A Shower of Precious Blessings
A Garland of Prayers to Guru Rinpoche, Embodiment of All Refuge Objects, and to the Three Roots and Lineage Masters

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INTRODUCTION

*A Shower of Precious Blessings (Jinlap Norbu Drucha)* is a collection of thirty-five prayers by the Great Tertön Chokgyur Dechen Zhiipho Lingpa, composed at the request of various disciples on different occasions. The series includes poetic prayers in verse, mainly directed towards Mahaguru Padmasambhava, seeking his blessings and guidance, while others call upon the Buddha and bodhisattvas, the Three Roots, and lineage-holders. The original collection mostly featured untitled prayers. Titles have been added by the translators based on information in the colophons of each prayer. This collection offers profound insight into the student-teacher relationship of one of the 19th century’s greatest Tibetan treasure revealers, presenting deeply devotional works that inspire practitioners on the Buddhist path.
Prayer for Rigdzin Paljor

emaho, chöying nampar dakpé zhingkham su
How amazing! In the completely pure dharmadhatu realm,

kyemé chöku dakpé podrang né
Within the palace of the unborn pure dharmakaya,

chöku kuntuzangpo la solwa deb
Dharmakaya Samantabhadra, I pray to you!

kyemé chöku tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the unborn Dharma body!

womin tukpo köpé zhingkham su
In the Densely Ornamented Unexcelled pure realm,

timuk namdak melong podrang né
Within the mirror-like palace of utterly pure ignorance,

sangye nampar nang dzé la solwa deb
Buddha Vairochana, I pray to you!

timuk namdak tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the complete purity of ignorance!
sharchok ngönpar gawé zhingkham su
In the eastern pure realm, Profound Great Joy,

zhedang namdak tongnyi podrang né
Within the palace of the emptiness of utterly pure anger,

sangye dorjé sempa la solwa deb
Buddha Vajrasattva, I pray to you!

zhedang namdak tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the complete purity of anger!

lhochok palden dzepé zhingkham su
In the southern pure realm, Glorious Beauty,

ngagyal namdak nyamnyi podrang né
Within the palace of the equality of utterly pure pride,

sangye rinchen jungden la solwa deb
Buddha Ratnasambhava, I pray to you!

ngagyal namdak tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the complete purity of pride!

nubchok dewachen gyi zhingkham su
In the western pure realm of bliss, Sukhavati,
döchak namdak sortok podrang né
Within the palace of the discrimination of utterly pure desire,

sangye nangwa tayé la solwa deb
Buddha Amitabha, I pray to you!

döchak namdak tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the complete purity of desire!

jangchok lerab dzokpé zhingkham su
In the northern pure realm, Utterly Perfect Activity,

trakdok namdak ja drub podrang né
Within the all-accomplishing palace of utterly pure jealousy,

sangye dön yö drubpa la solwa deb
Buddha Amoghasiddhi, I pray to you!

trakdok namdak tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that I may realize the complete purity of jealousy!

sempa gyé dang sangye tong tsa dang
The eight bodhisattvas, the thousand and two buddhas,

sem ma gyé sok longku tulkū zhing
The eight bodhi ladies, and all such others—all enjoyment and emanation bodies of the pure realms,
All buddhas and bodhisattvas, I pray to you!

Bless my mind stream and liberate the mindstreams of all others!

Grant your blessings that awakened activity may spread and pervade the ten directions!

Perfect embodiment of all sugatas of the three times—venerable guru Precious Lotus;

Eight teachers from the noble land; Lady Tsogyal—only mother;

Lotsawas; panditas; lord and subjects—

To all of you, I pray and bow!

Grant your blessings that by perfecting generation and completion,

And actualizing the subtle channels and winds,
tsé dir jalü drubpar jingyi lob
I may attain the siddhi of immortality

chögyal rim jön terchen tertren dang
And accomplish the rainbow body in this very life!

kater gyüé lama rigdzin sok
Succession of Dharma kings, great and minor tertöns,

gya bö rimé lamar solwa deb
Vidyadhara gurus of the oral and treasure lineages,

daknang tsöndrü kyewar jingyi lob
All gurus of all the traditions of India and Tibet—

longkü zhing du tönpa dorjé sem
To all of you, I pray and bow!

tubpé nyentö lak na dorjé dang
Grant your blessings that pure perception and diligence arise!

pejung drung du gyalsé mu rub tsen
In the sambhogakaya realm, teacher Vajrasattva;

zabter ngadak sangye lingpa chok
The Muni’s shravaka-listeners; mighty Vajrapani;
yangtrul rigdzin mingyur dorjé dang
At the feet of Padmasambhava, bodhisattva Murup Tsenpo;

gu drak kabab rigdzin chokgyur ling
Supreme Sangyé Lingpa, sovereign of profound treasures;

ma ong tertön drimé künden dang
Re-emanation vidyadhara, Mingyur Dorjé;

sangye möpachen la solwa deb
Chokgyur Lingpa, vidyadhara of the special line of Guru Drakpo;

dreltsé dön dang denpar jingyi lob
And future treasure revealers Drimé Künden and Sangyé Möpachen—

jingyi lob shik lama rigdzin tsok
To all of you, I pray to and bow! Grant your blessings that all connections may be beneficial!

barché sol chik rigdzin sangye ling
Grant your blessings, assembly of vidyadhara gurus!

ngödrub tsol chik mingyur dorjé tsal
Vidyadhara Sangyé Lingpa, dispel all obstacles! Mighty Mingyur Dorjé, grant the siddhis!

trinlé gyé shik rigdzin chokgyur ling
Vidyadhara Chokgyur Lingpa, expand the activities of awakening!
Most gracious noble gurus, bestow your blessings

Upon us all, your hapless disciples embraced within your care, I beseech you!

Help us attain awakening within this very life!

This was composed by vidyadhara Chokgyur Lingpa in the retreat house at Dewatsal, in response to repeated requests by the vidyamantradhara Rikgzin Paljor. It was transcribed by the requester himself.
om ah hung, rigpé gyalpo pema öbar gyi
*Om ah hung!* To the manifold display of Blazing Light Lotus—sovereign of awareness—

nampar rolpa lama yidam dang
The gurus, the yidams, the dakinis, and the Dharma protectors,

khandro chökyong khaypar sangye ling
And particularly to Sangyé Lingpa

lama gongdū lha la solwa deb
And the deities of the Assembled Realization of the Gurus¹—to all of you, I pray and bow!

rigpa tab chok traktung düdul ling
To awareness, the supreme method, the blood drinker Düdül Lingpa;

tongpé daknyi sang yum metok chang
To the identity of emptiness, the secret consort, Flower Holder;

riktong yermé chokgyur lingpé ngang
To awareness and emptiness indivisible, Chokgyur Lingpa—

¹ The Assembled Realization of the Gurus (Lama Gongdū) is a cycle of practices revealed as a terma by Sangyé Lingpa (1340-1396), and one of the most important terma cycles of the Dzokchen tradition.
To all of you, I pray and bow! Please bless my mindstream!

