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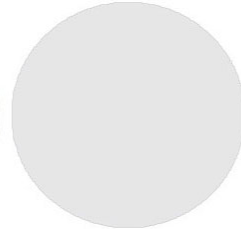
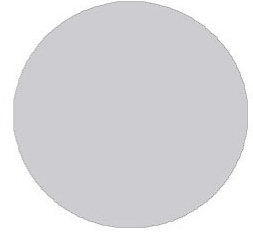
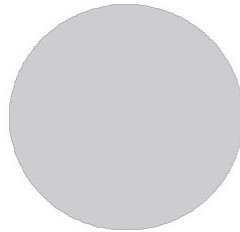
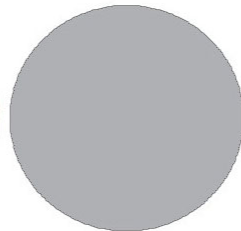
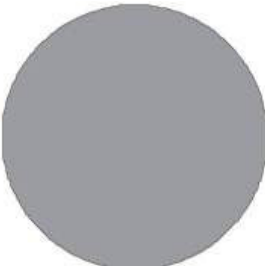


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News and Events from Around the World



Falun Gong Practitioners File Lawsuit Against Assailants in Argentina

On December 14, while conducting a peaceful protest in front of Argentinean Congress against visiting Chinese official Luo Gan, Dafa practitioners were assaulted by thugs deployed by the Chinese Embassy. The assailants also grabbed practitioners' banners and [truth-clarification](#) photo displays. When the incident happened, Argentinean police stood by and didn't take any action to stop the violence. On December 16, the assaulted practitioners retained attorney Alejandro Cowes to sue the assailants and the police officers who refused to take action to protect the practitioners.



Amnesty International Argentina Holds press conference: Left: Pablo Marsal, chair of AI; Middle, attorney Alejandro Cowes; Right: a local practitioner

CCP thugs assault practitioners in Argentina

Since 1999, Falun Gong practitioners have been brutally persecuted in Mainland China. Luo Gan, a member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese Communist Politburo, is one of the chief perpetrators of the persecution. On December 13, 2005, while Luo Gan was visiting Argentina, Falun Gong practitioners in Argentina, on behalf of all Falun Gong practitioners who have been suffering persecution in China, filed a criminal lawsuit against Luo in federal court, accusing him of committing the crimes of genocide and torture during the persecution campaign against Falun Gong. The very next day, outside the Argentine Congress, practitioners were assaulted by thugs deployed by the Chinese Embassy.



On December 14, during Luo Gan's visit to Argentina, the Chinese Embassy sent thugs to assault practitioners who were protesting the persecution. They wore white or red clothing with a green tag (Photo by Carlos Carbone)

When the assault occurred, Luo Gan was about to go to the Congress to meet with Argentina's vice president. Practitioners displayed banners to protest the persecution and in particular, Luo's crimes. They also distributed information about the lawsuit against Luo and evidence of Luo's crimes to members of congress. All of a sudden, Chinese men appeared and violently took away practitioners' banners, truth-clarifying fliers and personal property. They also rampantly assaulted practitioners, right in front of the media. Some Argentineans tried to stop the violence; however, they were assaulted as well and some were injured.



A number of Argentineans tried to stop the assault and were also attacked; some were injured. (Photo: Carlos Carbone)

Surprisingly, on-duty police officers didn't take any action to stop the violence. They were reportedly ordered by higher authorities not to stop the assailants.

While the Chinese Embassy to Argentina and the assailants were the direct perpetrators of the assault, the chief culprit behind-the-scenes was Luo Gan.

Luo Gan, as Secretary of the Political and Legislative Affairs Committee of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Central Committee and head of the [610 Office](#), directly

planned, deployed and directed the persecution against Falun Gong. In order to gain personal political capital, he arbitrarily murdered Falun Gong practitioners, implicated, coerced and threatened millions of families, and created countless family tragedies and wrongful arrests. He manipulated the political and judicial systems, and made use of the country's propaganda machinery to spread lies to the world to distort and demonize Falun Gong cultivators, to mislead the public. He also wantonly arrested and detained Falun Gong practitioners on a large scale across the country to inhumanly and ruthlessly persecute them.

After Jiang stepped down, Luo Gan continued to push the persecution of Falun Gong so as to force the new leaders to take responsibility. This year, he directed a new round of arrests of Falun Gong practitioners, which has led to frequent torture and death cases. Many extremely despicable cases have been reported. In addition, he brings persecution and injustice wherever he goes.

Amnesty International Supports Falun Gong

Initially, there was some confusion among Argentinean media about this incident. Some reported that the assault was a fight between two groups of Chinese who had different opinions. Regarding this confusion, on the afternoon of December 16, Amnesty International (AI) held a press conference to clarify the facts about the incident. The representative of AI said that AI cannot tolerate the fact that a criminal guilty of genocide came to Argentina and directed thugs to assault Falun Dafa practitioners. Citing an eye-witness, a spokesperson said: "This is Argentina, not communist China."

In a statement issued at the press conference, AI Argentina Chairperson Mr. Pablo Marsal stated "Amnesty International has always supported Falun Dafa. It is also not the first time that this group was assaulted in our country. Amnesty International's annual reports, which are well known around the world, relate the human rights violations in China against different spiritual and social groups. The most striking fact in our country is that, for the second time, we see that a certain group connected to the officials of the Chinese government, assaults with impunity, in Argentine territory, in front of the Congress of the nation, a peaceful group which is known all over the world as a spiritual group. For this reason, it is totally incomprehensible.

***NGO Files Complaint against Thailand to UN Human Rights Commission;
the World's People Condemn Thailand & CCP***

On December 18, 2005, the "Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group" (FGHRWG) filed a complaint to the UN Human Rights Commission regarding the Thai police's violence against innocent Falun Gong practitioners. During the incident, instigated by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), Thai police first roughly treated practitioners who were conducting a peaceful protest in front of the Chinese Embassy in Bangkok on December 10. On December 15, Thai authorities arrested five practitioners and three children in front of the embassy. As a member of the United Nations, the Thai government is fully responsible for observing the Universal Human Rights Declaration. The violence was the result of the CCP's pressure and orders. In its complaint, the FGHRWG detailed the incident and recounted past repeated harassment of practitioners by the Thai government under the CCP's pressure. What is even more troubling is that Thai police detained three children, though it later released two of them. The children have been nevertheless traumatized. The Thai government should explain why such a human rights violation could happen and compensate the victims.

The FGHRWG publicized the incident worldwide and requested that the Thai government release all practitioners immediately. As soon as the news was released, the FGHRWG started receiving voices of support from all over the world.

Some of the comments received are reproduced below:

Chris Ameln from Germany: "In the year 2005 it is a crying shame that a nation like China is still using torture and intimidation... I also support the boycott of Chinese and Thai-made goods. The Thai government must bow their heads in shame, as their acts not only violate all human rights, but also the Buddhist belief of non-violence.

Ted L'Estrange from Oxford UK: It is a terrible fact that torture is still the norm in China. The communist party has always had a very low opinion of its subjects and knows that it can torture with impunity while the world is distracted with the potential rewards of commerce.

Ebby Mohseni from Canada: Humanity stands up for justice.

Alan Coles from UK: Thailand should be ashamed but not as ashamed as China.

Richard Jacobs from Washington State, USA: Please release the detained Chinese refugees. The decision to make the arrests and the manner in which it was carried out was unworthy and tainted the honor of the Thai nation.

