

Today's Martyrs – May 1961

Thursday May 11, 1961



Laos: Muang Kham village, Xieng Khouang province

Fr Vincent l'Henoret OMI (aged 40, French citizen, **shot dead** by Pathet Lao guerrillas despite possessing a Pathet Lao travel pass)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martyrs_of_Laos

https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vincent_L'Hénoret – with translation

Sunday May 21, 1961



United States – Alabama: Montgomery

Fifteen hundred worshippers and civil rights activists were trapped in the First Baptist Church by 3,000 white supremacists and threatened with death by arson, all were rescued by National Guardsmen

Rev Ralph Abernathy (aged 35)

Rev Martin Luther King Jr (aged 32; **UPDATE**)

Rev Frederick Lee 'Fred' Shuttlesworth (husband of Ruby Keeler Shuttlesworth; **UPDATE**)

Pastor Wyatt Tee Walker (aged 31)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First_Baptist_Church_\(Montgomery,_Alabama\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First_Baptist_Church_(Montgomery,_Alabama))

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