



MOD SING ALONG SERIES #2: PRAISE

Foreword

We sing praises to the Buddha in honour of His esteemed qualities and achievements. For eons and countless lives, the Buddha strived diligently towards perfection by distancing Himself from unworthy deeds and instead performed good deeds. He developed His mind through meditation till He was predicted by the Buddha Dipankara that, one day, He too will become a Buddha.

We sing songs of praise to recall the great qualities of the Buddha so we may be like him. As we raise our voices clear and loud, let us fill our hearts and minds with happiness, bearing in mind His boundless love and sublime compassion.

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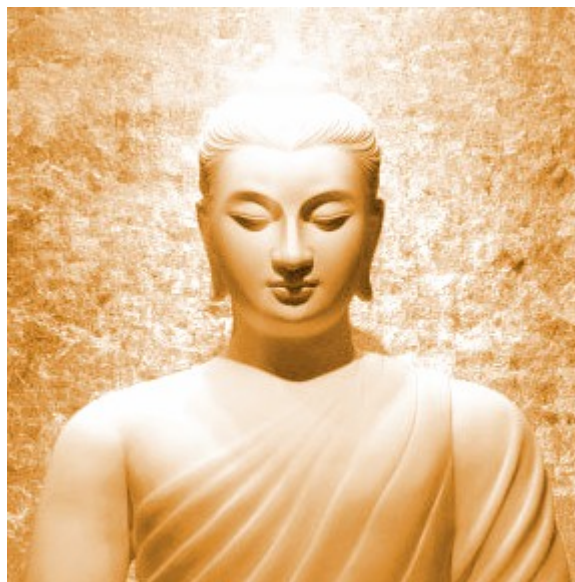
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The Buddha pointed out the cause of our problems and went a step further by sharing with us how we could ultimately eradicate this cause and lead a happy life.

This album's songs arrangement reflects the current contemporary music of the modern world without changing the essences of the lyrics and tune. We hope you find these songs inspirational and uplifting as we sing praises to honour our Guide, the Buddha.

Songs

1. Let's sing the praises
2. Song of peace
3. When we see the golden sun
4. The Blessed Refuges
5. Lord within Thy holy doctrine
6. The sunrise comes
7. Essence of the doctrine
8. Buddhist Doxology
9. Lovelit image
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11. In praise of Thee
12. Ancient Path



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Lyrics

1. LET'S SING THE PRAISES

Unknown/V Wee

Sing gladly boys and maidens your hymn of praise today
'Tis right that children's voices should blend in sweetest lay
O Praise the Holy Teacher who found the root of pain
And by His life triumphant the power of self has slain
The power of self has slain

Come sing dear boys and maidens your hymn to Buddha Lord
It was for all His children His wisdom He outpoured
Sing praises of the Master who found the Holy Way
Which we will safely follow to everlasting day
To everlasting day

And when we sing His praises remember we must strive
By holy word and action to keep His faith alive
O Let us try to follow the Holy Path He found
Which we will safely follow to everlasting day
To everlasting day

2. SONG OF PEACE

D Hunt/V Wee

Praise ye the Dharma of our Lord
Which bids all hatred cease
That sheds upon us holy showers
Of joy and love and peace

Walk in the Noble Eightfold Path
The Path our Teacher found
That leads the weary sons of earth
To peace and hope profound

Within the Sangha we shall rest
And in our Master's Name
Who showed the suffering ones of earth
The secret of their pain

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3. WHEN WE SEE THE GOLDEN SUN

A R Zorn / A R Zorn

When we see the golden sun shining from above
We are mindful of the Buddha's love
O'er us all His pure compassion sheds its steadfast glow
By His Doctrine Wisdom's Way to show

When we see the silver moon gleaming in the sky
We remember still our Lord is nigh
By His blessed Law to guide us thru this earthly night
Out of sorrow into joy and light