William Franklin McCoy, M.D. from the USA: Please recognize that Thailand is not China. Thailand does not have to follow the dictates of the Chinese government. It is outrageous that the Thai government thoughtlessly complies with the orders of the Chinese Communist Party.

Ivan Huber from the USA: Please release the Falun Gong practitioners who are illegally detained in Thailand, for they have done nothing wrong.

Bradley Lavelle from the United Kingdom: I am currently boycotting all products from China and will do the same if Thailand commits to this atrocious behavior. I had planned a trip to Thailand this coming summer but that is very much in doubt now...will spend my money elsewhere...these practices are not acceptable.

Eric Williams from Austin TX, the United States of America: I FOR ONE WILL BOYCOTT ANY PRODUCTS THAT BEAR THE LABEL "MADE IN THAILAND." WHO IS WITH ME? Together we can all make an impact.

Tucker-the TLC WORKS from Connecticut, USA: The persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in China is absurd and stupid enough.

John Alphonse from One Earth: Open Message to Politicians and Humanity: It's easy to focus on war and huge natural and man-made disasters, and somehow everyone wants to get behind these causes to the point of creating waste, but it takes a stronger mind to focus on the abuses to life happening in China and in our own backyards. Physical and sexual abuse must be addressed directly and actively eliminated as much as possible from the human sphere...

A Human Rights group from Canada: Let these people go.

Dr. Josette Cline from Arkansas, USA: If we do not stand up to the acts of the Chinese, or torture anywhere, then we are condoning it with our silence...speak out!!

Mitch Gerber from the USA: The ongoing persecution against Falun Gong must truly end. The Thailand authorities should know better. I urge kind people around the world to help support Falun Gong and end the brutal persecution against Falun Gong at the hands of the evil Chinese communist party.

Mingzhi Lu from Atlanta, Georgia, USA: I am ashamed of the Thailand Government. Stop following the Chinese Communist Party's persecution of Falun Gong.

Ben from USA: This has to stop.

Jason Loftus from Canada: This is outrageous! How can foreign governments follow the Chinese Communist Party to repress innocent people in their own country? It is bad

enough that they are silent about the persecution of Falun Gong in communist China-- now it seems they want to import it. What's going through their heads? Can they really just throw away human rights and democratic values so easily to appease a communist dictatorship?

Australians: All Governments the world over should work together to put pressure on the Chinese Communist Party to stop this inhumane torture.

Zam Tual from the United States: All people should have the basic right to express their opinions. These protestors are merely exercising this right. Torturing them is cruel and unlawful.

Muhammad Asghar from Pakistan: The world should to stop torture now!!!

Bigael Teklu from Ethiopia: Stop violence.

Peter Ridderstolpe from Sweden: I'm involved in Swedish international aid work within the Ecosanres R&D program. I'm very concerned about the lack of human rights in China and considering quitting co-work with China

Gordon Webster from Australia: I've spoken with some of these people who were having a peaceful protest in Perth. I was appalled that I had not been aware sooner. Perhaps people will think twice about attending the Olympics, etc.

Jenny Richards from the UK: The Chinese government must observe international human rights norms.

Dr. Arne Thies from France: A real crime against conscience and humanity.

Hellenic Tao from Greece: As a group of people who work with outer and inner peace of the body and soul, we feel strongly against the mistreatment of any human being on the planet.

Glen McRae from Australia: Please do not bow down to the CCP. Support human dignity and human life by immediately releasing the innocent Falun Gong practitioners!

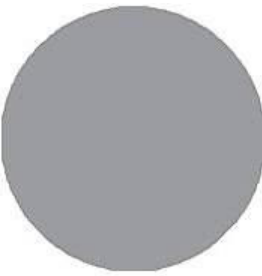
Ms. M. Bhunnoo from Geneva, Switzerland: Human rights prevail. Freedom of thought is a right and no power can take it away.

Peter Tiong from Australia: Immediately and unconditionally release the detained Falun Gong Practitioners

Patricia Murillo from Belgium: This is unacceptable. We cannot and should not let Chinese officials get control over other countries' people's conscience!

Dr. Albert Lin from Western Australia: The Thai government should release all detained Falun Gong practitioners immediately and stop kowtowing to the Chinese Communist Party, whose collapse is imminent.

Facts of the Persecution



Nineteen Cases of Falun Gong Practitioners Tortured to Death Confirmed in November

Independent channels have confirmed another 19 deaths of Falun Gong practitioners. The latest findings came in November 2005. Since former president Jiang Zemin and his followers ordered the persecution, the regime is to blame for at least 2,790 death from savage acts under this persecution.

Statistics for these 19 deaths are as follows: 11 were female practitioners, 55% of the total; seven practitioners were above 55 years of age, 37% of the total. Fourteen practitioners died in 2005, six of those in November 2005 alone. According to statistics on the Minghui/Clearwisdom website, 380 Falun Gong practitioners are known to have died between January 2005 and November 2005 as a result of the persecution.

Among the six deaths reported in November, four practitioners were over 70 years old.

The youngest victim is Ms. Li Hongpeng, 27 years old. Ms. Li was an employee of the Feige Bicycle Factory in Tianjin. She went to Beijing to appeal for justice for Falun Gong in September 2000. The police [illegally arrested](#) and beat her until she suffered a brain injury. The beating resulted in a buildup of fluid inside her skull, a swollen head, a deformed face, bruised eyes and loss of eyesight. Ms. Li could no longer take care of herself. She died at the end of December 2000.

The 19 cases are distributed across ten provinces. Four deaths took place in Jilin Province, three deaths in Heilongjiang Province, two deaths each in Hebei Province, Shandong Province, Henan Province, and Sichuan Province, and one death each in Hunan Province, Jiangxi Province, Shaanxi Province and Tianjin Municipality.

Falun Gong Practitioner Raped by Death Row Prisoner in Liaoning Province Women's Prison

As revealed by a Falun Gong practitioner recently released from the Liaoning Province Women's Prison (Masanjia Forced Labor Camp), Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Huang Xin, who is still detained in the Liaoning Province Women's Prison, was locked in a men's cell after being stripped, and was raped by a death row prisoner. Another Falun Gong practitioner, Ms. Gu Changqin, went on a hunger strike to protest the persecution; her throat and stomach were both injured during brutal force-feeding, resulting in her not being able to eat or speak.



The Liaoning Province Women's Prison has ten wards; there have been more than three hundred Falun Gong practitioners detained here in 2004

Below are details of the persecution suffered by Ms. Huang Xin, Ms. Gu Changqin and Ms. Yu Fenghua, as related by this Falun Gong practitioner after being released from the prison recently.

Ms. Huang Xin, a Falun Gong practitioner in her 50s, lives in Shenyang City, Liaoning Province. She is locked in the Hospital of Liaoning Province Women's Prison, in a dazed state of mind due to being forced to take the drug Chlorpromazine every day. Ms. Huang Xin was stripped, locked in a men's cell, and then raped by a criminal death row prisoner. Several female Falun Gong practitioners, including Ms. Huang Xin were tortured in this inhuman way during this time in various prisons (see also <http://www.clearwisdom.net/emh/articles/2005/10/28/66306.html>). Ms. Huang Xin was detained in the First Ward when the rape happened. The First Ward heads are Li Hong (gender unknown) and Wu Li (female, current Ninth Ward head).

