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See man's reaction to husband who let pregnant wife, unborn baby die over blood transfusion

Ajayi Afolabi was at a general hospital when a heavily pregnant woman was rushed to the hospital but died after being refused blood transfusion by her husband.

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Jehovah's Witnesses are against blood transfusion out of respect for God (ebay)

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A man took to Facebook to share his experience at a General Hospital in Lagos state, and its bound to leave you speechless.

In the post that he shared on social media, the man revealed how he got to the point of beating up a man whose wife had just died.

Shocked yet? Allow us to explain.

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The man whose name on Facebook is **Ajayi Afolabi** revealed that he was at a general hospital in Lagos when a heavily pregnant woman was rushed to the hospital.

Few minutes after she was taken to the theatre, the Doctor in charge returned to inform the husband that his wife was short of blood and in [need of blood transfusion](#).


The husband reportedly told the doctor that they had been informed of the situation at a previous hospital but he had refused to sign the documents because they were Jehovah's witness and it would be a sin.

Unfortunately, after pleading with her husband to save her life and [allow the transfusion](#), the pregnant woman died before she could be transferred to LUTH.

As some may have reacted, Mr Afolabi who had been observing the situation finally lost his temper after hearing that the baby had been lost too.

Read his post below and see his reaction:

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 **Ajayi Afolabi**
Yesterday at 9:33 PM · Lagos

**So, I was at a General Hospital in Lagos while an heavily pregnant woman was rushed in on child labour. She was immediately taken to the theater and after some mins, one of the lead doctors came out to request for the husband of the pregnant lady.
DOC: Your wife is short of blood. She needs an immediate blood transfusion.**

Husband: Same thing they said from the hospital she has been in the last 3 days of labour. We are Jehovah witness, we don't accept unknown blood.

DOC: This is highly important to save your wife's life and the unborn baby.

Husband: We have worked for the lord with all our strength, he can't fail us, she can't die.

**DOC: I may need to proceed forcefully if you don't accept.
Husband: Then be ready to face the law in court.**

So the doctor went back to the theater, asked the woman if she has another relative close by who can sign to receive blood while she was

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There have been many other cases [where lives have been lost](#) when they could have been saved and religion was to blame for it.

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Jehovah's Witness: An extremist religion?

Jehovah's Witnesses has been recently labelled an '[extremist organisation](#)' in Russia.

This ruling was passed after six days of hearings by the Supreme Court after the Russian Justice Ministry filed a lawsuit in order to shut down the group's national headquarters near St Petersburg.

Reacting to this judgement, the press office for the Russian branch said, "*Extremism is deeply alien to the Bible-based beliefs and morality of Jehovah's Witnesses.*"

"Persecution of the faithful for peaceful anti-extremism legislation is built on frank fraud, incompetent individual 'experts' and, as a result, a miscarriage of justice."

Although the judgement has already been passed, we can not help but wonder if the [religious organisation really deserves to be labelled as such](#).

As unfair as the situation may seem, many of such cases have been recorded where lives were lost in a bid to preserve the doctrines of a particular religion.

How true is this assertion?

An extremist has been defined as "*someone who supports an idea, cause or set of values so adamantly and without compromise that said person will use their ideas to justify anything they do.*"

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By this definition, aren't we all some form of extremists? As Christians, we are told to hold dearly to our beliefs regardless of what others say. In fact, the Bible encourages being persecuted for our faith.

How would you have responded to the situation?

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