christians”-especially between July 2009 and Dec 2014. The “permanently disappeared Christians” are those among the independently estimated 30,000 Christians and Muslims or more, disappeared during the Boko Haram Islamic Insurgency Uprising of July 2009-Dec 2014-who are incapable of being returned alive and most likely to have been killed in captivity. They included more than 3000 Igbo residents, travelers and students in the North. By our Investigative Report of Dec 22, 2024: **Ocean Of Innocent Blood Flowing In Eastern Nigeria (280 pages)** on general state of insecurity and other unsafe conditions and those state actor and non-state actors-covering August 2015-Dec 2024, a period of nine years and four months; a shocking discovery was made-showing that “out of 46,500 persons killed outside the law by Nigerian armed forces, police crack squads and allied armed non-state actors, no fewer than 30,000 were falsely and discriminatorily labeled, deadly attacked and killed for belonging to Eastern Nigeria’s Trado-Judeo-Christian Population”. For more details, see the link to the Report here: https://intersociety-ng.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/NIGERIA-OCEAN-OF-INNOCENT-BLOOD-FLOWING-IN-THE-EAST-origional_11zon.pdf.

52,250 + 48,000 + 25,000=125,000 Christian Deaths And 30,000 + 30,000=60,000 Muslim Deaths:

These numbers rose to estimated 125,000 Christian deaths-generated from attacks and killings on the ground of religion when additional killing of 25,000 defenseless Christians are added. The additional 24,000 Christian death tolls were arrived at between Jan 2023 and August 2025 as follows: 8,222 Christian deaths recorded across Nigeria in Jan-Dec 2023, 6,500 recorded in Jan-Dec 2024 and 7000 recorded in the eight months of 2025 (Jan-August 2025-totaling 121,722 Christian deaths. “Dark Figures” of about 3,300 Christian deaths were also added-representing civilian Christian deaths arising from armed non-state actor and armed state actor unrecorded and custodial/captivity killings especially those abducted and killed in custody or captivity-on a ratio of ten captivity deaths out of every 100 Christians abducted (10%). In Kaduna State, for instance, more than 150 captivity Christian deaths (10%) have been recorded between Jan 2025 and second week of Feb 2026-out of no fewer than 1,500 Christians abducted by Fulani Jihadists and held in captivity. On the other hand, the number of moderate Muslims killed by Muslim Jihadists of Fulani and Kanuri stock also increased from estimated 30,000 in mid-2023 to estimated 60,000 following addition of those abducted and permanently disappeared during Boko Haram Islamic Insurgency of July 2009-2015 and others killed outside the law and on the ground of their peaceful religious faith practices especially between 2021 and August 2025.

128,750 Christians And 61,400 Muslims Killed For Their Faith From July 2009-March 2026:

No fewer than 190,150 defenseless Christians and moderate Muslims have been killed or hacked to death in Nigeria because of their peaceful faith practices, involving not less than 128,750 Christians and 61,400 Muslims. Their killing period was also found to have covered July 2009 when the Boko Haram Islamic Uprising began and first 78 days of 2026 or Thursday, Jan 1-Thursday, March 19, 2026; a period of roughly 16 years. The above figures were arrived at by adding estimated Christian deaths of 480 recorded in August-Dec 2025 and 1,050 deaths recorded in first 78 days of 2026 (Jan 1-March 19, 2026). The additions included the omitted Christian deaths of about 1,200 recorded in the hands of Boko Haram and Fulani Jihadists in July-Dec 2009, in addition to "dark figures of about 100"-representing figures not recorded. Also, estimated 370 Muslim deaths were recorded in August-Dec 2025 and additional 550 recorded in first 78 days of 2026 (Jan 1-March 19, 2026); spiked by the Feb 3 and 4, 2026 massacre of 160-170 defenseless Muslims by ISIS-linked and Boko Haram-affiliated Jihadist Lakaruwa and Mahmuda Fulani terror groups in Woro and Nuku areas of Kwara State and related killings before or thereafter. That is to say that estimated 1,550 Christian deaths were recorded between August 2025 and March 19, 2026, a period of 228 days while no fewer than 730 moderate Muslim deaths were also recorded within the period in the hands of Muslim Jihadists of local and foreign Fulani stock-primarily targeting indigenous Hausa Muslims and their Christian brothers and sisters under the false pretext of "impure religious practitioners of Islam and Christianity stock".