Ms. Gu Changqin, in her 50s, comes from Heilongjiang Province. She is now locked in the Liaoning Province Women's Prison Hospital. Her sciatic nerve was damaged from being forced to sit on a two-inch wide stool for a long period of time, so she cannot sit up any more. Ms. Gu was brutally force-fed when she was on hunger strike to protest

the persecution. The force-feeding severely injured her throat and stomach. Now she cannot speak or eat due to the injury, and she vomits every time she tries to eat.

Ms. Yu Fenghua was from Dandong City, Liaoning Province. She was tortured nearly to death, and then locked in the Liaoning Province Women's Prison Hospital. People heard her screaming when she was beaten by other prisoners. Prison guard Wang Enli (female) in the Hospital should be able to provide more information about the persecution of Ms. Yu, who died only several days after being released on medical bail (see <http://www.clearwisdom.net/emh/articles/2004/5/19/48283p.html>).

*The Persecution of Falun Gong Practitioners in the Women's Prison,
Heilongjiang Province During the Summer of 2005*

The following are the crimes against Falun Gong practitioners committed by the guards of the 7th ward in the Heilongjiang Province's Women's Prison during the summer of 2005.

On May 31, 2005, the practitioners illegally imprisoned in the 7th ward were savagely tortured for protesting with hunger strikes, refusing to wear the prison uniform and refusing to comply with report at head count. The guards and criminal inmates carried out the tortures.

On June 1, 2005, for refusing to wear the prison uniform and refusing to report at head count, practitioners Zhang Yanhua, Guan Fenglan and Shi Fengli were handcuffed to a water pipe in the washroom, located about 1.4 meters high. Criminal inmate Liu Yanping, encouraged by Kang Yazhen and Cui Yan, the team leaders of the 7th ward, and by guards Lin Jia and Wu Xuesong, was responsible. The practitioners had to remain standing. They were not allowed to sleep at night and were forbidden to change positions. After midnight, Guan Fenglan suddenly had a stomachache and went into convulsions. She had pain all over her body. The criminal inmate sent by the guards did not release her from the handcuffs and said if she did not agree to their conditions she would not be allowed to sleep. When practitioner Zhang Yanhua came back from the bathroom, she fell on the wet tile floor. She was extremely sleepy and tired. The criminal inmates insisted on pulling her up and said that she was not allowed to sleep, and that they were afraid the guards might observe them from the monitors.

On June 2, practitioners Wang Jinyue, Liu Hongxia, and Ba Lijiang were also handcuffed in the washroom for their refusing to wear the prison uniform and refusing to report to the headcount. They were not allowed to sleep. They had not eaten anything for eight meals. The police still wanted to handcuff them to the 1.4-meter-high water pipe. After the practitioners resisted with all their efforts they were finally handcuffed by only one hand to this water pipe. The practitioners were able to sit on small stools this way through the night, even though with difficulties.

On June 22, the practitioners who were detained in the washroom were moved to a vacant room. The evildoers handcuffed both of the practitioners' hands to the highest rung of a ladder leading to the top bunk bed. All the bed boards were removed and the practitioners were not allowed to sit down. Practitioners Zhang Yanhua and Wang Jinyue had badly swollen feet and legs from suffering long-term torture, but the guards would still not let them sleep. This lasted until July 1, spanning ten days and nights. On July 2, under collective protest by the practitioners of the ward, the guards finally put back the bed-boards. Zhang Yanhua and Wang Jinyue were allowed to rest.

At about noon on July 6, prison guards Kang Yazhen, Cui Yan, Lin Jia, and Wu Xuesong called practitioner Zhang Yanhua to a room not equipped with monitoring devices. The guards then commanded criminal inmates Liu Yan, Zhang Mingmei, Wang Jianqiu and Liu Yanping to force practitioner Zhang Yanhua down onto the ground. They twisted Zhang Yanhua's arms behind her back and then handcuffed her hands to the highest point of the upper bunk bed, with her toes barely touching the ground. The handcuffs had to sustain her whole body weight. She hung for nearly one hour under extreme pain. Then, practitioners Wang Jinyue, Liu Hongxia, Meng Shuying, Wei Liping and Fu Guichun were hung one after another, suffering this extreme torture.

Because she protested this persecution against fellow practitioners, Ba Lijiang was locked in a small confinement cell on June 3 and suffered from brutal forced-feeding. Evildoer Li Jie added ten times the normal quantity of salt into the gruel. When Ba Lijiang was released from the small confinement cell she had been on a hunger strike for two months. They force-fed her three times a day through a tube. She spent every day in painful suffering. Ba Lijiang had previously suffered from serious heart disease, Cholecystitis, and Hepatitis B. All these illness disappeared after she started practicing Falun Gong.

Brutally Tortures in Qinduankou Prison, Hubei Province, China

In Qinduankou Prison, Hubei Province, every Falun Gong practitioner illegally detained there is watched 24 hours a day by one or more non-practitioner inmates, even while going to the toilet. For a very long time, they've been using the inmates to control, torture, and beat practitioners. Practitioners are not allowed to care for their own hygiene needs and yet they are forced to serve the inmate leader.

In an attempt to achieve their desired rate of "transformed" practitioners, Qinduankou Prison set a deadline. The guards first try to force practitioners to write "repentance statements." If the practitioners do not obey their orders, they are tortured even more cruelly, or they are forced to work for longer hours. For example, they must get up at 4 a.m. and then work all day long until 9 p.m.. They are given only five minutes to eat their lunch. After 9 p.m., practitioners are pressured to write "reports." The evil guards are not always satisfied with these "reports," because they sometimes contain the truth about Falun Gong. They will then punish the practitioners. The practitioners are forced to stand for a very long time or to stand facing a wall until 11 pm or even 2 or 3 a.m. the next morning. (In this instance, "to stand" means to stand on one foot with the other one in the air. For the foot that stands on the ground, the heel must be raised as well. Pins are placed under the heel to stop the heel from touching the ground.) Sometimes several practitioners are ordered to stand together at the same time. In this case a thick wooden board will be placed on their legs and, if the board drops, all will be punched and beaten. Another type of "standing" is carried out in the hot sun. Here "to stand" means to stand with both hands folded behind the back, while the body bends at an angle of 90 degree or even less with the head against the wall. The smaller the angle, the more painful it is. Another punishment is the "military drill," during which the practitioners are continuously beaten with sticks.

Practitioner Mr. Wang Linfeng was forced to stand for long periods with his body bent at an angle of 80 degrees. His upper body was almost parallel to the ground and his head was against a metal bed. Mr. Xu Sijun was ordered to do push-ups until he couldn't move any more. Mr. Xia Shilong, in his 60s, has suffered beatings for quite some time and was even knocked to the ground once by two inmates. Mr. Yang Shengsong suffered torture and sleep deprivation for extended periods of time. He was pressured to sit at a very low table and write a "report" and copy "Criteria of Behaviors of Criminals" until late into the night.

Sometimes, several inmates will surround a practitioner and carry out their torture together. They use metal rulers to beat practitioners. Mr. Zhou Jianwu was once under such an assault by a group of prisoners. Both his mouth and nose were bleeding severely. His assailants became fearful and wiped the blood off his face. Mr. Zhou Jianwu, Mr. Yang Shengsong and Huang Xuanlin were also sent to the "disciplinary unit" and were forced to stand during the night. Mr. Zhou Jianwu's ankles were

shackled for two months and he couldn't wash or change his clothes. Several Falun Gong practitioners were placed in solitary confinement cells. Some were tortured to such an extent that they became desperate, jumped from the building, and sustained internal injuries.

