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Engineer Tang Yi Dies in Chongqing as a Result of Persecution

(Clearwisdom.net) Falun Gong practitioner Mr. Tang Yi was a bridge engineer for the China Railroad Bureau. He had a Master's Degree from Southwest Transportation University. After the persecution of Falun Gong started in July 1999, his employer put him under house arrest for two months. A previously approved promotion was also cancelled. Mr. Tang went to Beijing to appeal for justice for Falun Gong in October 1999 and was detained for 15 days, during which time his work unit dismissed him. In order to support his 69-year-old mother, he had to leave his home in Chongqing and work at odd jobs.

The police arrested Mr. Tang when he went back to Chongqing City in May 2001. He was sentenced to three years of forced labor in the Xishanping Forced Labor Camp. He was detained in an isolation cell for three months. Mr. Tang was repeatedly beaten and tortured by prison guards and prisoners who were assigned to monitor him. He became disabled from the abuse and developed pneumothorax, tuberculosis, and bone tuberculosis.



Mr. Tang Yi

In 2003 Tang became incapacitated and incontinent, and had to depend on the assistance of others. After his mother visited many government officials to request her son's release, Mr. Tang was released on probation for medical treatment. His health improved after his mother spent two years taking care of him at home.

Tang Yi then went to work in Guiyang City, Guizhou Province. On May 2, 2008, he was intercepted by police while taking a train from Guiyang back to Chongqing. The police searched his bag and found a copy of the book *Zhuan Falun* (the principal teachings of Falun Gong). As a result, he was held in the Railroad Detention Center in Hangzhou City from May 5 to 27, 2008. On May 28, 2008, officers from the Xinqiao Police Station took Mr. Tang back to Chongqing and sent him directly to the Baihelin Detention Center. On June 5, 2008, they sentenced him to two years of forced labor in the Xishanping Forced Labor Camp in Chongqing.

Mr. Tang started a protest hunger strike on May 2, 2008. He became weak and emaciated, with his weight dropping from 175 lbs. to about 110 lbs. He couldn't lift his right arm, which constantly oozed pus and bled from injuries sustained from abuse and torture. Eventually, Mr. Tang could no longer take care of himself.

Mr. Tang passed out repeatedly during the brutal force-feeding processes and his health gradually deteriorated. The guards often dragged him over the floor, which caused dislocation of his joints. The brutal forced-feeding sessions resulted in Mr. Tang bleeding constantly. In November 2008, the camp administration notified his family to pick him up, since they were afraid to take responsibility for his death in detention. Mr. Tang could not fully recover, and he died on the morning of September 22, 2009.

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.

The Miracle I Witnessed

(Clearwisdom.net) Not long ago, one of my relatives came to live with me for a while. He had suffered from a stroke eight years earlier and a heart attack some time before that. He had a speech impediment. A few months prior, he had been sent to the emergency room in critical condition, but he survived.

One day, he told me with hand gestures, "I have never asked for anything in return when I helped others in the past and I never accepted money. But I did accept money one time because my family was so poor. Soon after, I got this illness." I was moved after listening to his story. He seemed to have good enlightenment quality. Afterward, I started doing the Falun Dafa exercises and he tried to follow along. It was very difficult for him.

He began studying the teachings of Falun Gong by listening to the audio recordings of Master Li's lectures. As he studied, his physical condition gradually improved. His condition subsequently improved to the point where could walk by himself. He recovered so well that it was almost as though he had never been ill.

A few days ago, I happened to meet my relative on the street. He happily told me, "I feel that the Teacher of Falun Dafa, Master Li, has been looking after me. My physical condition has improved so much!" I told him that his miraculous recovery was meant to allow him to practice Falun Gong and not just to live an ordinary person's life. He nodded his head in wholehearted agreement.

Holland: Introducing Dafa at the Culture & Leisure Fair in The Hague

(Clearwisdom.net) The 2009/2010 International Culture & Leisure Fair in Holland made its debut at the Atrium at The Hague, on September 20, 2009. The event was hosted by The Hague Council. This year, over 150 culture and leisure organizations, as well as health and sports clubs, were at the fair. Falun Gong practitioners were also invited to participate.



To provide information to the international community about local cultural associations in the area, The Hague Council began to host the International Culture & Leisure Fair in City Hall. Over the past three years, it has become the most popular international event in The Hague. Last year it attracted about 5,000 visitors.

A representative for the Falun Gong group in The Hague said, "The fair has offered a good platform to introduce different cultures. Many people are showing interest in Falun Gong." This year the fair attracted many Chinese people, who have experienced the inclusiveness of the different cultures.

One Chinese student said, "I feel very relaxed here. When I see a Chinese person introducing Falun Dafa to westerners I realize that this would simply be impossible in China. My eyes have been opened here. It is different abroad and all cultures are inclusive, not like in China, which closes up thought and blocks information. Thus I've had a good experience here [at the fair]."

After watching the Falun Gong exercise demonstration, Ms. Zhang, a Chinese woman living in The Hague, talked about her feelings. "It is easy to learn Falun Gong. I would like to try it. I have tried Yoga before, as I felt I that was getting old, too busy with work, and under a lot of pressure, and I wanted to find a way to relax. I have heard about Falun Dafa before and want to learn more about it."