

Time for Immediate Action

"it must be our responsibility, Canadian people everywhere, to speak on behalf of those who cannot be heard, to bear witness on behalf of those who cannot testify, to protect those who put not only their livelihood but indeed their lives on the line and to affirm and reaffirm and re-commit ourselves to the values of Truth, Compassion and Forbearance, not only as an expression and example of the best of ancient Chinese values but as universal norms that inspire us all, wherever we may be."

-Irwin Cotler, Canadian MP, May 19, 2001

"These [Falun Gong practitioners'] deaths in custody are an appalling illustration of the authorities' callous disregard for the lives of people detained solely for their peaceful activities... The international community cannot watch silently while these gross human rights violations are taking place. It must condemn these abuses and put pressure on China to take action to stop them."

-Amnesty International, Dec. 19, 2000

- Now is **not** the time to be shy;
- Now is **not** the time for silence;
- Now is the time for rights!

-Speech by Alex Neve, Secretary General of Amnesty International Canada, at rally supporting human rights of Falun Gong practitioners, May 31, 2001

How Can I Help?

- 1) Think that persecuting people is wrong.
- 2) Sign a petition.
- 3) Spread the word to friends about the cause-effect and what is happening.
- 4) Write letters to Mr. Jean Chrétien and your local MP.
- 5) Write letters to the Chinese Embassy
Ambassador Ping Mei
China's Embassy in Ottawa 515 St. Patrick Street
Ottawa, Ontario, K1N 5H3
- 6) Keep alerted by visiting: www.faluninfo.net,
www.falundafa.ca, or call (514) 487-9486 (Montreal).

This pamphlet is paid for by Falun Gong practitioners themselves, please pass it around after reading. Thanks for your kind support!

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Urgent: Rescue Falun Gong Practitioners Persecuted in China



[Beijing]



[New York]

People of Kindness Are Appealing for Peace

- **YOU CAN HELP!** -

Groundless Persecution

In 1993, Falun Gong received a thank-you letter from the Jianyi Yongwei Foundation (which was then helping injured and disabled persons who were voluntarily combating criminal activities). The letter says: "Because of its remarkable effectiveness, the treatment [provided by Falun Gong, especially for those injured or disabled from fighting against criminals] received wide acclaim. Prior to the treatment, some people were suffering from ailments left over from knife and gunshot injuries. After the treatment, they were relieved of such symptoms as pain, numbness and chronic weakness. Those suffering from the effects of brain injury recovered a sober mind after treatment, and were relieved of such symptoms as headache and dizziness. Some people were ridded of tumors right on the spot. Some excreted gallstones within 24 hours of receiving treatment. Some people suffered from stomach disease, heart disease or arthritis. After treatment, they were all relieved of symptoms right on the site. ... Mr. Li Hongzhi (the founder of Falun Gong) directly offered that help to promote the general public's awareness of voluntarily combating criminal activities. We hereby express our sincere thanks".

In 1998, Beijing Daily sang high praises of the deed of an anonymous Falun Gong practitioner who donated his savings of 180,000 RMB (\$30,000) for scientific research for China's poor developing regions. This practitioner said that this deed resulted from his practicing Falun Gong. *(This young man, later identified as Xie Yufeng, has lost his hand and is now disabled after being tortured in jail in Beijing for his belief and practice of Falun Gong).*

In July 1999, the Chinese president Jiang Zemin, whose thoughts and actions are characterized by money-worship, violence and atheism, felt insecure and threatened after seeing millions of people wishing to learn Falun Gong for self-improvement, moral guidance, health and peace of mind. As a result, he mobilized an entire government to spread fallacies about Falun Gong, and began the groundless and brutal persecution.

In 2001, two years after the crackdown, Falun Gong practitioners have shown the world that they have no political motivation, they do not resort to any violence, or any kind of revenge; they only believe in *Truth-Compassion-Forbearance*.

"As we have come to know the work of Falun Gong, our respect has grown, and we find this brutal and ruthless and bloody suppression of Falun Gong practitioners in China appalling, unacceptable, reprehensible" -Tom Lantos, Co-Chair of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus, U.S.A.

Urgent!

130 Practitioners Hunger Striking in a Notorious Labor Camp with Lives in Extreme Danger!

There are 130 practitioners in the notorious Masanjia Labor Camp who have been on a hunger strike since August 2 this year, to protest their extended illegal incarceration. The strike has passed the 10-day mark a long time ago! It was also disclosed that the Liaoning Province Judiciary Department has stated "we would rather violate the law; we absolutely do not release these persons." As the Chinese authorities continue to use all kinds of degrading punishment to torture these people, their lives are in great danger! (Last October it was reported that camp officers stripped naked 18 female Falun Gong practitioners and threw them into the cells of male convicts...). Worldwide campaigns to rescue these practitioners are going on...