The guards working in the prison may not personally beat the practitioners. Instead they secretly order the inmates to severely abuse Falun Gong practitioners. Then, when something goes wrong, they place blame on the prisoners. Sometimes, however the guards themselves do beat prisoners. For example, Head Deputy Liu once attempted to force Mr. Xu Sijun to submit to an injection. When Mr. Xu would not comply, the guards began to beat him at will. Another guard, Lian Jinwen, and a group of prisoners one night tried to force Mr. Yang Shengsong to accept an injection. Such injections are not for practitioners' health, which the authorities obviously do not care about at all. They torture and carry out physical abuse on practitioners until the practitioners sustain injuries all over their bodies. What they really want is to destroy practitioners' minds and to "[transform](#)" them.

Middle School Teacher Beaten to Death; Police Refuse to Conduct an Investigation

Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Fei Chongrun, formerly named Fei Weidong, was 41 years old. At noon on October 18, 2005, he clarified the truth while buying a motorcycle at the Yongfeng Vehicle Shop at No. 335 West Lushan Road in Jiujiang County. The shop owner turned him in to the police. The police arrived and quickly closed the shutters before beating Fei Chongrun to death.

Fei Chongrun is survived by his 80-year-old father, his three-month-old daughter, and his unemployed wife. Right now, the police are refusing to conduct an investigation.

There are many injuries on different places on Fei Chongrun's body. His lips are swollen and there are bloodstains on the corners of the mouth. Two of his front teeth are missing and one tooth is broken. There is a semi-circle shaped wound on his right temple caked with dry blood. About one inch above this wound is a circular wound about 0.6 inches in diameter. The flesh on that wound is caved in and covered by blood. There is a red abrasion wound below the left shoulder, and there are scratch wounds on both elbows and there is dirt on both knees. These wounds show that Fei Chongrun sustained bodily injuries in the front and back, and on both the right and left sides of the body.

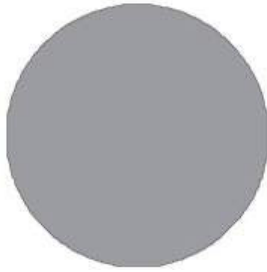
Fei Chongrun's family also saw wounds in his private area, which is black and blue. Fei Chongrun's family asked the shop owner Hong Ying about this incident, but Hong Ying and the police insisted that Fei Chongrun "fell to his death." Considering the locations of Fei Chongrun's injuries all over his body, especially the heavy injuries on his mouth and temple, how could he have knocked out two of his front teeth while injuring his right side, with so many bleeding wounds?

On October 21, perpetrators from the Jiujiang County Police Department, the Politics and Judicial System and the court who have been persecuting Falun Gong for a long time, formed a group and played the "mediator." Perpetrators from the Jiujiang County Police Department and the Politics and Law Committee each gave Fei Chongrun's family 10,000 Yuan and claimed the money came from shop owner Hong Run.

On October 22, four coroners from Jiujiang City and Jiujiang County and two doctors from a hospital performed Fei Chongrun's autopsy and said the result would not come out until one month later. During this period, Fei Chongrun's family inquired several times but was told, "If you keep inquiring like this, you'll probably have to return the 20,000 Yuan!"

Fei Chongrun's family thus became silent. No further investigation was conducted into the cause of Fei Chongrun's death, and the case was thus put aside.

Falun Gong Practitioners' Noble Actions in China



Clarifying the Truth in the Classrooms and on the Streets

I am an elementary school teacher. Since I started practicing Falun Gong in 1998, I have persisted in [clarifying the truth](#) about Falun Gong and exposing the CCP's lies to elementary students. All of my students know that Falun Dafa is good and have learned the truth about Falun Gong. The students I have taught in the past year have all withdrawn from the Young Pioneers, an affiliated organization of the CCP.

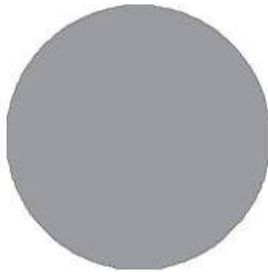
Whenever I gave a lecture to the students, I looked for opportunities to add the wonderfulness of Falun Dafa to the teaching. I often told them mythological stories and fables. I talked about the benefits of quitting the CCP. The students showed much interest and easily accepted what I said. Therefore it became an easy matter to urge them to withdraw from the Young Pioneers. I also asked them to tell their parents and their relatives that Falun Dafa is good and help me to clarify the truth about Falun Gong to them. More people have learned of the truth in this way.

I also clarified the truth to other schoolteachers. I always honored Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance in my daily work, selected the tough tasks and took responsibility. I didn't compete for fame and personal interest, worked hard and respected my colleagues and bosses. What I did made it easy to clarify the facts to them. Many teachers and school leaders also withdrew from CCP and related organizations.

During my lectures, sometimes I am required to teach some contents that extol the CCP. I take those opportunities to expose the evil essence of the CCP and choose related contents from [Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party](#) to teach. This not only avoids poisoning elementary students with the evil CCP culture but also exposes the lies through which people are deceived.

What I have done is still not sufficient. I only want to share this with everybody. I hope fellow Falun Gong practitioners who work as teachers all boldly expose the evil CCP in front of their students, clarify the truth and save the students.

People Awaken to the Truth



*A Noble Business Manager is Praised by All for Rescuing a Practitioner
from Imprisonment*

A business manager practiced kindness, righteousness, and perseverance. He never missed a chance to do a good deed and help out his employees. He often explained, "When I retire in the future, I hope that people will praise me, not criticize me, when they remember me."

Falun Gong teaches people to be kind, benefiting people both mentally and physically as well as benefiting society. Originally, Falun Gong was welcomed by everyone, both in China and abroad. Yet when Falun Gong and its practitioners were brutally persecuted to an unprecedented degree, most people simply stood by. Some even sided with the persecutors as a result of the pressure and fabricated lies. They abandoned righteousness and morality. However, the manager mentioned above never changed his standard of conduct; time and time again he rescued Falun Gong practitioners of his unit from the Public Security Bureau.

One Falun Gong practitioner had been [illegally arrested](#) several times, and was sentenced to forced labor "re-education." During one of the arrests carried out by the [610 Office](#), he fell and was severely injured. At that time, the above mentioned manager was just appointed head of this practitioner's work unit. When the Falun Gong practitioner met the newly appointed manager upon his release, the manager told him, "I was trying to find you!" The manager said, "If I was here when they arrested you last time, I would have gone to the Public Security Bureau to work it out with them, because before they arrest anyone from our company, they must first notify us."

This manager followed up his words with action. When another Falun Gong practitioner from his unit was arrested without any court warrant, the manager personally went to the police station to appeal. After a whole day's effort, he finally got his employee back, and notified all the practitioners to be cautious.

One day in August of 2005, the police blocked the practitioner's doorway after he returned home from work. They tried to arrest him and take him to the Public Security Branch Bureau. The practitioner and his family tried to reason with the police, and demanded to contact his boss. As soon as the leader got the phone call, he put down his food, rushed to the Falun Gong practitioner's home, and followed the police to the Branch Bureau. When he learned that the police were making arrangements with the labor camp to send the practitioner to the camp, he quickly rushed home and contacted friends who had connections with the city's Public Security Bureau chief, and started working with them to reverse the decision. When he was told that the police tried to conduct a house search of this practitioner to gather evidence, he immediately notified the practitioner's family and made every effort to rescue the practitioner.

