FPMT Retreat Prayer Book Changes

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After the 100 Million Mani Retreat at Institut Vajra Yogini in France, Education Services received a list of corrections to the FPMT Retreat Prayer Book. These changes are listed below, with the corresponding text included for each change. You may simply mark the changes in your existing copy with a pen, or may print these pages and cut out the corresponding sections and tape them over the mistaken passages in your prayer book.

Retreat Prayer Books purchased from Kadampa Center for the Light of the Path retreat already include these changes and do not need to be corrected. For those who may be daunted by adjusting your current copy, new copies may be purchased from Kadampa Center.

PAGE 17

Remove the title Inner Mandala Offering. According to Lama Zopa Rinpoche's teachings, this is not an inner mandala offering. There is no replacement title for this prayer.

PAGE 29

Replace the subtitle Visualization with the subtitle:

How to Meditate Before the Practice

PAGE 31

After the end of the first full paragraph, add the subtitle (the paragraph under the new title has not changed, but is included here for convenience):

How to Meditate During the Practice

Think that each one of these buddhas is the embodiment of all three times ten directions Buddha, Dharma, Sangha, and all statues, stupas, and scriptures. Think they embody all holy objects, whose essence is the Guru. Have complete faith that each one has the power to purify all your negative karmas and imprints, accumulated since beginningless time.

For clarity, we have reformatted the refuge prayer as follows. There are no changes to the actual words.

NA MO JANG CHHUB SEM PÄI TUNG WA SHAG PA

Homage to the Confession of the Bodhisattva's Downfalls!

DAG [MING] DI ZHE GYI WA

I, (say your name) throughout all times,

DÜ TAG TU LA MA LA KYAB SU CHHI WO

Take refuge in the Guru;

SANG GYÄ LA KYAB SU CHHI WO

I take refuge in the Buddha;

CHHÖ LA KYAB SU CHHI WO

I take refuge in the Dharma;

GE DÜN LA KYAB SU CHHI WO (3x)

I take refuge in the Sangha. (3x)

PAGE 56

We have included the Tibetan, Sanskrit and English for the refuge prayer, as follows. Depending on what version of the practice you are doing, you may need these languages.

LC 3 NAMO GURUBHYA (LAMA LA KYAB SU CHHI WO)

To the Guru I go for refuge

NAMO BUDDHAYA (SANG GYÄ LA KYAB SU CHHI WO)

To the Buddha I go for refuge

NAMO DHARMAYA (CHHÖ LA KYAB SU CHHI WO)

To the Dharma I go for refuge

NAMO SANGHAYA (GENDUN LA KYAB SU CHHI WO)

To the Sangha I go for refuge (3, 7, 21, or 108x)

I A MA YI DAM KÖN CHOG SUM LA KYAB SU CHI WO

To the Guru, the deity, and the Three Jewels I go for refuge.

PAGES 66-70

Only the bell is rung during the offering bath mantras.

PAGES 77-78

We were able to find the correct Tibetan phonetics for the Extensive Power of Truth prayer:

Extensive Power of Truth

Blesses the offerings, thus enabling the buddhas to actually receive them.

KÖN CHHOG SUM GYI DEN PA DANG

By the power of truth of the Three Rare Sublime Ones,

SANG GYÄ DANG JANG CHHUB SEM PA THAM CHÄ KYI JIN GYI LAB DANG

The blessings of all the buddhas and bodhisattvas,

TSHOG NYI YONG SU DZOG PÄI NGA THANG CHHEN PO DANG

The great wealth of the completed two collections,

CHHÖ KYI YING NAM PAR DAG CHING SAM GYI MI KHYAB PÄI TOB KYI

And the sphere of phenomena being pure and inconceivable;

CHHOG CHU NA ZHUG PÄI SANG GYÄ DANG JANG CHHUB SEM PA THAM CHÄ DANG PHAG PA JAM PÄL DANG KUN TU ZANG PO LA SOG PÄI NAM PAR CHHÖ PÄI TRIN GYI PHUNG PO SAM GYI MI KHYAB PA ZÄ MI SHE PA NAM KHA GANG WAR GYUR

May these piles of clouds of offerings arising through transformation by the bodhisattvas Arya Samantabhadra, Manjushri, and so forth – unimaginable and inexhaustible, equaling the sky – arise and, in the eyes of the buddhas and bodhisattvas of the ten directions, be received.

