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Eight Deaths Due to Torture Verified in October

(Clearwisdom.net) Torture-related deaths of eight Falun Gong practitioners were verified in October 2007. Seven of the practitioners died in September 2007, and one died in October 2007. According to statistics published on the Minghui/Clearwisdom website, ninety-five such deaths due to persecution have been verified from January through October of this year.

The eight deaths occurred in seven provinces and municipalities. There were two cases in Hunan Province, and one each in Heilongjiang, Hebei, and Jilin Provinces, Chongqing City, and Sichuan and Anhui Provinces. Three of the practitioners were women. Four were over 50 years old.

Since the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and Jiang's regime began the persecution of Falun Gong on July 20, 1999, 3101 deaths due to torture or police brutality have been verified. The actual number of deaths is far more than that.



Falun Gong practitioners protest the ongoing persecution in China

In August 2007, Israeli police arrested four smugglers of human organs. They confessed that these organs were from political prisoners in China – executed prisoners and Falun Gong practitioners. This was reported by the largest paper in Israel.

The *Liberty Times* reported on October 24, that Director Zhu Zhijun of the Tianjin No. 1 Central Hospital's Organ Transplant Center came to Taiwan in March 2007 to examine medical records and carry out preoperation assessments for patients going to China for liver transplants. He worked out of a meeting room at

the Taipei Howard Hotel where he stayed. Over 50 Taiwanese patients who had liver transplants at the Hospital were invited to attend a transplant patient's forum, with all expenses paid by the hospital. The report states that the Tianjin No. 1 Central Hospital is also called Oriental Organ Transplant Center, and is known as the largest liver transplant center in Asia, conducting 600 to 700 liver transplants each year. The *Liberty Times* pointed out that in fact, not only Tianjin doctors came to Taipei to solicit business. Doctor Huang Shiwei from the Jiayi Urology Department said that Director Lin Minzhuan of the Blood Purification Branch of Organ Transplants at Guangzhou Economic Development Zone Hospital, also comes to Taiwan each year to meet potential kidney transplant patients.

The Coalition to Investigate the Persecution of Falun Gong in China (CIPFG) recently published recordings of their telephone investigation of the Beijing Army Hospital in Liaoning Province, the Jinzhou City Court, Guangxi National Hospital and other institutions. The findings clearly indicate that the organ harvesting atrocities are still happening. Although the CCP passed a "Human Organ Transplant Law" on May 1, 2007, which purportedly prohibits the sale of organs, the authorities secretly continue dealing in organ harvesting from living Falun Gong practitioners.

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 and timely news events happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom publishes responsibly the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

My Mother Experiences the Miracle of Dafa

(Clearwisdom.net) Since I began practicing Falun Dafa two years ago, my 74-year-old mother has been focusing a lot of attention on me. Having personally witnessed the great physical and mental changes in me, she always shows the greatest respect and gratitude toward Falun Dafa. I always hoped that my mother would practice Dafa. A few months ago, she began to learn the exercises and read *Zhuan Falun*, the principal text of Falun Dafa.

A few days ago, my mother told me about a miraculous thing that happened to her in her hometown, an ancient town in Spain with a tradition of the "Running of the Bulls." In this annual festival, contestants and dozens of strong fighting bulls run through the narrow streets of the town. Those brave enough to participate in the event are generally strong and fit young men. Otherwise, the contestants would be trampled or gored by the bulls if the bulls were to catch up with them. Even if they are not killed, they would be seriously wounded. Those who can outrun the bulls or who can quickly evade the attacks of the bulls, are viewed as very brave. Spectators applaud and cheer for the contestants from safe areas behind fences on both sides of the street.

Whenever the "Running of the Bulls" is approaching, the town is particularly crowded. In past festivals, my parents used to get together with their neighbors, relatives and friends to watch the event together. After starting her cultivation practice, my mother cares little about such things, but she decided to go watch at the request of my father, neighbors and friends. According to my mother, while they were standing and watching from behind the safety fence, a strong bull suddenly charged towards them. The bull was so strong and aggressive that it knocked down the fence all of a sudden and my mother was thrown to the ground by a very strong force. At this moment, the bull again rushed straight toward her. The situation was critical because a fighting bull generally never gives up its attack until it gores its victim. My father was too terrified to know what to do. The only thing he could do was to forcefully shake the fence which had collapsed so as to divert the attention of the bull. But the bull had already reached my mother.

Afterwards, my mother recalled that she had felt the bull's bellowing in her ears at that time. Just at this critical moment, she thought of nothing else but this sentence: "FALUN DAFA AYUDA ME (FALUN DAFA HELP ME)!" Immediately a miracle happened. The fighting bull suddenly stopped about 10 centimeters away from her. Usually, in such a situation, the bull never gives up any chance to attack. But this time it suddenly turned around and ran off in the opposite direction.

My father and the bystanders were stupefied by this miracle. After rising from the ground, my mother found that she was uninjured. She said she was very calm without any fear at that time. When she told me about this experience, she repeatedly said, "I know it is Falun Dafa that helped me! Falun Dafa is great and miraculous!" Ever since then, my father and several relatives and friends have also begun to pay attention to the wonders of Falun Dafa.

Now my mother seriously studies *Zhuan Falun* and does the exercises every day. Whenever she goes out, she always brings along some informational materials in Chinese in her bag. When she meets Chinese people, she gives them the materials and tells them, "Falun Dafa is good."

"Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance" Artworks Exhibited in Salzburg

(Clearwisdom.net) On November 9-11, 2007, an international art exhibition was held in Salzburg, Austria. Artists from Europe and Asia displayed paintings, drawings, and sculptures. More than ten thousand people attended.

The International Artists Association in Austria (ASCARA) displayed the "Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance" artworks by Falun Gong practitioners at the exhibition. Many artists and spectators were attracted to the artworks. People were shocked by the brutal persecution of Falun Gong in China, depicted in the paintings. One of the artists said, "What we can do is tell everyone about the persecution. We will expose the persecution until it stops."



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