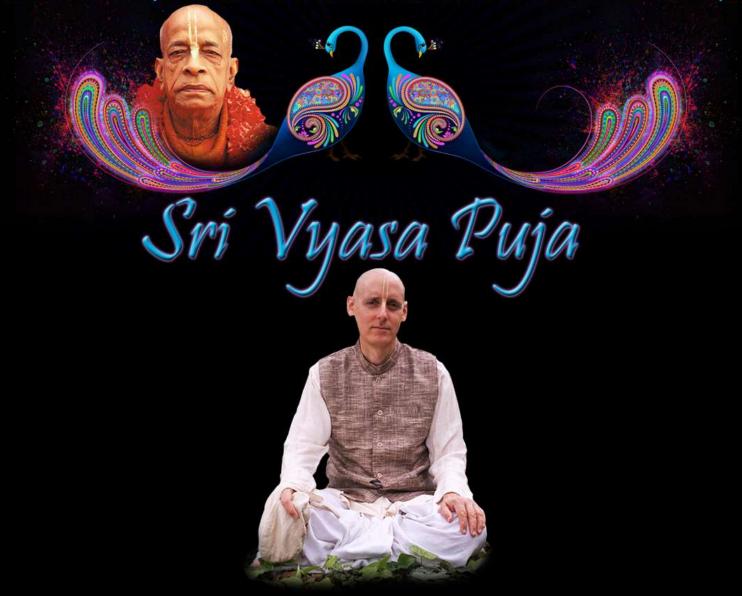
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Introduction

Hare Krishna! Every year, the students and disciples of His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari (referred to as "Srila Gurudeva" by his disciples) celebrate the appearance day of their spiritual master. The Vyasa Puja eBook is produced as a part of those annual worldwide celebrations.

Please refer to the "Meaning of Vyasa Puja" article for more information on the importance of this celebration.

This year, the written offerings are grouped by language, geography (where required) and alphabetically to make them easier to locate.

This year, Vyasa Puja celebrations are being held on 6th November 2015, in: Vrindavan, India; Austin, Texas; New Delhi, India; Toronto,; Melbourne, Australia; Pune, India, Sohar, Oman; Rosario, Argentina; Mendoza, Argentina

We are grateful to all those kind-hearted souls who have contributed in any way to the 2015 Vyasa Puja celebrations, we cannot express our gratitude in words alone, and we hope that we can serve you as sincerely as you are serving His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

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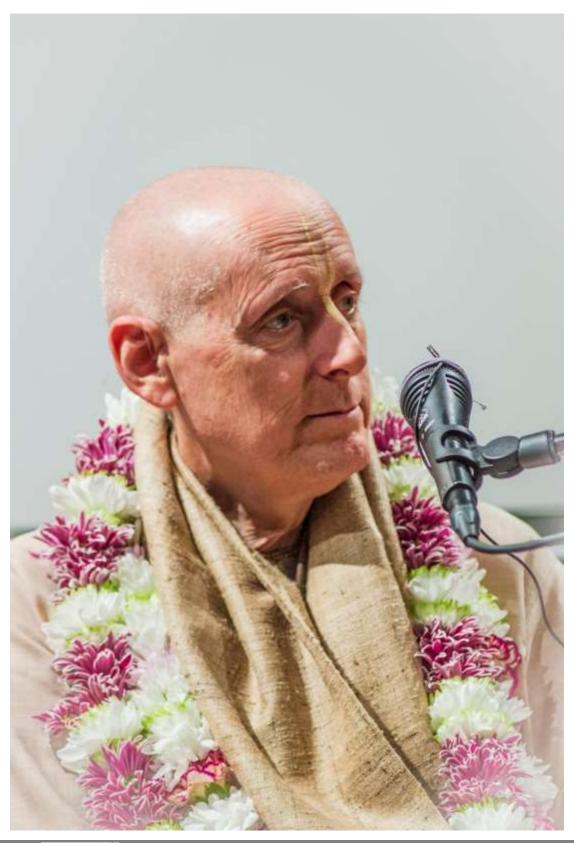
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Meaning of Vyasa Puja - Mahabhagavat Das, Toronto

om ajnana timirandasya jnananjana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

I pray for the mercy of the Vaishnva devotees of the Lord, my initiator spiritual master, and all my instructing spiritual masters that my feeble attempt at trying to explain the meaning of Vyasa Puja is of some benefit. I fall at their feet and pray for their mercy to give me some intelligence to be able to write this message.

