

## Announcements Issue

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### Letter from the Editors

#### Finding Joy

Dear Friends,

This just in! Ligmincha is happy to announce the next six-month series of free online webcasts with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche set to begin September 10. The topic is “Living with Joy, Dying in Peace.” We hope you can tune in from your computer for this new series. [More](#)



### New! Free Six-Month Course with Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

#### ‘Living with Joy, Dying in Peace’ Starts September 10

Beginning September 10, 2016, Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche will offer a free, six-month Internet course on Living with Joy, Dying in Peace. The course includes everything from free monthly live webcasts to a discussion forum, recorded webcasts, downloadable print materials and MP3 audio recordings. [More](#)



### Thankful News from Chongtul Rinpoche

#### His Holiness Lungtok Tenpai Nyima's Health Greatly Improved!

Dear Friends,

On behalf of Bon Shen Ling, I am writing to say how greatly we appreciate your highest and most powerful prayers and thoughts for His Holiness' health – especially the Tse Dup healing practice that many of you have been doing over the past six months. [More](#)

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## **Breaking New Ground Atop Serenity Ridge!**

### **Taking the Retreat Center to a New Level**

On the morning of June 26, Summer Retreat participants and many invited guests gathered at Serenity Ridge. The purpose was to break ground for the new building to be built between the gumpa (meditation hall) and the Lama House. This new building will contain a new kitchen, dining hall capable of seating up to 100 people, practice and meeting rooms, some office space and a fully equipped recording studio. [More](#)

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## **Resident Program Positions Available**

### **Be of Service at Serenity Ridge**

A limited number of resident program positions are now available at Serenity Ridge Retreat Center, founded by Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche and headquarters of Ligmincha International. Apply now if you are interested! [More](#)

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## **Introducing the New Ligmincha International Facebook Page!**

### **Social Media Updates for Ligmincha and Serenity Ridge**

To better inform you about the worldwide teachings of Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche and the Bön Buddhist tradition of Tibet, Ligmincha International has a new Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ligminchainternational/>

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## Meet the New 3 Doors Website

### Expanding and Clarifying

Check out the new 3 Doors website! The 3 Doors, founded by Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, teaches meditation methods with practical applications to everyday life. The redesigned website includes a new events calendar, a new Academy overview, a growing list of resources and more. [More](#)

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## Register Now for Fall Retreat at Serenity Ridge

### Oct. 12 –16: The Practice of Chöd from the Bon Mother Tantra

Join us October 12–16 for Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche's annual Fall Retreat at Serenity Ridge. Rinpoche will teach on the topic of "Fear and Attachment: Doorways to Liberation – The Practice of Chöd from the Bon Mother Tantra." [More](#)

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## Cutting Through One's Fear

### On the Meaning of Chöd

The meaning of chöd as explained in the [Glossary of Bön Terms](#) on Ligmincha's International website:

**chöd (tib: gchod)** Literally: to cut off, to cut through. Also known as the "expedient use of fear" and the "cultivation of generosity." Chöd is a ritual practice meant to remove all attachment to one's own body and ego by compassionately offering all that one is to other beings.

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In the foreword to Alejandro Chaoul-Reich's book, *Chöd Practice in the Bön Tradition*, Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche writes:

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## **Sangha and Service**

### **Ligmincha's Prison Project**

“If we listen to our hearts and dare with confidence – then wonderful things are possible.” This quote from Nicolas Gounaropoulos of Belgium, student of Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, captures the positive realization he had when working with Ligmincha's Prison Project. This article features an update on some of the service work he is doing in prisons and elsewhere. [More](#)

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## **November Trul Khor Retreat Canceled**

### **Due to New Building Construction at Serenity Ridge**

The Trul Khor Training: Tibetan Bon Yoga, Part 1 retreat with Alejandro Chaoul-Reich, previously schedule from November 3–6, 2016, has been canceled due to the new building construction at Serenity Ridge. This retreat will be rescheduled for 2017.

See the [Serenity Ridge](#) homepage for upcoming events.

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## **Upcoming Ligmincha Learning Online Courses**

### **August 20: Three Heart Mantras & October 1: Six Lokas**

**Beginning August 20:** Ligmincha Learning is pleased to present an online course with Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche on “The Three Heart Mantras of Bön.” [More](#)



## **Next Glidewing Online Workshops Begin August 6 and September 17** **Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche Teaches on Sacred Arts and Dream Yoga**

**Beginning August 6:** “Awakening the Sacred Arts – Discovering Your Creative Potential” is the next GlideWing online workshop with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, set for August 6–September 4, 2016. [More](#)

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## **Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche's August/September 2016 Schedule** **Teaching in Europe and the Far East**

Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, founder and spiritual director of Ligmincha International, will be teaching around the world in the next few months. In August and September he travels to Poland, Germany, Hungary, Russia and Colorado (U.S.), and will also be teaching in South Korea and Japan for the first time! [More](#)

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## **Spanish and Portuguese Translations of VOCL** **Links to June Issue Now Available**

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## Upcoming Retreats

### Serenity Ridge Retreat Center

The retreats listed below will take place at Serenity Ridge Retreat Center, Ligmincha International headquarters located in Nelson County, Virginia. To register or for more information, click on the links below, [email the registrar](#) or call 434-263-6304.

#### August 24–27, 2016

##### August Service Retreat

Share with the sangha and receive a discount off the cost of registration for any upcoming retreat.

[Learn more](#)

#### October 12–16, 2016

##### Fall Retreat 2016: The Practice of Chöd from the Bon Mother Tantra

with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

[Learn more/register](#)

#### October 17–20, 2016

##### Fall Service Retreat

Share with the sangha and receive a discount off the cost of registration for the Fall Retreat.

[Learn more](#)

#### December 27, 2016–January 1, 2017

##### The Experiential Transmission of Zhang Zhung, Part 3: The Practice of the Path

with Geshe Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche

*Prerequisite: Previous completion of Part 2 of the Experiential Transmission of Zhang Zhung series.*

[Learn more](#)

**January 2–3 or January 2–8, 2017**

**Winter Practice Retreat**

with Geshe Tenzin Yangton

*Prerequisite: Students who have received Part 3 of the Experiential Transmission teachings or who have registered to attend Part 3 in December 2016 may attend.*

[Learn more](#)

To register for any of the above retreats, or for more information about teachings in the Bon Buddhist tradition of Tibet, please [email the registrar](#) , call 434-202-6211 or visit the [Serenity Ridge website](#)

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