

## Chaplain (Major) Xiong Yan's Bio

One of the student leaders who initiated the 1989 Tiananmen Democratic Movement, a Tiananmen Massacre witness and survivor. He was elected as a Chairman of Beijing University Students Independent Council. He was the Chief member of Students' Dialogue Group during the Democracy Movement. He was one of the twenty-one on the Chinese government's "Most Wanted List" of student leaders. His involvement at Tiananmen Square led to his arrest and imprisonment at Qin Cheng prison for 19 months. He came to the United States as a Political refugee in 1992. He was elected as the Chairman of the Party of Freedom and Democracy of China of the Second Party Representative Conference from 1992 to 1995. He joined US Army in 1994 and was commissioned in 2003. He was deployed to Iraq for a year. Dr. Xiong Yan holds 6 degrees. He is the author of hundreds articles and three books, including his poetry book.