In this temporary state, may we have bliss and joy, may negativity be subdued, and may the positive increase.

May we enjoy the splendor of the first eon, the Golden Age,

And at death go swiftly to the palace of Lotus Light!

Recite this mantra many times.

This was written at the heartfelt request of the mantradhara Rigzin Paljor, who said he was in need of something like this. Even though I am not worthy of prayer and entreatment, nonetheless, since he and his family perceive me like brass that is mistaken for gold, I have written this in order not to undermine their faith. Bringing to mind the instance of relics appearing from a dog’s tooth, I composed this quickly with positive and pure intention. For even though I myself am lowly, Guru Rinpoche’s blessings are extraordinarily powerful.

2 This is a reference to the well-known story of buddha relics appearing from a dog’s tooth due to the power and strength of an old lady’s faith.
Prayer for the Disciples

emaho, dömé gönpo chökū kuntuzang
How amazing! Primordial protector, dharmakaya Samantabhadra;

longchö dzok ku rik nga yabyum chu
The five sambhogakaya families, the ten Lords and Ladies;

tulku sangye shakya tubpa dang
The nirmanakaya buddhas, Shakyamuni and all thousand and two teachers;

tönpa tong tsa nyewé sé chen sok
The close heart-son heirs and all such noble beings;

chok chu dü sum jönpa gyalwé tsok
Assembly of victorious ones of the ten directions and the three times—

dewar shekpa nam la solwa deb
To all the sugatas, I pray and bow!

dak dang dro druk khorwé né né drong
Guide me and all beings, all six classes, out of samsara!

jikten mik gyur pakyul lobsön gyé
Eight teachers of the noble land, the eyes of the world;
sang chen tön tso guru rinpoche
Chief teacher of the great secret, Guru Rinpoche;

sang ngak ka yi du pön tsogyalma
Lady Tsogyal, main compiler of the secret mantra teachings and

tuk jön mu tra ngadak yabsé zhi
The guru’s heart-mudra consort; the monarch and his three sons;

jebang nyer nga khé dang drubpé tso
The twenty-five subjects, foremost scholars and siddhas—

bö la drinchen dzé la solwa deb
To all who have shown such kindness to Tibet, I pray!

nyikmé bö bang nam la tukjé zik
Please look with compassion upon the Tibetan people, hapless beings of this
degenerate age.

jikten drönmé terchen gya tsé zhab
Lamps of the world—the hundred and eight great tertöns;

rimé dro dren tertren tong tsa nyi
The thousand and two minor tertöns, unbiased guides of beings;

dreltsé dönden yangter jewé tsok
And the millions of tertöns who find treasures anew, benefiting all whom they
encounter;
The Dharma lords and the lineage holders;

And in particular, all those in this present age who are perfectly learned and disciplined,

Unmistaken and supreme, who with their entrancing dance

Beautify the eyes of the doctrine and beings—

To all you noble ones who are beyond all doubt, I pray and bow!

And especially, the pandit who upholds the doctrine in this dark age,

Chemchok Dütsal of immeasurable awakened mind,

Who took birth on the anthers of a lotus and displayed the twelve deeds,

The guide and guardian of beings, ever-gracious guru Palden Gyurmé—to you, I pray and bow!
chikchok gyurpar solwa tabpé tü
Through the power of this prayer to you, all-encompassing embodiments,

chi nang barché zhiwar jingyi lob
Bless me that outer, inner, and secret obstacles are quelled!

ngödrub nam nyi tobpar jingyi lob
Bless me that the two siddhis are attained!

rangsem sangye ngönsum tongwa dang
Bless me that I may directly see my own mind as the buddha,

namzhik kyechi khalo gar gyur kyang
And that throughout all lifetimes, wherever birth and death lead me,

tserab orgyen pemé jedzin shok
I am accepted and embraced by Orgyen Pema, Lotus of Uddiyana!

I, Chokgyur Lingpa, wrote this at the request of several ordained and lay mantradharas and their consorts who practice the Guru and hold the lineage of the Vajrayana of the EarlyTranslations. Through this virtue, may all beings attain the state of the Lotus of Uddiyana!
Prayer for Karma Dorjé

sangye kündü pema jung
Embodiment of all buddhas, Padmasambhava;

yidam düpa drakpo tsal
Embodiment of all yidams, Drakpo Tsal—

solwa deb so barché sol
I pray to you now! Dispel obstacles!

tral yin küntu gelek tsol
Now and forever, bestow virtue and excellence!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of the monk Karma Dorjé, who is of the mantric lineage of the Guru.
Prayer for the Faithful

emaho, chöku nangwa tayé chenrezik
Emaho! Dharmakaya Amitabha; Avalokiteshvara;

gyal kündü pé chizuk pema jung
Padmasambhava, embodiment of all the victorious ones;

ma chik khandro yeshe tsogyalma
Only mother, dakini Yeshé Tsogyal—

soldé dödön drubpar jingyi lob
I pray to you all! Grant your blessings that our wishes be fulfilled!

namkhé nyingpö trinlé trulpa chok
Palden Gyurmé Tsewang Trinlé,

palden gyurmé tsewang trinlé dang
Supreme emanation of the awakened activity of Namkhé Nyingpo,

lang dro lo tsa chokgyur drakpö zhab
Langdro Lotsawa, Chokgyur Drakpo—

soldé dödön drubpar jingyi lob
I pray to you all! Grant your blessings that our wishes be fulfilled!
Murup Tsenpo, Chokgyur Lingpa,

Assembled yidams, dakinis, Dharma protectors, and wealth deities—

I pray to you all! Bless my mindstream and inspire me to virtue!

May I recall the truth of impermanence and death,

Recognize my own face, quell the demon of self-clinging,

And realize that all things are nothing but illusion!

In this life, may I live long, be healthy, and practice the Dharma!

Amitabha, in my next life may I behold your face!

Avalokiteshvara, gaze upon me with your eyes of compassion!
བདེ་འབྱུང་གནས་མཆོག་གིས་ལམ་སྣ་དྲོངས།

Supreme Pemajungné, guide me along the path!

ནམ་ཡང་པད་འབྱུང་ཁྱེད་དང་འབྲལ་མེད་ཅིང་།

May I never be separated from you, Padmasambhava!

པདྨ་འབྱུང་གནས་ཐུགས་རྗེ་རྒྱང་མ་རིང་།

May your compassion never be far from me, Lotus Born One!

