



An Analysis on the Formation Basis of Young Marxists' Belief in Colleges and Universities in Jilin Province

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Abstract: Belief determines people's values, which also serves as an important spiritual pillar and motivation source. The belief of young Marxists matters much to the growth of young people and the formation of their values, and is also pertinent to the future and future of the country and nation. Therefore, the issue of faith is of vital importance to both the youth and the country, so the research on the foundation of the generation of young Marxists' belief is a top priority. The formation basis of young Marxist belief in this paper is analyzed in colleges and universities in Jilin Province from the three dimensions of the role of the youth, opportunity and historical mission.

Keywords: colleges and universities in Jilin Province, young Marxist, belief

Belief denotes a unique expression of people's thoughts, which is also the embodiment of value demands of people. Besides, it is the concentrated embodiment of the needs of people in spirits, the fundamental basis of value judgment, and the inner motivation of social behavior. People without belief is destined to leave a purposeless life without significance for existence. For young people, belief is an important guide and spiritual power for them to make a plan on life and to realize the value of life. It is of great significance to help young people establish a scientific and firm belief in life to clarify the generation basis of young people's belief.

1. The role of youths nourishes the germination of belief

1.1 Youths are active promoters that pose influence on the course of historical development

(1) The youth movement in Jilin Province has promoted the historical development process. There were numerous excellent youths who sacrificed themselves with bloods for the success of our great triumph in Jilin Province made of black oil. The Movement Ideological Liberation and Social Reform in Jilin Province were inseparable from the power of youths.

Proceeding from the May 4th Movement, the young students of colleges and universities in Jilin Province bear the brunt to give full support to the patriotic movement of Beijing students, holding high the white flag of "Boycott Japanese goods" and "Salvage the nation from perishing" on the streets to support Beijing students; On the one hand, secret activities were implemented. The citizens were informed of the ugly face of the reactionary government and the real situation of national, so as to arouse their patriotic sentiments, as a result, the patriotism gained more popularity in the whole Jilin Province. During the bloody struggle of 14 years of Anti-Japanese struggle, Jilin province proactively responded to the establishment of Anti-Japanese armed forces. Yang Jingyu, Zhou Baozhong, Zhao Shangzhi and other countless young people fought with dauntless spirit in the battlefield to defend the country, who played a pivotal role in the War of Resistance against Japanese Aggression. During the War of Liberation, the Northeast National Coalition launched the famous Siping Defense Battle and Sibao Linjiang Battle against the Kuomintang Army, killing tens of thousands of people and laying a foundation for the liberation of the entire northeast region.

The Youth Movement in Jilin Province has greatly improved the political consciousness of the youth groups, which laid the ideological and political foundation for the popularity of Marxist thought in Jilin Province and the firm foothold of the Communist Party of China in Jilin Province. At the same time, youths in Jilin left a precious spirit of red resources in the bloody revolution and sacrifice for future generations. With the real solemn and stirring historical facts, the patriotic belief of contemporary young Marxists has been awakened; The ideological and political education of young Marxists in the revolutionary tradition has improved their immunity to the decadent and erroneous ideas of the West, which strengthened their ideals and beliefs, and their determination to consciously shoulder the mission of the country was strengthened. Youths in Jilin sowed seeds of belief in the exploration of revolution and belief was consolidated with bloodshed. Besides, the belief of youth Marxists in the 21 century sprouted and an increasing number of youth Marxists begun to accept the Marxist belief, thus awakening the patriotic belief. To be said, history bestowed youths missions and opportunities, and in return, the youth

shaped the belief and righteous ardour of the time.

(2) Master scientific culture, broaden the horizons of youths with knowledge and skills, and make beliefs concrete. Youth movement can be made with the help of scientific culture as a theoretical arm, and the generation of youth belief can be made available based on embellishment of scientific culture. Chen Duxiu mentioned in *New Youth* that "Chinese people should get rid of feudal and ignorant ideas and advocate human rights by studying science, equal importance should be attached to science and human rights." [1] The May 4th Movement of Jilin youth broke away from the shackles of thought and opened the pattern of struggle in the process of seeking knowledge, transforming abstract spiritual belief into action initiative. Currently, the scientific spirit and belief of the May 4th Movement at that time should be carried forward among young Marxists in colleges and universities. At the meeting commemorating the 100th anniversary of the May 4th Movement, Xi Jinping proposed that young people in the new era should "strive to master scientific and cultural knowledge and professional skills, and strive to improve humanistic literacy" [2].

