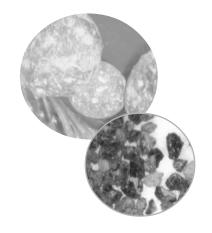
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2007年7月29日,百歲人瑞歐陽敏老居士往生。女兒爲她在金山寺連打七個佛七,遺體火化後燒出舍利子與舍利花上千顆。

歐陽敏老居士是在1981年隨同夫 婿應史丹福大學之邀前來美國,由於 他們從年輕起便是佛教徒,因此抵美 後專程前往拜見旅美高僧宣公上人。 上人知道他們初抵美國,生活困難, 特別帶了幾位法師去送大米,並饋贈 一千美元的生活費。

歐陽敏的同修在抵美兩年後過世,此後歐陽敏老居士以76高齡開始教授氣功和中國武術。也經常帶她的學生到萬佛城皈依宣公上人,至今仍

有老居士的學生定期到萬佛城爲法師 們義診針灸。

老居士生前個性開朗,經常嘻嘻哈哈。一生待人厚道,不貪便宜,對人從無怨言。她的學生回憶說,「非常喜歡上老師的課,因爲她會把快樂和陽氣帶給我們。」

老居士的女兒尤家錚在母親七七 圓滿當天,在金山寺向在場的法師和 居士們報告,歐陽敏老居士生前數十 年每天坐禪拜佛,並念咒。宣公上人 教導歐陽敏老居士要精進念佛,老居 士從此依法修行,往生前一個月,更 是專一念誦阿彌陀佛聖號。在去世前 幾天,老居士還對女兒說:「啊,那



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Centenarian Min Ou-Yang passed away
Over 1,000 Sharira Seeds and Sharira Clusters Found

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Centenarian Min Ou-Yang passed away on July 29, 2007. Her daughters arranged to have seven Amitabha sessions at Gold Mountain Monastery. Her body was cremated and over 1,000 sharira seeds and sharira clusters were found among her ashes.

Upasika Min Ou-Yang came to the United States with her husband in 1981 at the invitation of Stanford University. They were Buddhists from a young age, so when they arrived in the U.S. they went to visit high Sanghan Venerable Master Hsuan Hua. The Venerable Master knew that they had just arrived in the U.S., and

life would be tough for them, so the Venerable Master took a few disciples with him to see this couple and gave them rice and \$1,000 for living expenses.

Min Ou-Yang's husband died two years after arriving in the U.S., and afterwards Min Ou-Yang started teaching Chi Gong and Chinese Martial Arts at the age of 76. She often took her students to CTTB to take refuge with the Venerable Master. Up to today, some of Upasika Ou Yang's students still regularly go to CTTB to provide free acupuncture treatment for the Dharma Masters.

Upasika Ou-Yang had an outgoing

and open minded personality, and she laughed a lot. She was magnanimous and neither took advantage of others nor complained about them. One of her students recalled that she enjoyed Min's class very much because she brought happiness and positive energy to her students.

On the last day of the seventh Amitabha session, Min Ou-Yang's daughter Jia Zheng Yo told the Dharma Masters and lay people at Gold Mountain Monastery that her mother sat in meditation, bowed to the Buddha and recited mantras on a daily basis for decades. She also recited Guanyin Bodhisattva's

麼多人在唸佛!你們快幫我穿整齊 了,我要去廟裏拜佛!」

老居士往生後,女兒和義女不僅 到金山寺參加佛七,爲母親回向。平 日在家也誦《地藏經》、《阿彌陀經》、 往生咒和大悲咒等,並且當作頭等重 要的事情來做。即使工作忙碌,也會 一早五點就開始做功課,或是晚上仍 打起精神,努力唸誦到半夜才去休 息。義女不懂中文,就跟著錄音機學 著唸,經文不懂,就看上人的講解, 非常的精進,功德全部回向給亡母。 姐妹們因此多次在不同的地點,同一 時間都聞到濃郁的異花香味。

尤家錚環說,原本她們並不執著

要撿拾舍利子。但在母親遺體火化後 第17天,她們去取骨灰,見到骨灰是 綠色的,還有點熱氣,可以感受到一 種能量。經過法師們鑒定,找出數十 顆舍利子。其後又找出綠色舍利花, 綠色舍利子,墨綠色大大小小舍利 珠,還有白色和彩色舍利子,合計上 千顆。

歐陽敏老居士的外孫和外孫女本來不信佛,在這次佛七法會後也繼續在家誦經唸咒,閱讀上人的開示錄,並考慮皈依佛門。老居士在大陸的兄弟和長女原本從不拜佛,但聽說在美國有爲老居士舉行的佛七法會,他們在大陸也去廟裏拜佛,唸阿彌陀佛回

歐陽敏和先 生拜見宣公 上人 Min Ou-Yang with her husband went to visit Venerable Master Hsuan Hua



Heart Mantra. Venerable Master Hua taught Min Ou-Yang to recite Amitabha Buddha's name vigorously and she did so accordingly. One month before her

so accordingly. One month before her passing, she focused on reciting Amitabha Buddha's name. She said to her daughter a few days before her death, "Ah! So many people are reciting the Buddha's name. Hurry and help me put on my clothes, I want to go to the mon-

After her passing away, her daughters and goddaughter not only went to Gold Mountain Monastery for the Amitabha sessions and transferred the merit and virtue to their mother, but also recited the Earth Store Sutra, Amitabha Sutra, Rebirth Mantra, Great Compassion Mantra, etc. at home. They treated it as their first priority. Even when they were busy with work, they would get up at five a.m. or stay up until midnight to recite the sutras and mantras. Her goddaughter didn't know Chinese so she followed the audio cassette and read the Venerable Master's commentary. They were all vigorous and transferred the merit and virtue to Upasika Min Ou-Yang. At the same time while in different places, the sisters smelled the scent of fragrant flowers.

向給老居士。老居士的部分學生原來 是基督徒或天主教徒,也到廟裏結了 佛緣,並感受到道場的莊嚴和殊勝。

尤家錚一家則是在老居士的佛七 法會圓滿後,更增加了學習佛法的願 望和信心。尤家錚表示,法師對她 說:「這些都是你母親的願力。」

Jia Zheng Yo also said that at first, they didn't plan to look for sharira in their mother's ashes. However, on the 17th day after her mother's cremation when they were taking the ashes, they saw that the ashes were green and gave off some heat. They could feel a kind of energy emanating from them. After the Dharma Masters' verification, dozens of sharira were found. They found green sharira, sharira clusters, and dark green, white, and multicolored sharira seeds of different sizes. The total number is over 1,000.

Upasika Min Ou-Yang's grandson and granddaughter originally did not believe in Buddhism. However, after the seven Amitabha sessions, they have recited sutras and mantras at home and read Venerable Master Hua's Dharma talks, and are considering taking refuge. Min Ou-Yang's brother and oldest daughter in China had never bowed to the Buddha, but upon hearing of the Amitabha sessions held in the U-S. for Min Ou-Yang, they went to a local monastery to bow to the Buddha there. They recited Amitabha's name and transferred the merit and virtue to Min. Some of Min's students who were Christians or Catholics went to the Buddhist monastery and expressed their appreciation of the majesty and extraordinary atmosphere there.

After the Amitabha sessions, Jia Zheng Yo and her family have strengthened their hope and belief in studying Buddhism. Jia Zheng You said that a Dharma Master told her, "All of this comes from the strength of your mother's yow."

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