ཐུགས་རྗེ་གསོག་ཤིག་གུ་རུ་རིན་པོ་ཆེ།

Look upon me with compassion, Guru Rinpoché!

ཨོཾ་ཨཱཿཧཱུྃ་བཛྲ་གུ་རུ་པདྨ་སིདྡྷི་ཧཱུྃ།

This was composed by the vidyadhara Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of the faithful.
Prayer for Karma Tsültrim Rapten

dömé gönpo kunzang yabyum dang
Primordial protector Samantabhadra and consort;

ngepa ngaden longku rik ngé tsok
The five sambhogakaya families endowed with the five certainties;

tsok yul né dak sempa sem ma dang
The male and female bodhisattvas, the collections of consciousness and objects purified in their natural state;

zhenyang sangye changsem malüpa
And every buddha and bodhisattva, without exception;

düpé daknyi pema tötreng tsal
Mighty Lotus Skull Garland who embodies them all;

rigdzin nam gyé jebang nyernga sok
The eight vidyadharas; the king and twenty-five subjects—all such beings as these

rigdzin lamé dé dang yidam lha
The classes of vidyadhara gurus and the yidam deities,

né sum khandroma gön chökyong tsok
Dakinis of the three places, male and female guardians, Dharma protectors,
norlha tamché lamé rolpa čé
And all the wealth deities. All is the guru’s great display!

solwa deb so mitün kün zhi zhing
I pray to you all! May all adversity be pacified!

tsuklak düdé rabgyé tünkyen pel
May monasteries and sangha flourish!
May conducive conditions increase!

tachö tarchin changchub chok tob shok
May view and conduct be perfected,
And supreme awakening attained!

This was written in virtue by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of the Tsangsar Lama, Karma Tsültrim Rapten, a sublime guide for beings.
Chariot of Faith

Guru Rinpoché, awakened body of the Buddha, Dharma, and Sangha,

I pray to you!

Guru Rinpoché, awakened speech embodiment of the guru, yidam, and dakinis,

I pray to you!

Guru Rinpoché, awakened mind, where thoughts are liberated upon arising,

Free from extremes, and uncompounded, I pray to you!

Guru Rinpoché, please look with eyes of compassion

Upon all of us wandering sentient beings.
lama khyé la nying né yiché né
I trust in you from the depths of my heart.

lona chö la gyurwar jingyi lob
Please bless me that my mind turns toward the Dharma!

daljor rinchen nyepar kawa dang
Please bless me that I always remember

mi tak chiwa drenpar jingyi lob
The difficulties of obtaining these precious freedoms and riches,

gyundré panglang tsulzhin jepa dang
And that death and impermanence are always kept close in my mind!

khorwa kyön du tongwar jingyi lob
Please bless me that I may live truly, adopting and abandoning according to karma’s process,

könchok sum gyi kyab ok la tsü ching
And that I come to see samsara as flawed!

zhenpen changsem kyewar jingyi lob
Please bless me that I am protected by the Three Jewels,

dikdrib nyamchak malü kün jang né
And that the mind of bodhichitta—the heartfelt wish to benefit others—dawns within me!
tsok nyi yongsu dzokpar jingyi lob
With all my misdeeds purified—my obscurations, violations, and breaches—

lamé jinlab nying la zhuk né su
Please bless me that I perfect the two accumulations!

rangsem chökur tokpar jingyi lob
Bless me that the guru's inspiration and grace enters my heart so that I may realize my mind as dhammakaya!

I, Chokgyur Lingpa, wrote this prayer to Guru Rinpoché entitled Chariot of Faith for my younger brother, Wangdrak, so that he might turn to virtue. May this bring goodness!
Pearl Droplets of Blessings:
A Prayer to the Guru Who Embodies All

You infuse all the dharmakaya, sambhogakaya, and nirmanakaya vidyadharas of
The wisdom, sign, scriptural, treasure, and aspiration lineages in all three times.
To you, Guru embodying all guru-buddhas,
I pray: please bless my mindstream!

The trio of Sutra, Illusion, and Mind; 3
The Eight Transmissions; 4 and the Assembled Realization— 5
As chief of the mandala, you emanate and reabsorb them all.

3 The trio of Sutra, Illusion, and Mind (Tib. mdo sgyu sems gsum) refer to the Sutra of Assembled Realization (Tib. mdo dgongs pa 'dus pa), the Web of Illusion Tantra (Tib. rgyud sgyu 'phrul drwa ba), and the Eighteen Mind Sections of Anuyoga.
4 The Eight Transmissions (Tib. sgrub pa bka' brgyad), also known as Eight Sadhana Teachings, are the eight deity lineages that the eight vidyadharas of India transmitted to Guru Rinpoche.
5 The Combined Realization of All Buddhas (Tib. rgyas thams cad kyi dgongs pa 'dus pa'i mdo) is a major Anuyoga scripture.
To you, guru embodying all yidams and sacred Dharma,
I pray: bestow the supreme and common siddhis!

You are the noble lord of the assembly of outer shravakas,
Inner bodhisattvas, and secret dakas and dakinis.
To you, sovereign Guru of the foremost assembly of dakinis,
I pray: dispel the outer and inner obstacles!

You prophesied representations of your body,
Concealed countless treasures as representations of your speech,
And entrusted your heart realization to those with karmic connections.
To you, Guru who has shown the greatest kindness to Tibet,
I pray: fulfill our wishes in accordance with the Dharma!

To you, my guru, and to all the lineage holders,

As I surrender myself and place all trust in you,

Look upon us with compassion, as you pledged to do:

Temporarily and ultimately, protect us from all fears!

Augment all favorable conditions:
Long life, merit, strength and wealth, experience and realization!

Help us to attract the four types of admiration and to fulfill the twofold benefit of self and other.

The four types of admiration are often mentioned in magnetizing practices such as Kurukulla. They are: 1) the admiration of being treated with kindness, since one is seen as a father or mother; 2) the admiration of being respected, since one is seen as a teacher; 3) the admiration of being renowned, since one is seen as a king; 4) the admiration of being loved, since one is seen as a friend.
dragek tsarchö rangrig ngöngyur né
Grant your blessings that we may vanquish foes and obstructers

pema ö du kyewar jingyi lob
And actualize natural awareness, and thus take birth in Lotus Light!
At the behest of Jedrung Rinpoche, the head of the glorious monastic seat of Riwoché, Chokgyur Lingpa wrote this in the Dharma Lord Khardrung's residence. May it bring continuous goodness!

