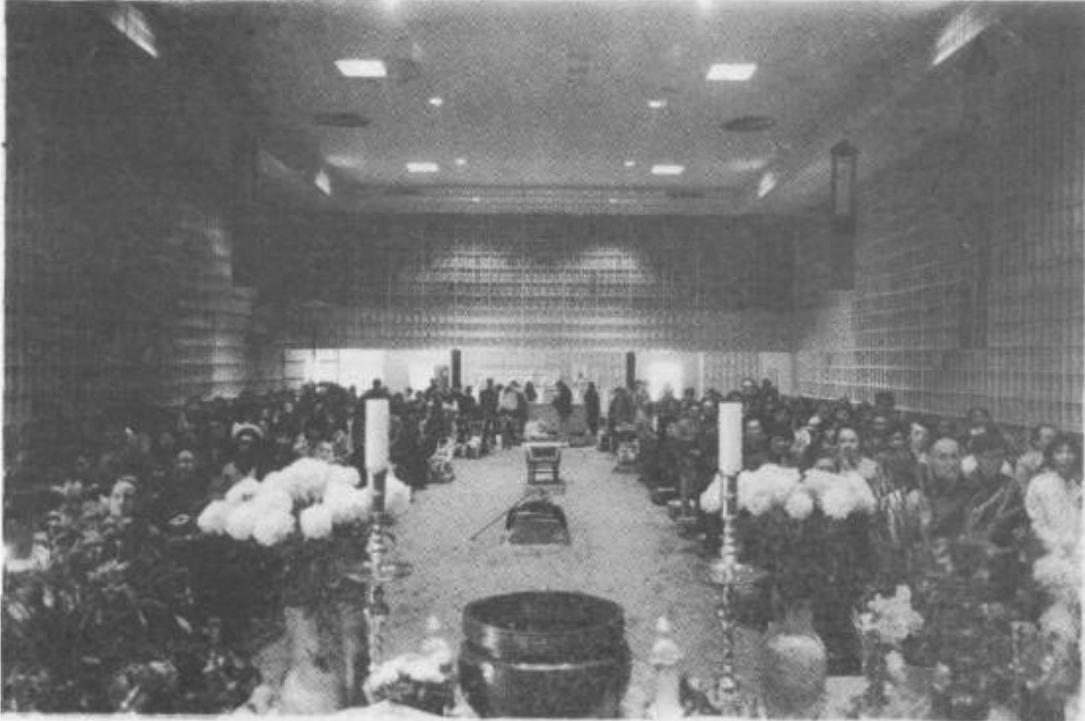


## *News from the Dharma Realm*



### ***COMPASSION LIBERATED THE LIVING; KINDNESS CROSSED OVER THE DECEASED***

Kuan Yin Bodhisattvas' Birthday brought more than six hundred people to the Kuan Yin Hall of 10,000 Buddhas to pay homage. There, they found Great Kindness and Compassion awaiting them, for they were fortunate to participate in two important ceremonies. A full liberation of life ceremony, which includes a refuge ceremony for the creatures about to be set free, and the profoundly efficacious ceremony for crossing over ancestors and those to whom one is indebted from past lives. The importance of liberating life is explained in detail in this issue's article entitled "A Real Life Account of a Man's Delivery from Cancer." Having been shown the way we can help ourselves transform our residual killing karma into enactments of compassion by liberating the living, we all then sincerely beseeched the Bodhisattva of Great Compassion and called upon the aid of the Seven Buddhas.

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NA MWO MYAU SHAI SHEN RU LAI

NA MWO LI BU WEI RU LAI

NA MWO E MI TWO RU LAI

NA MWO BAU SHENG RU LAI

NA MWO GWANG BWO SHEN RU LAI

NA MWO GAN LU WANG RU LAI

We prayed that they would eradicate our offenses from past lives--most especially our killing karma and the killing karma others created against us. When participants' minds are sincere, this deeply impressive ceremony brings a profound response. The gates of the hells are thrown

open and the karmic obstacles, past relatives, and people who harbor resentment toward us for crimes we have committed against them, are freed from their torture and sent to rebirth in the Western Land of Ultimate Bliss.



### ***DATES TO REMEMBER:***

May 1, 1982. Shakyamuni Buddha's birthday. (Check with the center nearest you to determine date and time of ceremonies)

Aug. 8. Kuan Yin Bodhisattva's Attainment of the Way

Aug. 29. Celebration of the Buddha's Day of Rejoicing and Ullambana.  
(Sangha summer retreat ends on Sept 2)

Oct. 31. OPENING THE LIGHT ON THE KUAN YIN HALL OF TEN THOUSAND  
BUDDHAS  
OPENING OF THE MAIN GATE OF THE CITY OF TEN THOUSAND  
BUDDHAS  
events which take place on Kuan Yin Bodhisattva's Leaving Home Day.