

# ISIS 'Barbarically Leveled' Oldest Monastery in Iraq

The Islamic State razed Iraq's oldest Christian monastery to the ground in 2014, new evidence shows.

New satellite images show a field of rubble where the 1,400-year-old St. Elijah's Monastery of Mosul once stood.

*The Associated Press* obtained the satellite images and showed them to Iraqi priests who once served there.

Images in August 2014 show the monastery compound with large trucks and other heavy equipment lined up nearby. Just a week later, pictures show nothing but dirt and rocks on the site.

"I can't describe my sadness," one priest said. "Our Christian history in Mosul is being barbarically leveled."