7 Jedrung Trinlé Jampa Jungné (1856-1922).
Prayer for Ngakwang Rinchen

Namo guru, sangye kün gyi daknyi
Nama guru! Essence of all buddhas,

guru pema jungné
Guru Padmasambhava,

di chi kyabné khyé la
Source of refuge in this and all future lives,

solwa nying né deb so
I pray to you from the core of my heart!

lama khyé kyi tukjé
With your compassion, O guru,

dak gi ncdön sol chik
Dispel illness and harmful spirits!

dikdrib nyamchak jang né
With all my misdeeds purified—my obscurations, violations, and breaches—

tcesö longchö nyamtok
Quickly increase my lifespan, merit, and enjoyments,
And swiftly augment my experience and realization!

Help me to master the four admirations,
To bring the three realms under my control,
And to vanquish all afflictions, obstructers, and foes.

Bestow upon me, in this very moment,
The supreme empowerment of the transference of blessings,
And thus bless my mind stream!

Now and forever, at all times and in all places,
Look upon me with eyes of compassion!

The wisdom realization of self-arisen awakening,
The view that is beyond all limitations, that transcends conceptual mind—

Help me to resolve this, with full certainty!

In this life, in future lives, and in the bardo in between,

You alone know whether I am going to rise or fall—

I have no other hope but you!

My object of genuine trust, Uddiyana, is you!

Bless me throughout all my lives!

The siddhis, both common and supreme,

Bestow them upon me right now!
Make my life force indestructible, like a vajra,

Immovable, invincible, and firm!

When death comes, may I travel to Lotus Light,

Led from in front and ushered from behind

By an unfailing host of vidyadharas and dakinis!

May I be guided swiftly along the path

And escorted to the pure realms!

At the request of my close student and aide Ngakwang Rinchen, this song of yearning was written by the mantradhara Chokgyur Lingpa at Yarkyil Residence. May it always bring about goodness!
Prayer for Lama Chöying and Yönten

Lord Guru, embodiment of the three kayas,
I pray to you with intense and ferocious longing!

Father, if you don’t look upon me with compassion,
I will have nowhere else to place my hope!

In the time since I first entered the gateway of Dharma,
I have yet to find the fearless stronghold of certainty.

What will I do if death comes now?
Please bless me that I may practice the Dharma from my heart!
Though I make the pretense of striving in the three vows,
I have still not cut through self-clinging, not one bit;
How on earth will I ever go beyond samsara?
Please bless me that I may realize selflessness!
Even though I have spent my whole life practicing,
I still don’t see purity and equality, not even slightly;
How will I ever reach awakening in this life?
Please bless me to swiftly ripen in generation and completion!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of Lama Chöying from Databehu and the practitioner Yönten. May this bring goodness!
Prayer for the Geshe from Nyindzong

gyal kündü zuk guru pema jung
Embodiment of all victors, Pemajungné,

sherab cha dzin yeshe tsogyalma
Embodiment of insight, Mother Yeshé Tsogyal—

yermé rigdzin lama yabyum la
Indivisible lord and lady vidyadhara guru—

solwa deb so dak gyü jingyi lob
I pray to you, please bless my mindstream!

mi tak chiwé gyü kul tar dö kyi
Stirred by impermanence and death and longing for liberation,

lumé könchok sum la kyab song né
May I go for refuge in the undeceiving Three Jewels.

lé dré yiché dompa tsangma sung
With conviction in karma, may I guard my vows purely.

zhenpen changchub chok tu semkyé né
Arousing supreme bodhichitta for the benefit of others,
 Lama sangye ngö kyi daknang tob
May I generate to the pure perception that sees the guru as a buddha.

Rangsem ta khen tok tu machö zhok
May I rest my mind in the looker, free from all contrivances.

Ngö zung mepa saltong dzinmé ngang
Bless me that, just like this, I remain free from grasping,
In lucid emptiness, utterly ungraspable,

Yengmé tsöndrü denpar jingyi lob
And endeavor in this state, without distraction.

Changchub lam gyi galkyen kun zhi zhiing
Please, pacify all hindrances on the path to awakening.

Tünkyen samdön chö zhin drubpa dang
May all beneficial things that I wish for
Be fulfilled in accordance with the Dharma.

Sa dang lam gyi yönten rabdzok né
Help me to fully perfect the qualities of the bhumis and the paths,

Tse chik sangye nyurdu drubpar shok
And swiftly reach awakening in this very life!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of the Geshe from Nyindzong. May this bring goodness!
Prayer to Guru Rinpoche

Om ah hung, gyal kündü zuk rigdzin pema jung
Om ah hung. Embodiment of all victors, vidyadhara Padmakara,

Kutsab lungten sung tsab ter du bé
You left foretold representations of your body,
You concealed countless treasures as representations of your speech,

Tuk kyi gongpa nöden bu la té
And you entrusted your wisdom mind to suitable heirs.

Bö la kadrin chewé guru la
You, who have shown such great kindness to Tibet,

Solwa deb so chi nang barché sol
Guru, I pray to you! Dispel all obstacles, outer and inner!

Sampa chö zhin drubpar jingyi lob
Grant your blessings that my wishes ripen in accordance with the Dharma!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa. Through this virtue, may the coming of these bad times in Tibet and Kham be averted, so that not even a trace remains.
Prayer for Pema Sachu

Embodiment of the victor’s three secrets, Pemajungné;

Supreme insight consort, only mother, Tsogyal—

Mother and father guru of the threefold kindness—

I pray to you with steadfast heartfelt devotion!

Quick! Pacify all illness, harmful spirits, and suffering,

For me and for each and every sentient being.

Avert all obstacles to pure intention and virtue!

All-knowing throughout the three times, Gentle Melodious Splendor, Mañjushri;
tukjé ngadak pakpa chenrezik
Lord of compassion, Forever Gazing Avalokiteshvara;

ma rung düjom chomden sangwé dak
Subduer of wicked demons, Blessed One, Lord of Secrets;

gyel kün kyé yum pakma drölmé zhap
Mother of all victors, Liberating Lady, Noble Tara—

dak gi kyapné chok nam nying né dren
Supreme objects of refuge, I hold you in my heart.

jik dang dukngel nyurdu zhiwa dang
Swiftly, pacify all fear and suffering!

drowé dön la barché mepa yi
Grant your blessings so that all pure intention and virtue

lhaksam gewa druppar chingyi lop
May be accomplished, free of obstacles, for the benefit of all!

This was written spontaneously by Chokgyur Lingpa for Pema Sachu of Neten Monastery.
Prayer for Kunzang Longyang

Embodiment of all buddhas, Guru Rinpoché,

Chief of all siddhas, Mighty Skull Garland;

Queen of accomplished ones, mother Yeshé Tsogyal;

All awakened emanations—learned adepts of Tibet and India,

And, in particular, the guru of the threefold kindness—

I pray to you all with fierce devotion and longing!