7,500 Christians Killed And 8,500 Abducted In Nigeria In 2025: Estimated 7,500 defenceless Christians were killed in Nigeria in 2025 and estimated 8,500 others abducted, ransomed and freed or killed or permanently disappeared untraced. Going by the Dec 23, 2025 quarterly report of Amnesty International (2,500 killed in Plateau State between May and Nov 2025-mostly in attacks by suspected Fulani Herders and scores of reprisals by the locals), Plateau State must have topped the list of 2025 religious killings in Nigeria by not less than 1,810 Christian deaths, followed by Benue with no fewer than 1,200 deaths including dark figures of crime. The latest of such killing of Christians took place on Friday, Feb 20 and Sunday, Feb 22, 2025, ten Christians were killed by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen in Ratatis, Dorowa-Babuye village of Barkin Ladi County of Plateau State. While a Christian farmer was killed on Friday, nine other Christians were killed inside a Bar on Sunday, Feb 22, 2025. Kaduna State was found to have recorded not less than 700 Christian deaths including addition of dark figures of crime-during which not less than 150 of the over 1000 abducted Christians died in captivity inside the Rijana Fulani Jihadist Forest camps known to the Nigerian Armed Forces. No fewer than 605 Christians including travellers and indigenous Christians of Rafi, Munya, Shiroro, Paikoro, Kotangora, Agwara and Borgu were killed in Niger State. In Taraba State, no fewer than 400 Christians were killed including more than 80 massacred between Sept and Nov 2025 in Takum area of the State. No fewer than 500 Christian indigenes in Uromi, Auchu and other parts of Edo State including travellers from outside the State also lost their lives in the hands of Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen-leading to a reprisal that killed 11 Muslim Northerners. In neighbouring Delta State, not less than 220 Christian lives were lost. In Borno, particularly its Southern part, not less than 430 Christian lives were lost, likewise in Katsina and Kebbi where not less than 220 Christian lives were lost-with not less than 150 lost in Adamawa and 50 in Gombe and Bauchi States. In Nasarawa, Kogi and Kwara States, loss of minimum of 550 Christian lives including dark figures of crime were recorded.

No fewer than 610 Christian lives were lost including deaths arising from abductions and captivities and others from attacks targeted at travellers and indigenous Christian farmers in places like Ondo, Ogun, Osun, Oyo and Ekiti forests, bushes and their road paths. In the South-East, no fewer than 615 Christians were estimated to have lost their lives including estimated 200 Christian deaths in the hands of the drafted military and police crack squads, often accused of being ethno-religiously biased and discriminatory-targeting and killing civilians of the South-East for being Igbo-Christians. The latest of jihadist killings in the South-East took place Umuleshi in Awgu, Enugu State where no fewer than five defenceless natives of the area were killed in recent weeks by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen-who were also accused of raping scores of local women and destroying their farms and their farm produce-leading to fierce protest by the community's women on Sat, Feb 21, 2026 in different parts of the area. The protest was ignited by the brutal killing of a young Christian farmer in the area by the Jihadists on Friday, Feb 20, 2026.

More than 99% of the remaining religiously related killings stemmed from Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and their allies who often abduct and seize their captives within and outside the South-East including Benue and Kogi forests and their roadways. No fewer than 60 Christian lives were lost in the remaining South-South States of Rivers, Cross River, Akwa Ibom and Bayelsa in the hands of Nigerian Government-protected Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen in strategic rainforest regions of the area since early 2016. To safely arrive at our 7000 Christian death figures covering Jan-August 2025, a dark figure of 150 Christian deaths was added-bringing the grand total to no fewer than 7000 in the first eight months of 2025. Additionally, from September to Dec 2025, no fewer than 425 Christian deaths were recorded, in addition to added dark figure of 92 Christian deaths-totalling estimated 7,500 deaths recorded in Jan-Dec 2025.

8,500 Christians Abducted In 2025 And 130,000 Including 80,000 Christians Since July 2009:

By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, no fewer than 8,500 defenceless Christians were abducted in Nigeria in 2025. The abductions are strictly those involving religious violence or attacks. The number of religiously abducted Nigerians since the July 2009 Boko Haram Islamic Uprising was also estimated at 130,000 including no fewer than 80,000 Christians. Among Christians and Muslims abducted in the July 2009-Dec 2014 Boko Haram Islamic Uprising, estimated 30,000 never returned alive including 18,000 Christians, among them were more than 3000 Igbo residents, travellers and students in Northern Nigeria. Thousands of those abducted on radical Islamic ground have remained in the captivity of the country's Islamic terror groups and in extra-legal and extra-jus custody of religiously radicalized security forces-between 2015 and 2020 are most likely not going to come back alive. By our collected and archived statistics, too, "out of every 100 abducted Christians, ten are most likely not coming back alive". By summation, estimated 7,800 Christians were abducted by Nigeria's Islamic Jihadists between January and August 2025 while additional 700-780 were abducted from September to December 2025-totalling no fewer than 8,500 Christians abducted in one year or 2025 across Nigeria's six geopolitical regions.

Further, by our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, between 7,480 and 7,800 Christians were abducted by Muslim Jihadists during the same period or in 2025, out of which Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and Jihadist Fulani Bandits and their allies accounted for not less than 65% while Boko Haram, ISWAP, Ansaru, the newly assembled Islamic Jihadists (Lakaruwa, Bororos, Wulo, JNIM, Mahmuda, etc.) and Nigeria's religiously radicalized security forces accounted for remaining 35%. Nigeria's religiously radicalized security are also widely suspected to have in Jan-Dec 2025 abducted hundreds of defenceless Christians particularly in Eastern Nigeria and Middle-Belt and lethally kept them in secret detention facilities spread across WAWA and Kainji military facilities and others in different parts of Niger, Kaduna, Zamfara, Sokoto, Nasarawa and the FCT from where they are unlikely to come back alive.

