

# Clearwisdom Review

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## Twin Brothers from Liaoning Province Tortured for Practicing Falun Gong

(Clearwisdom.net) Mr. Cong Ming and Mr. Cong Liang from Shenyang, Liaoning Province, are twin brothers. Both brothers practice Falun Gong. They are generous, kindhearted people, who follow traditional Chinese values. Those who know them say that the twins silently give of themselves and do not demand anything in return, putting into practice Falun Gong's principles of Truth-Compassion-Forbearance.

### Younger Brother Forcibly Arrested and Imprisoned

On July 4, 2008, Falun Gong practitioner Ms. Chen Yumei from Shenyang City was beaten to death by the police from Chang'an Police Station in Dadong District. On August 6, at Chang'an Police Station and several other locations, dozens of banners appeared bearing the words, "The police from Chang'an Police Station beat Ms. Chen Yumei to death." In order to stifle protests during the Olympic Games, the government sought out and arrested known Falun Gong practitioners in the area.



Mr. Cong Liang

On the evening of August 10, 2008, Mr. Cong Liang was taken from his home by the police from the Dadong District Police Station. According to his mother, he had gone downstairs to park his vehicle. Soon she heard a group of people come upstairs who then pounded on her front door. Once she opened the door, more than twenty plainclothes police barged into her home and illegally confiscated a computer, a printer, and many other personal items valued at more than ten thousand yuan (approximately 1,464 USD).

At present, Mr. Cong Liang is illegally imprisoned in the Dadong District Detention Center, Shenyang City, where the conditions are very poor. It is an underground jail in which prisoners are deprived of sunlight year round.

This is not the first time Mr. Cong Liang has been persecuted for practicing Falun Gong. In the summer of 2001, he was detained at the Dadong District Police Station, where he was forced to jump from the sixth floor of the building. He suffered many bone fractures and was in a coma for 11 days after the fall. Later, Mr. Cong recovered his health by practicing Falun Gong.

### Elder Brother Sentenced to Nine Years

Mr. Cong Ming was illegally sentenced to nine years in prison in 2001. He was first imprisoned in Wafangdian Prison in Dalian. In December 2007, he was transferred to Nanguanling Prison in Dalian.

At least two Falun Gong practitioners have been tortured to death at Nanguanling Prison. Many practitioners there have been locked in solitary confinement, shocked with electric batons, savagely beaten, and deprived of sleep for long periods of time, among other tortures.

### 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.

## Finland: Falun Gong Practitioners Hold Activity at Green Weekend Expo in Helsinki



*Demonstrating the exercises*

**(Clearwisdom.net)** From November 7-9, a major event known as Green Weekend was held at the Exhibition Centre in Helsinki. The event attracted more than 20,000 visitors. The Falun Gong Association of Finland took part in the crafts exhibition. Practitioners distributed handmade paper lotus flowers, introduced the beauty of Falun Gong, and informed people of the brutal persecution of Falun Gong taking place in China.

The Falun Gong exercise demonstration attracted many people. Many came over to ask for the address of the local practice site. After they heard about the persecution in China, more people signed their names on a petition to support Falun Gong.

One woman requested a Russian version of the book *Zhuan Falun*, the principal teachings of Falun Gong, saying that she wanted to start practicing soon. Another person, a journalist who was stationed in China for many years, originally was misled by the Chinese Communist Party's propaganda and believed that Falun Gong was politically motivated. After he learned the facts at the Green Weekend event, his misunderstanding of Falun Gong was cleared up. A young woman named Sara signed her name to oppose the persecution, then came back later and requested a hundred leaflets. When asked what she wanted to do, she said, "I'm going to give them to all my colleagues and friends."



*A visitor signed the petition.*

## After Traveling Far and Wide, a PhD Student Learns the Practice

**(Clearwisdom.net)** Mr. Huang Qiyu started practicing Falun Dafa as a PhD student in Taiwan. By studying the teachings of Falun Dafa, he found answers to many questions that had troubled him for a long time.

While Mr. Huang was a college sophomore, he injured his right foot playing soccer. On his way to the hospital, his car was involved in an accident, which made his foot injury worse. Though the hospital treatment seemed to help his foot recover, the effect of the treatment left him with severe pain in other parts of his body. Back pain prevented him from being able to sit properly. He and his mother visited many well-known doctors in Taiwan, but to no effect. He became curious about the various forms of qigong, but still, his physical problems were not resolved.



*Huang Qiyu (right) participates in morning exercises*

In April 1999, a classmate introduced Falun Gong to Mr. Huang. During winter break at university in 2000, he visited San Francisco. While he was at a Chinese restaurant, the owner gave him a business card with the Minghui website address on it (Minghui is the Chinese version of Clearwisdom). When he returned to Taiwan, he bought the book *Zhuan Falun*. Mr. Huang said, "After reading a few lines of the first page, I was stunned... I felt the answers to all my doubts were answered in this book. The more I read, the deeper I was touched. Though I only read a few pages at first, I felt that it was what I had been waiting for my whole life."

After learning the teachings and exercises, Mr. Huang's life changed. The pain that used to bother him disappeared. His attachment to being competitive gradually abated, and his eyesight got better also.