

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Global Human Family,

On this beautiful time of Christmas & New Year, whilst wishing you all a very happy festive holiday period, I also faithfully call upon the supremely enlightened masters of the ten directions, and of the past, present and future, and request that they shower their blessings upon the entirety of humanity right around the globe. Let us pray and commit to a solemn vow to develop and maintain the wholesome activities we have undertaken through the previous year. Let us further pray and commit to a solemn vow to avoid and abandon the unwholesome activities we have undertaken through the previous year. Let us not, however, make these prayers and vows empty objects of mere ritual! Let us take them seriously! Let us take them into our hearts and the entirety of our beings! Life is short, but let us not make it any shorter through the course of the coming New Year, either for ourselves or for any other living organism on this earth, by acting heedlessly. May a sense of compassionate wisdom envelope humanity in this coming New Year. May humanity rise above all conflicts, and may the superficial differences that are fabricated out of ignorance, and perpetuated through greed and hatred, be dispelled once and for all.

Let us open our eyes to see this very earth as a singular, divine earth. Let us open our hearts to fully embrace all human beings, like brothers and sisters, living within a singular, divine family. Let us learn the art of living peacefully, harmoniously, happily, in genuine friendship; praying together, meditating together, singing together, dancing together, loving one another, serving one another, caring for one another, without harming or hurting one another in any way. May the light of true love and compassion shine brightly in the hearts and minds of everybody, in every corner of the globe! May the darkness of ignorance disappear from the hearts and minds of everybody, in every corner of the globe!

With Warm Regards and Love In the service of Humanity,

Bhikkhu Sanghasena

