

## BLESSING CEREMONY

There are two types of Blessing Ceremonies: one is to bring blessings to one's family and relatives who are still living; the other is dedicated to the deceased. In both services, the participants chant sutras and mantras to pay respect and homage to the Three Jewels - the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha, which represent perfect wisdom and compassion, the solution and relief for all suffering. Relying on the power of compassion of the Three Jewels, the participants pray for the removal of disasters and obstacles, for growth in wisdom and prosperity in the lives of their family, for a pure, bright, and harmonious universe, as well as for the deceased to be reborn in the realms of the pure and blessed.