4. THE BLESSED REFUGES

S Sogaku / V Wee

O Blessed One! The greatest of mankind
Thou Gracious Master, filled with love divine
Gracious Thy life, so sweet, so great, so pure
Thou mighty Light, Thou Blessed One so dear

Lord, at Thy feet I seat myself to learn
The wisdom of Thy life and Law
Plainly I see the Truth which Thou does teach
Sorrow and pain and self shall be no more

Into my heart there comes a lasting peace
Within my mind there glows a wondrous light
All tears and sorrow, doubts and worries cease
For Truth and Joy Thy glorious Teaching brings

I take my refuge in The Glorious Lord
No other shelter shall I need
I take my refuge in the Law and Sangha
Which freedom bring and Light forevermore

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5. LORD WITHIN THY HOLY DOCTRINE

A R Zorn/R R Bode

Lord, within Thy Holy Doctrine
Still Thy presence we descry
Source of Wisdom, Love and Power
Every need to satisfy

And Thy loving call obeying
Self and sin we cast aside
On the Eightfold Path to follow
Thee, our Master and our Guide

Thine example shall inspire us
Faithful in our quest to be
For a heart in virtue perfect
For a mind from error free

6. THE SUNRISE COMES

E Arnold/V Wee

Ah! Blessed Lord
Oh! High Deliverer
I take my refuge in Thy Name and Order
I take my refuge in Thy Law

The dew is on the Lotus
Rise, Great Sun
And lift my leaf and mix me with the wave
The Sunrise comes!

The Dewdrop slips into the shining sea!

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7. THE ESSENCE OF THE DOCTRINE

Ven. Assaji/Nagell

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato samma sambuddhassa

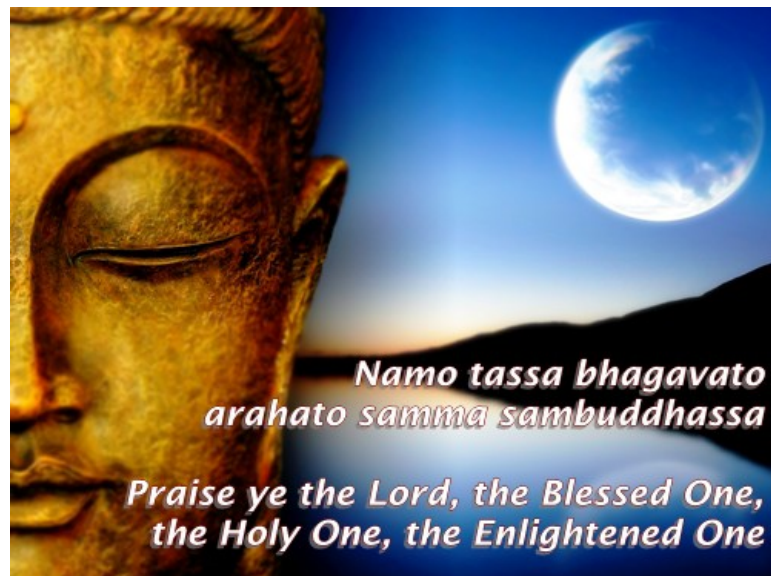
Ye dhamma he tупpa bhava
Tesam hetum Tathagato aha
Tesanca yo nirodho
Evam vadi maha samano

Namo tassa bhagavato arahato samma sambuddhassa

Praise ye the Lord, the Blessed One, the Holy One, the Enlightened One

The Buddha did the cause unfold
Of all the things that sprang from causes
And further the Great Sage has told
How finally their passion pauses

Praise ye the Lord, the Blessed One, the Holy One, the Enlightened One



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8. BUDDHIST DOXOLOGY

Dhammapada 387/P Carus

Bright shineth the sun in his splendor by day
And bright the moon radiance by night
Bright shineth the hero in battle array
And the sage in his thought shineth bright

But by day and by night none so glorious and bright
As lord Buddha, the Source of all Spiritual Light
But by day and by night none so glorious and bright
As lord Buddha, the Source of all Spiritual Light.

