

WATCH: Churches a Haven For People Fleeing Ebola

Churches are a safe haven from Ebola in Sierra Leone, according to the Agence France-Presse.

While fear of the virus has kept people from most communities, the people of Sierra Leone continue to attend church, finding refuge in fellowship with other Christians.

“For this Ebola issue, it’s to be with people that you are not sure of, because you can go in an environment that you are not sure of this person and you don’t know if the person had contact or not. So you are keeping yourselves from people you can’t touch them because you are afraid,” said one woman in the video.

The same woman told the AFP, “We have to stay home, we can’t go out, I can’t see my girlfriends or my boyfriend. Going to church is the only way we can see each other.”

The death toll from the Ebola epidemic has risen to 4,950 out of 13,241 cases in the three worst-hit countries of West Africa, the World Health Organization said, calling for widespread rigorous control measures to halt the virus.