Thousands have been abducted from the East and controversially labelled, face-bagged and secretly bunged using unlawful night movements and dumped places that are said to be Boko Haram Islamic Insurgency-ravaged-where they are abandoned un-investigated and untried. By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, the no fewer than 7,480-7,800 abducted Christians in January-August 2025 included estimated 1,300 abducted in Kaduna including over 1000 abducted by Fulani Jihadists and taken into the Rijana Forest Camps. Estimated 1000 defenceless Christians were also abducted across more than seven local government areas in Niger State including Rafi, Shiroro, Munya, Paikoro, Agwara, Borgu and Kontagora. No fewer than 800 (Jihadists 500, security forces 300) Christians were abducted in the South-East and its neighbours targeted at Igbo South-East travellers using the roadways of Benue, Kogi, Nasarawa, Edo, Delta and Taraba (through Benue's Katsina-Ala), etc. Kogi and Nasarawa accounted for no fewer than 600 abducted Christians, Plateau 600, and Kwara 200. In Edo, no fewer than 500 persons especially Christian travellers and indigenous Christian farmers in the State were abducted, followed by Taraba with at least 400, Delta 150, Borno, Yobe and Adamawa 600 (majorly by Boko Haram and ISWAP), Gombe and Bauchi 110, Kebbi and Katsina (majorly in Christian-held areas of Southern Kebbi and Katsina) 500, Benue 500, other South-South 120 and South-West with no fewer than 500 abducted Christians-totalling estimated 7,800 abducted Christians in Jan-August 2025. Also, from our collected statistics of September-Dec 2025, additional 780 Christians were abducted- (see our references) bringing the grand total to estimated 8,500 abducted Christians in Nigeria in 2025.

1,050 Christians And 550 Muslims Killed In Jan 1-March 19, 2026 (First 78 Days Of 2026):

By our monitored, tracked, collected, investigated, analysed and archived statistics, the first 78 days of 2026 or January 1-March 19, 2026 recorded 1,050 defenceless Christian deaths and estimated 550 Muslim deaths. The estimated 550 Muslim deaths was spiked by the Feb 3 and 4, 2026 massacre of as much as 170 defenceless Muslims in Woro and Nuku parts of Kwara State and related killings that took place before or thereafter including in Kwara (50) and Katsina States. Estimated 109 citizens were also killed in different parts of Niger State, out of which, 60 were Christians and 49 Muslims. Scores, if not dozens of defenceless Muslims especially indigenous Hausa Muslims were also killed during the period in Sokoto, Zamfara (including recent 50 deaths), Kebbi, Kogi (40), Niger (49) and Borno (no fewer than 20) States, among others-totalling not less 550 in first 78 days of 2026. One of the latest of such Muslim Jihadists' (suspected Lakaruwa Islamic terror group of foreign Fulani stock) attacks against defenceless Muslims was the reported killing of no fewer than 34 Muslims on Tuesday, Feb 17, 2026 in several villages of Gudu in Kebbi State including Mamunu where 16 were killed, Awashaka where five were killed, Masama where three were killed and two each in five other villages. The State is another indigenous Hausa Muslim dominated State in North-West Nigeria, with large Christians found in its Southern part. Scores of Muslims have also been targeted and killed by Islamic jihadists since then.

...Killed 1,050 Christians In Jan-March 19, 2026: On the other hand, 1,050 defenceless Christians lost their lives to Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen, Jihadist Fulani Bandits and ISIS-linked and Boko Haram-affiliated other terror groups in the first 78 days of 2026-during which no fewer than 155 deaths were recorded in Taraba, 140 in Benue, Plateau 84, Niger 42 Adamawa 40, Kwara 50, Borno 323, Kaduna 27, Kogi 16, Kebbi/Katsina 23, South-East 55 including estimated 30 secret military killings on religious ground; South-West 25 (including abducted travellers plying the area's forest roads), Edo and Delta 30 (Christian travellers, etc.); among others.

1,690 Christians And 650 Muslims Abducted In Jan 1-March 19, 2026 (First 78 Days Of 2026:

By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, the first 78 days of 2026 or January 1 to March 19, 2026 recorded no fewer than 1,690 abduction of defenceless Christians and that of estimated 650 defenceless Muslims. The spike in the number of abducted Muslims followed the mass abduction that trailed the Feb 3 and 4, 2026 attack on Muslims and Christians in Woro and Nuku parts of Kwara State. Not less than 150 Muslims are believed to have been abducted following the Jihadist attack. There have also been reported cases of abduction of mainly indigenous Hausa Muslims in places like Kwara, Niger, Kebbi, Katsina, Yobe, Sokoto, Zamfara and Kogi States-resulting in no fewer than 500 defenceless and moderate Muslims being abducted by Muslim Jihadists in the past 78 days of 2026. On the other hand, no fewer than 1,690 Christians were abducted by Muslim Jihadists and the country's religiously radicalized security forces. Kaduna State recorded the highest number of abducted Christians with 671 cases, followed by Southern Borno with 400, Taraba with estimated 200, Niger 60, Benue 57, Kogi 50, South-East 50, South-South 40 particularly Edo and Delta, South-West 45 including Ondo, Oyo and Ogun; Kwara 40, etc.-totalling no fewer than 1,690 abducted Christians in first 78 days of 2026.