9. LOVELIT IMAGE

Unknown/Traditional

So sublime His lovelit image, lovelit image
Stately like a snow-capped mountain, snow-capped mountain
Sadhu, Sadhu, Sadhu

10. HOMAGE TO BUDDHA

Unknown/Victor Wee

Far over the distant lands, we our voices raise
To our gentle Teacher, Hymns of joy and praise

Let Thy holy abode, now with joy resound
Glory to Gotama who Nibbana found

Chorus:
Each child shall offer hearts devotion true
Promising forever righteous deeds to do

Here before His image, blossoms rare we place
Emblems true of beauty, purity and grace

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11. IN PRAISE OF THEE

Y Hojo/Y Hojo

In Praise of Thee! In Praise of Thee!
We raise our voices loftily that all may hear Thy Word
In Praise of Thee! In Praise of Thee!
We sing joyously! We sing joyously

In Praise of Thee! In Praise of Thee!
We join in meditation, our heart so full and free
In Praise of Thee! In Praise of Thee!
Thy Light that all may see! Thy Light that all may see!

12. ANCIENT PATH

H C Tan/H C Tan

There's a long, long road I'll travel
Far beyond this space and time
Before I know just who am I

I will seek the Ancient Kingdom
There I'll find the Ancient Wisdom
And there I'll find true love, and peace and rest

Chorus:

And this prayer that I sing to all who seek the way
To walk with joy, to walk with faith
On the Eightfold Way

There's an Ancient Path I'll travel
Far beyond this Triple World
Of flames that burn, of greed and pain
I will seek the ancient city
Where the Sage has freedom glory
And there I'll be with Him and glory be

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About Messengers of Dharma

Messengers of Dharma (MOD) was formed in November 2004 and has to date produced 6 CDs i.e. the album Aspiration (May 2005), singles Jayamangala Gatha (May 2007), singles The Story of Dona (December 2007), Sing-Along Series 1 – Vesak (May 2010), Sing-Along Series 2 – Praise (February 2011) and Sing-Along Series 3 – Matrimony (May 2011). They also wrote and recorded the theme song Walking the Buddha's Path (June 2008) for a local Buddhist Organisation. The group performs regularly in many Buddhist events to reach out to the public and share the wonderful teachings of the Buddha. Besides Buddhist songs, they also perform local folk songs and oldies in private events.

MOD is now working on a series of CDs based on the songs found in the Buddhist Hymn Book compiled by Datuk Dr. Victor Wee. The songs in each CD are grouped according to various themes and are intended to act as guide and lead in religious worship and fellowship sessions or events such as weddings and funerals. Besides the singing guide, the minus-one copies of these songs are appended as well. This series of low budget recorded CDs will be distributed free of charge.

For more information and pictures on Messengers of Dharma's previous and on-coming outreach events, please check us out in facebook id: [mod messengersofdharma](https://www.facebook.com/mod.messengersofdharma) or email us at messengers_od@yahoo.com.

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Theravada Buddhist Council of Malaysia (TBCM)

Mission

- (1) Establishing a Secretariat for the Council;
- (2) Membership recruitment and enhancing liaison and networking among Member Organisations; and
- (3) Buddhist education and training.

It is hoped that these initiatives will further enhance the development of Buddhist activities, harmony and cooperation in Malaysia.

Description

The idea of forming the Theravada Buddhist Council of Malaysia (TBCM) is to unite and promote understanding among Theravada organisations and followers in Malaysia. The council will represent and protect the Theravada community in Malaysia, and work with the other national Buddhist federations to protect the overall interests of the Malaysian Buddhists.

The Council comprising of lay followers, acts with consultation with its Advisory Panel (consisting of members of the Bhikkhu Sangha) and member organizations to advocate their general interests through education, training, engagement, etc..

Where necessary, the Council provides leadership, direction, and doctrinal interpretation to clarify matters arising that are of public interest affecting the Buddhist community, and acts in tandem with other Buddhist federations in the country for the overall good of the Malaysian Buddhists.

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