

**Open Letter to President Hu Jintao of China**  
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Your Excellency, President Hu Jintao,

The 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the People’s Republic of China approaches. As a child of God, a citizen under the authority of you, our leader, I will listen to God’s words and Jesus’ commandment to obey the policy and laws of the authority. However, Your Excellency is fooled by the malfasants; they isolated you from hearing the voice of the people and disgraced our county, the Communist Party and the nine NPC Standing Committees.

President Hu, you have always advocated to rule the county by law; I honor you, and the people honor you. But the bureaucratized state officials distort the laws you uphold and act just the opposite. The promises you made in front of the international societies and the laws that are protecting religious freedom of the Chinese citizens have become nothing but empty talks. These state officials mistreat millions of Christians in China as the “social disturbance.” They impose fines and enforce detention to the Christians, claiming they are “cult” and “illegal gathering”. Those officials robbed items and money from the Christians and keep the value to themselves.

In Henan province, Xiayi village of Shangqiu area, Taikong Village of Zhoukou area, Xinye Village of Nanyang area, and the city of Zhengzhou, Christians suffered unreasonable persecution and were not able to seek help. The officials made excuses to impose fines from the Christian and make profit out it. The bureau of religious affairs and the local police station held Li Guangren and Zheng Xiancai from Gusong in custody for ten days and imposed fines of 1000RMB. Again and again they disturbed and threatened Christians, and colluded with others to make exorbitant profits out of the church land. They banned churches which were spots for “illegal gathering” and courts in Shangqiu refused to accept the church complaints. The case of Tang Houyong and Shu Wen xiang in Taikong village was rejected by government at all different levels; the same thing happened to the Panshi Church in Zhengzhou city when the church pastor was detained and reeducated through labor. In Nanyang, Xinye village, the Christians were arrested with no right to appeal at the court.

In China, cases like those listed above are numerous. These facts are against the religious policy and the Constitutions of PRC. The citizens are persecuted and treated as rebellions for believing Jesus is Lord and seeking justice. I beg you, President Hu, to look back the past 60 years during which the government has never trusted Christians or understood God’s love. The Christians in China were arrested, beaten and killed like lambs by your subordinates but they endure the hardship and love you like Jesus does regardless. They pray for blessings on the leaders of our country. As the law is popularized in China, we start to realize we must protect our rights and religious freedom through the law. We are trying to seek legal justice and speak up to the authority; but those things are impossible to find in China. We cannot avenge ourselves, but rather give place unto [God’s] wrath, for it is written “Vengeance is mine; I will repay, said the Lord”. Please think carefully, President Hu, because the ancient Chinese proverb says “those who gain the heart of people achieve political domination”. I know it is your wish to reform the corrupted Chinese administrative system and put the Chinese people at ease. We Christians are children of God, as well as good citizens. So please President Hu, have a second thought. The suppression and persecution Christians suffered will make them stronger warriors for Christ; however, those who persecute the children of God will have to pay the penalty. May the Lord bless China.

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