Number Of Shutdown Or Destroyed Churches Rose To 19,500 Since July 2009 In Nigeria:

By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, the number of churches and other Christian worship centres attacked and shut down in Nigeria had risen from estimated 13,000 between July 2009 and Dec 2014 (Open Doors 2015) following Boko Haram Islamic Uprising; to estimated 19,500 as of this Sunday, Feb 24, 2026. Nigeria is independently estimated to have between 100,000 and 120,000 churches and other Christian worship centres as of 2021, out of which approximately 19,500 have been wiped out and un-Christianized as of this day of Thursday, March 19, 2026 by Islamic Jihadists and the country's religiously radicalized security forces and their state actor and non-state actor enablers, aiders and abettors.

The widespread attacks and shutdown of churches across Nigeria is independently found to have arisen from systematic, well-coordinated and state actor protected violence against Christians and Christianity; has risen to an apogee and recorded a steady increase between 2015 and 2023 under the inglorious epoch of Retired Major Gen Muhammadu Buhari; to the extent that by August 2021, the number recorded an additional increase of 4,500, raising the total number of burnt or destroyed or sacked churches to no fewer than 17,500 as of August 2021. The loss of no fewer than 4,500 churches and other Christian worship centres between June 2015 and June 2023 followed widespread attacks by security forces in Eastern Nigeria and shutting down or destruction of at least 1,500 worship centres mostly belonging to Organization of the African Instituted Churches (OAICs) and allied others ("White Garment Churches"). The security forces had, without credible intelligence, investigation, evidence and reports, falsely labelled them "Pro Biafra/ESN Churches"; with the earliest attacks against them taken place in Obigbo, Rivers State from Oct 21 to Nov 10, 2020-during which dozens of such churches were invaded and razed. The OAICs churches also came under second attack between Jan and March 2021 in Orlu part of Imo State-during which not only that dozens of OAICs churches were destroyed or burned down by security forces (military and police crack squads), but also no fewer than 33 of their leaders were framed, arrested, publicly paraded and labelled "spiritual fathers of, and providers of charms to IPOB/ESN commanders".

The security forces had acted on wrong assumption that “because a cross section of Pro Biafra activists are professed Jewish religionists and wear white clothes, therefore any white garment Christian or allied other is a potential IPOB/ESN member”- a height of religious persecution. Also, by our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, the number of attacked and shutdown churches further recorded an increase of 2000 particularly since June 2023 under the current presidency of Senator Ahmed Bola Tinubu, a South-West Muslim, with Senator Kashim Shettima, another Muslim of North-East stock, as the country’s Vice President (in a country of roughly 50-50 Christian and Muslim population). Renewed attacks on churches across Nigeria especially in the North-leading to their destruction or shutting down under Tinubu-Shettima Muslim Presidency since their assumption of office on May 29, 2023 have been reported in an ‘industrial scale’; resulting in no fewer than 2000 churches being lost including being shut down or sacked or destroyed or burned down. Such renewed attacks have been reported in Yobe, Borno, Adamawa, Katsina, Zamfara, Northern and Southern Kaduna, Niger, Kwara, etc., where the State Governments involved or their agents have reportedly made it very difficult for such church spaces to be recovered and the burnt or destroyed churches rebuilt. Cases of replacement of such burnt or destroyed churches or their spaces with new Mosques and springing up of new Mosques in new places including Nsukka and parts of Imo, Ebonyi and Abia States have also been reported recently.

400 Churches Burnt Down Or Destroyed Or Sacked In 16 Months Of Dec 2024-March 2026: By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, estimated 400 churches and other Christian worship centres have been attacked by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and Jihadist Fulani Bandits’ led Islamic Jihadists and sacked or burned down or destroyed in 15 months of Dec 2024-Feb 2026. The worst affected States included Taraba where authorities of the Northern Christian Leaders Assembly and the Wukari Diocese of the Catholic Church recently disclosed that “no fewer than 114 churches have been attacked especially since September 2025 and more than 90,000 Catholics and 200 Christian villages sacked or forced to flee”. Out of the lost 400 churches in 15 months, no fewer than 300 churches have been lost in Taraba, Benue and Niger States. As a matter of fact, no fewer than 150 churches have been lost in Taraba State alone in the past 15 months of Dec 2024-Feb 2026 particularly in Southern part of the State. In Benue State, about 100 churches especially Catholic churches have been attacked and sacked in 15 months. The attacks had gravely affected Catholic Dioceses of Katsina-Ala and Makurdi, followed by Oturkpo and Gboko. In Katsina-Ala, more than 40 Catholic churches have been attacked and no fewer than 26 shut or closed down from late 2024 to end of Dec 2025. In Makurdi Diocese, more than 20 Catholic churches have been attacked and at least 15 closed down as of June 2025. In Minna, the area’s Catholic Diocese recently disclosed that more than 90 churches of the Catholic Faith have been lost in the hands of Islamic Jihadists. Dozens of churches have also been attacked and sacked in 15 months of Dec 2024-Feb 2026 in places like Plateau, Borno, Southern Kaduna, Kebbi, Kotangora Catholic Diocese of Niger State, Adamawa, Yobe, Katsina and so on. The Catholic Diocese of Wukari in Taraba had also in Nov 2025 disclosed that “as at Sept 2024, not less than 325 Catholic churches have been attacked and sacked in ten years of 2015-2025 and more than 300,000 Christians and 400 Christian villages displaced”-(Bishop Mark Nzukwein, Catholic Bishop of Wukari Diocese).