After the work unit's employees and local residents learned of the manager's effort, they wholeheartedly praised him. This was much different from the previous manager, who worked with the 610 Office to arrest practitioners.

In November of 2005, the police visited the manager, under the guise that they were paying a friendly visit. Meanwhile, they arrested the aforementioned practitioner and tried to send him to the labor camp again. The manager drove to the Branch Public Security Bureau and talked with the branch chief, but to no avail. He returned to the work unit and contacted the senior management, urging his boss to personally talk to the Bureau chief. Once again, they failed to get any result. Finally, he went with the police all the way to the labor camp located far away, and talked to the labor camp head in person. His actions inspired the police to help appeal for the practitioner. The police told the practitioner, "We were really moved by your manager, which is why we are helping you." The manager did not even finish his lunch, and did not eat dinner until 10 o'clock at night. During dinner he told the police, "Just like the practitioner told us, regardless of who is doing good deeds; we are all doing good deeds to accumulate virtue for ourselves. As the manager, it was my honor to protect my employee. Let's celebrate the practitioner's return tomorrow with a feast!"

The Falun Gong practitioner was released. At the celebration dinner the manager said, "Before, you (the police) harmed Falun Gong. Today, you protect Falun Gong." The police replied, "We are happy that we returned her back in good shape. We arrest people, but we are happier to release people."

This manager's honorable deeds will not only receive praise from people. He safeguarded the values of righteousness and kindness. The magnificence of Falun Gong will bring him prosperity and wellbeing on the day that the truth will finally be revealed, when the dark clouds will be chased away.

An Older Doctor and Teacher Have Seen Through the Lies: Persecution Has Destroyed a Whole Generation

An Older Doctor Who Has Seen Through the Lies

On November 16, as soon as I arrived at the clinic, I heard an older doctor say, "The CCP is shameless. They are again saying that Falun Gong practitioners self-immolate. The so-called 'Tiananmen Self-immolation' is fake. They can fool normal people but they cannot fool doctors. People with a little medical knowledge know that it's fake. Where can you find a burn patient being treated with wrap therapy? You see that Liu Siying was wrapped like a mummy after she was burned all over her body. If she had really been burned, she would have probably been dead due to the mummy-like wrapping that counters appropriate medical procedures for a severely burned patient, even if she were not burned to death. We had anticipated that the CCP would not let Liu Siying leave the hospital alive. Not surprisingly, not long after, the reports on the TV and newspapers said that Liu Siying died in the hospital. The CCP is really terrible; they won't even let a 12-year-old girl go. It is a pity that an innocent child became the sacrificial lamb of the CCP. The CCP kills people without blinking an eye and they'll do it any way they want." The doctor told the young man, "If you have a job that involves persecuting Falun Gong, stay far away."

Older Teacher: The Persecution Has Destroyed a Whole Generation

When I got together with some friends over the weekend, we saw my friend's aunt, who is a teacher. During our conversation she sighed with emotion, "There is no way to teach today's student. If you teach him to 'seek truthfulness,' they say, 'Truthfulness is the stuff of Falun Gong. You cannot talk about it.' When two students have a conflict and you ask one of them to be tolerant, they reply simultaneously that tolerance is the patent of Falun Gong and whoever is tolerant is part of Falun Gong. They have become so ridiculous! Today's children have become ignorant of the principles of proper conduct! The persecution of Falun Gong has destroyed this whole generation. The most deeply affected is this generation of youth."

Falun Gong Turns A Gang Member's Life Around, A Policeman Receives What He Intended to Give Out

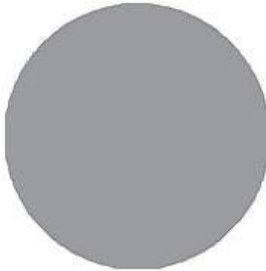
After a gang member in a city in Shandong Province listened to Falun Gong practitioners [clarifying the truth](#) about Falun Gong, he completely agreed with them. He became determined to purify his heart, change his behavior, give up his evil leanings, and return to righteousness. His old pals were bewildered by his sudden changes and acted together to get him back to the way he was before. They beat him many times and left many bruises on his face, but failed to win him over. They finally decided to leave him alone.

This summer, several bad deeds were committed in the local area. This young man became a prime suspect. The police drove to where the young man lived to arrest him. Unexpectedly, the residents in the area gathered around the police, who were trying to take the man away. The residents asked the police why they wanted to arrest him. It turned out that the young man had changed a great deal. The residents witnessed this change, and they all knew that it was from Falun Gong, and "Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance." All the residents admired this young man, and Falun Gong had rooted deeply into their hearts. They had been long disgusted by the continuous persecution of Falun Gong practitioners. More and more residents gathered around. They were all angry. The police were totally unprepared for this and they had to call more police to support them. Meanwhile, they explained to the residents that they were just doing routine questioning. Thus, they successfully took the young man into the police car.

In the police car, a police officer who frequently dealt with this young man before said to him angrily: "Could Falun Gong change you? If you can turn into a good person, I will die." Subsequently, the police officer tried to spit in his face.

At that moment, a miracle occurred. The spit did not go to the face of the young man, instead, it stopped midway and turned back and landed on the face of the police officer. The police officer who had been angry a moment ago could not utter a word. Later, the young man was released due to lack of evidence.

Voice of Justice



Member of European Parliament: "Falun Gong Practitioners Remain at the Sharp End of Beijing's Repression"

Liberal Democrat MEP for London, Baroness Sarah Ludford, has written to the non-governmental organization "European Friends of Falun Gong" about the persecution against Falun Gong practitioners in China and has expressed concern about human right abuses. "European Friends of Falun Gong" is a non-governmental organization of people who do not practice Falun Gong, but support freedom of belief for practitioners. Below is Baroness Sarah Ludford's letter:

Dear Friends of Falun Gong,

Thank you for your letter highlighting the ongoing persecution of members of the Falun Gong faith, in light of the visit of the Chinese President to the UK.

The European Parliament is aware of the increasing violations of human rights in China and has passed several resolutions on the issue. I have enclosed a copy of the most recent (September 8, 2005) highlighting concerns over the growing number of religious-based persecutions currently being reported. The EU is engaged in continuous dialogue with the Chinese authorities, designed to encourage the transformation towards an open Chinese society based on the rule of law and continues to raise areas of concern. Falun Gong practitioners remain at the sharp end of Beijing's repression, with a reported 200,000 people interned in labor camps.

There have been small but encouraging signs of further openness amongst the Chinese authorities. At a recent press conference held by Tony Blair, Commission President Barroso and Chinese Premier Wen, the latter chose to directly answer a challenging question on political representation and choice in China. The recent success of the NTDTV campaign to remain on air, despite Chinese government attempts to persuade the French provider to cancel broadcasting rights is also encouraging.

I agree that continued efforts are required to ensure the Chinese authorities fulfill their international obligations on fundamental rights and am glad to see you campaigning to bring this to people's attention at the time of President Hu Jintao's visit to the UK.

