



## Personal Details



<b>CECC Record Number</b>	2008-00012	<b>Ethnic Group</b>	Han
<b>Detention Status</b>	REL	<b>Sex</b>	M
<b>Issue Category</b>	rel	<b>Age At Detention</b>	
<b>Main Name</b>	Shi Weihang	<b>Religion</b>	Protestant (unreg. church)
<b>Chinese Characters (Main Name)</b>	石维翰	<b>Occupation</b>	book/magazine vendor
<b>Alternate Name (Lay or Pen)</b>		<b>Affiliation</b>	
<b>Additional Name(s)</b>		<b>Residence Province</b>	Beijing Shi (prov.)
<b>Pinyin Name</b>		<b>Residence Prefecture</b>	Beijing Shi Muni. Urb. Area (pref.)
		<b>Residence County</b>	Haidian Dist.

## Imprisonment or Detention Details

<b>Date of Detention</b>	2008/02/dd
<b>Current Prison</b>	Haidian PSB Det. Ctr.
<b>Sentence Length (Years)</b>	3
<b>Sentence Length (Months)</b>	
<b>Sentence Length (Weeks)</b>	
<b>Sentence Length (Days)</b>	
<b>Province Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Beijing Shi (prov.)
<b>Prefecture Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Beijing Shi Muni. Urb. Area (pref.)
<b>County Where Imprisoned (or Detained)</b>	Haidian Dist.

## Legal Process

<b>Legal Process</b>	chg/tri/sent/rel	<b>Formal Arrest Date</b>	2008/03/19
<b>Trial Court</b>	Haidian District People's Court	<b>Trial Date</b>	2009/04/09
<b>Sentence Court</b>	Haidian District People's Court	<b>Sentence Date</b>	2009/06/10
<b>Appeal Court</b>		<b>Appeal Date</b>	
<b>Appeal Ruling Court</b>		<b>Appeal Ruling Date</b>	
<b>Sent. Ends Per PRC</b>		<b>Actual Date Released</b>	2011/02/09
<b>Charge (Statute)</b>	CL97-art225		

## Short Summary

According to CAA ([7 January 08](#), [28 April 08](#), [31 July 08](#), [4 March 11](#), [8 March 11](#)) and CDN ([18 April 08](#), via Open Doors), public security officials detained Shi Weihang—a Protestant house church leader and owner of a Christian bookstore—likely in February 2008, and the Beijing Municipal People's Procuratorate formally authorized his arrest on March 19, 2008. Authorities accused him of illegally printing and distributing Bibles. Shi had been detained on November 28, 2007, on a similar charge, but due to "insufficient evidence," authorities released Shi on bail on January 4, 2008. On June 10, 2009, the Beijing Haidian District People's Court sentenced Shi to three years in prison and fined him 150,000 yuan (US\$21,960) for operating a business illegally, a crime under Art. 225 of China's [Criminal Law](#). Public security officials reportedly pressured Shi's family to refrain from appealing his sentence. Shi is diabetic, and CAA reported that Shi had bouts of poor health while in detention. Authorities denied his lawyers' requests for medical parole. On February 9, 2011, authorities released Shi after he completed his sentence, but authorities reportedly continue to restrict him from attending church gatherings.