Grant your blessings that the fire of divine appearance burns to cinders all impure appearance,
a shé du trö zakché pungpo jang
And that the ‘A’-stroke,\(^8\) radiating out and reabsorbing, purifies the defiled aggregates!

ösal tum mò nyinang bakchak chom
Through the luminosity of fierce heat, may the habits of dualistic experience be overcome,

dé drö yeshe barwar jingyi lob
And may the blissful warmth of pristine awareness blaze forth!

Entreated by the realized Kunzang Longyang, and much needed by the monastic community training in the seven day fierce heat practice, this was uttered spontaneously from his wisdom mind at the fortress where blissful warmth billows like vapors while he was staying in the residence where the Guru stayed to perform the practice of ‘hung’—the cave of miracles that is shaped like a dharmaodya candali. It was then transcribed by Khenpo Pema Lodrö.\(^9\) May this bring goodness!

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8 The vertical stroke of the Tibetan letter ‘A’, visualized in the inner heart practice of Tummo.
9 More commonly known as Karme Khenpo Rinchen Dargye.
Prayer for Bechu Buring

Sovereign of all families, Amitayus,
Magical illusory net of the five families, assembly of peaceful and wrathful deities,
Vidyadhara deities of longevity, I pray to you!
Bestow the ripening and liberating empowerment of the immortality of excellent family!
In the sky of emptiness glows the moon of compassion—
Avalokiteshvara, dispeller of beings' suffering,
Buddhas and bodhisattvas of the Excellent Eon, I pray to you all!
Make the hundred-petalled water lily of compassion bloom!
kadak ying la yeshe kyilkhor gyé
Make the mandala of pristine awareness expand into pure primordial space!

sang ngak tenpé nyima tötreng tsal
Sun of the secret mantra teachings, Mighty Skull Garland,

khandro khor dangché la solwa deb
Along with your retinue of dakinis, I pray to you!

lodrö yeshe pemo zhepar dzö
Make the lotus of intelligence and pristine awareness bloom!

chok gi sa la yönten lhenpö pal
Glorious mountain of excellent qualities in the supreme state,

ngotsar tso ling köpa tenpé gyen
Wondrous array of oceans and islands, ornaments of the doctrine—

jebang tertön tsok la solwa deb
Lord and subjects, host of treasure revealers, I pray to you all!

kyedzok gyalsi dün gyi chukpar dzö
Make us rich with the seven royal possessions of generation and completion:

tongnyi khorlo nyingjé norbu chok
Wheel of emptiness, supreme jewel of compassion,

10 Guru Rinpoché.
ཨེིས་བཟོས་ལྡོག་པའི་བལྟོས་བུ་མོ་ཕྲེང་བསྟན་པོའི་དབང་པོར་ཆེན་པོ།

detong tsünmo sherab tabkhé lön
Insight queen of empty bliss, wise minister of skillful means,

ཐེག་གསུམ་བརྟུལ་ལྟ་ཞུགས་སྟོབས་ལྡན་གླང་པོ་དང་།

tek sum tulzhuk tobden langpo dang
Powerful elephant of yogic discipline of all three vehicles,

ས་ལམ་མྱུར་དུ་བགྲོད་པའི་རྟ་ཡི་མཆོག
Supreme stallion swiftly traversing the bhumis and paths,

དུ་ཟླེ་ལྷོ་གྱུལ་ཡོན་ཏན་བདུན་མངའ་བའི།
And general victorious over the four demons.

khorlö gyurwa palden lama la
Universal monarch endowed with these seven qualities—

solwa deb so dak gyü jingyi lob
Glorious guru, I pray to you! Grant me your blessing!

ku zhi gyalsa zinpar dzé du sol
Help me to capture the four kaya kingdom!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of the mantradhara Bechu Buring. May this bring goodness!
Awakening from the Sleep of Ignorance

The Lotus Guru and the entire gathering of dakas and dakinis, accompanied by the sound of damarus and bells, arrive with great splendour in the sky before me. With their bodies dancing and their speech melodiously resounding with symbolic language and mantra, they direct their awareness, the essence of self-arising wisdom, toward me.

From within dharmakaya’s wisdom expanse, the Unexcelled Palace, appears the sambhogakaya vidyadhara king, pristine awareness of great bliss, Chief of the ocean of accomplished heroes, Master of Uddiyana, The gracious mahaguru, renowned as Lotus Skull Garland, Along with his assembly of wisdom dakinis, overseers of good and bad.
khor ché tukjé tsewé kalden dakchak gi dündu
Come with all your retinues! Bring compassion and love for us fortunate ones!

marik timuk tö sam gompé barché nam sal chir
Come to dispel our ignorance and stupidity, to dispel all our obstacles to study, reflection, and meditation!

ku sung tuk kyì köpa ngotsar duma dangché té
Come in your wondrous array of awakened body, speech, and mind!

nyurwa nyi du ngayab ling né danta rang jön la
Come! Swiftly come from the Camara continent

tibpö bub di yeshe raldri barwa yi tral né
And slice open this dark cocoon with your blazing swords of wakefulness!

sherab lodrø tayé namtra pema yi dab zhé
Make the exquisite lotus of boundless intelligence and insight bloom!

gom jung rigpé tsal kha gyépé nyi ö dé sal dzö
Make the strength of awareness, arisen from meditation, radiate with the brightness of the rising sun!

daknyi kal mang sönam gyatsö tu pal lé drubpè
Through the splendid power of the ocean of merit, accumulated earnestly through oceans of eons,
nyé ké daljor milü tob né sangye kyi tenpa
I have attained this human body with its freedoms and riches—this precious human body so hard to attain.

jal zhing khyepar sang ngak zab dön tsik chik la drolwé
I have met with the Buddha's teachings, I have even met the secret mantra—its meaning so profound that a single word of instruction can bring liberation in a single lifetime!

dampa dir tré tò sam gompa dindra yi dü shik
Yet, in the face of this, a time for study and reflection, a time for meditation, which can never be regained,

nam du mi nyé dindré dü su lelo yi tang jam
I simply fritter it away, lazy and slothful.

nyingmé dak la tukjé nüpé danta rang jin lob
Nevertheless, through your compassion so strong, and despite my heartlessness, bless me, I beseech you, without further ado!

tamé khorwé gyatsor jingpé magyur gyi drowa
All beings, my mothers, in samsara's endless ocean, drowning—to free them all, each and every one,

malü dral chir tekpa chi nang sang sum gyi drondok
I shall fully resolve the vehicles, outer, inner, and secret!

chö né wenpé ri la kydzok tarchin du gom né
I shall fully resolve the vehicles, outer, inner, and secret! I shall then take myself to mountain retreats where I will train to perfection in generation and completion,
rangdön né sum lha ru nünpé rangnang rimé du drol té
And for my own benefit, manifesting the three crucial points as deities, I will fully liberate self-appearances.

zhendön gang mö der tön nangwa pecha ru char zhing
Then I will teach, for the benefit of others, whatever they desire. Appearances will arise as scripture, and, nourishing the doctrine through explanation,

dön nyi lhün gyi drubpa zhik nyurwa nyi du gyi o
Help me to accomplish this, the twofold benefit, swiftly and spontaneously!