Colleges and universities in Jilin Province attach importance to the professional knowledge learning of young Marxists, and set up a series of characteristic Marxist disciplines, build a reading corridor of subject knowledge so as to guide young Marxists to read original works and learn principles. Besides, the essence of Marxist theory was refined with integration of their professional knowledge and other disciplines. In order to strengthen the theoretical foundation of young Marxists, we should cultivate young Marxists in knowledge and scientific education in different ways. On the other hand, colleges and universities in Jilin Province introduce advantages of red cultural resources into classrooms to strengthen young Marxists' study of party history and national history.

Taking history as a mirror, history should be rendered as the best textbook to replace boring indoctrination education, arousing young Marxists' emotional resonance and spiritual exchange with the power of examples, and thus enriching young Marxists' spiritual world in learning history and understanding history. As a result, abstract and vague belief can be transformed into concrete and firm beliefs. Ideals and beliefs should be established on the basis of scientific theories, and young Marxists should gradually establish and deepen their belief in communism in an empathetic way.

1.2 Youths are realistic reformers who continue national construction and social development

(1) Chinese youth in the new era should shoulder the responsibilities of the times. Today's China is the best time for youth for development. Opportunities come with challenges. The development of the country, the progress of the society and the dream of mankind cannot be separated from the exploration and transformation of the youth. Because of youth with high intellectual curiosity and exploratory, value system form is not enough mature, psychological condition such as unstable factors, in the face of a sprawling complex environment at home and abroad and the impact of different values, norms and ideology, the youth showed a lack of responsibility, faith, chaos, waver, etc, so it is urgent to strengthen the youth marxists ideal faith education.

In order to strengthen the ideal and belief education of young Marxists, colleges and universities in Jilin Province carry out the "Qingma Project" to cultivate a group of excellent young political backbone with good quality, high ambition and firm belief. Represented by the "Xinglin Qingma Project" of Changchun University of Traditional Chinese Medicine, it has formed a unique training mode of "Five Elements Plan", thus a system of ideological and political education based on theory guidance, self-improvement, cultural nourishment, practice refinement and tutor guidance was developed. The "Xinglin Qingma Project" will be built into an education base to exercise will, improve consciousness and firm belief. The education of ideals and beliefs of young Marxists in colleges and universities in Jilin Province makes them keep the direction of progress and the bottom line of faith while conforming to the development of The Times and meeting the needs of the country and society, and turn the most tenacious will and determination not to follow the tide into the most firm belief in life.

(2) Integrate into practice training, enhance youth's comprehensive ability through pioneering and innovation, and make faith vivid. Romain Rolland once quoted, belief is not a kind of learning, rather than a kind of behavior, its significance can be displayed when practiced. Belief is the original power of practice, and practice is the meaning of the generation of belief. The practice quenching Plan of Xinglin Qingma Project of Changchun University of Traditional Chinese Medicine is to carry out coordinated education of theory and practice for young Marxists.. Qingma trainees were arranged to go to Yan'an and Jinggangshan for practical studies, and Reading & Report Meeting was held and they paid visit to the Red Museum to strengthen practical education and training of young Marxists. Similarly, Changchun Normal University launched "Baiyou Qingma Project". Through practice, young Marxists' sense of responsibility and comprehensive ability have been enhanced by a series of activities such as community volunteer service, field investigation of modern enterprises, and participation in education and training in Jinggangshan Revolutionary Base. Faith education has been integrated into concrete practice. Young Marxists went deep into the second class of social practice, got through the ideal world and the real world to make the belief of young Marxists emotional and vivid, thus enriching the connotation and level of belief. As a result, the superficial

belief was developed as the the long-lasting belief.

