

MORE MAY 3, SOKA GAKKAI DAY, POEMS THE MOMENTOUS VICTORY OF SOKA

SGI President Ikeda composed these short poems in celebration of May 3, Soka Gakkai Day, and dedicated them to all SGI members around the world. (See the May 11 issue for President Ikeda's previous May 3 poems.)

*At last it has come—
The goal toward which
we have long aspired,
The first May 3
Of the new century—
This day, this time.*



*All Buddhas and
heavenly deities
Throughout the
ten directions
Join us in celebrating
The momentous victory
of Soka,
Praising and protecting us.*



*The courageous roar
Of 10 million fellow
members
Joyfully resounds
Throughout the world,
Echoing their
immeasurable benefit.
May 3 shines
With brilliant splendor—
The victory of Soka
Emanating into the future,
And throughout
the entire world.*



*Together,
Having triumphed firmly
In all our struggles,
We celebrate May 3—
Champions of kosen-rufu!*



*Advancing boldly,
We have finally scaled
The dazzling peak
Of the 21st century—
Our applause for each other unstinting!*



*From the remote past,
Living our lives with joy,
We, fellow members in faith,
Stand up once more
With noble determination.*