PAGES 99-104

We received advice that the prayers on these pages were not in the order that Rinpoche does them. We have created a separate document of the new pages (found along with this document at http://www.fpmt.org/education/EBP2006updates/). This document is entitled New Pages for Retreat Prayer Book.

The mantras of Yamantaka, Heruka, and Guhyasamaja were in a different order than normally chanted by Rinpoche. We have adjusted these so they are in the correct order.

Yamantaka mantra

OM HRIH SHTRIH VIKRITANANA HUM PHAT (7x)

Heruka mantra

OM SHRI VAJRA HE HE RU RU KAM HUM HUM PHAT DAKINI JALA SHAMVARAM SVAHA (7x)

Guhyasamaja mantra

OM AH VAJRA DHRIK HUM HUM (7x)

(see next page for continuing corrections)

We have added the actual meditation on Asanga's Seven Point Cause and Effect. The entire page has been reproduced here, as it may not be possible to only tape in the meditation.

Training the mind in the common path of the practitioner

of highest capability

Developing Bodhichitta

Generating compassion, the foundation of the Mahayana path

LC 89 NYAM THAG DRO WA DI KÜN DAG GI MA

Having considered how all these miserable beings have been my mothers

YANG YANG DRIN GYI KYANG PÄI TSHÜL SAM NÄ

And have raised me in kindness again and again,

DUG PÄI BU LA TSE WÄI MA ZHIN DU

I seek your blessings to develop effortless compassion

CHÖ MIN NYING JE KYE WAR JIN GYI LOB

Like that of a loving mother for her precious child.

Meditate on Asanga's technique of six causes and one effect.

On the basis of immeasurable equanimity: (1) Understanding all sentient beings to be your mother; (2) Remembering their kindness; (3) Wishing to repay their kindness; (4) Generating love through the force of attraction; (5) Generating great compassion; (6) Developing the special brave attitude; (7) Generating bodhichitta

Generating conventional bodhichitta

Developing equanimity between self and others

LC 90 DUG NGÄL THRA MO TSAM YANG MI DÖ CHING

There is no difference between myself and others:

DE LA NAM YANG CHHOG SHE ME PAR NI

None of us wishes for even the slightest of sufferings

DAG DANG ZHÄN LA KHYÄ PAR YÖ MIN ZHE

Or is ever content with the happiness we have.

ZHÄN DE GA WA KYE PAR JIN GYI LOB

Realizing this, I seek your blessings that I may generate joy for the happiness of others.

The seven limb prayer was missing the rejoicing limb. Again, the entire page is included here for convenience, if you wish to tape it into your book.

Holy body created by ten million excellent virtues, Holy speech fulfilling the hopes of infinite migratory beings. Holy mind seeing all existence as it is, To the principal of the Shakyas, I prostrate.

To the unsurpassed founder, the precious Buddha,
To the unsurpassed protector, the precious holy Dharma,
To the unsurpassed guides, the precious Sangha,
To you who are the embodiment of all refuges, I prostrate.

Each and every offering I make,
Those really performed and those mentally transformed;
I confess every sin collected from beginningless samsaric lives
And rejoice in the merit of all holy and ordinary beings.
Please remain until samsara ends
And reveal the teachings to sentient beings.
I dedicate my own virtues and those of others
To the great enlightenment.

The precious seven: the four continents, Mt Meru, sun and moon;

This jeweled mandala and Samantabhadra offerings
I am offering these to the Guru, mind-bound deities and the three jewels –

Please accept them out of your compassion and bless me.

Now return to the Requesting Prayer on p. 162.

PAGE 184-185

The prayers to be reciting after lunch was missing the homage to Buddha Precious King of Light Very Clear Fire Light. Again, the entire page and the next has been included for convenience.

