

**SGI PRESIDENT IKEDA'S NEW YEAR'S POEMS FOR 2000
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*The year 2000—
The dawn of the age
Of Soka.*



*New Year's Day—
The dawning sun
Rises in my heart.*

From *Seikyo Shimbun*, the Soka Gakkai's daily newspaper:

*With friends in the sunshine,
Singing a paean to life,
Let us fight injustice
With firm resolve and light hearts.*



*Families filled with joy and good fortune
Have spread throughout the world—
Let us rejoice, and continue
To compassionately share with others
The Mystic Law.*



*As pioneers who will be remembered
For a hundred and even a thousand years,
Win in every struggle,
Your lives fragrant as lotus flowers.*

From *Soka Shimpo*, the Soka Gakkai's youth division newspaper:

*Live a triumphant life free of regret
As you walk the path of champions,
Aglow with a passionate
And incandescent spirit.*



***Youth who are my life!
Illuminated in the undying light
Of compassion,
Courageously take the lead
For kosen-rufu.***



***With the firm resolve of heroes,
Leave behind a great history
That will be remembered for all time.***

From the *Daibyakurenge*, the Soka Gakkai's study magazine:

***Be proud masters of philosophy
And triumph in all endeavors,
As our momentous force for justice
Proceeds in solid unity.***



***No one can take away
The noble mission
I embrace in my heart—
My pledge to accomplish kosen-rufu.***



***The dawn of a new century has begun,
Bringing the light of our determinations
To shine ever more brilliantly.***

Daisaku Ikeda, New Year's Day, 2000