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The Death of Three Falun Gong Practitioners as a Result of Police Brutality

(Clearwisdom.net) On November 28, 2001, officer Zhang Huanyou arrested three Falun Gong practitioners from Yilan County for distributing materials exposing the persecution of Falun Gong. They were sent to different police stations. Each of these practitioners died as a result of abuse in police custody. The following are their stories.

1. Ms. Zhang Min - Han Yunjie from the Yilan Police Department handcuffed Ms. Zhang and hit her in the chest, eyes, and temples. After he slammed her head against a wall, Ms. Zhang started to cough up blood and became unconscious. Han poured cold water on her to wake her up and resumed beating Ms. Zhang. After 60 hours of brutal beatings and torture, she was taken to a detention center. While in detention, Ms. Zhang requested that she be sent to a hospital for she kept coughing up blood. The request was denied. The guards force-fed her a concentrated salt solution, and she lost consciousness. They carried her back to her cell, and only much later was she sent to a hospital. Ms. Zhang died from her severe injuries on December 5, 2001.

2. Mr. Song Ruiyi - On the night of his arrest, Mr. Song was handcuffed with his hands behind his back and was hung up by the handcuffs. The handcuffs cut deeply into his flesh, causing excruciating pain. Later he was taken to another detention center where he went on a hunger strike to protest the abuse. He was force-fed a concentrated salt solution, but he kept up his hunger strike for 14 more days. His stomach was severely damaged by the forced feedings. The center released him after seeing that he was near death. Not long after



Mr. Song Ruiyi

his release on December 29, 2001, the police conducted a mass arrest of practitioners. Mr. Song and his wife fled their home. His damaged stomach prevented Mr. Song from eating properly, and he soon became bedridden. He died on November 3, 2002.

3. Mr. Zhang Keming - Mr. Zhang Keming was also tortured the night of his arrest. He was released after 15 days. On December 29, 2001, the police arrested him again. The guards often urged other detainees to beat Mr. Zhang. He soon became emaciated. He was taken to Changlinzi Forced Labor Camp, where he endured severe torture. The guards shocked his sensitive parts with electric batons and deprived him of sleep. He was frequently beaten. Eventually, his whole body was covered with scabies, and his skin festered. The guards injected him with unknown drugs.

On November 9, 2003, not long after Mr. Zhang's release, he was arrested again and detained for 15 days. The relentless persecution caused him enormous stress. He never regained his normal weight. He had severe edema and coughed up blood before he passed away on March 26, 2006. It is suspected that the unknown drugs may have contributed to his symptoms.



Mr. Zhang Keming

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.

Kidney Stones, Liver Cyst Disappear

(**Clearwisdom.net**) I am a Falun Dafa practitioner in Laizhou, Shandong Province. I used to suffer from many illnesses. After I started to practice Falun Dafa, all my illnesses disappeared. Since then, I have not needed any medicine. To allow me more time to practice Falun Gong, my husband willingly took care of all the chores. He was grateful, for he knew it was Teacher Li Hongzhi and Dafa who had given me a second life.

On July 20, 1999, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) started its persecution of Falun Dafa. My husband has continued to support me in my practice. The police have often taken me away and extorted money from my family. My husband became very clear about the wickedness of the CCP and the goodness of Dafa. Though he hadn't started to truly practice, he read Teacher's lectures and talked to people about Dafa and exposed the persecution.

In 2005 he was diagnosed with two kidney stones. He was told he needed an operation. My husband did what a practitioner would do and didn't opt for any treatment. In 2007, his health check showed that the kidney stones had disappeared. Later, he was found to have a cyst on his liver, high blood fats, high cholesterol and abnormal heart function. He again didn't opt for any medical treatment. In December 2008, my husband had another checkup. The cyst on his liver had disappeared, and the blood tests, electrocardiogram and other tests were all normal. He phoned me and gleefully told me the results. I asked him, "Do you know why all your illnesses miraculously disappeared?" He answered, "I know very well. A kind thought toward Falun Dafa will bring happiness and peace."

Former Buddhist Monk: 'It went right to my soul'

(**Clearwisdom.net**) WESTCHESTER, New York – The Performing Arts Center at SUNY-Purchase College, on 400 acres of natural landscaping half an hour from Manhattan, hosted the Divine Performing Arts "Chinese New Year Splendor" on Jan. 23.



Mr. Mawson, a former Buddhist monk

Mr. Mawson, who was once a Buddhist monk in Thailand, was delighted with DPA's portrayal of traditional Chinese culture through classical Chinese dance and music. "I thought the show was wonderful. I was absolutely mesmerized by it," he said.

Originally from England, Mr. Mawson now lives in Westchester, N.Y., where he teaches Thai Dhammakaya meditation, nutrition, and disease prevention.

"I just loved the dancing, the singing, the costumes. Lots of very, very hard work has gone into producing such a wonderful show. It's very moving, actually."

Mr. Mawson said he was particularly touched because he realized that the two performances about the persecution of Falun Gong in the show were based on reality, and many people in the West were quite unaware that such a persecution existed. "I understood where the show was coming from," he said, "I understood the persecution of people practicing Falun Gong in China."

Two dances, "Heaven Awaits Us Despite Persecution" and "Dignity and Compassion," tell the story of the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners in two very different and moving ways. Falun Gong is a spiritual discipline rooted in Chinese culture whose adherents are experiencing brutal treatment at the hands of the Chinese regime.



Chinese Fan Dance

"It was presented in such a way that it went right to my soul, if you like," said Mr. Mawson of the two pieces. "There were many moments when it was quite emotional for me to watch what was going on."