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* Ali and Ahmad Dbouk suffered severe burns on their hands and arms when their Beirut home caught fire during an Israeli air raid. By the time they had arrived in the United States, scar tissue had grown so thick that they couldn't move their hands. The teenage brothers received extensive reconstructive and plastic surgery in Boston, and returned to Lebanon two months later--with hands that were open and working.

* Amal Kadi, her mother, and her sister were getting water from a public fountain when an artillery shell landed nearby. Her sister was killed, and she and her mother were seriously injured. The leg amputation Amal received at that time was poorly performed under emergency conditions, causing her wounds to ooze and bleed ever since. In Washington, DC, her leg was re-operated on and, after her wounds finally healed, she received a new artificial leg. Amal is now 16 years old and lives with her family in West Beirut.

* Rabih Daou lost his eyesight and his left arm during an Israeli air strike at North Metn. In Massachusetts, Rabih has received a new artificial arm and rehabilitative therapy for his blindness. Because Lebanon does not have adequate training or facilities for the blind, Rabih is continuing his therapy at the Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Mass. so that he can eventually return home with regained mobility and self-sufficiency.

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