

**SGI PRESIDENT IKEDA'S SHORT POEMS FOR MAY 3, 2001
CELEBRATING SOKA GAKKAI DAY**

SGI President Ikeda composed the following short poems in celebration of May 3, Soka Gakkai Day, for all SGI members around the world:

*It has come at last!
The sun shines
On the bright, smiling faces
Of fellow members
Ten million strong.*



*Nichiren Daishonin teaches
That all who strive assiduously
With selfless devotion,
Will, without exception,
Attain Buddhahood.*



*Together
We have prospered and triumphed—
Our lives,
Dedicated to fulfilling a lofty vow,
Are a paean to the human spirit.*



*Like bright May skies,
The faces of all who work
For the cause of Soka and kosen-rufu
Shine with the joy of living
On our exciting journey.*



*Great waves
Of kosen-rufu and humanism
Envelop the world
With joy and acclaim.*



*Our jubilant cheers
At the indisputable victory of Soka
Will rise and resound
Throughout the ten directions
And three existences.*