## Lightning kills 8 in Kogi [Nigeria]

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TRAGEDY struck in Imane, Olamoboro Local Government Council of Kogi State on Sunday as lightning killed eight people on the spot.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the eight people died during service in an undisclosed church.

According to an eyewitness account, the service had barely commenced when the incident occurred.

The source said on the fateful day, people defied the heavy rain and trooped to the church which was soon afterwards, thrown into pandemonium when lightning struck. Apart from the dead, other people sustained various degrees of injury.

It was gathered that those who sustained injuries were taken to a nearby hospital while the families of the deceased had since taken their dead away for burial.

A community leader in the area who spoke on condition of anonymity confirmed the incident, saying it was a sad Sunday in the community.

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He said such incident had never been recorded in the community before adding that it came as a rude shock to the entire people.