

The Mahaparinirvana of His Holiness Kyabje Dodrupchen Rinpoche, on January 25, 2022

His Holiness Kyabje Dodrupchen Rinpoche is an authentic hidden Yogi and Master in the Tibetan Buddhist Nyingma School, and the revered primary lineage holder in the Longchen Nyingtik tradition. He is one of the Four Jigmes, the most renowned principal heart disciples of Rigdzin Jigme Lingpa, who hold the unbroken lineage of the Longchen Nyingtik and Dzogchen teachings.

Fortunately, many of our Sangha have met Kyabje Rinpoche. We deeply express our heavy hearts with losing Kyabje Dodrupchen Rinpoche's presence in human form in this world. The passing of this great Master gives us a deep teaching on impermanence.

The Pema Kilaya sangha has a most auspicious and profound connection with Kyabje Rinpoche. He visited our Longchen Nyingtik Dharma Center, and the Sangha, on Whidbey Island in 2014, consecrating the land and naming the Phagtsok Gedun Chöling Temple at Yeshe Long. With the power of his magnificent presence and compassion, he bestowed many important teachings and transmissions, including the lung of the Longchen Nyingtik Ngondro and emphasis on the Four Thoughts. The *chinlap* (blessing waves) of Kyabje Rinpoche are continuously being experienced and revealed to this day. These extraordinary blessings transcend death. There is no separation.

During this time, deepen your dharma practice as an offering and honoring of Kyabje Rinpoche. It is also very powerful to dedicate the merit to benefit sentient beings. Feel Kyabje Rinpoche and his blessing as a deeper peace in your hearts, and do more practice. This is a very wonderful time to connect to your dharma path and practice as much as you can.

Make time meaningful while you have the opportunity of this precious human body with freedom. Focus on the Four Thoughts that Turn the Mind to the Dharma; perform Guru Yoga and recite Vajra Guru mantras.

Tulku Thondup Rinpoche wrote:

“So if we, with the power of devotion, could pray and unite our mind with Guru Rinpoche's wisdom mind as we have been taught to do in Guru Yoga, then -- because of the power of our minds' devotion and the blessing power of Guru Rinpoche and Kyabje Rinpoche, -- we will receive the true blessings and WILL UNITE with Kyabje Rinpoche's enlightened presence there in the form of the true awakened nature of our mind.”

Here is Tulku Thondup's full letter.

For those of you who practice Ngondro and beyond, you may focus on doing Guru Yoga and resting in the nature of mind where you will be mingling with the awakened wisdom, the very presence of Kyabje Rinpoche. Newer students can meditate on loving kindness and compassion to deepen your practice in daily life. This would be the best way to honor our great master's parinirvana.