Six Most Affected Churches In Nigeria's 'Christian Genocide' Or Egregious Persecution: By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, the worst affected churches in Nigeria are numbering six and they include: (1) **the EYN (Church of Brethren in Nigeria)** that has lost no fewer than 9,500 members in the systematic and coordinated jihadist attacks since July 2009-during which tens of thousands of others were abducted and no fewer 600 of their church districts destroyed or sacked or closed down as of June 2020. More than half of the Church's estimated 1,7m members across the BAY States of Borno, Yobe and Adamawa and Taraba were also uprooted and forced to flee. Out of the 276 Chibok girls abducted by Boko Haram Islamic Jihadists in 2014, no fewer than 217 belonged to the **EYN Church**. (2) **The Catholic Church** is another most affected Body of Christian Church in Nigeria, a country ravaged by Islamic Insurgency in the past 16 years.

Thousands of Catholic parishes and their outstations have been attacked and closed down since July 2009; to the extent that no fewer than 17 of the Church's 60 dioceses and a suffragan are inching episcopal emptiness-having been egregiously and systematically attacked. Generally, the Church has 59 dioceses and a suffragan (60 dioceses) in Nigeria, out of which 24 are located in the North where they are facing serious threat-with 17 facing egregious threats. **These 17 dying Catholic dioceses** are presently aided to continue to struggle to survive from outside their dioceses; and they include **the Metropolitan Archdiocese of Abuja and dioceses of Gboko, Katsina-Ala, Lafia, Lokoja, Makurdi, Oturkpo; the Metropolitan Archdiocese of Jos and dioceses of Jalingo, Wukari, Maiduguri, Yola; and the Metropolitan Archdiocese of Kaduna and dioceses of Kafanchan, Kontaqara, Minna, Sokoto and Zaria.**

The number of Catholic Priests abducted on radical religious ground in Nigeria since 2015, alone, according to ACN International (Aid to Church in the Need) of Dec 23, 2025, is at least 212 priests, out of which, 183 were released or made to escape, 12 murdered and 3 later died as a result of trauma and injuries suffered during their captivity. The data added that currently, at least 4 kidnapped priests remain in captivity-referencing the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Nigeria that documented kidnappings in at least 41 of the country's 59 Catholic dioceses and archdioceses and a suffragan at Ibadan. The ACN/CBCN data however stated that the real number of cases is certainly higher and that data from 18 dioceses has not yet been submitted. In other words, the data was far below the actual number of priests abducted or killed or missing-including the omission or exclusion of number of abducted or slain or disappeared Catholic Reverend Sisters and Rev Brothers and other members of the Clergy including Seminarians and Catechists. Also, the number of Catholic Priests abducted or killed or disappeared or missing from July 2009 to Dec 2014 was not included. It is therefore most likely needful to estimate that members of the Catholic Clergy in Nigeria including Priests, Reverend Sisters, Reverend Brothers, Monks, Seminarians and Catechists abducted since the July 2009 Boko Haram Islamic Uprising by Islamic Jihadists and others on the ground of radical religion are likely to be no fewer than 500-during which dozens were killed or still missing in captivity. There is also most likely to be no fewer than 600 members of Christian Clergy from other Christian denominations including Anglican Priests, Pentecostal Pastors, Prophets and Prophetesses of the OAICs Churches ("White Garments") and allied others as well as theological graduates and undergraduates abducted by jihadists and religiously radicalized security forces since July 2009, out of which dozens have been killed or missing in captivity or custody. In other words, "no fewer than 1000 Christian Clerics of the above mentioned Christian denominations are likely to have been abducted in the past 16 years of July 2009-Feb 2026 and dozens killed or still missing".

Nigeria's Catholic Church has also incurred material losses of huge magnitude in jihadist attacks targeted at Christian Schools-estimated at **no fewer than 2,300 as of Feb 22, 2026**, from estimated 1,500 in Dec 2014 (Open Doors 2015). Hundreds of Catholic learning centers including refectories, convents, seminaries, theological and missionary schools have been attacked and closed down by Jihadists; likewise, others belonging to other Christian denominations. (3) **The ECWA Church** is not only one of the most severely affected churches in Nigeria since July 2009, but by multiple independent sources, the church has also lost no fewer than 1000 to jihadist abductions-with several hundreds of its members killed and hundreds of its District Councils (churches) sacked or destroyed including majority of more than 100 churches destroyed since 2009 in Gwoza part of Southern Borno alone. (4) **The COCIN Church (Church of Christ in Nations)** is another severely affected church under Nigeria's Islamic Insurgency. In Plateau State and its Mangu and Bokkos Districts, more than "70 Church Congregations" belonging to **COCIN** were sacked and closed down following Jihadist Fulani attacks between Jan and June 2024. This was according to its President, Rev Amos Mohzo, published by Christian Daily Int'l of July 8, 2024. The church had also on Nov 14, 2018, disclosed that "Jihad has been launched against the Church". (5) **The United Methodist Church (UMC)** has lost hundreds of its members to jihadist abduction, killing, disappearances and church district destruction, following coordinated attacks by Fulani Jihadists and allied others including coordinated attacks of May 23 and 24, 2025 in five villages of Karim Lamido-leading to burning of 62 homes and at least five of its churches and displacement of thousands of Christian residents. (6) **Organization of the African Instituted Churches (OAICs)** is the most severely affected state actor persecuted Christian Body in Nigeria. The OAICs is an integral part of the Christian Association of Nigeria (CAN) and currently holds its rotatory presidency. The Christian Body has lost no fewer than 1,200 churches majorly in the hands of the Nigerian security forces especially since the Oct 2020 Nigerian Army's war-grade invasion of Obigbo in Rivers-killing more than 150 defenseless residents, injuring no fewer than 130 and abducting 620 others, out of which 468 were rescued and freed by courts and 152 remained missing till date.