This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa to clear away the obstacles to Lama Rabjampa Pema Lodrö’s study, reflection, and meditation.
Once I had released the seal of secrecy from the root text of the Guru’s Heart Practice (Lamé Tukdrup), in preparation for transcribing and finalizing it in writing, I arranged the outer, inner, and secret auspicious circumstances for delighting the dakinis. I then lay down with blissful body and mind, and in a dream had a pure vision of going to the Camara continent and meeting Guru Rinpoche and consort. On my way back, I encountered many dakinis performing an outer, inner, and secret feast gathering. They performed many songs and dances, and at the end they sang these words of auspiciousness and truth:

hung hrih! in the Unexcelled Palace of dharmadhatu

Dwells Lord Lotus Skull Garland,

Surrounded by an ocean of accomplished ones.

I pray to you! Please grant your blessings!

In the magnetizing palace of luminosity
Dwells the great glorious king Hayagriva,
Surrounded by an ocean of peaceful and wrathful yidams.
I pray to you! Please grant your blessings!
In the celestial realms of pure subtle channels and winds,
Dwells the dakini Secret Wisdom,
Amid an ocean of spiritual heroes and dakinis.
I pray to you! Please grant your blessings!
In the charnel ground, Blazing Fire Mountain,
Dwells the wisdom protector, the Four-Armed One,
Amid a host of Dharma protectors and guardians.

I pray to you! Please grant your blessings!

In the sky-like expanse of the mother, dharmadhatu,

Dwells the mantra guardian, Ekajati,

Amid hundreds of thousands of mamos and dakinis.

I pray to you! Please grant your blessings!

Supreme refuges all, you are my only hope!

With your might and power, and your boundless compassion,

Outwardly avert illness, harmful spirits, and the eight dangers;
Inwardly, undo the knots of the subtle channels and winds;  
Secretly, tame conceptual thoughts, the hordes of demons.  
Increase my physical lifespan, merit, and splendor;  
Enhance the verbal power of the subtle channels and winds; and  
Make pristine great bliss awareness dawn in my mind.  
Prevent us from violating the victorious one’s teachings;  
Remove all dakini grudges;  
Prevent the malice of the guardians; and  
Dispel into space all samaya transgressions and veils.
khandrö sünma yar la dok
Reverse the tempting allure of the dakinis;¹¹

jepur bötong tsar chö chik
Annihilate curses and sorcery;

gyadré jungpo dul du lok
Grind to dust all king spirits, specters, and ghosts; and

dro dönjé pé kyebu yi
Reverse all obstacles to the awakened body, speech, and mind

ku sung tuk kyi barché dok
Of all great beings working for others’ benefit!

dorjé sum gyi ngowo ru
May all such beings remain for a hundred eons

kal gyé bardu zhuk gyur chik
As the essence of the three vajras!

lama yidam chok sum den
The gurus, yidams, and Three Jewels are truth!

¹¹ “The tempting allure of the dakinis” refers to the dakinis luring noble beings and emanations away back to the purelands and so away from our world.
The pure intrinsic nature is truth!

The dakinis’ auspicious conditions are truth!

The activity of the Dharma protectors and guardians is truth!

Through the devotion of disciples with samaya,

May there be the auspicious circumstance that all these wishes are fulfilled!

They then said, “Beloved son, if disciples, such as your samaya-bound mudra, sing this song and thus pray with devotion and longing, your wishes will be fulfilled.”
A Prayer to the Guru of Uddiyana

You embody all buddhas, Lord Guru; you embody all sacred Dharmas,

You are the yidam, awakened speech;

You are the lord of all dakinis, the Lotus Born—

From my heart, master, I pray to you!

Please dispel all obstacles, outer, inner, and secret,

And bestow the siddhis, common and supreme!

This was composed by Chokgyur Lingpa at Samye. May this bring goodness!
A Brief Aspiration Prayer

rangrig gyurmé yeshe dé long du
Bestow your blessings in the blissful expanse of self-aware, unchanging pristine awareness,

tak ching khyabpa palden lamé ku
So that I may meet the form of the glorious guru, permanent and all-pervading,

gangshar machö ngang né zhal jal té
Within the spontaneous and unconstrived state,

ku sum yermé tokpar jingyi lob
And realize the three kayas, inseparable!

As composed by Chokgyur Lingpa. May this bring goodness!
A Prayer to Guru Rinpoche

莲花生大士祈祷文

莲花生大士，一切胜利者的化身，

以我的三门在顶礼，我祈祷于您！

请您赐予我，将我的心浸润在疲倦、出离心和慈愍中，

我可能实现自我的原始意识！

由Chokgyur Lingpa所作。愿此带来好运！

As composed by Chokgyur Lingpa. May this bring goodness!
Prayer for Lhabu

I pray to you, Lotus Skull Garland, embodiment of refuge—

Please dispel all negative circumstances from this life.

Bestow the common siddhis of longevity and merit! Grant the supreme siddhi of pristine awareness!

Guide me, in my next life, to the realm of Lotus Light!

*This was written by Chokgyur Lingpa at the request of Lhabu. May this bring goodness!*
Prayer for a Monk from Amdo

kyapné kündü loppön nam nyi
Embodiment of all refuges—the two acaryas,\(^\text{12}\)

kadrin sumden tsawé lama
The root guru endowed with the threefold kindness,

resa khyö lé zhendu mé do
I have no other hope but you!

dak tu dzinpé chingwa tröl né
Free me from the bondage of self-clinging!

tongnyi nyingjé zungdu jukpé
Bless me, that I may realize

yangdak tokpar chingyi lop shik
The genuine state—the unity of emptiness and compassion!

The great treasure revealer guru wrote this inspired prayer to recognize the nature of mind at the request of the monk from Amdo.

\(^{12}\) A note in the prayer clarifies that this refers to “the precious acharya Guru Rinpoché and Vimalamitra.”
A Prayer to Gyalwa Longchenpa

Your wisdom is equal to that of noble Mañjushri,

Your loving compassion is like Avalokiteshvara’s.