Prayers to Recite After Lunch

Mantra to offer food to the pretas

OM UCCHISHTA PANDI AH SHI BHYA SVAHA

I prostrate to the Bhagavan the Tathagata, the Arhat, the fully accomplished Buddha Precious King of Light Very Clear Fire Light (Ratnaprabharaja Jvalanakaraprakatita) (7x)

Mantra to purify negativities associated with the offerings

NAMA SAMANTA PRABHA RAJAYA / TATHAGATAYA / ARHATE SAMYAK SAMBUDDHAYA / NAMO MANJUSHRIYE / KUMARA BHUTAYA BODHISATTVAYA / MAHA SATTVAYA / MAHA KARUNIKAYA / TADYATA / OM NIRALAMBHA NIRABHASE JAYA JAYE LAMBHE MAHA MATE DAKSHI DAKSHENAM MEPARISHVADHA SVAHA

May those who offered food to me attain the happiness of total peace. May all those who offered drink to me, served me, received me, honored me, and made offerings to me attain the happiness of total peace.

May all those who, all the time, scold me, make me unhappy, hit me, attack me with weapons, and do things up to the point of killing me attain the happiness of enlightenment and quickly reach the highest, perfectly accomplished state of Buddhahood.

Through the merit of offering food, may they have good complexion, magnificence and strength, find foods having hundreds of tastes and be further sustained by the food of samadhi.

Through the merit of offering drink, may their hunger and thirst of delusion be pacified. May they possess good qualities such as generosity and take rebirth without sickness or thirst.

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One who shows generosity, the recipient, and the action of generosity are not to be observed as existing inherently.

Through thinking in this way, may the benefactors receive the whole merit equal to such generosity that is combined with wisdom.

Naga kings Nanda and Upananda, Gods with faith towards the Dharma, Leaders and patrons too, And other needy beings -May they win long life, health, abundance, And eternal happiness.

Through the power of having been extensively generous, May I become a Buddha for the sake of migrating beings And liberate through generosity the mass of beings Who have not been liberated by previous conquerors.

Due to this merit, may all beings complete The accumulation of merit and wisdom And attain the two kayas Resulting from merit and wisdom.

Just as the brave Manjushri and Samantabhadra, too, Realized things as they are, I, too, dedicate all these merits in the best way, That I may follow their perfect example.

I dedicate all these roots of virtue With the dedication praised as the best By the victorious ones thus gone of the three times, So I might perform good works.

May the supreme jewel bodhichitta
That has not arisen, arise and grow;
And may that which has arisen not diminish
But increase more and more.

The opening chant that is done only by the umze was missing the words CHHEN PO at the beginning of the fourth line.

GYÄL WA KHYAB DAG DOR JE CHANG CHEN PO DANG NGO WA YER MA CHI PA YONG ZOG TEN PÄI NGA DAG DON GYI LEG THU TSEN NE MÖI TE JE TSÜN LAMA LOSANG THUBWANG DORJE CHANG* CHHEN PO *LAMA THUBTEN ZOPA RINPOCHE* PÄL ZANG PÖI SHÄL NGA NÄ THEG PA CHEN PÖI SUNG CHO ZAB MO LEG PAR ZHU WÄI YÖN THU ZHING KHAM BUL WAR ZHU...

PAGE 231

There is a slight change to the opening instructions:

Bless the tea according to whatever practice you are doing. This blessing is done according to a highest yoga tantra deity and should only be recited by those with a highest yoga tantra initiation. For general purposes, one can use Yamantaka. If one relies on another highest yoga tantra deity, this deity may also be used by adjusting the self-generation and action mantra accordingly.

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Add the mantra [DZA] NAMA SHRI VAJRA BHAIRAVAYA! to the beginning of the English, or simply mark accordingly so you remember to say it before reciting the English (if you do it in English).