2. The times of youths have accelerated the development of belief

2.1 The development of youths has a new historical orientation

(1) The new era points out the direction and source for the generation of young people's belief. The threshold of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics serves as a new historical orientation for youth development. Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics has pointed out the direction for the generation of youth belief. Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics takes "Eight Clarifications" and "Fourteen Adherence" as the core content with the purpose to expound the value orientation, moral quality, ideals and beliefs of young people, and thus making a clear plan for their growth and development. As a result, the spiritual core of young people's belief is shaped.

Colleges and universities in Jilin Province took Xi Jinping Thought of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics as the training standard and guiding principle for young Marxists, and in-depth analysis was conducted on how to train young people and how to generate young people's belief. Besides, education on improvement of the ideology and politics of young Marxists is regarded as the basis and source for the generation of belief. Colleges and universities in Jilin Province were fully aware of the law of development the times and the characteristics of the youth, accordingly, innovation was achieved in education on ideology and politics to get rid of the indoctrination based education. Besides, cultural salon was organized, the integration of online and offline education was implemented to make new ways of cultivation in education such as "Ideological and Political Classroom" and "Classroom with Ideology and Politics" to charter a new path in ideological and political education. While catering to the theme of the times, the personality development and needs of young people is well satisfied with attention, which directly affects the direction of the generation of young Marxists' belief, determining the depth of the generation of young Marxists' belief.

(2) The new era refreshes the confidence of the youth in generation of belief since the new era. The development of reform and development in Jilin province proved to be bumpy. With dauntless courage and dedication, youths contributed more in the history of Jilin in development despite twists and turns during the course, which refreshed the background of youths in generation of belief. "The river of time flows unceasingly, and each generation of young people embrace their own opportunities and they should make plans on their lives and make history under the conditions of their own times," Xi said at a seminar held by teachers and students at Peking University.[3] In the new era, the development orientation for youth was accurately discovered by Jilin colleges and universities based on social needs, and batches of young elites were cultivated with strong capacity in profession with good quality. During the pandemic, young people from Changchun University of Chinese Medicine immediately requested to go to the battlefield. They either appeared in the front line of the fight against the pandemic or appeared in the volunteer team, protecting the safety of the country people and the property. Their behavior helps young Marxists to establish an indestructible Marxist belief, becoming the new solid confidence for young people in developing belief with the most distinctive characteristics of the times.

2.2 The development of youths has a solid foundation

(1) Material foundation. In the 21st century, China has achieved leap-forward progress in development and progress. The great abundance of material life has provided a solid material foundation for the development of young people. Similarly, colleges and universities in Jilin province provided young Marxists with an environment rich in material and sufficient resources. Colleges and universities in Jilin Province have increased efforts in capital investment with updated infrastructure and teaching equipment. Besides, rich library collection resources was provided and professional and comprehensive teaching team was established. Moreover, humanistic care was integrated into the ideological and political education for young Marxists to meet the development needs of young Marxists. Therefore, colleges and universities should be developed as the main battlefield for cultivation of young Marxists with freedom in development and beliefs. The material construction of colleges and universities in Jilin Province provides material nourishment for the generation of young Marxists' belief. The plasticity of the material environment makes young Marxists innovate and perfect on the original basis and speeds up the development of their belief.

(2) Spiritual foundation. Jilin province is endowed with rich and diversified local culture that is integrated ideological and political education by Jilin colleges and universities. As a result, new class on regional culture was developed. National culture with characteristics and contents on enriching ideological and political education by red culture were greatly promoted. Young Marxists were organized to experience the resistance road and educational activities such as visiting revolutionary sites and war museums were held. To carry out patriotism education and ideological and political education with the historical evidence left by the revolutionary ancestors, to infuse the spiritual world of young Marxists with the

regional spiritual foundation, and to arouse emotional resonance in an immersive manner. With the aid of network media to create online double teaching platform, reasonable use of unique cultural resources in Jilin Province can be made to achieve the education of ideological and political among the youth Marxists in the mental environment Under the influence of the spiritual environment, young Marxists were firm in their ideals and belief, and their patriotism was strengthened. In the process of realizing their ideal goals in life, they constantly shape their belief patterns and enhance their belief enthusiasm

3. The historical mission of youths has laid the foundation for the generation of belief

"The mission of young Chinese in the new era is to uphold the leadership of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and work with the people for realization of the "Two Centenary Goals" and the Chinese dream of national rejuvenation," Xi said. [2] The historical mission of youth determines the status and responsibility of youth, and the basic connotation of the historical mission in the context of the new era also lays the foundation for the generation of young Marxist belief.