Your power is indivisible from the Lord of Secrets——

You are the lord Lédrel Tsal for the transmission of the Heart Essence treasures.¹³

Regent of the Lotus-Born, renowned as Drimé Özer,

Embraced by Vimala, dwelling at Samyé,

¹³ This refers to Pema Lédrel Tsal (1231/2?-1307?), the immediate reincarnation of Princess Pema Sel to whom Guru Rinpoche had entrusted the transmission of the Heart Essence of the Dakinis in the eighth century. Pema Lédrel Tsal withdrew the terma of the Heart Essence of the Dakinis from its place of concealment at the Daklha Tramo Drak rock in the province of Dakpo, but only partially decoded it during his life. He then transmitted these teachings to his main disciple Gyalsé Lekden. Pema Lédrel Tsal was reincarnated as the Omniscient Longchenpa, who received the whole cycle of the Heart Essence of the Dakinis from Gyalsé Lekden, and by so doing, ensured that the authentic lineage was kept alive.
Longchen Rabjam, I pray at your feet!
Khenpo Pema Lodrö Sangyé Chöpel, who is unmatched in the three trainings in these degenerate times, said that there was a need for a prayer like this that could be chanted aloud by the monastic assembly. In response, Chokgyur Lingpa wrote this on the tenth day. May this bring goodness!

14 More commonly known as Karme Khenpo Rinchen Dargye.
A Prayer to Rongzom Chökyi Zangpo

King of scholars, learned to perfection in all five sciences,

Ornament of all siddhas, having perfected generation and completion,

Sun of the doctrine of the Early Translations,

Rongzompa, Chökyi Zangpo, I pray at your feet!

At the request of Khenpo Rinchen Dargyé Pema Lodrö Sangye Chöpel, who is unmatched in the three trainings in these degenerate times, this was written by Chokgyur Lingpa on the tenth day. May this bring goodness!
Prayer for Pema Gönpo

Primordially pure protector, Samantabhadra,
You assumed the guise of the vajra master—
The mahaguru Pema Tötreng Tsal.
As I pray to you now, bless my mindstream!
There were twenty-five emanations
Of the inexhaustible wheel of your ornaments of awakened body, speech, mind, qualities, and activities,
And through these there appeared the host of twenty-five—the accomplished Dharma king and subjects.
I pray to you all. Bless my mindstream!
དེ་ཀུན་ཡེ་ཤེས་གཞལ་ཡས་སྣང་ཆ་ལས།
All of you, from the appearing aspect of the pristine awareness palace,

དྲོད་པའི་སྐྱེས་བུ་ལས་ཅན་བརྒྱ་རྩ་བརྒྱད།
To reveal the supreme, profound treasures that the guru concealed—

ཁྱེད་ལ་གསོལ་འདེབས་བདག་རྒྱུད་བྱིན་གྱིས་རློབས།
I pray to you all! Bless my mindstream!

ཞེས་དཔལ་ཁྱིམ་སྔགས་འཆང་པདྨ་མགོན་པོ་ནས་བསྐུལ་ངོར།
Chokgyur Lingpa wrote this at the request of the venerable lay mantradhara Pema Gönpo.

15 Guru Rinpoche.
16 Gyalwa Longchenpa.
Prayer for Sönam Rinchen

知時者菩薩

Knower of the three times, Lotus Guru,

以無上渴念

I pray to you with fierce, overwhelming longing!

以無上悲願

Look upon me directly with your powerful compassion

以無上善知識

And guide me along the path right now!

Chokgyur Lingpa wrote this in response to the faithful Sönam Rinchen's request. May this bring goodness!
Prayer for Rikngak Düdül

Sovereign of all families, Guru Mighty Skull Garland,

The vidyadharas—your illusory web’s display,

The succession of your incarnations—a garland of mother pearls,

Right down to the lord of the root family, power-wielding chief of all,

The universal monarch, most eminent great tertön,

Orgyen Chokgyur Dechen Lingpa—

To this entire golden garland of the succession of vidyadharas,

I pray and bow! Bless me, do not fail!

17 Guru Rinpoche.
This was written at the request of dear Rikngak Düdül in Paltang. May this bring goodness!
Prayer for Könchok

orgyen pemé ka yi ponya ba
Messenger of the word of the Lotus of Uddiyana,

chokgyur dön nyi lhün gyi drupé pal
Glorious supreme being (Chokgyur) who spontaneously fulfills the two goals,

dechen gyurwa mepé gongpachen
With your realization of unchanging great bliss (Dechen),

tarpa chenpö ling du dro kün dren
You lead all beings to the island (Lingpa) of great liberation.

könchok tendzin dar zhing gyepé dé
You spread and expand the doctrine of the Three Jewels (Könchok Tenzin Dargyé).

rigdzin ratné tsen der solwa deb
To you, the Jewel Vidyadhara (Rikdzin Ratna), I pray and bow!

sung rab tamché ngedön nyi du tob
May I receive all the victor’s supreme teachings as the definitive meaning!

karnak zangtal gyundré langdor sam
May I reflect unhindered on the full range of karma, both virtuous and non-virtuous, on what to accept and reject.
khorlo sum gyi tamé gongdön gom
May I train in the intent of the third and final turning of the wheel,

künzhi deshek nyingpö gyalsa zin
And may I capture the kingdom of the all-ground, the bliss-gone essence.

dorna gönpo drigung pa chenpö
In short, grant your blessings that I may realize correctly

drubta tsulzhin tokpar jingyi lob
The practice tradition of the great Drikung Protector!

Though you don't wear the meditation crown with its raised peak upon your head,

Your lotus crown with its garuda wings is much the same.

You have realized the intent of the glorious Drikung Master

And fully uphold his tradition of the view and its practice.

You who were born into the family line of Drukyura,

The splendid Könchok Tenzin Dargyé,

Otherwise known as Chokgyur Lingpa.

Once you were traveling here and there with no fixed direction;
When you reached the northernmost plains near Mabomra,

A happy-go-lucky person

Possessed of resolute, unwavering faith,

A charming lady wearing jewels over her dress,

Who goes by the name of Könchok, repeatedly requested a prayer. In response,

On a virtuous day after the arrival of Spring,

I, Chokgyur Lingpa, wrote this with Lord Chödrak's blessings.

They were then transcribed by Ratna, the translator of Tsarong in the south.

18 Könchok Paldrön (dkon mchog dpal sgron) was Chokgyur Lingpa’s daughter.
A Prayer to Padma-Vajra

In the ocean display of emptiness, replete with supreme qualities,
A lotus shoot of compassion is born,
Bearing the Vajra Heruka of blissful union,
The great glorious equality, Mighty Padma-Vajra,
And the playful display of dakas and dakinis, magical emanations.
In the sky of faith, the sun of pristine awareness shines—
Chief of the mandala, kind gracious one,
Through the blazing brilliance of your light spreading forth,
19 Guru Rinpoche.
May my dark and rigid fixation on the self be uprooted.