Islamic Jihadists Abducted Estimated 50,000 Christians Since 2015, Internationally Crossed 2,500, Converted 3,500 To Islam, Ransomed And Freed 20,000 And Killed 5000 In Captivity- During Which 6,000 Escaped, 3000 Rescued By Security Forces And 10,000 Still Held Alive: By our monitored, tracked, collected, analysed and archived statistics, dating back to 2009 and June 2015, estimated 50,000 defenceless Christians have been abducted by Nigeria's Islamic Jihadists majorly controlled by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen, Jihadist Fulani Bandits, Boko Haram, Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP), Movement for the Protection of Muslims in Black Africa (Ansaru) and their recently formed jihadist coalition partners (Esprit De Jihad). For instance, Lakaruwa Islamic terror group is one of the newest Islamic terror groups engaging in abduction of large number of defenceless Muslims and Christians especially in North-Central parts of Kwara, Niger, Kogi and Nasarawa States and North-West States of Sokoto and Kebbi. From our collected statistics, out of estimated 50,000 abducted Christians since 2015, estimated 2,500 have been crossed to international (regional and sub-regional) borders where they have been indoctrinated and converted to radical Islamism and forced to join the jihadist movements linked to ISIS and ISIL. In 2024, for instance, more than 400 Ghanaians were forcefully taken to various jihadist camps in Burkina-Faso to be trained as Jihadists. Hundreds of abducted Christians in Southern Kaduna were recently found to have been transferred or handed over to Boko Haram and ISWAP in the North-East. Just barely two weeks ago, more than 100 abducted Muslims and Christians from Kwara State were paraded in a video clip by Boko Haram-having been abducted by suspected Lakaruwa and Mahmuda Fulani-linked terror groups-also Boko Haram-affiliated.

Further statistics at our disposal estimated that out of the abducted 50,000 Christians since 2015, 3,500 have been converted to Islam, 5000 or 10% of the abducted Christians killed in captivity, 20,000 forced to pay demanded ransoms and freed, only 3000 rescued by security forces with or without ransoms-during which estimated 6000 escaped by way of honeypot and on "humanitarian grounds". Estimated 10,000 of the abducted 50,000 Christians are believed to be still held alive in captivity and camps of the Jihadist Fulani-led Islamic terror groups spread across Nigeria including about 2000 in Southern Kaduna, Niger 1,500, Taraba 1000, Borno/Yobe 800, Kwara, Kogi/Nasarawa 600, Adamawa 300, Kebbi 400, South-East/Benue's Katsina-Ala-Taraba-Benue boundaries 600, Plateau 300, Edo/Delta 400 and South-West Forests 400 and 1,700 others spreading across hidden Jihadist Forest camps across Nigeria including Katsina and Birnin Gwari-Zamfara forest camps-totalling estimated 10,000 captive Christian abductees.

Feb 25-March 19, 2026 Updates On Jihadist Massacre: Fresh facts have emerged from different parts of Nigeria especially in the last 78 days of Thursday, Jan 1-Thursday, March 19, 2026. That is to say that since 23 days after the release of our recent Special Report on Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026 on widespread, systematic and coordinated jihadist attacks principally targeted at defenseless Christians and their homes, farmlands and churches; additional hundreds of defenseless Christians have been massacred, abducted, injured or missing in the hands of the trio of Jihadist Boko Haram Islamic, Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen and Jihadist Fulani Bandits; out of which Jihadist Boko Haram accounted for about 60% of the atrocities.

By our freshly collected statistics, more than 450 Christians have been killed (including omission of some figures associated with earlier killings) and 600 others abducted (including omission of some figures associated with earlier abductions) particularly in Southern Borno where no fewer than 300 Christians killed and 400 others abducted; Benue where no fewer than 60 Christians killed and scores abducted; Adamawa- with no fewer than Christians 30 deaths and scores of abductions; and Southern Kaduna where no fewer than 120 Christians including omission of over 30 others in earlier attacks have been abducted and scores of others killed-all in the past 23 days of Feb 25 to March 19, 2026 or after the release of our recent Special Report on Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026. In Plateau and Taraba States, dozens of Christian abductions and killings have also been recently recorded; likewise, in Kwara State where Jihadist Fulani Bandits struck, killing scores of Christians and abducted others including the killing on Wednesday night, March 11, 2026, of a Member of ECWA Church, Mr. Omoniyi Ajise and abduction of his wife and four children.