[DZA] NAMA SHRI VAJRA BHAIRAVAYA! One leg outstretched, the other drawn in, the merest tap sending shudders through mighty Meru and the four mandalas of the earth, rapacious and wide-open buffalo mouth, its thundering laugh filling the three worlds, Manjushri, father of buddhas in wrathful form as ferocious Yamantaka taming the dissolute. Those prostrating devotedly before him should offer praise to Dharmaraja. Now is the time to beware of hindrance.

PAGE 246-247

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Rinpoche has added a line to the first verse on page 246 and the last verse on 247. Both these pages have been included for convenience.

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THUG DAM KONG ZHING NYAM CHHAG SO GYUR NÄ

Having fulfilled your wishes and restored our broken commitments,

KHÄ MANG JE PA DRA TSHANG PÖN LOP DANG

Please help accomplish Dharma practices, as intended by teachers and disciples of Je Tsongkhapa,

THEG CHHEN DZIN KYONG PÄL WÄI CHÖ TSOG KYI

The colleges abounding in eminent scholars

CHHÖ THÜN JA WA YI ZHIN DRUP PAR DZO

And the Dharma centers of the Foundation for the Preservation of the Mahayana tradition.

DAM NYAM DRÄL WÄI SHA THRAG TOR TSHOG DANG

O Padma Yangsang and Dharma protectors along with retinues,

RAKTA MÄN PHÜ SER KYEM CHHÖ PA DI

Out of faith, I offer you a feast of ritual cakes, flesh and blood

PÄD MA YANG SANG CHHÖ KYONG KHOR CHÄ LA

Of evil doers, medicine and serkyem (black tea).

DE PÄ BÜL LO TSE WÄ GYE ZHIN ZHE

May you in your compassion be pleased to accept them.

HRIH! NANG THÄI GÖN PÖI THUG KYI LONG YANG NÄ

HRIH! Hayagriva, the nine gaited king, fierce and majestic,

MI MIN JUNG PÖI CHHÖ THRÜL ZHOM PÄI CHHIR

You have come forth from the heart of Amitabha to defeat the evil designs of humans and non-human spirits.

GAR GÜI NYAM DÄN THRO GYÄL KUR ZHENG PA

I sing praises of you and your host of deities.

TA DRIN LHA TSHOG KHOR CHÄ TÖ PAR GYI

To Rahula, fierce Chamsing and Sogdag Marpo,

TÄN DRA MA LÜ THÄL WAR LAG DZÄ CHING

To the host of sword wielding butchers

TÄN DZIN TSHÜL ZHIN KYONG WÄI RA HU LA

Who vanquish all foes of the Dharma and protect the practitioners;

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DREG PA CHAM SING LÄ KHÄN SOG DAG MAR I sing praises to you all.

DRI THOG SHÄN PÄI TSHOG LA TÖ PAR GYI

Please help spread, like a summer sea,

GYÄL WA KÜN GYI KHYEN TSE CHIG DÜ PA

Through teaching and practicing

JAM GÖN LA MA LOB SANG DRAG PA YI

The sutra and tantra of Jamgön Lama Losang Dragpa,

DO NGAG TÄN PÄI SHÄ DRUB JA WA NAM

An embodiment of all enlightened beings'

YAR TSHO TA BUR GYÄ PÄI THRIN LÄ DZÖ

Wisdom and compassion.

PHAG CHHOG TRÜL PÄI GAR GYI RÖL DZÄ PA

Prolong the lifetime for hundreds of eons

GANG CHHÄN GÖN PO TÄN DZIN GYA TSHO YI

Of Tenzin Gyatso, Protector of the Snow Land People,

CHHÖ YÖN ZHAB PÄ KÄL GYAR YÖ ME CHING

Emanation of the Supreme Arya (Avalokitesvara) and merit field,

CHHÖ SI NGA THANG GYE PÄI THRIN LÄ DZO

And widen the spheres of his temporal and Dharma activities.

KHYÄ PAR KHE MANG GYA THRAG DU WÄI NÄ

Defeat, in particular, the bad intentions and actions

JE PA DRA TSHANG PÖN LOB KHOR CHÄ DANG

Of the enemies of Je Tsongkhapa, sea of eminent scholars along with the teachers and disciples of these colleges

THEG CHHEN DZIN KYONG PÄL WÄI CHÖ TSOG LA

And also the Dharma centers of the Foundation for the Preservation of the Mahayana Tradition.