Make the lotus grove of pristine awareness bloom, complete and indivisible!

Make compassion's fragrant influence waft all around!

Secure each and every bee-like being in benefit and bliss!

May we remain simple, uncomplicated, unfettered by judgement,

And may we go beyond imputed notions of emptiness.

Grant your blessings that we become free of all mental constructs, all contrivance!

Grant your blessings that we realize the definitive, ultimate truth!

Written by Chokgyur Lingpa.
Three-Name Prayer to Chokgyur Lingpa

Regent of the Lotus Born, Orgyen Chokgyur Lingpa,

Sovereign of the teachings of kama and terma, Dechen Lingpa,

Master of unbiased, natural great perfection, Zhikpo Lingpa,

One treasure-revealer known by three names of Lingpa!

I pray to you, the one whose kindness is threefold:

May true renunciation awaken naturally in my mind;

May I keep the samaya commitments to the glorious guru;

May I quickly show signs of success in generation and perfection;
rangrig dzogpachenpo ngöngyur né
May I actualize the great perfection of my own awareness,
tsé chik sangye drubpar jingyi lob
And in a single lifetime attain the state of Buddhahood!

This was composed by Trulzhik²⁰
Upon the earnest request of Karma Norbu
From Karshö Paldro Armé.

²⁰ That is, Chokgyur Dechen Lingpa himself.
Prayer for the Gar Clan

emaho, chöku nang ta longku tukjé ché
Emaho! Dharmakaya Amitabha, sambhogakaya Great Compassion,

tulku pema jungné tsogyalma
Nirmanakaya Pemajunngé, and also Lady Tsogyal;

mu rub sang yé pema düdül zhab
Murub, Sangyé Yeshé, and Pema Düdül,

ka gong purpa ma shin magön tsok
Assembled host of Ka, Gong, Purba, Ma, Shin, and Magön—

solwa deb so dak gyü jinlab né
I pray to you all! Bless my mindstream!

mikmé dön tok chimar jalü drub
May I realize the state that is free from all reference
And so accomplish the rainbow body at death!

tsé dir né zhi dra gyö kha chu dok
In this life, may every kind of illness be appeased,
May foes, disputes, and quarrels be successfully averted.

21 This refers to the Eight Sadhana Teachings (ka), the Lama Gongdü or Assembled Realization (gong), Vajrakilaya (purba), Mamo Bötong (ma), Yamantaka (Shin), and Mahakala and Consort (Magön).
yul kham né muk tsön zhi chöchö shok
Throughout the valleys and the lands
May disease, famine, and strife be thoroughly pacified,
And may all live in accordance with the Dharma!

om ah hung benza guru pema siddhi hung
The great treasure revealer, Chokgyur Lingpa composed this for the faithful Gar clan.
A Prayer to Gyalwang Karmapa Thekchok Dorjé

Embodiment of all buddhas, guardian of beings, Karmapa—

Host of peaceful and wrathful yidams who rain down siddhis,

Vajra of the Supreme Vehicle (Thekchok Dorjé), quintessence of all—I pray to you now! Bestow your blessings!

Pacify misdeeds and obscurations, negative factors and obstacles,

And swiftly bestow the supreme and common siddhis!

Here, in this life, may I directly realize my mind as dharmakaya,

And thereafter may I be reborn in the celestial realms!

Before long, may we capture the kingdom of the three kayas!
Prayer for Rinchen Dorjé

dü sum gyalwé zhukné ku sum zhing
All the victors of the three times, in their abode, the trikaya realms;

khachö nyerzhi wang puk lasok la
The host of vidyadharas of the wisdom, sign, and oral lineages

zhukpé gong da nyengyü rigdzin tsok
In the twenty-four celestial realms of Magnetizing, and so forth;

yidam gyalwa zhitro rabjam dang
The boundless host of victorious peaceful and wrathful yidams;

pawo khandro damchen gyatso la
The ocean of dakas, dakinis, and oath-bound ones—

solwa deb so galkyen barché sol
I pray to you all! Remove adversity and obstacles!

changchub lam tün sampa lhün gyi drub
Spontaneously fulfill our wishes in accordance with the path of awakening!

namzhik ku sum gyalsa zinpar shok
Before long, may we capture the kingdom of the three kayas!
At the request of Rinchen Dorjé, this was uttered by the one named Chok and written down by Orgyen Namgyal.

22 Chokgyur Lingpa.
Prayer for Zimgak Dönden

sangye kün gyi daknyi
All buddhas in actuality,

gyelwang karma pa chenpo
Mighty victor, great Karmapa,

tekpa chok gi dorjé
Thekchok Dorjé—

yeshé chen gyi zik shik
Look upon me with your wisdom eyes!

tukjé nyurdu zung la
Embrace me swiftly with your compassion

chi nang bar ché kün söl
And dispel all outer and inner obstacles!

chok dang tünmong ngödrup
Grant me the siddhis, common and supreme—

data nyi du tsöl chik
Bestow them, right here and now!

Chokgyur Lingpa composed this prayer upon the request of Zimgak Dönden.
A Concise Lineage Prayer

chökü ying su ngönpar sangyé né
Fully awakened within the space of dharmakaya,

longchö rapdzok ngöndzok gycelpo nyi
You are enjoyment's perfection, the fully-awakened king.

trülpé ku chok dorjé loppön tsül
You appear, the supreme nirmanakaya, in the form of the vajra master—

khyapdak dorjé sem la sölwa dep
To the all-pervasive Lord, Vajrasattva, I pray!

gyagar yül du dhanasamkrita
In the land of India, you were Dhanasamkrita;

bö kyi yül du drok mi pel yeshé
In the land of Tibet, you were Drokmi Palkyi Yeshé;

zhing dir drupgyü tenpé sokdzin pa
Here in this land, you are the life force pillar
Of the teachings of the entire practice lineage—

tendzin trülpé ku la sölwa dep
Nirmanakaya upholding the teachings, to you I pray!
First you ripened your mind through study, reflection, and meditation.

Then you became the glory of the teachings—learned, disciplined, and kind.

Finally, with your wisdom and love, you embraced all beings.

To Karma Gelek Nyima, I pray and bow!

Within the blazing crescent palace in the celestial realms,

The five glorious families of herukas abide,

And in their midst the fully awakened one, the gracious lord guru—

Künzang Longyang Tsal, to you I pray!

My body, my enjoyments, and the roots of all my virtue, I present as offerings to you.
All damaged and broken samayas, I confess before you.

From this moment on, throughout all my lives,

May you embrace me, and may we never be parted. May all awakened activities be accomplished!

Chokgyur Lingpa made this prayer. May this bring goodness!
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