Today's Martyrs – September 1975

Monday September 8, 1975



Lebanon: Monastery of St George, Ashash, Zgharta

Fr Antonios Thamineh OLM (killed)

Fr Butrus Sassine OLM (killed)

Br YuHanna Maqsoud OLM (killed)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/maronite_catholics.htm

Friday September 19, 1975



Russia: Chernogorsk

Aaron Vashchenko (had survived being aborted on March 31, 1975, legally adopted by Lida Vashchenko on April 23, 1975; home invaded by local authorities on July 17, 1975, seized and removed from his home; reportedly died in surgery, on August 24, 1975, his family later said "His torments were undergone for God because he ended up in a family of believers and had it been a family of non-believers, then he would have lived and grown up. From this it follows that he bore his sufferings for God, although he was unconscious of this fact because he was still a baby. He will inherit eternal life among the first born. Those who abducted him do not believe in life beyond the grave, but their victory was in this life only. The devil has suffered complete defeat"; UPDATE: body exhumed from the cemetery by his family without permission, waked by them in an all-night prayer vigil, reinterned in the family plot the next day, the government threatened retribution but did nothing)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL4190509M/The_Siberian_Seven

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