

**Ven. Bhikkhu Sanghasena's
Greetings on the occasion of
Merry Christmas
&
New Year 2021**





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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR



A warmest Greeting from Himalaya

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Global Human Family,

On today's beautiful time of 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.

As you all are well aware that the world is facing an unprecedented challenge due to the sudden outbreak of the deadly disease called COVID-19, which spread across multiple countries around the globe today. 2020 has been a tough year for the entire globe. The outpouring of global solidarity and support sparked by this shared challenge has been phenomenal so far. The Pandemic has united the world as one and now we only hope 2021, continues to unite us all, however, without the COVID-19 pandemic. We pray for those families who has lost dear and loved ones in the past year, we hope the coming year brings light, love, compassion, good health, and wealth to all.

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.

Wishing every day of the new year to be filled with perfect health, happiness, and prosperity for you.

Happy New Year.

With Warm Regards and Love
In the service of Humanity,



Bhikkhu Sanghasena

Prayer of Compassion

Oh! Lord Buddha

The embodiment of compassion and wisdom,
Please accept our most reverential salutation at your lotus feet.

Kindly bestow your blessing on us to remain always

A source of water for the thirsty

A source of food for the hungry

A source of healing for those who are ill

A source of light for those in darkness

A source of companionship for those who are lonely

A source of protection for those without protection

A source of help and friendship for all in need

A source of crutches to the broken limbs

A source of parental love and care for the orphan

A source of shelter to the home less

A source of asylum for those who have no safe place

A source of warmth of real love and compassion

To those abandoned in coldness of war and hatred

May the Buddha at our heads

May the Dhamma in our hearts and

May the Sangha at our side to protect

and guide as always

May all enjoy real peace, real happiness,

and real harmony.

~ Bhikkhu Sanghasena