Yours sincerely,

Baroness Sarah Ludford MEP
Liberal Democrat MEP for London

*United Kingdom: A Letter from European Friends of Falun Gong to the
Thai Ambassador*

The Ambassador
Embassy of Thailand
29-30 Queen's Gate
London SW7 5JB
14th December 2005

Dear Ambassador,

We wish to express our deep concern over the recent Thai police harassment of Falun Gong practitioners during a peaceful protest in front of the Chinese embassy in Bangkok, which was held to protest against Chinese police brutality.

It is clear that the Thai police were under the direction of Chinese embassy staff when they seized the practitioners' banners, searched their bags and forcibly moved them from positions they had freely allowed on previous occasions.

As you will be aware, Falun Gong practitioners have endured severe persecution at the hands of the Chinese government since July 1999 when Falun Gong was outlawed. Since then nearly 3000 practitioners have been tortured to death and millions more have suffered as a result of barbaric subjugation by Chinese officialdom.

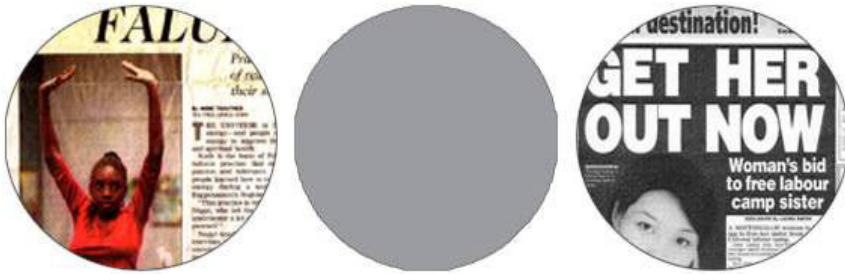
The Chinese Communist Party [CCP], which runs all affairs in China, wants to extend the persecution of Falun Gong on a worldwide scale. They use their embassies to protect spies' activities against Falun Gong practitioners outside China. Although their activities are not condoned by foreign governments, these governments have so far chosen to compromise their moral values and to help the CCP to widen the scope of the persecution.

We hope that Thailand will not succumb to the intimidation and pressure put on it by the CCP to contribute towards the persecution of Falun Gong. We urge you to try to convince your government that they should stop the harassment of Falun Gong practitioners and stop yielding to the CCP's pressure, which is a serious compromise of Thailand's fundamental moral and political principles. We would genuinely appreciate your urgent help in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

John Dee (Vice-Chairman)

Media Reports and Opinions



Toronto Observer: Falun Gong Still Persecuted in China

Five years ago, Lizhe He was jailed for his belief in Falun Gong. He suffered sickness, forced labour, torture and physical abuse.

"Every cruelty I endured targeted my conscience and aimed at destroying my spirit and belief," He said.

In 1995, He discovered Falun Gong, a practice combining exercise and meditation with the principles of truth, compassion and tolerance. In July 1999, the CCP banned Falun Gong.

According to The Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group, the CCP started a "nation-wide systematic persecution" against Falun Gong practitioners (those who practise Falun Gong). Jan Jekielek, a member of The Falun Gong Human Rights Working Group, defined two elements of the CCP's persecution against Falun Gong: hate propaganda, and torture.

"It defies imagination," Jekielek said about the torture methods.

During this period, Lizhe He and his wife applied for immigration to Canada. Both were accepted. Before Mr. He left, he wanted to tell his friends the truth about Falun Gong. He did this by mailing out letters.

"In my letters I wrote Falun Dafa is good. Beneficial to both the nation and people," He said.

Arrested for his Actions

Mr. He said he was followed by the National Security Bureau in China, who videotaped him when he went to mail letters. On July 21, 2000, Mr. He went to work and never returned. He was arrested for "sabotaging the political solidarity of China". The bureau used the videotapes of He's trips to the post office as evidence against him.

"There is nothing wrong with mailing letters," Mr. He said.

Nevertheless, it landed him in prison for three and a half years. The conditions he endured were terrible. Forced to sit in a fixed position, Mr. He's clothes began to stick to his skin. He coughed and urinated blood. His refusal to denounce Falun Gong resulted in shocks from an electric baton and forced military drills in the winter.

Mr. He said, "Every day felt as long as a year. It's worse than slavery."

What Mr. He found especially hard was watching other Falun Gong practitioners suffer.

"The higher authorities set "spiritual destruction" quotas for jails," He said.

This meant the police were to do anything in their power to destroy a [practitioner's] belief in Falun Gong.

Mr. He said, "The police used all means to reach the quota, and to vent their violence at practitioners. What was more evil was that the prison forced us to acknowledge the spiritual destruction as salvation."

Canada Provides Safety

While Lizhi He remained in prison, his wife Li Zhang traveled to Canada. She too faced detention in a prison. Zhang contacted Amnesty International Canada (Amnesty) and they were able to help her bring her husband to Canada. In May 2004, Mr. He finally arrived. Now he is free to practice Falun Gong. A luxury he cannot enjoy in China.

"Terrorism is always mounting. Even if I do nothing, I could be followed, monitored and harassed, because I am a Falun Gong practitioner," Mr. He said.

At the end of November, Mr. He had an opportunity to speak about his experience. As part of a human rights series, sponsored by a chapter of Amnesty International Canada at the University of Toronto at Scarborough, he told his story to university students.

Patrick Salvatori, co-ambassador of the chapter, feels human rights is an issue that is sometimes forgotten.

"People care so much about natural disasters," Salvatori said. "But there are actually human made disasters as well."

For Lizhe He, the Falun Gong persecution is one of them.

"The persecution of Falun Gong is entirely based on lies," he said.

"By manipulating all news outlets and extending its evil propaganda overseas, the Chinese Communist regime has desperately been defaming Falun Gong and demonizing practitioners ever since the persecution started in July 1999."

Patricia Balfour, a volunteer for Amnesty International Canada says the Falun Gong persecution is one of the major human rights issues happening in China.

"But many others are suffering too," she added.

Though Lizhe He appreciates his life in Canada, as a Falun Gong practitioner, he still feels there is a great deal of work for him to do.

He said, "When I managed to land in Canada, I felt a great relief, because of the freedom I gained. (But) there are a lot of things to do. Everything we do is to end the persecution, to stop the crimes against humanity that is still ongoing in China. We need support and help from all kinds of people. Every voice can make a difference."

RFA: Falun Gong Practitioner Ms. Wang Huimin Recounts Her Experience in China

Radio Free Asia (RFA) reported on December 12, 2005 that December 10 was International Human Rights Day, and that the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture conducted an investigation in China recently and confirmed that the use of torture was widespread. On December 9, RFA special reporter Zi Jing interviewed Falun Gong practitioner Wang Huimin, who was recently rescued from China, and asked her to recount her experience in China.

Ms. Wang was an art editor after graduating from Guangzhou Art College in 1985. Her artworks have been exhibited in Italy, Singapore, South Korea and Hong Kong. The website US Contemporary Art once featured her. She started to study Chinese culture after she found during her work in modern art that many western people respect Chinese traditional culture.

She started to practice Falun Gong after reading Falun Gong books published by her publishing company. At the time, many people in the Huangcheng Publishing Company were reading the books. After the communist regime started the persecution of Falun Gong, all those who practiced Falun Gong were questioned and forced to not practice any more. Those who published the Falun Gong books in the company were forced to conduct self-criticism in a meeting of all employees of the company.

Police investigated to see if Falun Gong made money from the books, and found that the publishing company had published 300,000 books without paying the author's royalty. The result could not provide justification for the persecution.

