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Ongoing Persecution Claims Lives

(Clearwisdom.net) The eleven-year persecution of Falun Gong in China has claimed the lives of thousands of practitioners throughout China. Below are the stories of two practitioners who died as a result of persecution.



Ms. Zhang Guiqin

Ms. Zhang Guiqin, from Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province, started practicing Falun Gong in 1995. Over the course of the Chinese Communist Party's (CCP) persecution of Falun Gong, Ms. Zhang was subjected to detention and torture.

In April 2001, officers from the Xingongdi Police Station broke into Ms. Zhang's home at night and arrested her. At the police station, they tortured Ms. Zhang by pouring soapy water into her eyes. They handcuffed her arms behind her back and hung her up by the handcuffs, causing excruciating pain in her shoulders and wrists. The torture caused Ms. Zhang to lose all feeling in her hands. Ms. Zhang was then taken to the Qiqihar Detention Center. A month later, she was sent to Shuanghe Forced Labor Camp. In January 2002, the guards locked Ms. Zhang in an unheated room without any warm clothing to wear. She was handcuffed and shackled to an iron chair for seven days. Ms. Zhang was released in May 2002.

In April 2006, officers from the Tongdong Road Police Station arrested Ms. Zhang again and locked her in the Qiqihar Detention Center. Once, a guard repeatedly rubbed a mop across Ms. Zhang's face, causing her mouth to bleed profusely, simply because she shouted "Falun Dafa is good."

Ms. Zhang began a hunger strike in October 2006 to protest the illegal detention. On November 8, 2006, when she was in critical condition, Ms. Zhang was taken to the Heping Factory Hospital in shackles. She was in a coma, had difficulty breathing, and vomited blood. Zhang Guiqin died in the hospital at about 1:00 a.m. on December 4, 2006.



Engineer Dies after Nine Years of Persecution

On January 13, 2009, Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Li Jiagong (left) died after nine years of relentless harassment and persecution by the CCP. *Mr. Li started practicing Falun Gong in 1995. In November 2002, he was arrested because of his belief. He was taken to the Su Cao Police*

Station, where he was handcuffed to a chair and deprived of sleep for over a week. The maltreatment caused him to develop high blood pressure, serious cough and a hernia. He was released after his family paid 3,000 yuan to the authorities.

During the past nine years, Mr. Li suffered tremendously. In addition, he worried a great deal about his son, who is still imprisoned in Shijiazhuang Prison because he practices Falun Gong. The local CCP officials and police frequently went to Li's home to harass and threaten him, and often ransacked the home. Mr. Li struggled under this oppressive environment until he eventually became very ill and died on January 13, 2009.

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 100 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

"Why Didn't You Introduce Such a Good Practice to Me Earlier?"

(Clearwisdom.net) There is a man named Erliang in my village in China, who is 48 years old. He suffered from diabetes for eight years. I suggested that he practice Falun Dafa but he wouldn't, due to the ongoing persecution of Falun Gong. His disease worsened and he spent a lot of money on hospital treatments but wasn't cured.

Eventually, Erliang decided to try his luck and told me that he wanted to practice Falun Gong. I bought an MP3 player for him so that he could listen to Master Li's lectures whenever he had time. I also gave him the exercise DVD so he could learn how to do the exercises.

A couple of months later when he saw me again, Erliang said to me, "Why didn't you ask me to practice such a good exercise system earlier? Had I known Falun Dafa was so good, I would have practiced it a long time ago! A person wouldn't know how good it is until he practiced it. You see, I have only practiced for two months, and I have now become so energetic. I can work in the fields and don't need to take medicine any more."

Moscow: Falun Dafa Participates in Children's Health Expo

(Clearwisdom.net) From November 3 to 7, 2010, the 23rd Children's Health Expo was held at the Russian Exhibition Center in Moscow. Local Falun Dafa practitioners participated in the event. One of the organizers remarked on the contribution of Falun Gong to the expo, noting that the practice has no religious affiliations, nor does it have any political or commercial goals; it is a genuine and noble exercise system that benefits both children and their parents.



During the expo, the practitioners demonstrated the Falun Gong exercises on the main stage every day. A large screen TV at the booth played the exercise teaching video by Mr. Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Dafa. The practitioners also passed out introductory materials about Falun Dafa. Many people learned the exercises during the expo.

Many people visited the Falun Dafa booth at the Moscow Children's Health Expo. Practitioners demonstrated the Falun Gong exercises on the main stage every day.

Germany: Exposing the Persecution of Falun Gong in China

(Clearwisdom.net) On October 30, Falun Dafa practitioners hosted an information day event along Kings Blvd. in Stuttgart, near Baden Wurtttemberg Palace. The purpose of the event was to share the beauty of Falun Dafa and to expose the Chinese Communist Party's brutal persecution, including organ harvesting atrocities.



Passersby sign the petition against the persecution in China.

In was a fine autumn day. Hundreds of visitors and local residents were out on the streets. The practitioners demonstrated the Falun Gong exercises and passed out informational fliers. Many people watched the exercise demonstration. Some read the display boards and talked to the practitioners. Many signed a petition against the persecution. A number of Chinese people passing by the event were also attracted. Several took the opportunity to withdraw from the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and its affiliated organizations. Among them was a student who has been in Germany for a year. She had learned about the persecution when she lived in China. This young woman was very happy to disassociate herself from the CCP, which so brutally persecutes Falun Gong.