In Gaudiya Vaishnava tradition, the spiritual master's appearance day is celebrated as Vyasa Puja. Why "appearance day" and not "birthday"? This is because the spiritual master is a pure devotee of Krishna. A pure devotee does not suffer birth and death like ordinary human beings. An ordinary living entity is born according to their karmic reactions. A spiritual master "appears" by the order of Guru and Krishna. The appearance of a Vaishnava spiritual master on the planet is a cause for great jubilation. By the activities of this one person, hundreds, thousands, millions of other living entities are benefited. Even though the spiritual master may externally appear like an ordinary living entity, actually internally, the spiritual master is living eternally in the spiritual realm. Such a personality is literally God's gift to the world.

At the heart of it, Vyasa puja is a glorification, an expression of gratitude, and an opportunity for disciples, students and well-wishers to render service, to reciprocate in some way as possible according to their own capacity.

The literal translation of "Vyasa Puja" is "Worship of Vyasa". Sri Vyasa, or Krishna Dvaipayana Vyasa, is the literary incarnation of God, appearing as the son of Parasara Muni. He compiled all the Vedic literature into written form. Prior to that, the Vedic literature was passed down orally, memorized by students, recited faultlessly, and in this way studied generation after generation.

However, with the advent of the age of Kali, the age of quarrel and hypocrisy, 5000 years ago, along with a reduced lifespan and diminished memory, this kind of faithful memorization and recollection was no longer possible. So, Sri Vyasa found it fit to commit this knowledge into writing. Modern historians treat the advent of writing methods as advancement, but according to the Vedic view, the written word is required due to the devolution of human consciousness. Modern day humans are incapable of remembering flawlessly, and even if they remember, they are not always trustworthy enough to remain truthful and honest.

However, scriptures alone are not sufficient, persons who live the scriptures are essential for the sincere student. The spiritual master "lives" the scriptures, and provides a clear direct exemplary experience for everyone as to how one can externally live in the material





world but still not be of it. By following the example of the spiritual master, and by serving the spiritual master, the students learn pure devotion to Krishna, to overcome their material propensities and become spiritually perfected themselves.

na tathā hy aghavān rājan pūyeta tapa-ādibhiḥ yathā kṛṣṇārpita-prāṇas tat-puruṣa-niṣevayā

My dear King, if a sinful person engages in the service of a bona fide devotee of the Lord and thus learns how to dedicate his life unto the lotus feet of Kṛṣṇa, he can be completely purified. One cannot be purified merely by undergoing austerity, penance, brahmacarya and the other methods of atonement I have previously described. SB 6.1.16

The students and disciples make more spiritual advancement serving the fully surrendered devotee of God than in any other way. So, even though it might externally appear that the spiritual master is accepting glorification, actually the spiritual master is giving an opportunity for the students and disciples to make spiritual advancement.

The disciplic succession from Sri Vyasa, or the unbroken chain of students-turned-teachers, emphasizes the need for every person in that tradition, or "Parampara", to pass on the message unadulterated, or "without addition or subtraction", and also simultaneously live that very message. The specifics of the lifestyle may be different, the language may be different, the idioms may be different, but the consciousness transmitted in thought, word, and deed cannot be different from the original pure spiritual consciousness. Such a representative of Sri Vyasa, is revered and honored greatly, in fact, such a person is understood as non-different from Sri Vyasa Himself.

In the scriptures, it is mentioned by Sri Krishna, the Supreme Personality of Godhead that the "Acharya" is to be understood as non-different from Himself. What confuses and perplexes many in the modern world is that so many charlatans, claiming to be God, or a representative of God, have, on a large-scale basis, cheated many, accepting worship, sense gratification and self-aggrandizement. Also, in the modern world, there is a degree of false pride and self-centredness that makes many reluctant to offer worship to another, however well qualified spiritually the recipient may be. However, the very same society does not question its own worship of movie stars, wealthy persons, sports stars, etc. Worship offered to the right spiritually qualified recipient is beneficial whereas worship offered to materially conditioned persons is detrimental to everyone concerned.

So this begs the question, who can be accepted as a Guru, or Acharya?

