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Violence against Christians continued in Nigeria the first week of June as members of the radical Islamist group Boko Haram attacked villages and churches in the northeastern portion of the country in a self-proclaimed effort to wipe out the predominant Christian faith in the African nation.

On June 4, reported BBC News, a group of Boko Haram terrorists posing as Christian ministers killed an estimated 45 people in a village near Maiduguri, capital of the Borno State in northeastern Nigeria. Survivors said that the attackers invited residents to come and hear them preach, but then opened fire on the crowd before fleeing across a river and set fire to houses and buildings in a nearby village. ...

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