(1) Consolidate beliefs from the connection between the characteristics of the subject and the characteristics of the times. The historical mission of youth is subjective, which is formed by the choice of the subject's own values. Different subjects in the same era is endowed with different historical mission. "The value orientation of youth determines the value orientation of the whole society in the future[4]. Colleges and universities in Jilin Province adhered to the purpose of running schools based on youth, the main characteristics of youth was firmly made clear, the hierarchy and pertinence of ideological and political education was strengthened to enable young Marxists to make correct choices in value and value judgments, thus students can be clear of their own mission and responsibility. The present era witnesses rapid development, continuous improvement. The belief generation of young Marxists needs to conform to the direction of the times and combine with the characteristics of the times. Therefore, colleges and universities in Jilin Province pay special attention to the ideological and spiritual construction of young Marxists, forming a set of clear and reasonable norms for youth education system, strengthening guidance education, and orderly promoting the ideological and political education of young people from the marxist point of view and position in order to make the young Marxists to standardize their own behavior constraint based value orientation. The formation of firm values in a harmonious spiritual world is in line with both the laws of the times and personal expectations. Deepening the understanding of belief in cognition and practice, and belief with the power of the times should be strengthened while consciously undertaking the historical mission

(2) Deepen the belief from the unity of personal value and social value. The historical context of the new era proved to be the best era for the development of the Chinese nation since modern times, meanwhile, which is also the most critical era for the realization of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation"[6]. Against the backdrop of the new era, the historical mission of youth is no longer to change the fate of the Chinese nation and to reverse the situation of Chinese people to be bullied. Instead, the missions of the youths are that they should stand on a broader stage and lead all the sons and daughters of the Chinese nation toward realizing the Chinese Dream and building China into a modern socialist country. Xi Jinping believes that "the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation will eventually become a reality through the continuous struggle of generations of young people"[6]. The country and the youth are an inseparable and unified whole. The development of the youth can be achieved with favorable conditions created by the country and the society, and the progress of the country and the society needs to be promoted by the youth. Society is a collection of individual people. The education of young Marxists in colleges and universities in Jilin Province takes people as logical starting point and logical ending point.

On the one hand, they cultivate the moral character of young people in social practice with socialist core values as the main guiding principle. Both moral ability and internal and external cultivation should be regarded as the standard for the formation of young Marxists' belief. Colleges and universities in Jilin Province vigorously carry out off-campus practice activities, and actively mobilize young Marxists to go into the community to serve the community and keep close contact with the general public. Among them, Changchun University of Chinese Medicine has established Boshuo Medical Service Group, with the service concept of fine research, benevolence and providing services for the society. With the purpose of spreading traditional Chinese medicine culture, helping social vulnerable groups and enhancing sense of social responsibility of the youths, it serves the masses and society in social practice and promotes youth's growth and development. On the other hand, the colleges and universities in Jilin Province, under the guidance of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, integrated the the comprehensive learning ability and future planning of young Marxists with China's reality and national conditions so as to give full play to their own values and contribute all their strength. Changchun University of Traditional Chinese Medicine has set up a training course for backbones in Marxist theory. A series of special lectures on Marxism were held, and field trips to revolutionary sites and other activities enables young Marxists to better integrate themselves into society. They should regard themselves as an important member for social construction, and social

needs should be closely bounded to their plans on development. Besides, the personal belief can be closely connected with future society to deepen Marxist belief in the construction of the era, opening up the era and dedicating the era.

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