

## **The Hundred Deities of the Land of Joy** **Gandan Lhagyma**

I go for refuge to the Triple Gem:  
I shall liberate all sentient beings,  
To lead them to an Enlightened State.  
I generate purely an Enlightened Motive.

May the surface of the Earth in every direction  
Be pure, without even a pebble,  
As smooth as the palm of a child's hand,  
Naturally polished as is lapis lazuli.

And may all space be completely filled  
With the material offerings of gods and men,  
Both these set before me and those mentally created  
As a peerless cloud of Samantabhadra offerings.

From the heart of the Protector of the hundreds of deities of the Land of Joy  
Comes a cloud that resembles a mass of fresh, white curd,  
Omniscient Lo-zang Drag-pa, King of the Dharma, together with your sons,  
I request you to come here now.

O venerable Gurus, with white smiles of delight  
Seated on lion-thrones, lotus and moon in the space before me,  
I request you to remain for hundreds of aeons in order to spread the teachings  
And be the supreme Field of Merit for my mind of faith.

Your minds have the intellect that comprehends the full extent  
of what can be known,  
Your speech with its excellent explanations, becomes the ear ornament  
for those of good fortune,  
Your bodies are radiantly handsome with glory renowned.  
I prostrate to you who to behold, hear or recall is worthwhile.

Pleasing water offering, various flowers,  
Fragrant incense, light and scented water—  
An ocean of actual and visualized cloud-like offerings,  
I present to you, O supreme Field of Merit.

Whatever non-virtues of body, speech and mind  
I have accumulated from beginningless time,

And especially any transgression of my three vows  
I confess again and again with fervent regard from my heart.

From the depths of our hearts we rejoice, O Protectors,  
In the great waves of your deeds, you who  
Strove to learn and practice in this degenerate age  
And made life meaningful by abandoning the eight worldly feelings.

O holy and venerable Lama, from the clouds of compassion  
That form in the skies of your Dharmakaya wisdom,  
Please release a rain of vast and profound Dharma  
Precisely in accordance with the needs of those to be trained.

I dedicate whatever virtues I have ever collected  
For the benefit of the teachings and of all sentient beings,  
And in particular for the essential teachings  
Of Venerable Lo-zang Drag-pa to shine forever.

By directing to the Fields of Buddha this mandala  
On a base resplendent with flowers, saffron water and incense,  
Adorned with Mount Meru, the four continents and sun and moon  
May all sentient beings be led to these Fields.  
OM IDAM GURU RATNA MANDALA-KAM NIR-YATA-YAMI.

I send forth this jeweled mandala to you precious Gurus.  
By the force of having fervently requested in this way,  
Hollow rays of white light are emitted from the hearts  
Of the Venerable Father and his two son, the ends of which  
Combine into one and enter the crown of my head.

By the white nectar, the colour of milk,  
That comes through the pathway of the tube of white light,  
I am cleansed of all sickness, disturbance, non-virtues, obstacles  
And their instincts without exception,  
And my body becomes as pure and clear as crystal.

You are Avalokitesvara, great treasure of compassion not aimed at true  
existence.

And Manjushri, master of flawless wisdom,  
As well as Vajrapani, destroyer of hordes of demons without exception,  
O Tzong-khapa, crown jewel of the sages of the Land of Snows,  
Lo-Zang Drag-pa, I make requests at your feet.

***Mig-me tze-wa ter-chen chan-ra-zig  
Dr'i-me ky'en-pai wang-po-jam-pal yang  
Du-pung ma-lu jom-dza sang-wai- dag  
G'ang-chan k'a-pai tzung-gyan tzung-k'a-pa  
Lo-zong dr'ag-pai zhab-la sol-wa deb-- (repeat many times)***

O glorious and precious root Guru, come take your  
Lotus and moon seat placed here upon my head  
And keep me safe in your great kindness,  
Bestow upon me, please, the powerful attainments of your body, speech and mind.

O glorious and precious root Guru, come take your  
Lotus and moon seat at my heart  
And keep me safe in your great kindness;  
Remain steadfast until I achieve Buddhahood.

By this merit may I quickly  
Attain the state of a Guru-Buddha  
And may I lead into that state  
Every being without exception.