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Ms. Xiao Sumin Tortured to Death

(Clearwisdom.net) Ms. Xiao Sumin, 46, was a Falun Gong practitioner from Pingdu City, Shandong Province. On May 30, 2008, she was illegally arrested and detained. Within the short period of twenty-one days, the detention guards tortured her to death. Her body was quickly cremated on June 21, 2008 and her ashes taken to her home the same day.

The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is conducting a new round of arrests of Falun Gong practitioners, with the excuse of "security for the Olympics." But what they are actually doing is wantonly persecuting practitioners, like Ms. Xiao, who just want to follow Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance in their lives.



Ms. Xiao in the hospital emergency Room

On August 7, 2007, Guxian Town Police Station Deputy Director Ma Dawei (male) and four other officers arrested Ms. Xiao and took away her motorcycle, two cell phones, and 300 yuan in cash. They then detained her at the police station for 24 hours, while two police officers took turns slapping her face, as well as punching and kicking her. They grabbed her by the hair and slammed her head against the wall.

The guards in the detention center planned to send Ms. Xiao to a forced labor camp. When they tried to get her to sign the related paperwork, she refused and went on a hunger strike, protesting her imprisonment. On the

8th day of her hunger strike the guards asked two doctors from the Pingdu City Mental Hospital to come to the detention center to force-feed Ms. Xiao. They had more than a dozen male prisoners restrain Ms. Xiao while the doctors tried to force-feed her.

The next day, when Dai Jinzhong (male), the guard on duty that day, saw that Ms. Xiao didn't wake up, he called for a doctor. When the doctor examined her, he found her pulse dangerously weak. The detention guards had no choice but to let her go home that evening.

On the morning of April 30, 2008, Pingdu City Grain Bureau official Chen Guangqi (male) harassed Ms. Xiao at her home. On May 30, 2008, Ms. Xiao was arrested with another practitioner, Ms. Sun Shujie.

After enduring more than two weeks of continuous torture, Ms. Xiao's life was in imminent danger. The guards finally had to take her to the emergency room at the Haici Hospital in Qingdao City, where she was immediately put on oxygen. However, due to the severe torture she suffered in detention, she died within 3 weeks. Ms. Xiao left behind a young daughter.

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 responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

New York Council Member Calls for Inquiry into Hate Crimes against Falun Gong Practitioners in Flushing



New York Councilmember Tony Avella

(Clearwisdom.net) On June 26, 2008, New York City Council member Tony Avella (District 19) announced a resolution that he will introduce in the City Council this summer regarding the recent mob violence against Falun Gong practitioners in Flushing and other parts of New York City. The resolution calls on Queens District Attorney Richard A. Brown to charge those arrested in recent attacks on Falun Gong practitioners with hate crimes. A hate crime denotes attacks on specific people based on their religion or beliefs, ethnicity, etc., and additional penalties apply to those convicted of such crimes. "If the Chinese government is found in any way, shape, or form to have participated in, encouraged, or supported these attacks, then those individuals should be expelled from this country," Mr. Avella said.

My Father's Heart Disease Is Cured

(Clearwisdom.net) On January 7, 2008, my father suffered a severe heart attack and was taken to the county hospital for emergency treatment. Every one of the 42 days he was in the hospital, he received four blood transfusions. His condition became stable, but there was not much hope for a full recovery. He still suffered unbearable pain caused by insufficient blood supply to his heart. The doctor examined his CT scan and electrocardiogram results and suggested he seek further treatment at a larger hospital.

On March 5, 2008, my younger brother took my father to a bigger hospital in the area. The doctors met to discuss his condition. They told him that neither blood transfusions nor medication would improve his condition. A special operation was needed to install two or three stents in the heart blood vessels that were clogged. The stents would cost around ten thousand yuan each. Besides that, the surgery also had several risks and the doctors did not guarantee that it could cure the disease. In addition, there could be many negative side effects.

I was asked to return home to help make a decision about my father. I told my family, "Only Falun Dafa can save our father." I asked him to recite, "Falun Dafa is good! Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance are good!" I also suggested that he read *Zhuan Falun* (the principal teachings of Falun Gong).

My father was doubtful and said, "My blood vessels are clogged; it's on the CT scan. I have received different types of treatment to no avail. What you wrote on the piece of a paper, can it truly cure me?" I replied, "It can have an effect unless you don't believe in it. As long as you read it sincerely, you will be taken care of. There have been many cases of severely ill people who have miraculously recovered after practicing Dafa." Hearing this, my father decided to give it a try and took the book *Zhuan Falun*. After I read two chapters of the book to him, he started to experience body purification. He had the symptoms of diarrhea and felt lighter. On the third day, the pain around his heart lessened. His attitude also changed and he began to believe what I had suggested. At around 5:00 a.m., he got up and sat on the bed repeatedly reciting, "Falun Dafa is good!"

Gradually, my father realized that *Zhuan Falun* is not an ordinary book. The substance that blocked him from learning Dafa was eliminated. Every day, he reminded me to read two chapters of the book to him. A week later, his heart felt normal, the pain was gone, and the blood vessels were unblocked!

My younger brother and sister witnessed our father's recovery and Dafa's miracle. Now my father reads the book for several hours every day. Whenever he meets people, he tells them, "Master Li Hongzhi saved me. Falun Gong saves people. Constantly reciting 'Falun Dafa is good!' will bring you blessings."