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Mr. Pan Benyu Tortured to the Verge of Death

(Clearwisdom.net) Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Pan Benyu from Qiqihar, Heilongjiang Province, was savagely tortured in Tailai Prison. As a result, he suffers from a heart condition and liver ascites, and has been vomiting blood. He has swelling in his brain and other areas of his body. In addition, he has many blood scabs in his nose and has difficulty eating, sleeping, and breathing. He is at risk of dying. On May 22, 2009, not wanting to take responsibility should Mr. Pan die in custody, the prison authorities sent him home.

When the persecution started in 1999, Pan Benyu planned to go to Beijing to appeal for justice for Falun Gong. His company placed him under house arrest to keep him from going. Later, Mr. Pan was taken to Nianzishan Forced Labor Camp in Qiqihar. The guards at the camp beat him every day. He was forced to dig holes all day and was beaten if he was slow. Mr. Pan was released on June 16, 2000. He tried to go back to work but was told that he had been fired and that the company could do nothing for him.



Mr. Pan Benyu has a hard time breathing as a result of torture and cannot go to sleep. He can breathe a little only in this position.

On July 22, 2000, Mr. Pan went to Tiananmen Square to appeal for Falun Gong. A police officer ran over him with a motorcycle and crushed his leg. Mr. Pan was detained in Fuyu Forced Labor Camp in October 2000. Guard Jia Wenjun instigated prisoners to beat Mr. Pan. When Mr. Pan lost consciousness, Jia poured boiling water on him, resulting in blisters forming all over his body. On July 5. 2001, the guards beat Pan when he did the Falun Gong exercises. A guard lashed him in the face with a leather belt, disfiguring his face.

On August 22, 2002, Mr. Pan was transferred to Beian Prison. There, the guards chained him to a concrete floor, forcing him to stay in the same position 24 hours a day. When Mr. Pan told a guard that he had blood in his urine, the guard yelled and verbally abused him. As a result of staying in the same position for a prolonged period of time, Mr. Pan's muscles atrophied. Two weeks later when a guard took the shackles off him, Mr. Pan could no longer move his arms. His blood pressure was 60/30 mmHg and he lost consciousness. On June 18, 2005, he was released from prison.

Mr. Pan gradually recovered at home. On December 8, 2006, two police officers arrested him again. In the police station, an officer handcuffed Pan and beat him until he passed out. The officer kicked his abdomen until he passed blood from his anus. He was then taken to Qiqihar First Detention Center. The same officer continued to beat him until he suffered organ failure. Pan was sent to Qiqihar Second Hospital for emergency treatment.

On April 18, 2007, Pan Benyu was taken to Tailai Prison, where the abuse continued. He was released only when he was near death.

Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-

Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the brutal and most persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



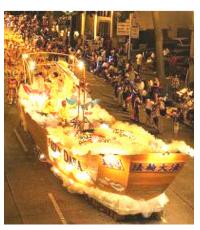
About Clearwisdom

Clearwisdom.net is the most authoritative source of information about the practice of Falun Gong and about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, reporting news and events timely happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

Falun Gong "Great Law Ship" Wins Award at Seattle Torchlight Parade

(Clearwisdom.net) On the evening of July 25 2009, the 60th Seafair Torchlight Parade started its 2.5-mile route through downtown Seattle. The Falun Dafa Association was invited to take part in the parade again this year, and their newly designed "Great Law Ship" won the Innovation Award.

The Torchlight Parade is one of the top ten parades in the US. It is one of the highlights of the month-long summer Seafair Festival. On the night of July 25, about 300,000 people packed the streets, with another 700,000 viewers at home watching on TV. The Falun Gong procession's "Great Law Ship," celestial maidens, traditional waist drummers and lion dancers received warm applause and cheers from the spectators the length of the parade route.



The Great Law Ship.

Falun Dafa Saved My Wife

(Clearwisdom.net) In 1993 my wife had CT and MRI scans at Yiyang City Central Hospital in Hunan Province. The scans revealed a tumor growing on her brain. The tumor was pressing on one of her nerves, causing her to have headaches, and making her face swell.

In 1996 my wife's situation deteriorated. The right side of her face and head swelled up and became darker in color. The slightest bit of light, sound, or touch would cause her extreme pain. When we had exhausted our resources and saw no hope for a cure, someone suggested that my wife learn Falun Gong. I decided to give it a try. I brought home Dafa books and audiotapes of Mr. Li Hongzhi's lectures. Beginning on that day, my wife and I started our cultivation journey in Falun Dafa.

We have now been practicing Falun Gong for thirteen years. My wife would not be alive today had she not practiced Falun Dafa. We are so grateful to Master Li for introducing such a wonderful practice!

Watford Observer (UK): Streatham daughter demands action on Falun Gong torture anniversary

(Clearwisdom.net) A Streatham Common woman whose parents fled China after they were tortured for their religious beliefs is fighting to raise the profile of their struggle and that of millions of others.



Jinghang Liu and her daughter Youyan Li

Youyan Li, of Hepworth Road, and her parents practice Falun Gong – a Buddhist practice acclaimed for its healing powers – followed by an estimated 70 million people in China and millions others across the globe.

Today (July 20) marks the official 10-year anniversary of what Ms Li says is a brutal persecution by the Chinese authorities of Falun Gong practitioners because they feared the religion posed a threat to their control of the country.

(...) Ms Li's parents, both award-winning scientists, were victims of the persecution before eventually escaping to Australia in 2003 after being granted asylum there.

Her mother, Jinghang Liu, was arrested six times and jailed for three years after being falsely accused of organizing an anti-Government protest. She is now visiting her daughter in Britain and is calling on people to pressurize the British Government to take action to end a situation "verging on genocide."

Jing Hangliu, 67, said: "I was tortured with force-feeding through lethal nostril insertion, injection of unknown drugs, long-term sleep deprivation, physical punishment, and slave labor."

She was told it would all end if she gave up practicing Falun Gong. She believes the only reason she was not killed to harvest her organs was she was too old. She said: "I am lucky to be alive, lucky to have escaped China."