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Police Attempted Cover-up in 2003 Beating Death of Mr. Chen Xiangrui

(Clearwisdom.net) At 9:00 p.m. on March 11, 2003, a group of officers from the Hengyang Police Department broke into Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Chen Xiangrui's home and arrested him. They brutally beat and tortured him through the night. Chen died the next morning. He was 29 years old.



Mr. Chen Xiangrui

The police wanted to do an autopsy to prove that they were not responsible for Chen Xiangrui's death. Mr. Chen's mother objected, as the cause of her son's death was obvious. An officer said, "It doesn't matter if you object, it is an order from my superiors."

Autopsies are usually performed by two or three coroners. On the evening of March 12, 2003, the police ordered nine coroners to conduct an autopsy on Mr. Chen. There were armed riot police waiting outside. The coroners claimed after the autopsy that none of Mr. Chen's organs were intact. The family suspected that they were all damaged from the torture.

Mr. Chen's family later learned that one of the coroners was Xiong Ping from Nanhua University Medical College. Mr. Chen's family asked him many times for details of the autopsy results. Xiong finally said, "I can't tell you. I would be dead if I told." Xiong later moved to another city.

Background

Chen Xiangrui started practicing Falun Gong in January 1996. On the evening of March 11, 2003, the head of the National Security Team of the Hengyang Public Security Bureau, Lei Zhenzhong, and a group of policemen under his command swarmed into Mr. Chen's home. They beat and kicked Mr. Chen while dragging him out of his home and forced him into a van. The policemen said to Mr. Chen, "We will beat you to death, you stubborn Falun Gong practitioner, when we go back today." After Mr. Chen was dragged into the van, they shoved him face down under the seat, holding him down with their feet.

When they arrived at the Hengyang City Public Security Bureau, the police hung Mr. Chen up and beat him with an electric baton, a metal hammer, books, and a rubber club. In the morning of March 12, Mr. Chen could barely breathe and his pupils were dilated. The police sent him to the hospital. Chen Xiangrui died at around 10:00 a.m on March 12.

Later that night, Chen's family members were allowed to see his body. On the way there, they were accompanied by two trucks filled with riot police. There was a deep indentation in Mr. Chen's head; his ribs and collarbone were broken; the bones of the left foot and wrist were broken; and both feet were twisted. The police planned to do an autopsy. Chen's mother objected, as the cause of death was obvious. The police quickly placed Mr. Chen's body in a van and drove away, over the mother's objections.

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.

Russia: Students Learn about Falun Dafa at Education Festival in Moscow

(Clearwisdom.net) On June 12, 2011, Russia's National Day, Falun Gong practitioners participated in the 3rd Education Festival held at Moscow Youth Park. This year the festival was themed "The Power of Tolerance."

The festival was intended to demonstrate the importance of morality, aesthetics, and the laws of nature. The visitors were mainly high school and primary school students from Moscow and students from nearby summer camps.

The Falun Dafa group was well-received at the event. Their booth was set up near the park entrance and attendees entering or exiting the festival passed by the booth. From 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the practitioners introduced Falun Gong, demonstrated the exercises, and performed traditional Chinese dances, waist drums, and a lion dance. Many students crowded around the Falun Gong booth. Making paper lotus flowers was very popular – ten tables were full of young people learning to make the flowers. The hosting organization ended up adding several more tables to accommodate all who wanted to learn..

One of the practitioners participating in the event was interviewed by a Moscow TV station about Falun Dafa. She discussed how the principles of the practice, Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance, have enriched her life.



Teaching students to how to make folded paper lotus flowers



Falun Gong practitioners participate in the Education Festival at Moscow Youth Park

Severe Rheumatic Disease Disappears in Three Days

(Clearwisdom.net) I started practicing Falun Gong at the end of 2004. I had developed rheumatic disease as a complication of childbirth. It was so severe that I had to stay home and stop working. I experienced joint pain, muscle numbness, and severe itchiness. My body was constantly sweating, I could not be exposed to wind, and any water I used had to be over 40°C. I also suffered from insomnia. I led a painful life and thought about suicide three times.

In 2002, a relative suggested that I try practicing Falun Gong. She said, "Only Falun Gong can cure your disease!" I didn't take her advice seriously at the time, but I kept the copy of *Zhuan Falun* (the main book of Falun Gong) that she gave me and read it occasionally, two or three pages at a time.

Another Falun Gong practitioner in my family had been illegally arrested and detained by agents of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) three times over the course of the persecution. However, I thought: "I want to see what kind of practice Falun Gong truly is. If it's a good practice, then I am not afraid of the persecution."

Maybe due to this thought, the illness that had tortured me for 15 years suddenly disappeared at the end of 2004 – after I had practiced the Falun Gong exercises for just three days! Many of my relatives and friends witnessed this miracle, and four relatives and colleagues later joined me in practicing Falun Gong.