

Library News

For those who wish to study the Buddhadharmā while at the same time learning a foreign language or while driving a car, and for those who have vision problems, the Dharma Realm Buddhist University library is now developing a talking book library. Recordings are being made in English, Cantonese, and Mandarin of the Sutras, of translations of commentaries, and of other Buddhist works. At present, readings in English are available of the *Shurangama Sutra* with Venerable Master Hua's commentary, the *Earth Store Sutra* with Master Hua's commentary and as text only, and other Sutras with commentaries by high monks. Some of Master Lyan Chr's Liberating Life stories and Volumes One, Two and Three of Venerable Master Hua's Kai Shrs (開示錄, Dharma talks) are available in Cantonese. Tapes of chanting the Great Compassion Mantra and the Shurangama Mantra are also available.

If you would like a copy of one of the tapes, you may bring your own blank tape and recorder to the library during open hours and ask one of the volunteer staff members to assist you. In general, the library is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 10:00 A.M. and from 2:15 to 5:00 P.M. On Sunday the hours are 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. It is closed Saturdays, on major Buddhist holidays, during sessions, and occasionally for unexpected reasons.

Over the years, the library has gradually acquired books on a wide variety of topics and now has a well-established collection, which includes extensive holdings in classical Chinese literature, education, and ethics. Special rooms are available for the Buddhist canon, for periodicals, and for reference works. Videotapes of courses in French, Spanish, German, Vietnamese, Japanese, and Thai are also available.