There was also an omission from our recent Special Report, of the abduction of more than 30 Christians which took place on Jan 5, 2026 in Arak village of Sanga County or Local Government Area of Kaduna State where Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen also recently abducted no fewer than 40 local Christians including Madam Averik Arak, elderly mother of Kefas Hbilila Averik, one of the two Christians killed in the attack. The above was according to Christian Daily's Morning Star News of March 17, 2026. The respected Christian tabloid had reported that Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen on Feb 26, 2026 killed a Pastor of the Evangelical Reformed Church of Christ (ERCC), the Rev. Joshua Aliya of the ERCC Congregation in predominantly Christian community of Dorowa in Ninzo Chiefdom of Sanga Local Government Area of (Southern) Kaduna State and abducted dozens of other Christians in the attack.

In Gwoza area of Southern Borno, a Christian suburb including Ngoshe Community with 80% Christian population as of 2014, fresh statistics exclusively obtained from some residents of the area including key survivors of recent Boko Haram attacks, the number of (Christians) people killed by Boko Haram since Jan 2026 was said not to have been fully counted and that from those counted, no fewer than 250 Christians have been slaughtered since January 2026 and 400 others abducted-with many still missing. According to facts from some survivors and eyewitnesses, Gwoza Christian Community and environs have been uprooted by Boko Haram and ISWAP including destruction of more than 100 churches and killing of key indigenes of the area. Nigerian military and its affiliated "Civilian JTF" are also accused of killing and abducting key indigenes of the area including the 2013 abduction and disappearance of five prominent sons of the area.

In the latest multiple bomb blasts that took place on Monday, March 16, 2026 in Maiduguri, near University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital and two Christian IDP Camps, said to be quartering no fewer than 1000 Christian IDPs, official figures said "23 persons were killed and 108 injured". However, independent observers estimated the casualty figures to be four or five times higher than the officially given figures; suggesting that dozens of Christian IDPs and others are likely to have been killed or injured in the deadly blasts.

The saddest situation of the Gwoza Christians was further highlighted by a key survivor of recent Boko Haram attacks in the area who spoke to **Intersociety** on phone on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, to the effect that most of those killed or abducted or missing are drawn from 3000 Gwoza Christian refugee returnees, out of the 120,000 quartered in Cameroon since 2014. The 3000 returnees were reportedly recently tricked by the Government of Borno State into returning to their places of origin following false promises of adequate security and safety despite series of warnings to the contrary by observers including Lawyer Emmanuel Ogebe, a US based international Human Rights Lawyer.

The sources who spoke to **Intersociety** also gave names of some prominent indigenes of the area arrested and disappeared by the military and its affiliated "Civilian JTF" since 2013 for speaking out against the targeted killings of their Christian brothers and sisters and they included Hon Bukar Musa Barawa (then 59) and Former Vice-Chair, Gwoza Local Government Area, Mr. Samaila Ayuba Tangwaya (then 41), Businessman/Farmer, Mr. Samaila Dama Ayuba (then 37), Youth Leader, Mr. Mathias Ibrahim (then 31), a Primary School Teacher and Mr. Obadiah Wasuwe (then 30), a Trader in Maiduguri. Another prominent indigene of the area and a serving army major, Fambiya, a Christian from Gwoza, was also alleged to have been sabotaged and killed in duty by his fellow soldiers for "fighting Islam".

Intersociety was also informed that the return of the Gwoza Christian refugees from Cameroon to their ancestral homes triggered the recent attacks by Boko Haram who had declared the area as "conquered Islamic territory under the Boko Haram Islamic Sultanate"; having burned down or destroyed more than 100 churches including the oldest church built by missionaries in the area, pulled down by Borno State Government for construction of "solar energy site".

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Relatedly, according to exclusive report by Business Day of March 6, 2026. ***“no fewer than 100 persons may have been slaughtered by Boko Haram and JAS Islamic Terror Groups while 200 persons remain unaccounted for after four days of gruesome attacks in Ngoshe area of Gwoza Local Government Area of Southern Borno (in first week of March 23026) and emerging details have shown that the bodies were littered all over the streets of the ghost village- with some videos from eyewitnesses revealing that many people were beheaded or decapitated”.***

According to multiple media reports and eyewitnesses’ accounts, Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen launched a fierce jihadist attack on Friday, March 13, 2026 in Ojantele Community of Apa Local Government Area of Benue State, slaughtering more than 15 Christian farmers harvesting fallen cashew nuts in their cashew farms, during which eleven others were injured and scores abducted or missing.

According to multiple media sources including Daily Trust of March 7, 2026, no fewer than 24 defenseless Christians were slaughtered by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen on Thursday, March 5, 2026 in communities of Turan, Jato-Aka District of Kwande Local Government Area of Benue State. Scores also went missing or abducted. Bodies of sixteen Christians were initially recovered from scenes of the attack; and on Saturday morning of March 7, 2026, eight more bodies were recovered. The Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen attacks were specifically carried out in Mbaav community in Mbadura Council Ward and other communities located in Yaav Council Ward and their names included **Ushahemba Kaun, Assue Pever, Ijir Iorlu, Tyowase Terkimbi, Iorbee Tyoor, Iorkase Iber, Kungwa Adaa, Tyavbee Gbanger and Aondoakula Ankaa, Shagba Tyokase, Shagba Terese, Liambee Yohanen, Tordue Dooshima, Tordue Doover, Liambee Aondosoo, Azezamber Gyuse and Terundu Tyozur.** Several others were yet to be identified weeks after.

