



# Tibetan Buddhist Learning Center

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## You are cordially invited to attend THE FESTIVAL OF MAITREYA THE COMING BUDDHA

AT TWO O' CLOCK  
Sunday the 16th of August 2009  
at the  
Tibetan Buddhist Learning Center  
in Washington, Warren County, New Jersey

Our spiritual teacher, the late Venerable Geshe Ngawang Wangyal, founder of the Tibetan Buddhist Learning Center, started the Festival here in the United States in 1965. It is held to honor a tradition started by Geshe Wangyal's main teacher, Lama Ngawang Dorjieff, a religious assistant to the Thirteenth Dalai Lama. Lama Dorjieff increased the practice of the Buddha's Teaching in Geshe Wangyal's birthplace in Kalmykia. He started the Festival there in 1905 as an annual religious event.

Above all, the program will begin with a tape-recorded speech by our spiritual guide, His Holiness Tenzin Gyatso, the Fourteenth Dalai Lama, accompanied by an English translation. The assembled monks will then recite prayers to Maitreya, following which TBLC's visiting teacher, Venerable Loling Geshe Yeshe Thabkhe, will give a religious talk on Maitreya Buddha's teachings.

At the conclusion, festival rice and refreshments will be served along with entertainment.

Sincerely Yours,  
Joshua & Diana  
Joshua & Diana Cutler,  
Directors

Guests are welcome