

# Clearwisdom Review

## An Update on Falun Dafa Worldwide

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### The Tragic Story of Practitioner Mr. Tang Yi



Mr. Tang Yi in 2007

(Clearwisdom.net) Mr. Tang Yi from Chongqing, Sichuan, graduated from Southwest University College of Transportation with a Master's degree and later became a senior railway engineer. Because he practiced Falun Gong, he was persecuted and sent to the Xishanping Forced Labor Camp in Chongqing twice, where he was tortured. He passed away on the morning of September 22, 2009 as a result of torture. He was 46 years old.

In October 2000, Mr. Tang went to Beijing to appeal for justice for Falun Dafa. He was arrested and detained for 15 days, during which time his work unit dismissed him and canceled his upcoming promotion. After Mr. Tang went back to Chongqing City, the police arrested him again in May 2001. He was sent to the Xishanping Forced Labor Camp in July 2001. Because he refused to wear the prison uniform or sing songs that praised the communist party, he was repeatedly beaten and tortured by prison guards. He became disabled from the abuse and suffered a collapsed lung, tuberculosis, chest abscess, and bone tuberculosis.

The camp officials tried to entice Mr. Tang with term reductions in order to coerce him to renounce Falun Gong. When this failed, they directed drug offenders to beat him. He was forced to listen to radio programs which slandered Falun Gong and forced to stay in one position while he slept. In 2003 Mr. Tang became incapacitated and incontinent. The camp authority would not release him. After his mother visited many government officials to request her son's release, Mr. Tang was finally released on probation for medical treatment. At the time, he could not lift one of his hands and had trouble moving.

On May 2, 2008, when Mr. Tang was on a train, the railway police searched his luggage and found Falun Dafa books. He was detained in the Hangzhou Railway Detention Center from May 5 to May 27. On May 28, Mr. Tang was taken to Xishanping Forced Labor Camp again. He wrote about his experiences in the labor camp in May 2009:

"I had been on a hunger strike for 32 days before I was taken to the labor camp. I was often pushed and held down on the floor. They grabbed my injured hand and dragged me over the floor, back and forth, which caused dislocation of my joints and made my injury worse. I suffered from violent forced-feedings, by drug offenders rather than nurses or doctors.

"On September 28, 2008, I was once again taken to the Xishanping Hospital for forced feeding. The drug offenders held me down and pushed the tube in and out of my nostrils many times, which caused my nose and mouth to bleed. I almost suffocated when the tube was inserted into my wind pipe. They also kept slapping and punching me."

In November 2008, the labor camp authorities notified Mr. Tang's family to pick him up as they feared taking responsibility should he die. Unable to recover from his injuries, Mr. Tang passed away on the morning of September 22, 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.

## European Members of Parliament Write in Support of Falun Gong

**(Clearwisdom.net)** The persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has lasted 12 years since its inception on July 20, 1999. On July 20, 2011, two Members of the European Parliament, Zuzana Roithova and Ana Gomes, wrote letters to Falun Gong practitioners to express their support and condemn the CCP's persecution.



**Members of European Parliament Ms. Zuzana Roithova and Ms. Ana Gomes**

Ms. Roithova stated in her letter, “Your efforts to draw attention to this unprecedented persecution are essential for the fight against this persecution. It is very important to encourage the international community to apply pressure on the Chinese regime to honor its international commitments and to protect the freedom and human rights of all Chinese citizens regardless of their ethnic background or religious belief. Representatives of democratic countries around the world should raise the important issue of human rights while meeting representatives of the Chinese government. ... Today practitioners of Falun Gong are standing together with the citizens of China, calling on the communist regime to end its oppressive ways. I esteem your efforts and wish you to persist in continuing your fight toward freedom!”

Ms. Gomes' letter stated, “Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights protects the freedom of thought, conscience and religion. The People's Republic of China, as a Member of the UN Security Council, has special obligations to respect human rights under the United Nations Charter. Unfortunately though, the persecution against Falun Gong practitioners is an example of the Chinese undemocratic regime and its poor human rights record. ... I stand in support for the Falun Gong followers' struggle to survive and fight for their basic human rights and I admire the courage of all those who, since 1999, have complained, sued, demonstrated and spoken out against the repression, despite the terrible repercussions of these actions on their lives.

“As a Member of the European Parliament, I intend to keep following the situation of the Falun Gong practitioners in China and will keep asking the High Representative/Vice-President of the Commission Catherine Ashton to raise the rights of the Falun Gong followers in the EU political dialogue with China.”

### I Experienced Enormous Changes after Practicing Falun Dafa for 20 Days

**(Clearwisdom.net)** I am 50 years old and have only practiced Falun Dafa for twenty days.

Two years ago I found an almond-size lump in my left breast. In May of this year, I found that it became harder and bigger, so I went to the hospital. The doctor told me that it was late-stage cancer and that I needed surgery to have the breast removed. I was shocked and could not believe it, so the next day I went to a different hospital for a second opinion. The diagnosis was the same. I nearly collapsed mentally. I wanted to meet with my friends and relatives within the limited time I thought I had left, so I decided to go to my sister-in-law's house.

My sister-in-law told me about Falun Dafa and its miraculous healing power. I believed her and had the wish to learn and cultivate Dafa. My niece happened to have the book *Zhuan Falun* (containing the principal teachings of Falun Gong), and she immediately gave it to me. I was very excited and started reading it thoroughly and carefully.

My family still worried and forced me to go see a doctor of Traditional Chinese Medicine for treatment. The doctor wanted to do some tests and said that depending on the results, I could possibly take some Traditional Chinese medicine and be monitored further instead of undergoing surgery. When the results came back the next day, the doctor was very surprised. He said: “You do not have any illness. Everything is normal. What tests showed that you had cancer?” Upon hearing this I cried. I called my family immediately to share the good news with them.

In just five days I went from being a late-stage cancer patient to being a perfectly healthy person with normal test results. I know it was because I practiced Falun Dafa and believed its teachings. Falun Dafa saved me and gave me a second life.

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