



Samadhi Buddhist Vihara

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Samadhi Buddhist Vihara Donations for Expansion Programme

Samadhi Buddhist Vihara is the only Sri Lankan Buddhist temple in the South Island of New Zealand. The temple was established in Christchurch in 2002 under the guidance of Ven. Makuldeniye Somarathana Thero with the support received from the Sri Lankan Buddhist community living in the South Island, New Zealand.

In the initial stage, all the spiritual and social services to the Buddhist community was rendered by Ven. Samarathana Thero and Ven Mtteyya Thero staying in a rental residential property. During the last thirteen years the temple was moved to a number of different locations within Christchurch and today we are fortunate to have our own free hold vicinity with the aid of the loyal devotees.

During the coming years, we have been fortunate to have an ever growing number of devotees, however difficulties have risen in the current setting which have highlighted the need for an expansion of our temple.

The current setting limitations are:

- Limited space to conduct Dhamma programmes talks and meditation programmes
- No function hall or spacious enough area to conduct annual functions such as Kathina Puja, and Vesak programme and Buddhist cultural programmes.
- No adequate facilities available for visiting monks or any other visiting Buddhist scholars to stay for a short period to study Buddhism and practice meditation.
- Insufficient discussion areas for the functioning of the Sri Lankan Cultural and Language school as the school consists of three levels of classes.
- It is difficult to arrange venues due to low availability of spaces, renting function halls are costly, and some venues also restrict our decorations according to our cultural needs.

How can you help:

- **Donating \$500 as just one week mortgage instalment as an individual or as a group.**
- **Contributing \$500 in instalments - after paying first instalment as \$100 and signing the agreement with Samadhi Buddhist Trust (the rest can be paid in instalments to the Samadhi Buddhist Trust account).**

A receipt along with an acknowledgement letter will be issued by Samadhi Buddhist trust once you complete the payment.

Please come forward and contribute generously. It is much appreciated if well wishers from New Zealand and other countries could contribute in this great meritorious activity.

May the Blessings of the Triple Gem be with you.