

法界聖城念佛會成立啓事

緣起:

末法時期的眾生離佛已遠，善知識難遇，修行障礙重重，應以專修淨土法門爲要。

高僧傳言：「諸修行門，無過念佛與供養三寶，福慧雙修，此之二門，最爲徑要」又言「阿彌陀佛願力不可思議，汝當繼念無令間斷，命終之後決定往生，求不退轉。」鑒此，吾等擬成立念佛會。

念佛會宗旨:

- 一. 提倡淨土法門。
- 二. 修習淨土宗之要典經藏及佛門法器。
- 三. 定期參加念佛法會及佛七，以信願行爲要，求念佛不斷，一心不亂。
- 四. 集合各會員的時間與力量，爲臨終前的會員及其眷屬助念，以助其往生。
- 五. 本著人饑己饑，人溺己溺，學習菩薩慈悲喜捨的精神，成就一眾生往生西方即是成就一眾生作佛。

念佛會會員須知:

- 一. 凡是正信佛教徒，並認同本念佛會之宗旨者，均可加入本會。(本會不收任何費用)
- 二. 參加念佛會者，必須每天完成自己所訂功課，切勿懈怠，請於每月第四星期日念佛法會，攜帶功課回法界聖城，參加念佛迴向，如半年內缺席超過三次者，形同放棄助念申請之權益。

- 三. 請至櫃台簽到，並繳回功課表。如有眷屬生重病，此時可提出念佛迴向，助其離苦得樂。
- 四. 歡迎會員及非會員踴躍加入助念團。
- 五. 凡本念佛會之會員，皆可提出助念申請。(助念可幫助亡者提起正念，往生西方極樂世界……等好處很多。)
- 六. 助念對象以會員本人及廣義直系眷屬(例如：曾祖父母、祖父母、父母、本人、配偶、配偶的父母、兄弟姊妹、子女、孫子女)。
- 七. 申請助念時間：早上七點至晚上九點，其它時間請家屬先自行助念。車程一小時以上，因人力有限，故暫時不接受申請。
- 八. 申請者須與家屬等人溝通(四十九日內茹素，完全依據佛法行事，否則恕不與助念)。
- 九. 喪家可於四十九日內，逢念佛法會時，申請念佛迴向。
- 十. 非六親眷屬，無法申請助念，請鼓勵加入念佛會及助念團。

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Announcement of the City of Dharma Realm Recitation Society

Conditions

Living beings are far from the Buddhas, making it difficult to encounter good knowing advisors during the Dharma Ending Age. Many obstacles appear to obstruct our cultivation; therefore, we should primarily focus on studying the Pure Land Dharma Door.

In *Records of High Sanghas*, it is stated: “Of all the Dharma doors, reciting Amitabha Buddha’s name and making offerings to the Triple Jewel, which means cultivating both wisdom and blessing, are the best. Furthermore, Amitabha Buddha’s concern for living beings is inconceivable. You should recite (his name) without stopping; then at the last moment of your life, you will certainly be reborn in the Western Pure Land and will never retreat.” For this reason, the Recitation Society at CDR is established.

Goals

1. To advocate the Pure Land Dharma Door.
2. To learn the sutra of the Pure Land Dharma Door and practice Dharma musical instruments.
3. To regularly attend the Amitabha Buddha Recitation Dharma assemblies and the Amitabha Buddha Recitation sessions. Based on our faith, vows, and practices can we maintain a continuous, single-minded recitation.
4. To gather in the time and strength of the members in order to aid them and their relatives at the last moment of life, so they will be reborn in the Pure Land.
5. To accord with and emulate the Bodhisattva spirit of “one feels hungry when others do; one drowns while others are drowning.” Facilitating one being’s rebirth in the Western Pure Land is the same as facilitating one being’s attainment of Buddhahood.

Guidelines

1. All those who are proper Buddhists and agree with the goals of the group can join. (No membership fee).
2. Members are required to do one’s own homework every day and to be diligent in attending CDR’s Amitabha Buddha Recitation Dharma assembly on the 4th Sunday of each month.

Membership will be revoked, just as giving up the rights to (Recitation Assistance Club), if there are more than 3 absences in 6 months.

3. Please sign in at the administrative office and turn in your homework. A request for recitation and transference can be made for sick relatives to help them leave suffering and attain bliss.

4. Both members and non-members are welcome to join the Recitation Assistance Group.
 5. All Recitation Club members may request for recitation assistance. Joining in the recitation of the Buddha's name can help the deceased to bring forth proper thoughts and be reborn in the Western Pure Land of Ultimate Bliss; it has many benefits.
 6. Assistance in reciting the Buddha's name applies to: a member and his/her direct relatives, such as great-grand parents, grand-parents, parents, spouse, siblings, children, grand-children, and mother/father-in-laws.
 7. Time for assistance in reciting the Buddha's name: 7:00AM - 9PM. Relatives will have to recite the rest of the time. Due to limited man power, driving more than 1 hour will not be acceptable at this time.
 8. Those who request for assistance in reciting the Buddha's name must communicate with their family members about observing the 49 vegetarian days and other practices within Buddhism. Otherwise, the request will not be accepted.
 9. If an Amitabha Buddha Recitation assembly is held within 49 days after one's passing, the family can request a transference.
 10. If one does not belong to the relative categories specified, request for assistance to recite the Buddha's name will not be granted. However, membership in either or both the Recitation Club and Recitation Assistance Group is highly encouraged.
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