

Church Blast Kills One

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KIEV — A bomb blast on Wednesday at a southern Orthodox church in Ukraine killed one person and wounded eight, officials said.

A homemade explosive device detonated near the entrance to the church in the southern city of Zaporozhye, Emergency Situations Ministry spokeswoman Yulia Barysheva said.

She said nine people had been wounded, one gravely.

A duty nurse at a Zaporozhye hospital, Irina Sergeyenko, later said one blast victim had died.

The blast came on the day the nation marked the anniversary of its conversion to Christianity in 988.

There was no official word of a motive. ☒

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