Ms. Wang said that on July 19, 1999, one day before the regime initiated the persecution, contact persons at the Guangzhou practice site were arrested. She and others went to the provincial and city governments to appeal. They were taken away to the suburbs and told that it was an order from Beijing. So they went to Beijing to appeal.

During several appeals, she was arrested and taken to brainwashing classes. She said that the Dongshan Brainwashing Class in Guangzhou Law Education School was run by jobless people employed as police. They wanted to maintain their employment and so they executed orders from the upper level.

Ms. Wang said, "Once I was forced to stand for four days and nights, without even squatting once. I was tied up and police stomped on my feet. My feet were swollen a lot. I was beaten and had bruises on my buttocks and thighs. They also tied a rope around my neck and asked me to confess by lowering my head. I did not lower my head, then they dragged the rope down."

Ms. Wang said that those who wrote repentance statements suffered mentally more than physically. They felt like a shell and did what they were told. Their suffering was more miserable than death itself.

In August this year, Ms. Wang was taken to brainwashing class again, allegedly because of distributing [*Nine Commentaries on the Communist Party*](#) and advising people to withdraw from the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

The brainwashing class forced practitioners to swear under a large red flag to love the Party. She said that CCP's propaganda professed nice treatment and no forced transformation in the brainwashing class. But in the class, programs slandering Falun Gong were played for two weeks and no personal freedom of thought was allowed.

Ms. Wang said, "It is a lie. The CCP's evil thinking is notorious. You are persecuted but they say you harmed yourself. The CCP police said it wasn't because of the persecution that you went on hunger strike. They are just thugs."

Three days after Ms. Wang was taken away, the news was released overseas. She went on hunger strike in the brainwashing class. She became very weak and was released to live under surveillance. With help from friends, Ms. Wang came to US.

Report in Finnish Newspaper: Peaceful Mind with Falun Gong

The following article was published in the Finnish newspaper Lounais-Lappi on September 26, 2005.

Instead of morning coffee, the Pekkarinen family in Oulu begin their day with meditation. Without it, the Falun Gong practitioners, Anja and Veijo Pekkarinen don't feel properly awakened. "The exercise makes you wake up, it cleans the mind and makes you alert," says Anja. The Pekkarinen family learned it four years ago.

"Since then I haven't needed to take any painkillers or suffer from insomnia. Before I also had heart problems, but now I don't need any pills. The practice does a lot of good things", says Anja. When Anja's husband discovered positive changes in her, he also was interested to try. "Something just fell into place, - even if we have been interested in these types of things before," says Veijo.



Effective practice

The best of all is that you are not tied up to anything. It doesn't cost anything, everything is unselfish. And nobody is dragged in. The couple says they do the exercises every day from 30 minutes to 1 hour.

You become warm and calm after the energy begins to move. Veijo adds that in one practice you even can get sweaty, even though the movements are slow. So there must be some effect after all. During the practice the eyes are kept closed and the movements are done as correctly as possible.

At the same time you should be aware of your surrounding environment, and you should not get into a trance. During the summer the practitioners in Oulu gather once a week to do the practice in Linnasaari Park. Passersby wonder about the group of people doing the peaceful practice that is so synchronized.

"People are interested in what we are doing and they tell us that when watching us doing the exercises they also calm down. Children can even sit next to us and watch," Anja exclaimed.

Because practitioners strive to reach as clean a mind as possible and to consider other people, the Pekkarinens' marriage has also improved.

"We don't any more have disputes about small trivial things. We try to find a solution together, not the guilty one. We are also able to look within and ask for forgiveness. When you don't just think of advancing your own ideas, conflicts can also get quickly resolved," Veijo thinks.

"To think of others seems to have become a strange phenomenon," Anja fills in. Pekkarinen reminds her that nothing of course happens in the blink of an eye, "You need to practice and study in order to be able to change yourself."

Persecution also in Finland

Last spring Falun Gong became a hot subject when Finnish practitioners were terrorized by phone.

"I got phone calls. An advanced recorded information run in English and Chinese, it said Falun Gong was bad. In the background music was played, to scare even more," Anja says seriously.

The interference is small compared to what Falun Gong practitioners in China have to go through. There practitioners have to endure torture, because the Chinese regime has completely banned this practice.

If the practitioner moves out of China, their family members can be persecuted and be tortured. At Internet homepages there are many torture "stories" and you read them with wet eyes.

Recently Anja was harassed by the Chinese embassy.

"We have a Falun Gong photo exhibition traveling around to different libraries in the Northern part of Finland. A Chinese man called me from the embassy and asked me to end the exhibition. I know that we are doing nothing wrong so any threat doesn't scare me."

The photo exhibition arrives in Tornio's main library on the October 15, 2005. Thereafter they plan to have Falun Gong introductory classes, and they hope that Tornio will soon have its own practice group.

Italian Tourism Monthly "Viaggiand": Millennium China - "Falun Gong, a Path of Cultivation"

An Italian tourism monthly magazine "Viaggiand" took "Millennium China" as a topic and published a series of articles introducing the five-thousand-year old Chinese culture, the humanities and the natural landscapes of China in the November 2005 issue. In the special column "the Spirit and the Rule," Falun Gong is introduced under the title "Falun Gong, a Path of Cultivation."



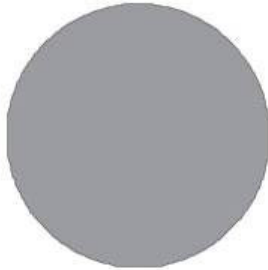
The article explained that Falun Gong is a cultivation practice that helps people obtain intrinsic improvements. The principles of the cultivation are Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance, which are the essence of the Chinese ancient culture.

These three simple characters unceasingly influence people's life. Falun Gong is not a religion. Neither is it a religious sect because Falun Gong does not have any religious form, and exists without churches, priests, leaders and followers. Practitioners discipline themselves in their daily life according to the three-word principle and live peacefully.

Apart from the theory which enables people to obtain healthy minds and bodies, Falun Gong's cultivation also has five sets of exercises: four of them are practiced standing, and one is sitting in meditation. The article also informed readers, "it is better to practice the exercises outdoors, but it also can be practiced at home and other locations."

Regarding the persecution of Falun Gong in China, the article helped readers to become aware that Chinese Falun Gong practitioners' lives and freedoms are being violated and that they are suffering from brutal torture because they refuse to renounce their faith in Falun Gong.

Falun Gong Practitioners' Personal Experiences



Doctor Surprised by My Quick Recovery From a Serious Traffic Accident

By a Falun Gong practitioner from Jining City, Shandong Province

Several years ago I had a near-fatal traffic accident. Our great Teacher saved me from death in that critical moment and gave me a second life, which has made me a witness to Falun Dafa's miracle.

I started practicing Falun Gong in June 1997. At the end of January 1999, my child, my husband, and I were riding our bicycles home around 10 p.m. At an intersection, a motorcycle traveling very fast came up behind me, knocked me down, and dragged me along for more than 10 meters. I lost consciousness immediately. Afterwards, my two elder sisters and my husband told me that they saw blood gush from my ears and nose after I was hit. The blood soaked my sweater and clothes. I was sent to the hospital. The bleeding did not stop, and I was in critical condition. A doctor sent my family a notice that I was critically injured. If they performed an operation I might die, and if they didn't I would become a vegetable. This doctor asked my husband to prepare my funeral arrangements. My family members were badly frightened.

