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The Persecution of Falun Gong Practitioners in Chongqing City Women's Labor Camp

(Clearwisdom.net) The Chongqing City Women's Forced Labor Camp is one of the many locations in China today where Falun Gong practitioners are brutally persecuted. Practitioners detained there are suffering all kinds of devastation.

Physical Abuse: The practitioners are forced to get up at 6 a.m. After ten minutes of cleaning up, they are brought to a cement dam to stand or squat in a military posture until 8 a.m.. After breakfast, they are brought back to the dam to stand until noon. During that time, they are not allowed to move or talk to each other. After lunch, they are allowed to take a short break. Then they are rushed back to the dam to stand again until 6 p.m. After dinner, they are given 15 minutes to wash and brush their teeth. Then they are forced to stand or squat in the hallway of the ward until 11 p.m.

Limited Water Supply: According to labor camp regulations, each practitioner is allowed to use one basin of water in the morning and half a basin at night. This water is used to wash their faces and feet, brush their teeth, wash their bowls, clean the cell, and flush the toilet. They are only allowed to change underwear and take a shower once a week with two basins of water. Practitioners who refuse to follow the regulations suffer corporal punishment and have their water supply withheld.



Illustration depicting inmates abusing a Falun Gong practitioner under orders from a labor camp guard.

Inmates Trained to Harass and Abuse Practitioners: The labor camp authorities select the most ruthless and violent inmates to monitor and control the practitioners, and provide them with special training sessions just for that purpose. During one training session, the inmates were told publicly, "Any kindness towards Falun Gong is an injury to yourself." The labor camp authorities reward or punish the controlling inmates based on how they mistreat practitioners.

Mental Torture: According to labor camp rules, the practitioners have to write a so-called "thought report" every day and recite the labor camp rules. Practitioners are prohibited from having any contact with each other. Besides the mental persecution, the labor camp also aggravates the physical abuse. If the practitioners protest or don't comply with the punitive regulations, they are verbally abused and beaten. Practitioners are required to get approval for their every action and word from the controlling inmates. If the practitioners don't comply, they are subjected to verbal and physical abuse.

The Chongqing City Forced Labor Camp employs a wide range of tactics to persecute Falun Gong practitioners. As a result, practitioners have been seriously injured both mentally and physically.

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 most brutal and vicious 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 of 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 timely news and events happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom publishes responsibly the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

Falun Dafa Makes Me Walk Again

(Clearwisdom.net) I started to learn Falun Gong on October 17, 1997, when I was suffering from sciatica. I was bedridden and totally dependent on others for help. The extreme pain made me wish to die as soon as possible. The pain in my left foot was especially excruciating. I had not had a good night's sleep for nearly two months and I thought about committing suicide.

On October 17, 1997, a relative came to our home to help me. He told me how wonderful Falun Gong is and suggested that I take up the practice. At the time, I knew nothing about Falun Gong and was a little hesitant to try it. That afternoon, when my husband came home and heard about what my relative had told me, he persuaded me to give it a try. After supper, my husband carried me to the exercise site and I began to learn the five sets of exercises. When I started to learn the second set (Falun Standing Stance) and after I had closed my eyes, I suddenly felt something coming out of my left foot and the pain disappeared at once. I did not realize then that my body had been purified, because I had not yet read *Zhuan Falun* (the principal teachings of Falun Gong). After finishing the exercises my husband prepared to carry me home, but I said that I could walk by myself. He did not believe it until I started to walk in front of his eyes and walked all the way home. It was really marvelous!

The next day I even shouldered about 15 loads (each weighing around 160 pounds) of coal using a pole and two baskets. Early the following morning, I went to the exercise site by myself to practice. Later I threw away all my medications. Since then I have never taken another pill and I have remained healthy and strong. In addition, my whole family benefited from my practicing Falun Gong. My two kids used to suffer from all kinds of illness before, but after I started practicing Falun Gong, none of them have gotten sick.

Divine Land Marching Band Warmly Welcomed in Milan



(Clearwisdom.net) On October 10, 2009, the European Divine Land Marching Band performed in Milan and caught the attention of Milan's largest national TV company. Along the parade route, the Italian people responded warmly to the band. The band, composed entirely of Falun Gong practitioners, was in Milan to take part in a parade to support the millions of Chinese people who have withdrawn from the Chinese Communist Party. Led by the Divine Land Marching Band, Falun Gong practitioners held banners that read "Falun Dafa is good," and, "Support 61 million brave Chinese people who have withdrawn from the Chinese Communist Party."

International Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance Art Exhibition in Romania

(Clearwisdom.net) During the week of October 12-18, 2009, the International Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance Art Exhibition was held at the Anaid Art Gallery in Bucharest, near the Romanian Parliament. Anaid Art Gallery is a well-known modern art gallery. The exhibition opened on the evening of October 12.

Professor Ion Oprean, a university professor and Vice President of the Christian-Democratic National Peasants' Party, was impressed by the sensibilities depicted in the paintings. He affirmed that a society needs three things in order to rise to its highest values. They are morality, competence and love for others.



Ion Oprean, Vice President of the Christian-Democratic National Peasants' Party

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