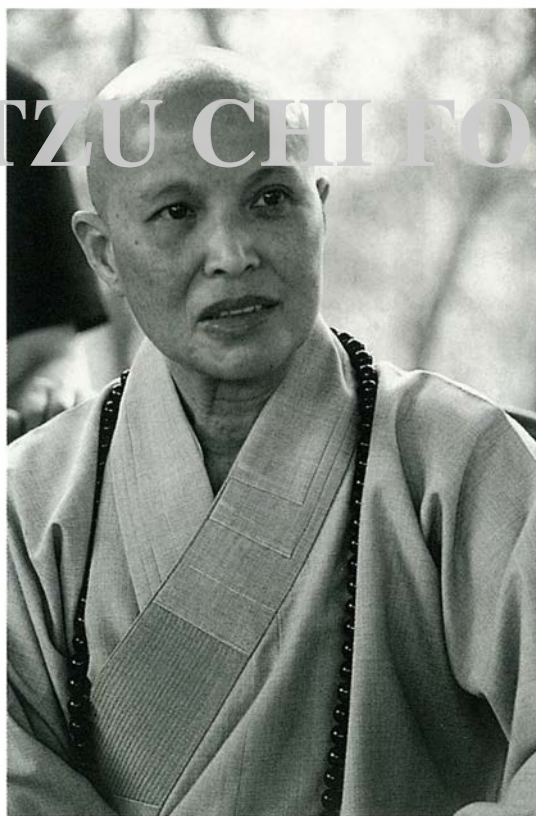


• Foreword •

The Cycle of goodness

Since the establishment of Tzu Chi in 1966, every road we have walked on has been paved with the love of all people involved. Our mission is to shelter all the suffering beings under the sky with a network of love that has spread worldwide.



Master Cheng Yen, founder of Tzu Chi

Looking at the world, we see that natural and man-made disasters occur frequently, putting countless lives in danger and causing souls to lose direction. Since we all share the same earth and breathe the same air, it is our inescapable responsibility to help and care for each other.

The power of love can calm uneasy souls and dissolve all the disasters in the world. It is this conviction that leads Tzu Chi volunteers, undaunted by difficulties and hard work, to every disaster-stricken or warring corner of the world to soothe pain and alleviate suffering.

The hope of mankind comes from mutual help. Tzu Chi gives help not only to relieve the destitution of the poor and the disaster-stricken, but more importantly to spread the seeds of love. Suffering people, touched by the unprejudiced and genuine concern shown by fellow human beings, will open up their own hearts and find love within. Thus, they may eventually move from being helped to helping others. Come that day, the cycle of goodness will have come full circle.

We firmly believe that force is not the solution to the turmoil on earth. If everyone has love and gratitude in their hearts, ethnic hatred can be dissolved, political strife can be resolved, and suffering people everywhere will finally have a chance to breathe. When the goodness in every human being is awakened, world peace will become possible.