DANG DRÄI SAM JOR NGÄN PA ZHI WA DANG

And may they remain uninterrupted

CHHÄ TSÖ TSHOM LA NAM YANG YÄL ME SHOG

In their teaching, debate, and writing.

PAGE 266-268

At the end of each verse, where the line "Please look after me always without separation, in this life, future lives, and the bardo" appears, change it to

Please guide me always without separation, in this life, future lives, and the bardo.

PAGE 267-268

Lama Zopa Rinpoche has indicated that the word "families" in the second line of the last verse on p. 267 and the first and third lines in the first verse on p. 268 is not an accurate translation. Rinpoche asks that we use the word "types", which makes more sense when translated back to the Tibetan.

PHAG CHHOG RIG SUM GÖN KYANG DRIN CHÄN LA MA NYI YIN

Therefore, the supreme arya lords of the three types are also the kind lama himself.

RIG GYA RIG NGA RIG SUM JI NYE TRO YANG LA MA

The hundred, five, and three types, however many elaborated, are the lama.

DE KÜN GANG DU DU WÄI KHYAB DAG NYI KYANG LA MA

The pervasive master in whom they are all included is also the lama.

LA MA RIG KÜN DAG POR NYING NÄ SÖL WA DEB SO

I beseech you, Lama, as master of all the types,

DI CHHI BAR DO KÜN TU DRÄL ME JE SU ZUNG SHIG

Please guide me always without separation, in this life, future lives, and the bardo.

Lama Zopa Rinpoche has added another multiplying mantra. Again, the entire page has been added for convenience:

Multiplying Mantras

To increase by 100,000 times the merit created, recite these special mantras at the end of the session:

CHOM DÄN DÄ DE ZHIN SHEG PA DRA CHOM PA YANG DAG PAR DZOG PÄI SANG GYÄ NAM PAR NANG DZÄ Ö KYI GYÄL PO LA CHHAG TSHÄL LO (1x)

JANG CHHUB SEM PA SEM PA CHHEN PO KÜN TU ZANG PO LA CHHAG TSHÄL LO (1x)

TADYATHA PÄNCHA GRIYA AVA BODHANI SVAHA OM DHURU DHURU JAYA MUKHE SVAHA *(7x)*

To actualize all our prayers as well as to multiply the benefits by 100,000:

CHOM DÄN DÄ DE ZHIN SHEG PA DRA CHOM PA YANG DAG PAR DZOG PÄI SANG GYÄ MÄN GYI LHA BAIDURYA Ö KYI GYÄL PO LA CHHAG TSHÄL LO (1x)

CHOM DÄN DÄ DE ZHIN SHEG PA DRA CHOM PA YANG DAG PAR DZOG PÄI SANG GYÄ NGO WA DANG MÖN LAM [THAM CHÄ RAB TU] DRUB PÄ GYÄL PO LA CHHAG TSHÄL LO *(1x)*

Due to the power of the blessings of the eminent buddhas and bodhisattvas, the power of infallible dependent arising, and the power of my pure special attitude, may all my pure prayers succeed immediately.

GENERAL CHANGE

When Lama Zopa Rinpoche chants the dedication prayer JANG CHHUB SEM CHOOG RIN PO CHHE, he uses the syllable YI or YE at the end of the third line, rather than the more traditional YANG.

KYE PA NYAM PA ME PA YI

We have not been able, as of this printing, to determine whether it should be YE or YI.

This prayer occurs on pp. 22, 27, 169, 209, and 279.

TWO APPENDICES

Two appendices with additional prayers have been added to this version of the prayer book. These can be found as a separate download at http://www.fpmt.org/education/EBP2006updates/. The download is entitled New Appendices for Retreat Prayer Book. This document should be printed on a duplex printer, folded into a separate booklet, and then inserted in the back of your Retreat Prayer Book.