

Khenpo Karten Rinpoche Long-Life Prayer

O glorious and precious root Guru
Please take seat of lotus at my crown.
Caring for me in your great kindness,
Please grant attainments of body, speech, and mind.

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May the blessings of infinite seas of our places of refuge,
The force of the two truths' infallible interdependence,
And, especially, the hosts of deities of immortal well-being
Now rain down the magnificent splendor of their wisdom and power of longevity.

The lord of the dance of all victors' enlightened activity is Karmapa.
Your unquenchable thirst for the inner essence of his tradition's doctrines
Of discourses, tantras, great seal, great perfection, and pith instructions
Has brought the qualities of signs on the spiritual path—your experience and realization—
to their full flowering: may your life be firm.

May the wisdom mysteries of your body, speech, and mind
be as perfectly firm as a vajra's own immutable elements.
May your gatherings of disciples who study and practice the sacred teachings
Of scripture and realization by listening, contemplation, and meditation
Cover the earth: may your activity reach its ultimate consummation.

May I never, for an instant, develop wrong views
of the glorious Guru's life and deeds
but with devotion seeing all they do as excellent,
may the Guru's blessings enter my mind.

In all lives may I never be parted
from qualified Gurus, enjoy glory of Dharma and,
by perfecting all qualities of the paths and stages,
quickly attain the state of the glorious Guru.

In accordance with the disciples of the supreme abbot's request, accompanied by their presentation of his teachings in book and video, wrapped in stainless khatak of celestial silk, this wanderer from Rebkong region, the monk tantrika, Tsedrub Tharchin, Life-Extension Perfected, composed this prayer with a mind of clear faith on the occasion of the great tenth day feast offering of the Maha Guru Padmasambhava's birthday. May it bring forth meaningful results, virtuous and auspicious in every way!

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