Falun Gong stages anti-CCP march

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About 2,000 Falun Gong -practitioners staged a march in Taipei City yesterday in support of the nearly 70 million people they claim have dropped out of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) since 2005.

Holding banners that read "support China's human rights = support Taiwan's freedom" and "only with the disintegration of the CCP can the persecution be stopped," demonstrators gathered on Ketagalan Boulevard to denounce criminal acts allegedly carried out by the Chinese authoritarian regime against Falun Gong practitioners, including harvesting organs from living people.

Chang Ching-hsi ([] [] []), chairman of the Taiwanese Falun Dafa Association, said the CCP regime was bound to collapse.

"Before the CCP falls apart, we want to expose the despicable deeds of the evil organization," he said. "We call on those who still hold illusions about the CCP regime to see it for what it really is and withdraw from the party and its sub-organizations."

Chang said China was full of lies and violence. Over the past 30 years it has grown economically, creating a delusion that the CCP has changed and that China is wealthier and stronger, he said.

"In fact, the CCP has not changed a bit," he said. "It is still an evil party that is violent and autocratic. China's economic boom makes the government wealthy, but its people are still poor. China appears strong, but actually it has many problems."

Citing the book Bloody Harvest: The Killing of Falun Gong for Their Organs, Chang quoted the two -Canadian writers as saying the practice was "a new form of evil on the planet" and that the two authors believed such practices still occur.

Hou Nien-tsu ([][]]), a Taiwan representative of the Global Service Center for Quitting the Chinese Communist Party, alleged that since the CCP was established more than 60 years ago, it has caused the deaths of 80 million people in China. What was more appalling was the way it coerced the Chinese people to commit evil acts so they could not oppose the party and therefore strengthened the vile regime, he said.

Since the establishment of the Global Service Center for Quitting the Chinese Communist Party in February 2005, Hou said about 70 million Chinese have quit the CCP. Many people withdrew through e-mail, telephone, chat room or -instant messaging systems, he said.

Because of the accessibility of the Internet and availability of information, more and more people have left the CCP, from several thousand to 60,000 per day, Hou said.

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"Our goal is to see the CCP disintegrate peacefully," he said.

Tseng Wen-chung ([] [] []), who joined yesterday's march with his family and two children, said only with the demise of the CCP could China become a free and democratic country.

"I believe tyranny is bound to crumble," he said. "China's rise is superficial. It has many internal problems, including unfair distribution of wealth and the suppression of human rights and religion."

Tseng said he joined the Falun Gong about nine years ago mainly because he was curious about China's suppression of Falun Gong practitioners.

"The Chinese government should realize that the more it persecutes people, the more it internationalizes the issue, and the more people want to know about Falun Gong," he said.

After benefiting physically and mentally from it, Tseng said he -introduced it to his family, including his mother, wife and two children.

Tseng said there were only several thousand practitioners when Falun Gong was first introduced to Taiwan in 1999, but now the number has skyrocketed to between 400,000 and 500,000.

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