

Reports: ISIS Crucifies 2 Children for Not Fasting During Ramadan

Members of the Islamic State dangled two boys from poles for eating during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, according to reports.

“Residents of the village of Mayadeen in Deir Ezzor province reported that Isis suspended from a crossbar two boys aged under 18 near the headquarters of the Hissba [jihad police],” Observatory chief Rami Abdel Rahman told AFP, according to *The Guardian*.

Reports say there was a placard saying the two ate during the Ramadan fast without religious justification.

The move is being hailed as a victory for jihadist leaders, such as ISIS spokesperson Abu Muhammad al-Adnani.

Ramadan is a time for “calamity for the infidels ... Shi’ites and apostate Muslims,” he said, according to the *Jerusalem Post*. “Muslims everywhere, we congratulate you over the arrival of the holy month. Be keen to conquer in this holy month and to become exposed to martyrdom.”

Ramadan began June 17 and will last through July 17. During the Muslim holy month, fasting occurs from sun up to sundown; women who are menstruating may abstain, as may anyone who is sick, according to *Islam Basics*.

ISIS has been implementing executions to solidify their rule of terror, attacking Christians, Yazidis and more.

“What they are conveying is those who oppose ISIS rule oppose God’s rule, and those who are enemies of ISIS are enemies of God and deserve the highest form of punishment possible,”

Abbas Barzegar, assistant professor of Islamic studies at Georgia State University, tells CNN.

The crucifixions are not the only deaths during Ramadan, though. A heatwave in Pakistan has now killed 650, according to the *New York Times*.