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Mr. Huang Cheng

Mr. Huang Cheng Dies in Liaoning Province after Years of Torture

(Clearwisdom.net) Because he practiced Falun Gong, Mr. Huang Cheng from Jinzhou, Liaoning Province, was arrested 15 times from 1999 to 2010, over the course of ten years of persecution by the Chinese Communist Party. He died as a result of torture in February 2011.

On February 25, 2008, officers from the Taihe District Police Department went to Mr. Huang's home and took him into custody. He was held for 18 hours at the police department where he was cruelly tortured. The torture resulted in fractures to the bones of both hands, and the main tendon in his left ankle was exposed. Mr. Huang was then detained in the Jinzhou City Detention Center until December 2008. The Taihe District Court sentenced Mr. Huang to six years in prison and he was taken to Panjin City Prison on December 16, 2008.



Torture reenactment: needles inserted under fingernails.

At the end of March 2009, Panjin Prison began a new round of brainwashing of Falun Gong practitioners in an attempt to force them to renounce their belief. Guards and prisoners used eight high-voltage electric batons to shock Mr. Huang simultaneously. They hung Mr. Huang up by his arms for three days, without letting him eat or drink. After letting him down, Warden Guan Fengchun stripped Mr. Huang, cuffed him to a torture device known as the "Iron Chair," and forced a medical needle under each of his fingernails. Blood flowed from the needles and from under his fingernails. The scars were still visible at the time of his death.

On another occasion, prisoners were ordered to stomp on Mr. Huang's face after four guards shocked him with electric batons for two hours. Two of his teeth were knocked out. One prisoner could not follow the orders, and said, "I quit. No one tortures people like this. I'd rather not earn these points" (prisoners are granted points for early release if they take part in the persecution of Falun Gong practitioners). Many prisoners were replaced because they could not carry out such heinous acts.

Around September 2009, because Mr. Huang firmly refused to give up practicing Falun Gong, Guard Yang Guanjun slapped him several hundred times. A warden struck his chest with handcuffs, and Mr. Huang was constantly tortured with electric baton shocks. Sometimes, the shock torture included pouring water on the floor and shocking Mr. Huang while he was in contact with the water. This torture often caused Mr. Huang to pass out, and caused bleeding in his brain, eventually resulting in permanent injury to his brain. In less than two years, Mr. Huang could not take care of himself. His heartbeat was irregular and doctors said he could die at any time.

After an urgent request by his family, the prison authority released Mr. Huang on medical parole. He returned home on August 19, 2010. His family took him to many hospitals, but the doctors said he could not be cured. Despite Mr. Huang's condition, local police officer Zhang Zhongxin came to his home to harass him on September 26, 2010. Mr. Huang suffered five more months of extreme pain, and died on February 24, 2011.

Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the most brutal and vicious persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



About Clearwisdom

Clearwisdom.net is the most authoritative source of information about the practice of Falun Gong and about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, reporting timely news and events happening inside China as well as from the more than 100 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.



Mr. Wang Zhiyuan

A Harvard Scholar Experiences a Medical Miracle

(Clearwisdom.net) Mr. Wang Zhiyuan was a doctor in China for many years, and then worked as a researcher at Harvard Medical School. One day in 1983, he was diagnosed with progressive spinal muscular atrophy. It is considered an incurable disease with an average life expectancy of three to five years. His physical condition got worse, and more health problems manifested. He suffered a massive hemorrhage of the digestive tract twice, in 1994 and again in 1997. The first time, his blood pressure went so low that he almost died.

As a result of the disease, dizziness, fatigue, loss of memory, and apparent aging plagued Mr. Wang for many years. He was always exhausted after a day's work. One day in February 1998, a friend in China wrote to him and told him about Falun Gong. Excited, Mr. Wang attended a 9-day Falun Gong lecture session in Cambridge. On the first day of the seminar, he had to go to the bathroom often and he felt waves of warm energy flowing through his whole body every so often. After the lecture, he was energetic and his head was clear on his way home. He felt a sense of comfort that he hadn't experienced for many years. The symptoms in his stomach disappeared by the fifth day, and the discomfort of having urethra stones stopped not long after that. Muscular twitching, weakness, and the other illness symptoms all vanished one after another. He completely recovered. His energy and physical condition were better than they'd been in 20 years. Falun Dafa bestowed a new life on Wang Zhiyuan.

Falun Dafa around the World: Barcelona, Spain

(Clearwisdom.net) In the spring of 1997, Madrid hosted the "World and Americas Expo," where Falun Dafa was introduced in Spain for the first time. In 2001 and 2002, the Spanish versions of the books *Falun Gong* and *Zhuan Falun* (the book containing the principal teachings of Falun Gong) were published. Since then, more and more Spaniards have become Falun Gong practitioners.

Falun Gong practitioners participated in the 21st National Health Expo, the largest in Spain, in Madrid in November 2001. From 2001 to 2003, Falun Dafa was a very popular exhibit at the Spanish National Health Expos. The Expo organizer said, "Your Falun Dafa has almost become a privileged exhibition—it is the only exhibitor allowed to show outdoors." During the Expo, many media, such as Spanish National Radio, Barcelona TV, and a number of health magazines interviewed practitioners and made positive reports on Falun Dafa. Many of the participants at the Falun Gong exhibition booth were those who had learned about Falun Gong from the Expo in previous years and then started practicing. One Spanish practitioner came from the Canary Islands and spent 400 euros on a plane ticket to attend the Expo. He wanted to tell others about the tremendous mental and physical improvements he experienced after practicing Falun Gong.

From November 3 to 5, 2006, Spanish Falun Gong practitioners were invited to exhibit at the annual International Health Expo in Barcelona. One visitor was so moved by the energy of peace and benevolence that she told the practitioners, "It is like another world here!"

From November 6 to 8, 2009, practitioners took part in the International Expo at the Barcelona Exhibition Center (Feria de Barcelona). After learning about of the persecution in China, many people signed the petition to support an end to the persecution. A publisher's exhibition booth was nearby. When its manager learned about the persecution in China, he asked his staff to come over and sign the petition. He also wanted to present information about Falun Dafa on their website.

At the International Expo held from December 10 to 12, 2010 at the Barcelona Exhibition Center, a visitor in his 40s wept when he saw a picture of a Falun Gong practitioner who had been tortured. He said that it was not enough to sign the petition and stated that something concrete should be done to stop the persecution.



At the National Health Expo in 2003, many people learned about Falun Gong.



The Falun Dafa booth is always crowded at expos.



Visitors sign the petition calling for an end to the persecution.

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