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## BUDDHA'S RELICS RETURN TO WEI MOUNTAIN TEMPLE FOR THE 2024 LUNAR NEW YEAR

Experience the Blessings and Healing Energy of Buddha's Relics

ROSEMEAD, CA – This Lunar New Year, from Saturday, February 10th to Sunday, February 18th, 2024, Wei Mountain Temple will hold a public display of *The 10,000 Buddha Relics Collection*. This free exhibit will be open each day from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. In addition, special times to meditate with the relics will be held each day at 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. & 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Wei Mountain Temple is located at 7732 Emerson Place, Rosemead, CA.

Events to commemorate the Lunar New Year on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> include the chanting ceremony at 9 a.m., followed by the Lion Dance and special New Year's blessings. Harp music will be performed live from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

During the designated meditation hours, the exhibit hall will maintain a quiet atmosphere conducive to meditation and prayer. Newcomers to meditation, as well as experienced meditators, are welcome to join. Meditation instruction will also be available on request.

*The 10,000 Buddha Relics Collection* features thousands of gem-like relics of Shakyamuni Buddha, the historical founder of Buddhism, as well as his family members and close disciples. These precious crystals are found in the ashes of enlightened sages after they are cremated. Most of these relics come from Asian countries such as Myanmar, Thailand, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam. This is the largest collection of relics in the United States and has attracted thousands of visitors since 2013. Many report that they can sense the energy of the relics and feel peaceful and blissful when in their presence. The Buddha's relics thus provide the ideal atmosphere for meditation. This special exhibit was featured in Season 5, Episode 10 of the History Channel series "The UnXplained" with William Shatner.

Wei Mountain Temple is home to Bodhi Light International, Inc. (BLI), a non-profit organization dedicated to presenting Mahayana Buddhism to an international audience. Dharma Master YongHua is the founder of BLI and has been teaching free Chan meditation classes since 2005.

To RSVP and for more information visit: [www.MahaStupa.org](http://www.MahaStupa.org)

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