According to the Punch Newspaper of Friday, March 13, 2026, a member of the Evangelical Church Winning All (ECWA) in Oyatedo village in Irepodun Council Area of Kwara State, Mr. Omoniyi Ajise, was killed by Fulani jihadists on Wednesday, March 11, 2026 and his wife and four others abducted. The attack was reflected in a communique issued by the leaders of ECWA in the State, indicating that the attack occurred while the ECWA Church Joint District Councils’ meeting was in progress two days back and that persistent attacks and kidnappings have forced the closure of several ECWA Local Churches in the affected areas across the State.

According to Leadership Newspaper of Sunday, March 1, 2026, Fulani jihadists on Sunday, March 1, 2026, attacked Anguwan Gwari in Tudun Wada Kujama in Chikun part of Southern Kaduna, killing two Christians and abducting 12 others. The jihadist attack occurred between 12:00am and 2:00am. **Seven of the abducted 12 Christians were identified as members of the same family including Mercy Jonathan, Peace Jonathan, Bart Jonathan, Bethel Jonathan, Steve Jonathan, Jonathan Bulus, Nation Jonathan, Jacob Jonathan as well as four others including Joy Silas, Destiny Silas, Candy Thomas and Savior Emmanuel. Names of two other Christians killed were given as Ayuba Barau and Mary Augustine.**

According to Daily Sun of March 3, 2026, Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen on March 2, 2026, attacked two Kajuru villages in Southern Kaduna, shooting and injuring four Christians and abducting 14 others. Those injured included **Mr. Josiah Abashiya, Mrs. Josiah Hadiza, Mr. Daniel Kwanaki and Mr. Diwa Makama** and among 14 abducted Christians were **Audu Obaina, Talatu Audu, Friday Audu, Beauty Friday, Jerry Audu, Jonah Philemon, Jumare Philemon, Juliet Philemon, Juliet Philemon, Joel Philemon, Ephraim Diwa and Esther Ephraim.** The jihadist attacks affected the residents of Maro and Kallah in Kajuru Local Government Area of Kaduna State, a Christian dominated area.

According to multiple media reports including Sahara Reporters of March 6, 2026, not less than 16 persons who are mainly Christians including four children of a Christian Pastor were abducted by Jihadist Fulani Bandits on Tuesday night of March 3, 2026, between 9:00pm and 10:pm in Paze Community in the Byazhi area of Kubwa, Bwari Area Council of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT), Abuja.

According to Daily Post of March 6, 2026, quoting US Congressman, Riley Moore, ***“Boko Haram Islamic Terrorists recently admitted having killed no fewer than 27 Christians in Christian part of Adamawa and burning down ten houses in an attack that occurred on 24th February 2026; adding that while owning up to the deadly attack, the Islamic terror group reiterated their call to Nigerian Christians to either pay the jizyah Islamic tax and convert to Islam or be killed, which they described as a fair deal”***. The attack took place on Tuesday, Feb 24, 2026 in two Adamawa villages of Kirchinga in Madagali District and Garaha in neighboring Hong District of Adamawa State, during which several houses were set ablaze and a Catholic Priest was among those killed. The above was according to Business Day Newspaper of Feb 25, 2026.

Other reported killing of defenseless Christians by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen are found to have taken place in Plateau State where no fewer than 19 were killed in Mangu and Bokkos between March 15 and 16, 2026-and in Otobi, Benue State where no fewer than 11 others were killed on March 10, 2026. In Taraba State, two Tiv Christian farmers were ambushed and killed by Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen on March 11, 2026 at Tse-Ukwe and several others severely injured. The victims were IDPs trying to retrieve food from their farms. Religious violence has also intensified in Takum and Donga areas of the same Taraba State in the past two weeks of March 2026 leading to targeted killing of dozens of local Christians, destruction of homes and burning of churches.

Findings: Totality of the above showed that more than 450 defenseless Christians have been killed and 600 others abducted (including omissions from earlier attacks) since Wednesday, Feb 25, 2026 or since the release of our Special Report on Feb 25 to March 16, 2026. The affected areas included Gwoza part of Southern Borno-with no fewer than 300 Christian deaths from Feb 25 to March 19, 2026 (including omission of some figures associated with earlier attacks). In the first week of March 2026, not less than 100 Christian deaths and 200 abducted others have been recorded. Other recorded Christian deaths during the period included 60 Christian deaths in Benue, 30 Christian deaths in Adamawa, 25 Christian deaths in Plateau, 15 Christian deaths in Taraba, 10 Christian deaths in Southern Kaduna, among others.

The period under review also recorded hundreds of abducted Christians including more than 400 in Gwoza part of Southern Borno including 200 abducted in January to February 2026 and 200 others since the beginning of March 2026. Southern Kaduna also recorded no fewer than 120 abduction of Christians, followed by Adamawa, Taraba, Plateau and Benue-where more than 80 others were abducted-totaling more than 450 Christians killed and 600 others Abducted. These are in addition to burning down or destruction of churches and several Christian homes. A Catholic Priest and an ERCC Pastor have so far been in Adamawa and Kaduna States. Two key Perpetrator-Islamic terror groups have been identified as having been principally responsible: Boko Haram and Jihadist Fulani Herdsmen.

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