Urgent worldwide appeal: In front of German Prime Minister's office.

The Brutal Figures and Facts of the Persecution

After 25 months, 274 practitioners have been tortured to death; 1000+ sent to mental hospitals for psychiatric injections; 20000+ sent to labor camps; 100000+ detained. Of the total deaths, 89 were reported since the UN Human Rights Conference failed to pass a resolution condemning China's Human rights record on April 18, 2001, after which the brutes have concluded that killing is permitted. Over the past 3 months, 61 deaths were reported. The increase in the number of deaths is accelerating! The torture methods are worsening!

Tortured to death: A mother and her 8-month-old baby

Mrs. Wang Lixuan and her 8-month-old baby (right), were taken into custody on Oct. 22, 2000, for appealing the ban on Falun Gong. Two weeks later, both were dead from torture by police. A medical exam revealed that Mrs. Wang's neck had been broken and her skull crushed. Her baby's ankles were bruised deeply, his head and body covered with wounds, and his face full of blood. The examiner determined that he had been shackled and hung upside down.



"She crawled outside, vomited and collapsed"

- By Ian, Johnson, Wall Street Journal, April 20, 2000

The day before Chen Zixiu died, her captors again demanded that she renounce her faith in Falun Dafa. Barely conscious after repeated jolts from a cattle prod, the 58-year-old stubbornly shook her head. "Enraged, the local officials ordered Ms. Chen to run barefoot in the snow. Two days of torture had left her legs bruised and her short black hair matted with pus and blood," said cellmates and other prisoners who witnessed the incident. "She crawled outside, vomited and collapsed. She never regained consciousness, and died on Feb. 21."

Security Police Burn a Human Being Alive and Announce Self-Immolation

On June 20, 2001, horrifying news spread from Baiguo Township (Hubei Province). Local police beat a Falun Gong practitioner severely in front of the local government building called "Jin Yuan Square" and burned the person to death. The police then told the on-lookers that it had been a "self-immolation". In the meantime, police dragged two others to death behind motorcycles.

15 Falun Gong Women MASSACRED in Wanjia Labor Camp

Around June 20, 2001, at least 15 female Falun Gong practitioners died in a spate of violence and torture at the Wanjia Labor Camp in Harbin City, Heilongjiang Province. A number of others are said to be receiving emergency medical treatment. This information follows a June 30 report that the camp's police had recently begun ordering female Falun Gong detainees into male prisoners' cells for days on end. In those cells they underwent unimaginable mental and physical torture, including severe sexual abuse. Only the names of 4 women are known: Zhang Yulan, 55 years old; Shao Ying, 33; Zhao Yayun, 54; and Li Xiuqin. All four died on June 20 from torture.

The labor camp viciously claimed that "they committed mass suicide by hanging themselves." That is a routine strategy: Falun Gong practitioners' deaths in custody supposedly result either from natural causes or suicide.

"They took an iron rod and they heated it up in a furnace and they stuck it to his legs, and pressed it in [13 times]"

-By Doug Miller, KHOU News (Houston), July 28, 2001

Houston -- Mr. Qin [Yongjie] says he's a victim of the crackdown on practitioners of Falun Gong in China. He's got over a dozen third-degree burns on his legs. "They took an iron rod and they heated it up in a furnace and they stuck it to his legs, and pressed it

in. He managed to escape to Hong Kong, where he secretly boarded a boat bound for California. After Mr. Qin arrived in California, he began hitchhiking, and ended up in Houston at the Star Of Hope Mission. After it became obvious they were dealing with a man who was severely injured, he was sent to Park Plaza Hospital.



Recovering from severe burns can be painful. But "this is nothing compared to what he's been through," said Park Plaza Hospital's Dr. Gail Burbridge. "It's mind boggling how some human beings can be so cruel to other human beings," said Dr. Burbridge.

A Sample of Propaganda used in the Persecution

Falun Gong practitioners have NO rights to speak in Tian An Men Square, which is also the place the vicious drama of "Tian An Men Square Self Immolation" was conducted on January 23, 2001. In that drama, five persons were forced to pretend to be Falun Gong practitioners and set themselves afire. The Chinese government created the drama to defame Falun Gong. After independent inspections, the international communities have come to realize more and more that it is yet another example of propaganda. (Video document exposing its dramatic nature is available at 1-866-FaLun-Ca)



Impact on the World

*"One place without justice is a threat to all places with justice."
- Martin Luther King
"If its vicious actions are allowed to continue, people will lose their righteous thoughts. If people accept evil as being normal, then where should we go?" - A Canadian citizen*