

Special Announcements Issue

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‘Turning Pain Into the Path’

Live Internet Broadcasts in April With Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

Join us from your computer on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Eastern Time (New York time) for the first of six upcoming live Internet broadcasts with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche. A second Webcast will take place five days later on Sunday, April 18, from 12 noon to 1:15 p.m. Eastern Time. [More information about the 2010 series of Webcasts / public talks](#)
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Weekend Work Retreat

Two Days of Service May 22 and 23, 2010, at Serenity Ridge

Please join us for a spring weekend of joyful service to help us beautify Ligmincha Institute's Serenity Ridge retreat center. Included: Free meals and accommodations, plus [More>](#)



Signs of Spring

Preparing for the Spring Retreat With Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

After a very snowy winter, Serenity Ridge is blossoming. We're preparing for the April 14-18 Spring Retreat with Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche: **'Sacred Waters: The Healing Practice of**

Sipe Gyalmo.'

springtime and new Tibet Shop items related to this retreat,

[click here >](#)

[Learn more about the Spring Retreat / register online >](#)

To see photographs of



Second Online Workshop to Be Held This June

Three-Week Interactive Course With Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

From June 12 through July 4, 2010, through instructional videos Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche will explain and guide the practice of the ancient techniques of Tibetan Sound Healing. You can progress through these life-changing practices from the comfort and privacy of your own home, and Tenzin Rinpoche will make himself available to provide personal guidance and answer questions. [More information >](#)



Chamma Ling Continues to Expand Its Offerings

Teachings in Colorado and New Mexico in May 2010

We are very happy to announce that **Lama Lhari-la Kalsang Nyima** will be leading [More>](#)



News From International Sangha

Students Report From Around the World

A note from VOCL editors: We are happy to be able to share news from students around the world and hope you will enjoy reading bits about what's going on in

[More>](#)



Awakening the Self, Discovering Joy

Invitation to the 2010 Summer Retreat

Any experience of body, speech, and mind can serve as a doorway to profound inner transformation. This summer Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche offers the keys to [More >](#)



New Summer Tibetan Language Program

Intensive Study in a Retreat Setting at Serenity Ridge

This summer brings an opportunity to immerse yourself in the study of Tibetan language. Join **Geshe Namgyal Nyima**, author of

Colloquial and Literary Tibetan: Practical Usage

(Berlin 2008), for an intensive program at the Serenity Ridge retreat center in two 12-day, successive courses from June 26 through July 19, 2010.

[Learn more >](#)



Upcoming Retreats

Ligmincha's Serenity Ridge Retreat Center

The retreats described below will take place at Serenity Ridge, Ligmincha Institute's retreat center in Nelson County, Va. To register or for more information, click on the links below, or contact us at Ligmincha@aol.com or 434-263-6304.

April 14 - 18, 2010

**Sacred Waters: The Healing Practice of Sipe Gyalmo
With Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche**

Join Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche at Serenity Ridge this spring when he offers a special healing experience for the general public, health care professionals, and anyone who is currently encountering illness.

[New: Extend your stay >](#)

[Learn more or register >](#)

June 2 - 6, 2010

Introduction to the Nature of Mind: The Experiential Transmission of Zhang Zhung, Part 2

With Menri Lopon Trinley Nyima Rinpoche

This year we are again very fortunate to have [Menri Lopon Trinley Nyima Rinpoche](#), the head teacher of Menri Monastery in Dolanji, India, teaching these beautiful and essential practices to us. The concise and essential practice manual of

[the Experiential Transmission](#),

the

Chag Tri,

provides pith instructions for those who aspire to practice dzogchen, the path of self-liberation.

[Learn more or register >](#)

June 20 - 26, 2010

Summer Work Retreat

Free of charge. Whether you join us for one afternoon or the full week, this is a wonderful time to share with sangha and to be of joyful service. Our work retreat includes vigorous work periods, daily meditation practice, and ample time for a swim in the pool or a walk along the Rockfish River. Participants are provided with free tenting and meals, and for those who participate in the entire work retreat there will be a 50 percent discount on one week of the summer retreat.

For more information or to register, please email Ligmincha at Ligmincha@aol.com.

June 26 - July 19, 2010

Summer Tibetan Language Program

With Geshe Namgyal Nyima

This summer brings an opportunity to immerse yourself in the study of Tibetan language. Join Geshe Namgyal Nyima, author of *Colloquial and Literary Tibetan: Practical Usage* (Berlin

2008), for an intensive program at the Serenity Ridge retreat center in two 12-day, successive courses from June 26 through July 19, 2010. Open to beginning and intermediate students.

[Learn more >](#)

June 27 - July 17, 2010

Awakening the Self, Discovering Joy: Self-Realization Through the Three Doors of Body, Speech and Mind

19th Annual Summer Retreat With Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

Our own body, speech and mind can offer direct access to profound inner transformation. The keys to effectively unlocking these three doors are found in the ancient Bon Buddhist tradition of Tibet, whose powerful meditation practices help to remove physical, energetic, and mental blockages that keep us from achieving our highest potential. Join us for a unique, life-changing opportunity to discover your unbounded being, the source of authentic joy. Registration is available for one, two, or all three weeks.

[New: Extend your stay >](#)

[Learn more or register >](#)

Oct. 6-10, 2010

Sleep of Clear Light: The Practice of Sleep Yoga With Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

Centuries ago, Tibetan yogis developed the practice of sleep yoga to transform these dark hours of ignorance into a path toward enlightenment. A powerful tool for awakening, sleep yoga is more than a practice of the night. It helps us to integrate all moments — waking, sleeping, meditation, and even death — with the clear light of awareness. During this intensive five-day retreat, Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche will teach and guide us in the clear-light sleep practices of the Mother Tantra, one of the most important cycles of teachings in the Tibetan Bon Buddhist tradition.

[New: Extend your stay >](#)

[Learn more or register >](#)

Nov. 3 - 7, 2010

Tibetan Yoga, Part 2: *Trul Khor* Training From the *Zhang Zhung Nyen Gyu* With Alejandro Chaoul-Reich

The contemplative movements of Tibetan Yoga (*trul khor*) enable us to enter all three doors of body, energy and mind through a single practice, offering a powerful, skillful means for clearing the obstacles and obscurations to openness and clarity in meditation practice. Open to students who have received the Part 1 teachings of

Trul Khor

(

Zhang Zhung Nyen Gyu

) since Jan. 1, 2000.

[Learn more or register >](#)

Dec. 27, 2010 - Jan. 1, 2011

Dzogchen: The View, Meditation, Behavior, and Result

The Experiential Transmission of Zhang Zhung, Part 3

With Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

The Experiential Transmission of the Zhang Zhung Masters is the centerpiece of Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche's dzogchen teachings and is presented at Serenity Ridge each year at our winter retreat. *Prerequisite:* Practitioners who have already received the Part 2 or higher-level teachings in a previous cycle of Chag Tri teachings are warmly invited to attend this retreat.

[Learn more or register >](#)

New: Extend your stay! You may stay up to three days after the winter retreat for personal retreat time. For more information or to register for an extended stay, contact Ligmincha office at ligmincha@aol.com or 434-263-6304.

To register for any of the above retreats, or for more information about teachings in the Bon Buddhist tradition of Tibet, please contact us at gmincha@aol.com [Li](#)

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<https://www.ligmincha.org/retreats/retreats.html>