

Be Part of History

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On this July 20, the Chinese Communist Party's violent persecution of Falun Gong and Falun Gong practitioners' peaceful resistance will enter their eighth year. ([Watch the video on Falun Gong practitioners' Tiananmen Appeal.](#))

When the CCP launched the persecution, it was looking for a quick kill. The CCP's propaganda machine boasted that it would "completely solve the Falun Gong question in three months." Given how the CCP had been able to annihilate all victim groups in its previous persecutions, some China experts and international observers thought the regime needed just a week. Others predicted that Falun Gong would have to go underground to survive.

As history unfolds, what seemed a lopsided onslaught has turned out to be an epic struggle of peace vs. violence, truth vs. lies, and conscience vs. evil.

There is no doubt as to the CCP's ferociousness. In the first couple of years of the persecution, the CCP was able to bring the weight of the entire society down onto Falun Gong practitioners. Every element of society, from government ministries down to neighborhoods, was turned against Falun Gong. Falun Gong practitioners were forced to renounce their belief, or be fired from their jobs, expelled from schools, stripped of business licenses, evicted from their homes, and deprived of retirement payments.

There is also no doubt as to the regime's brutality. Those who refused to yield to the political and social pressure were incarcerated, brainwashed, tortured, and killed. Millions upon millions of Falun Gong practitioners, from young children to pregnant women and the elderly, have been detained and abused; thousands have been tortured to death, with countless others still unaccounted for. Most shockingly, at least one clandestine concentration camp is reported to have extracted vital organs from thousands of Falun Gong practitioners. With the regime's information blockade keeping the full picture hidden, the scope and severity of the atrocities are difficult to fathom.



A photograph of the Chen family. All six practice Falun Gong: Mr. Chen Yunchuan, the father; Ms. Wang Lianrong, the mother; Ms. Chen Shulan, the elder daughter; Mr. Chen Aizhong, the elder son, who was tortured to death on September 20, 2001; Mr. Chen Aili, the younger son, who was tortured to death on November 5, 2004; and Ms. Chen Hongping, the younger daughter, who was tortured to death on March 5, 2003. Currently, every family member has disappeared.

Facing the extreme injustice, facing heinous

torture and killing, Falun Gong practitioners have remained completely peaceful. They remain peaceful in the face of police beatings; they remain peaceful when the police coerce inmates into torturing them. They have exemplified the Falun Gong teaching that practitioners "shouldn't hit back when attacked, or talk back when insulted." Only the righteous command the moral power of non-violence. Such moral power is not displayed by just one or two, or a few, but by all Falun Gong practitioners. Their great tolerance and righteousness have touched countless people, including the torturers.

At the same time as the violent persecution, the regime also launched a far-reaching campaign of disinformation to demonize Falun Gong, to incite hatred, and to put pressure on Falun Gong practitioners. The CCP's propaganda machine flooded the printing presses and airwaves with the basest lies and fabrications, claiming that Falun Gong preached doomsday and encouraged suicide, that the regime treated Falun Gong practitioners "like a mother treats her daughters," and that it had won "decisive victories and successfully transformed 98% of Falun Gong practitioners." In early 2001, the regime even staged a self-immolation of five people in Tiananmen Square and, like Nero's shift of blame for the Great Fire of Rome to Christians, blamed the immolation on Falun Gong. The potent propaganda had poisoned many people into hating Falun Gong and participating in the persecution.

With great compassion towards the victims of the venomous lies, Falun Gong practitioners have persisted in what the Chinese language describes as "truth clarification" - informing people of the facts about Falun Gong and waking them up from a persecution that is completely based on lies. In the beginning, few people listened, and they even turned many practitioners in to the authorities. Gradually, people started to listen. As they learned about the heinous torture and saw through the CCP's lies, they began to distance themselves from the persecution. The CCP can no longer mobilize society to assist in the persecution. More and more people have started to protect Falun Gong practitioners and help them to spread the truth.

For the first time, the CCP's propaganda machine

Conscience in Action

1. "Fax-facts" project.

For the past few years, Falun Gong practitioners overseas have been editing and faxing information packages to millions and millions of fax machines in China, see [here](#).

They have also developed different systems to automate faxing to China. You can participate in "fax-facts" in two ways.

The first is to request a fax package (each containing 30 fax numbers) and send it from your own fax/computer.

The second is to cover the expenses of other volunteers sending faxes on your behalf. 100% of your contribution will be used for sending faxes. More details are available on our website. Click [here](#)

2. China-Action Network

Please join our action list, you will be informed on our activities and action on China, please send your email to project@consciencefoundation.org

3. "Olympics conscience" initiative.

The international community has awarded China the honor of hosting the 2008 Olympic Games. People and all countries that want to send a message to China about its abuse of human rights may boycott the China Olympic Games. To let your voice be heard

has had to fall quiet; to continue its smear campaign against Falun Gong would only continue to support the message that Falun Gong is still standing and that Falun Gong practitioners are still going strong in China. For the first time in its long history of dictatorship the CCP has had to take its persecution underground and stop claiming more "decisive victories."

The regime, however, cannot stop the tide from turning. The persecution of Falun Gong has thoroughly exposed the despotic nature of the CCP. At the same time, the courage of Falun Gong practitioners has awakened people's consciences worldwide. Large numbers of people have started to renounce their CCP memberships and resign from other CCP-affiliated organizations as a declaration to reclaim their consciences. By July 2006, nearly 12 million people had renounced their allegiance to the CCP, and the number is rapidly growing.

This resistance of a violent persecution through truth clarification and the awakening of people's conscience is unprecedented. The steely will Falun Gong practitioners have demonstrated and the tremendous sacrifices they have made are what the Chinese language describes as "startle the heavens and move the gods." When this page of history is turned, there will be no doubt that historians, writers, and scholars for generations will visit and revisit the epic story playing out today.

The persecution is ongoing, and history continues to unfold. You can be part of this defining moment in history. You can participate in this historic truth clarification. You can participate the projects initialed by the Conscience Foundation, see the section of "Conscience in Action" in this newsletter, or you can email us at project@consciencefoundation.org.

The CCP's persecution of Falun Gong is failing on all fronts. Your participation in the truth clarification will accelerate its ending and, one day, make you proud to tell your grandchildren, "I was there and I did it for you."

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On November 20, 2001, in an unprecedented appeal for the rights of the Chinese people, thirty-six Falun Gong practitioners from twelve countries raised a banner reading "Truth-Benevolence-Forbearance" and sat in a meditation pose on Tiananmen Square. They were arrested, beaten, and deported.

To sign the online petition:

<http://falunhr.org/te/index.php?signature=1&lang=en>

Harvesting Organs from Live Falun Gong Practitioners in China

The Canadian report of human rights lawyer David Matas and former MP David Kilgour on the Chinese Government's crime of taking live Falun Gong practitioners' organs.

<http://organharvestinvestigation.net/>

The newsletter on organ harvesting.

<http://www.falunhr.org/index.php?option=content&task=view&id=1495&Itemid=>

More information on organ harvesting.

http://www.faluninfo.net/fdifocus_organ.asp

Picture Exhibit:

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