

## Testimony of Guiying WANG



My name is Guiying WANG. We lived at 80 Tianzhutang Hou Jie (literal translation: Catholic Church Back Street) in 1937. Our family relied on my dad pulling rickshaws and my mom washing clothes for other people. I was 9 at the time and my younger sister Guihua WANG was only 3.

On the day when the Japanese devils entered the city (Nanjing) , my mom, aunt (wife of my maternal uncle), sister and I were all hiding at home. I did not know where my dad and maternal uncle hid. We were terrified, praying to heaven that the Japanese devils would not come to our home. But the terrible thing still happened. One Japanese soldier kicked our door open, followed by another Japanese devil. They held a bayonet in their hands. When they saw my mother and aunt, they each grabbed one of them. My sister was frightened and started crying, holding tightly onto my mother. The Japanese devil kicked my sister on the right

side of her head. Blood came out and was all over her face. I was so terrified that I started to cry as well. The other Japanese devil stabbed my head with his bayonet. To this day there is still a scar on my head. When he saw me covering my head with my arms, he bayoneted again my left hand. They raped my mother and aunt. After they left, mother and aunt told us not to tell dad and uncle.

The Japanese devil kicked my sister with such force that a piece of her scalp on the right side came off. I was very scared and I used wiping cloth to help clean her wound but the bleeding would not stop. I carried her to a pond outside and wanted to wash her wound. But the whole pond was in blood. I was then too young to know any better and still washed my sister's wound with the pond water. Her wound got infected. It took a year for the wound to heal and form scars.

Uncle treated aunt badly because he could not accept the fact that she was raped by the Japanese devil. Aunt suffered from depression and went crazy within a year. She died in 1949.

We can never forget the misery and suffering the Japanese devils brought us.

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