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Falun Dafa Practitioner Hou Mingkai Died from Savage Beating and Torture

(Clearwisdom.net) Falun Dafa practitioner Mr. Hou Mingkai took part in broadcasting informational videos about the persecution against Falun Dafa through the Changchun City cable network in March 2002. He was arrested in Changchun City on August 20, 2002. He was savagely beaten, tortured and died during the night after his arrest at the age of 34. The police secretly cremated his body, claiming he had committed suicide by jumping out of a window.



Copy of Hou Mingkai's ID.

The following is a Dafa practitioner's recollection of what happened to Hou:

Officials from the Jilin City 610 Office [*an agency established specifically for the persecution of Falun Gong*] and from the National Security Division arrested me at my residence on August 20, 2002. Hou Mingkai and two other practitioners were arrested along with me. Hou died from torture later that night in the room across the hall from where I was held. The door to Hou's room was closed, but I heard a female police officer say, "How come the tear gas didn't work? This guy is quite something!" Then, I heard hitting noises. Hou was very tough and he didn't moan at all. Some officers grew tired from beating him and came to my room to take a break and drink some water. They said, "This person endures a great deal. We can't break him."

Later on, many officers were called to Hou's room. I heard constant beating sounds and cursing from the police. Within 30 minutes a police officer said, "Hou Mingkai is finished. He is dying!" It was around 3:00 a.m. or 4:00 a.m. on August 21, 2002. The police came to my room and told me, "Hou Mingkai escaped. He jumped out of the window." The police had been torturing him the whole time. There is no way he could have jumped. I knew right away that he had been beaten to death.

I know the officers involved in the killing come from the Jilin City 610 Office and the National Security Division in Jilin Province. One of the police officers was Zhang (surname). After Hou died, the police tried to match my "oral confession" with another practitioner's. Hou was tortured to death that night because he wanted to protect other practitioners and me. If he had mentioned to the police about my involvement in broadcasting the videos, I would have been sentenced to at least ten years in prison. Instead, I was sentenced to two years of forced labor.

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.

"Truthfulness Compassion Forbearance" International Art Exhibition in Toronto

(Clearwisdom.net) On January 19 and 20, 2007, the "Truthfulness Compassion Forbearance" International Art Exhibition was held at the Centre for the Arts, concurrent with the NTDTV New Year Spectacular. The exhibition enriched the audience's overall experience and their understanding of cultivation.



Falun Gong promotes the principles of "Truth, Compassion, Tolerance," and the artists, who all practice Falun Gong, use their paintbrushes to illustrate the purified heart and beautiful experiences of the cultivation process.

Many people were moved by the art exhibition. A Chinese woman came to the exhibition during the intermission and said, "Falun Gong is great. I am gratified that there are so many people doing this upright thing." One woman bought a printed copy of the oil painting, "The Unity of Heaven and Man," because she thought it was so beautiful. Her friend was attracted to the traditional Chinese painting, "Lotus Flower." A young woman liked the little girl in the painting, "Homeless." The interpreter told her the story behind the painting: "Because the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) persecutes Falun Gong, many practitioners are driven out of homes. Their children became homeless because of the persecution." The woman later bought a print of this painting.

A Therapist by Profession, a Falun Gong Practitioner at Heart

By a Western practitioner in Australia

(Clearwisdom.net) Twenty-two years ago I was involved in a motorbike accident which left me with a broken collarbone and back injuries including bruising around the vertebrae and a misaligned pelvis. From this, I suffered severe neck and sciatic pain.

When I first started practicing Falun Gong almost a year ago, I felt immediate relief from the neck and shoulder tension, as if a great weight had been lifted from me! Physically, I have noticed that the practice of Falun Gong has greatly improved the balance and coordination between the left and right sides of my body. The circulation in my left foot has been restored, and there is not the degree of pain after having walked any distance as there used to be. A great amount of heat is generated in my body whilst doing the exercises, and the physical sensations of energy circulation are very strong whilst practicing.

Beginning the day with Falun Gong has been wonderful for me. I have often woken in the morning worrying with one concern or another on my mind. After completing the exercises, I am always able to feel more positive. I am extremely grateful that Falun Gong has been introduced to us by Mr. Li Hongzhi.

Persecution Cases of Practitioners in Chongqing City

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1. Ms. Li Zhonglan started practicing Falun Gong in 1997. On October 6, 2005, the police arrested her and took her to the Yiwanshui Detention Center and held her there for one year. While in detention, she lost a tooth from being beaten. The brutal torture to which she was subjected made Ms. Li appear skeleton-like. The Yubei District Court sentenced her to three years of forced labor in September 2006 and sent her to Yongchuan Labor Farm in October.

2. Mr. Wang Daohua, 70, lived in Shuitu Town, Beipei District, Chongqing City. He started practicing Falun Dafa in 1997. The police ransacked his home in 2000 and took away all of his Dafa books. Mr. Wang and his wife were sent to the Shuitu Town Brainwashing Center. He was subsequently transferred to a nursing home where he was forced to do heavy manual labor working to build a highway. Mr. Wang was sent to a detention center in 2001 and was sentenced to two years of forced labor. After he served his term in 2003, he continued practicing Dafa. Mr. Wang was sentenced to three and a half years in prison at the Yongchuan Prison in Chongqing City, where he is still being held.