

# FO GUANG SHAN CHUNG MEI TEMPLE

## Light Offering Dharma Service



### Light Offering

Lamp offering provide practitioners opportunities to offer light. Lighting one lamp is cultivating a merit-field, and thus, gaining endless merits. On the fifteenth of the first lunar month, the temple conducts a Light Offering Ceremony and on the fifteenth of the last lunar month, a completion Dharma service. In addition, we chant sutras and make offerings to the Buddhas every day. The merits accrued are transferred to the families of all Dharma protectors and devotees, blessing them with peace and harmony.

According to the *Sutra of Giving*, *Sutra of Difference in Retribution*, and the *Sutra on Merits of Lamp Lighting*, the merits of offering lamps to the Buddha in stupas and temples are endless, which are listed as follows:

1. Physical condition: clear eyesight, fine physical appearance, good health and energy.
2. Wisdom: clear mind unaffected by ignorance, ability to uphold wholesomeness.
3. Career: often blessed with benevolent friends, accomplishments, and fortune.
4. Retribution: born of noble family, seeing the Buddha at end of life, and rebirth in the realms of heavens.

**Dear Dharma friends,**

The yearly Light Completion Dharma Service is approaching, it will be schedule on the January 8, 2012 (Sunday) at 10:30a.m. The New Year Light Offering Dharma Service is scheduled on February 5 (Sunday) at 10:30a.m. We will have the chanting service and prayer at the Main Shrine of Chung Mei Temple. You and your family are cordially invited to attend the service and share in the Dharma joy. We sincerely wish you a happy New Year, and may you and yours be blessed with joy and prosperity!

Yours in the Dharma,  
Chung Mei Temple



### 2012 Chung Mei Temple Light Offering Registration Form

No :

Contact Person		Tel	(      )	Lighting: <input type="checkbox"/> 2011Renew <input type="checkbox"/> 2012New
Address				
Person's Name for Light Offering	Donation Amt	Person's name for Light Offering	Donation Amt	
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY : \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CASH \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK \$ _____ # _____ DATE _____ 經手人 _____				

Light offering \$60/year per person ( Please make check payable to I.B.P.S. Houston )

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