

Prayers for the time of transition 4/26/2020

At every stage of life,
May we all be guided by Noble Buddhas and Bodhisattvas,
comforted and supported by beneficent celestials...

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Adapted from Prayers by Lama Zopa Rinpoche:

May anyone who is dying {or who has died}
immediately stop experiencing terrifying emotions and karmic appearances
and feel incredible bliss in their heart.

May they then be born in a pure land of Buddha,
where there is no suffering of rebirth, old age, sickness,
or emotional problems.

Totally free from all suffering and its causes,
may they become enlightened there.

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May those I have heard about who have passed away
be reborn in a Pure Land, without taking birth any place else

May their families be comforted
May they all know blessed peace

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By all the virtue and all the blessings
of all the ten directions three times Buddhas and Bodhisattvas,
May those who are transitioning from this world
never ever be reborn in the lower realms

At the time of death,
may they be born in a Pure Land,
where they can be enlightened

And if they are to take rebirth in this world,
May they receive a perfect human body,
meet the Mahayana teachings,
and meet a perfectly qualified Mahayana guru
who reveals the unmistakable path to enlightenment.
and, by only pleasing the holy mind of the virtuous friend,
may they achieve enlightenment as quickly as possible.

Prayer for Rebirth in the Pure Land of Amitabha

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Wonderful Buddha of Limitless Light,
to his right the Lord of Great Compassion,
and to his left the Bodhisattva of Great Power
Surrounded by buddhas and bodhisattvas measureless in number -

Joy and happiness without limit
is this land called Sukhavati

May we be born there as soon as we pass from this life
Without taking birth anywhere else

Having been born there
May we see Amitabha's face.

May the buddhas and bodhisattvas of the ten directions
Give their blessing that the wishes expressed in this prayer
be accomplished without hindrance.

Brief Prayer to be Reborn in the Blissful Pure Land of Amitabha

Eh Ma Ho!

In the center is Amitabha, the marvelous Buddha of Boundless Light,
On his right side is the Lord of Great Compassion, Chenrezig,
And on his left is Vajrapani, the Lord of Powerful Means.
They are surrounded by limitless Buddhas and Bodhisattvas.
Immeasurable peace and happiness is this blissful Pure Land of Sukhavati.

As all beings pass from samsara,
May they be born there without taking samsaric rebirth.
May they have the blessing of meeting Amitabha face to face.

By the all the power and all the blessings
of the all the ten directions three times Buddhas and Bodhisattvas
May they attain this without hindrance.

A traditional prayer, as heard in an oral teaching by Alan Wallace

By all this merit, for every one of us,
when this life is over,
may we each be born immediately in a Pure Land,

and in all our lives
May we never be separate from qualified teachers,
and from conducive environments,
with all the supportive conditions
for continuing our practice of the Dharma

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Until we reach enlightenment,
in all our lifetimes,
may we connect at an early age
with completely realized teachers,
take Refuge, and receive teachings,
practice pure ethics,
excellent meditation, and Perfect Wisdom,
have great love and compassion for one another,
and fully accomplish our Path.

From The Chenrezig Sadhana

Through the merit of reciting and meditating
may I and every being to whom I am connected,
when these imperfect forms are left behind,
be miraculously born in Dewachen.
May I then immediately cross the ten levels
and send out emanations for the benefit of others.

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When this life is over,
may those who are transitioning from this world
be accompanied by beneficent celestials,
take birth in a Pure Land,
and attain enlightenment there

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For every one of us,
when this life is over,
may we be guided by the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas,
Saints and Sages,
and by Holy Beings,
take rebirth in a Pure Land,
and attain enlightenment there

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In this and in all our lifetimes,
May we all find one or more teacher we connect with deeply,
practice well,
free ourselves from all suffering and its causes,
and lead all others, without exception to that very same state

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In all our rebirths, never separated from perfect gurus,
May we enjoy the magnificent Dharma.
By completing the qualities of the stages and paths,
May we all swiftly attain the stage of full enlightenment.