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### **[Abstract Title]**

How did they become social activists? the meaning of activities for Parents living with Sewol Ferry Disaster

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Many changes have been made since April 16, 2014, including the establishment of the 416 Regiment, 416 Foundation, and 416 Ferry Disaster Family Council. However, the cause of the disaster remains unknown. Even now, after six years, the fact that the truth is a national desire, and the tragedy remains a national pain.

We were interested in the changes in their lives of participants, parents who lost their children. Six years after the tragedy, in-depth interviews were with 15(7 men, 8 women) participants, members of the 416 Ferry Disaster Family Council, to find out what their life weight and stress coping strategies are for individuals. The results were analyzed by dividing them into three aspects. (1) personal aspects: trauma delay, delay in mourning, sadness, denial, (2) family aspects: the difference between explicit and implicit attitudes, isolation from family, relatives, and 416 Ferry Disaster Family Council, the 'family community' as a focal point, (3) Social aspects: social isolation, expanding social interests and solidarity, hope to find out the truth s and realize a safe society.

In conclusion, the study participants seem to have warmth and solidarity to those who are relatively distant while feeling isolation and loneliness to close people.



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