## Targeting of Al Bishara Church by ISIS

Al Shohadaa church which is in the center of Ragga city



Al Bishara church is one of churches in Raqqa governorate



Thursday 26/9/2013, ISIS entered <u>Sayidat Al Bishra church</u>, damaged the cross and threw it down and put their <u>flag instead of it</u>.

Then, they entered to Al Shohadaa church and broke the crosses and burned them.

The testimony of the eyewitness Mohammad Karam, from Raqqa. You can contact with the eyewitness via Skype

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"ISIS entered Sayidat Al Bishara church which is located near their headquarters and broke the crosses and the statues. Then, they entered Al Shohadaa church and broke the statues too. The people protested carrying crosses and condemned the act of ISIS".

ISIS assured that it broke the cross and the statues and said that it burned the pictures and the statues of the president Bashar Al Assad and his father Hafith Al Assad.







The testimony of ISIS's element called Abu Harith Al Tonisi, the administration in call office that is affiliated to ISIS.

"ISIS broke the crosses in the church and burned them" then he said that" this is an idol, there is no crosses in the Islamic area, but we didn't burn the whole church, and we burned the pictures of Bashar Al Assad and Hafith Al Assad inside the church and we broke the statue of Bashar Al Assad. We will not hit the Christians or treat them in a bad way"

Image of the statement by ISIS about burning the two churches:





