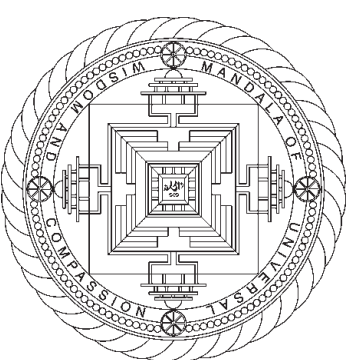


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for Special
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From Lama Zopa Rinpoche



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The following dedications are recommended by Lama Zopa Rinpoche to be done when engaging in special practices to fulfill the purposes of FPMT.

Due to these merits, may we be able to fulfill His Holiness the Dalai Lama's wishes – now and in all future lifetimes.

May all the gurus have a stable life and may all their holy wishes succeed immediately.

May all the projects in Tibet succeed as quickly as possible and may they be most beneficial for all sentient beings; may they be most effective in achieving total religious freedom in Tibet and (for Tibetans) to get their country back.

May the building of all holy objects, hermitages, hospitals, and so forth be able to succeed as quickly as possible and may they be most beneficial.

May we quickly receive all the funding needed for the 500-foot Maitreya Buddha statue. May we be able to finish the statue as quickly as possible, so that Maitreya Buddha will descend into the world. May the statue be most beneficial to sentient beings; may it cause all sentient beings to generate loving kindness, compassion, and bodhichitta in their hearts as quickly as possible. May the Maitreya statue cause perfect peace and happiness in the world and bring all sentient beings to enlightenment as quickly as possible by causing them to achieve enlightenment as quickly as possible.

May there be immediate success for all the projects, such as building holy objects of buddhas, statues, and stupas in order to purify the minds of sentient beings, cause them to collect extensive merit, and soften their hearts to find faith in refuge and karma, and generate bodhichitta.

May there be immediate success for all the social service projects: hospices for the dying, clinics for sick people, and Universal Education; may all the projects of the FPMT in general, and the centers be successful – most beneficial – for sentient beings. May we be able to fulfill all of His Holiness the Dalai Lama's wishes, now and in all future lifetimes.



Line drawing of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama. Artist unknown.

Colophon:

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Abbreviated Dedication Prayers for Special Occasions



We dedicate all these merits for immediate success in getting all the funding needed for the Maitreya Project, for the statue to be completed quickly, and for it be most beneficial for sentient beings to purify their minds, collect extensive merits, and generate faith in Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha. May the statue generate compassion, loving kindness, and bodhichitta in the hearts of all living beings, particularly, in this world – particularly in the hearts of all the leaders of the world and all the terrorists, those who cause so much violence to others in this world. May it be the cause for perfect enjoyments and peace, as well as inner prosperity, generating the complete path to enlightenment in their hearts as quickly as possible.

May we be able to accomplish all the projects in Tibet as quickly as possible and may they be most beneficial and effective to achieve the total freedom of religion in Tibet and (for Tibetans) to get their country back.

Due to these merits, may the monks and nuns in the East and West have food, education and shelter.

May we be able to build monasteries, and set up education, food offerings, and so forth, in order to take care of the Sangha – the monks and nuns in the East and West and in various parts of the world; may they have food, education, and shelter. May those who preserve the Dharma and spread the Dharma in this world have success in all their projects, and may they be most beneficial to sentient beings.

May we be able to fund all projects for the Sangha, including those of the Gelugpa Society, for them to be able to preserve and spread the Dharma.

May all members of the Sangha, particularly the FPMT Sangha, be able to complete all the qualities of the trainings in this very lifetime – the teachings and realizations of the path to enlightenment – by receiving everything they need and receiving protection for their life.

May the building of all the holy objects, stupas, statues, and scriptures in various parts of the world act as a means to purify the negative karma and defilements of all sentient beings and help them to collect extensive merit quickly and easily. May these holy objects soften their hearts for them to find faith in refuge and karma, generate bodhichitta, and be able to actualize the path to enlightenment. May we be able to provide all the funds for this and may we be able to actualize all of the holy objects that are intended.

May all the social service projects succeed immediately such as setting up universal education schools and projects in various parts of the world in order to bring down violence and bring peace and happiness into each person's life; helping young people; hospices that are benefiting people when they are in the process of dying, as well as hospitals and clinics for sick people; together with all the projects of the FPMT.

May we be able to provide funding for all the Dharma centers in the FPMT. May all the Dharma centers become wish-fulfilling to all sentient beings, bringing peace and happiness into the world by generating faith in refuge and karma in the hearts of all beings in this world, as well as loving kindness, compassion, and bodhichitta;

and, in particular, by spreading the teachings of Lama Tsongkhapa in the hearts of all sentient beings.

May all the centers' projects succeed immediately and may they cause all sentient beings to achieve enlightenment as quickly as possible.

May anyone who relies upon me, whose names have been given to me, who have died, those for whom I have promised to pray – especially the students of this organization – may they immediately be free from the suffering of the lower realms, be born in a pure land, and achieve enlightenment, or may they receive a perfect human body, meet a perfectly qualified Mahayana guru, practice the path, and achieve enlightenment as quickly as possible.

May myself, my family members, and all students and benefactors of this organization – especially those who have sacrificed their life for this organization by doing service for sentient beings and the teachings of the Buddha – have long and healthy lives. May all our wishes succeed immediately according to the holy Dharma. May we be able to actualize the stainless teachings of Lama Tsongkhapa, the unified teachings of sutra and tantra, in this very lifetime. May we be able to complete the path in this very lifetime, without even a second's delay.

May all those who are building the Maitreya statue – people in companies, laborers, cooks, and those who give contributions of money, time, or life for the project – as well as those who circumambulate the statue, make offerings to the statue, prostrate to the statue, see the statue, and those who hear about the statue, who think about the statue, who remember the statue, who praise the statue, who criticize it; from that time on, may they never be reborn in the lower realms. May they immediately purify their negative karma and never get reborn in the lower realms. May they meet Maitreya Buddha's teachings, generate faith in refuge and karma, actualize bodhichitta, complete the path, and achieve enlightenment as quickly as possible.

May there be immediate success in getting all the funding for the Maitreya Project. May the statue be completed quickly and be most beneficial for sentient beings to purify their minds and collect extensive merit. May the statue give rise to faith in Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha, and generate compassion, loving kindness and bodhichitta in the hearts of all living beings, particularly in this world – particularly in the hearts of all the leaders of this world and all the terrorists, those who cause so much violence to others in this world; may it become the cause for their perfect enjoyment, peace, inner prosperity, and generation of the complete path to enlightenment as quickly as possible.



Colophon:

Dictated by Lama Zopa Rinpoche to Ven. Holly Ansett, 2004. Edited by Kendall Magnusson, FPMT Education Services, October 2004. These dedications are to be recited after special practices such as recitation of the Sanghatasutra for the success of the Maitreya Project.