

Christian Woman Attacked, Murdered by Islamists in Egypt

Another report has come out of Egypt detailing the brutal murder of a Coptic Christian by an Islamic mob. According to an eyewitness, a woman identified as 25-yearold Mary Sameh George was pulled from her car in a Cairo suburb by an Islamic mob who reportedly had seen a cross dangling from her rearview mirror.

The <u>Washington Times</u> reported that the eyewitness said George was attacked outside a church where she had driven to deliver medication to an elderly woman. The witness said members of the mob jumped on top of the woman's car, smashed through the roof, and dragged her into the street where they brutally beat her to death.



According to the eyewitness, George was beaten so savagely by the out-of-control Islamists that pieces of her scalp were ripped off her head. Mob members reportedly stabbed the Christian woman several times and slit her throat before setting her car on fire.

<u>CNSNews.com</u> reported that the murder occurred in the Cairo suburb of Ain Shams following mosque prayer services as local police clashed with supporters of the Muslim Brotherhood. According to the news site George's death "received little coverage in Egyptian newspapers," with the government newspaper *Al Ahram* reporting with a single sentence that a "Coptic woman, Mary George, was reportedly stabbed to death by pro-Morsi supporters in the same area."

The Australian Coptic Movement Association was among those condemning the killing, declaring that "Mary George was targeted for her faith in what is becoming an increasingly intolerable and inhospitable region for Christians; given that Ain Shams is a known stronghold for the Muslim Brotherhood." The group called on the Egyptian government to "send a clear message that this behavior will not be tolerated and that the culprits will be held to account under the full force of the law." It also called on the West to "pay due attention to the extreme and violent agenda of the Muslim Brotherhood."

Coptic Christians comprise some 15 percent of Egypt's population and have faced persecution from Islamists for years, persecution that intensified after the overthrow of Egyptian President Muhamed Morsi in 2013 (Morsi supporters shown). The Coptic community's perceived support of the military action against Morsi prompted an all-out assault on Coptic Christians and their places of worship, leading to the destruction of scores of Christian churches and the murders of many Coptic believers.

According to CNSNews, when Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, the military leader who led the overthrow of Morsi, confirmed that he planned to run for the presidency of Egypt, "the pro-Morsi alliance known as 'National Coalition for Supporting Legitimacy' called for street protests after Friday [March 28]



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prayers."

On its Facebook page the group announced: "Let the million-man demonstration on Friday be great and remarkable. Let all those who are angry gather for a new phase which this nation needs."

George's murder, and several other killings, were the result of the protest.



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