My two elder sisters said, "Our younger sister is a Falun Gong practitioner. Teacher will protect her for sure. She will not die." They stayed at the hospital with me for the entire night. The next day, the doctor came to in check on me and found that the nerves in my brain had started to recover. Over the following two or three days, I started to regain consciousness. While I was half conscious, I saw that Teacher was sitting at the head of my bed and was taking care of me. I could not call out, because I had bled so much. Normally, I should have received a blood transfusion since I had lost so much blood, but the results of my blood test showed normal blood levels. It meant that there was no need for a blood transfusion. The doctor was very surprised. I went home a few days later. As soon as I returned home, I practiced Falun Gong diligently. I was restored to health after two months.

At a critical time, Teacher protected me and gave me a second life. I am unable to express in words my gratitude to Teacher's benevolence for saving my life. Whenever I recall that moment, my eyes fill with tears and I say in my mind, "Thank you, Teacher."

My Psoriasis Disappeared

I'm a forty-three-year-old woman from Shandong Province. Although we're not rich, my family of three is happy. However in 1993, I got an incurable case of psoriasis. The red rash covered my head and body. In the evening, it was especially itchy. So I scratched it with my hands until my hands were covered with blood and still I could not control the unbearable pain and itch. The psoriasis on my head was even more serious; whenever I combed my hair hundreds of snowy scales fell off.

What was most painful was that my family disliked my disease and avoided me. When they saw the red and cracked psoriasis sores on my hands, they were nauseated. In the summer everyone would wear beautiful skirts, however, fearing that others would see my sores, I still wore long sleeve shirts and pants. I did not want to go outside. I would stay at home all day. My temper flared and I abused my children and husband. Our once happy family now became noisy and raucous. Frankly speaking, I did not want to live any more and I lost the will to live.

To heal my illness, I sought a cure at every large hospital around. The medications that I ingested, bathed in, or applied topically were of no help. I heard about an institute that specialized in the treatment of psoriasis and that they had a therapy that was pretty good, so I went there hoping to get cured. Every injection cost over a hundred [yuan](#). I went there three times in a row and spent over five hundred yuan at once. Not feeling comfortable with the expense, I decided to give up the treatment.

In great pain and agony, I was lucky to learn Falun Gong after my friend introduced it to me.

As I read [Zhuan Falun](#), I gradually understood the truth about being an upright person, where human illness comes from and why there are so many tribulations in one's life. I found answers to all the questions that had deeply puzzled me. One day when I read *Zhuan Falun*, the characters in the book became very big and jumped off the page. I was very surprised and thought it's not an ordinary book; it's a book I should treasure.

Since then I have strictly followed "Truthfulness, Compassion, Tolerance" and become a good person. My temper also improved. Little did I think that the psoriasis on my body would reduce from large patches to small pieces and from small pieces to none. I did not spend a cent or take any medicine, yet the illness that had troubled me for years was gone in less than one month just from reading the book and practicing. I was so excited that I held the treasured book *Zhuan Falun* and shouted: "Dafa is so miraculous!"

I sincerely thank Master Li for helping me--a person who felt so hopeless in life--to obtain a new life again.

Glossary

Falun Gong (also called **Falun Dafa**) is an ancient form of *qigong*; the practice of refining the body and mind through special exercises and meditation. Like *tai chi*, *qigong* is a vital part of many people's lives in Asia; almost every Chinese park is brimming by the break of dawn with people practicing these arts.

Only a few years after its public introduction in 1992, Falun Dafa quickly grew to become the most popular form of *qigong* ever in Chinese history. The major reason for this is that Falun Dafa distinguishes itself from other *qigong* practices by emphasizing not only physical cultivation, but also cultivation of one's moral character in daily life according to higher principles taught by Mr. Li Hongzhi, Falun Dafa's founder. The practice involves slow, gentle movements and meditation. It is easy to learn, enjoyable to practice, and free of charge. Its principles are based on Truth, Compassion, and Tolerance. Falun Gong is practiced by over 100 million people in 60 countries. The main works of Falun Gong are available in over 30 languages.

Zhuan Falun: This book comprises the principal teachings of Falun Dafa.

"April 25": This refers to the "sensitive" anniversary of April 25, 1999, on which date ten thousand Falun Gong practitioners peacefully gathered outside the Zhongnanhai compound (China's central government building) and successfully appealed for the release of forty-five practitioners who had been illegally arrested in Tianjin City.

Clarifying the Truth: Because of the persecution in China and the unrelenting hate campaign carried out by China's state-controlled media, Falun Gong practitioners have been actively "clarifying the truth" -- explaining to the public the facts about Falun Gong and exposing the persecution. Truth clarification activities include face-to-face conversations with people, posting notices and posters, handing out flyers, and hanging banners. Outside of China, where Falun Gong is freely practiced, practitioners further expose the persecution through anti-torture reenactments, art exhibits, Internet websites, books, magazines, newspapers, movies and letter writing. The goal of clarifying the truth is to help people understand Falun Gong, to dispel the lies of the communist regime in China and to raise public support to end the persecution. (Variations: "clarifying the truth", "truth clarifying", "truth-clarifying", "truth clarification", "truth-clarification", "clarifying the facts", "clarified the truth", and "clarified the facts")

The 610 Office is an agency specifically created to persecute Falun Gong, with absolute power over each level of administration in the Party and all other political and judiciary systems. It was established on June 10th hence it's name.

Illegally arrested: Contrary to what former Chinese leader Jiang Zemin, who initiated the persecution, and the Chinese Communist Party would like the world to believe, practicing Falun Gong is NOT illegal in China. Although the Public Security Department issued an unconstitutional set of restraints on the practice at the onset of the persecution in 1999, no laws have been passed by the only legislative body in China, the People's Congress, banning Falun Gong or granting the police the authority to arrest Falun Gong practitioners for practicing the exercises or distributing flyers.

Death Bed torture: A practitioner is tied to a bed with his hands handcuffed above his head to the bed rails, and his legs tied with thin nylon ropes. The rope is then tightly wrapped around the practitioner's body and the bed, from his legs to his chest. The rope is wrapped so tightly that the practitioner has difficulty breathing and eventually loses consciousness.

Tiger Bench: During this torture, police tie the victim's legs tightly to the tiger bench using belts. They then put bricks or some other hard objects under the victim's feet. They keep adding layers of bricks until the belts break. Victims endure unbearable pain and often pass out during these torture sessions. Other tortures are often used on the victim at the same time, including shocking the victim with electric batons, cuffing the hands behind the back, burning the body with cigarettes, inserting wood slivers under the fingernails, stabbing the ribs with a sharp pen, hitting the cheekbones with a screwdriver, slapping the face, pricking thumbtacks into the face, and even reining the mouth with a rope (oftentimes the victim cannot close his mouth since the two corners of the mouth have been torn.)

"Reform or Transform": Implementation of brainwashing and torture in order to force a practitioner to renounce Falun Gong. (Variations: "**reform**", "**transform**", "**reformed**", "**reforming**", "**transformed**", "**transforming**", and "**transformation**")

Three Statements: Practitioners are coerced under brainwashing and torture to write a "Repentance Statement," "Guarantee Statement" or "Dissociation Statement" as proof that they have given up their belief. In the statement, the practitioner is forced to admit remorse for practicing Falun Gong, promise to give up Falun Gong, and never again associate with other practitioners or go to Beijing to appeal for Falun Gong.

Yuan is the Chinese currency; 500 yuan is equal to the average monthly income of an urban worker in China.

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