āpane ācare keha, nā kare pracāra pracāra karena keha, nā karena ācāra





'ācāra', 'pracāra', — nāmera karaha 'dui' kārya tumi — sarva-guru, tumi jagatera ārya

"Some behave very well but do not preach the cult of Kṛṣṇa consciousness, whereas others preach but do not behave properly. You simultaneously perform both duties in relation to the holy name by your personal behavior and by your preaching. Therefore you are the spiritual master of the entire world, for you are the most advanced devotee in the world." CC Antya 4.102-103

This is said of Srila Haridas Thakura. It is not that the spiritual master is claiming the position of Srila Haridas Thakur or similar great towering personalities, but connecting everyone to them. The Srimad Bhagavatam also answers the question thus:

ataḥ pṛcchāmi samsiddhim yoginām paramam gurum puruṣasyeha yat kāryam mriyamāṇasya sarvathā

You are the spiritual master of great saints and devotees. I am therefore begging you to show the way of perfection for all persons, and especially for one who is about to die. SB 1.19.37

In the above verse, Maharaja Parikshit, having been cursed to die in seven days, asks this question. Maharaja Parikshit knew he would die in seven days. But we do not know when we ourselves may die. Undeniably, we do know that die we must, and no one in our knowledge has ever lived permanently in one body. Therefore, the intelligent person prepares themselves for the inevitable. And it stands to reason that a person who can comprehensively guide a person in the subject matter of this question deserves to be Guru, Acharya.

However, the Science of Self Realization, and freedom from death cannot be concocted or made up, no matter how accomplished someone may be. In the Srimad Bhagavatam, Yamaraja, the Superintendent of Death, says this:

dharmam tu sākṣād bhagavat-praṇītam na vai vidur ṛṣayo nāpi devāḥ na siddha-mukhyā asurā manuṣyāḥ kuto nu vidyādhara-cāraṇādayaḥ

Real religious principles are enacted by the Supreme Personality of Godhead. Although fully situated in the mode of goodness, even the great rsis who occupy the topmost planets cannot ascertain the real religious principles, nor can the demigods or the leaders of Siddhaloka, to say nothing of the asuras, ordinary human beings, Vidyādharas and Cāraṇas. SB 6.3.19

Therefore, the spiritual master, Guru or Acharya, must teach according to the principles established by the Supreme Personality of Godhead. Krishna clearly mentions this requirement in the Bhagavad Gita.



evaṁ paramparā-prāptam imaṁ rājarṣayo viduḥ sa kāleneha mahatā yogo naṣṭaḥ paran-tapa

This supreme science was thus received through the chain of disciplic succession, and the saintly kings understood it in that way. But in course of time the succession was broken, and therefore the science as it is appears to be lost. BG 4.2

Srila A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada writes in the purport "There are innumerable interpretations rendered by different mundane scholars, but almost all of them do not accept the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Kṛṣṇa, although they make a good business on the words of Śrī Kṛṣṇa. This spirit is demonic, because demons do not believe in God but simply enjoy the property of the Supreme."

This means that the genuine Guru must also be in disciplic succession from Krishna, and must teach as Krishna taught, that Krishna is the Supreme Personality of Godhead, and everyone else, including the spiritual master, is His servitor.

Someone may mistakenly think that it is one thing accepting Krishna as God, but taking the Acharya, or spiritual master as good as God, Krishna, is incorrect. However, Uddhava, a personal associate of Krishna, confirms this in his statement to Krishna:

naivopayanty apacitim kavayas taveśa brahmāyuṣāpi kṛtam ṛddha-mudaḥ smarantaḥ yo 'ntar bahis tanu-bhṛtām aśubham vidhunvann ācārya-caittya-vapuṣā sva-gatim vyanakti

O my Lord! Transcendental poets and experts in spiritual science could not fully express their indebtedness to You, even if they were endowed with the prolonged lifetime of Brahmā, for You appear in two features — externally as the ācārya and internally as the Supersoul — to deliver the embodied living being by directing him how to come to You. SB 11.29.6

Krishna even confirms this personally:

ācāryam mām vijānīyān navamanyeta karhicit na martya-buddhyāsūyeta sarva-deva-mayo guruḥ

One should know the ācārya as Myself and never disrespect him in any way. One should not envy him, thinking him an ordinary man, for he is the representative of all the demigods. SB 11.17.27

The Srimad Bhagavatam also gives numerous examples of how the spiritual master helps the human beings:

nṛ-deham ādyam su-labham su-durlabham plavam su-kalpam guru-karṇadhāram



mayānukūlena nabhasvateritam pumān bhavābdhim na taret sa ātma-hā

The human body, which can award all benefit in life, is automatically obtained by the laws of nature, although it is a very rare achievement. This human body can be compared to a perfectly constructed boat having the spiritual master as the captain and the instructions of the Personality of Godhead as favorable winds impelling it on its course. Considering all these advantages, a human being who does not utilize his human life to cross the ocean of material existence must be considered the killer of his own soul. SB 11.20.17

There is certainly a tendency especially in the impersonalistic schools of spiritual education, to minimize the importance of the individual spiritual master, and instead stress on the "quality of Guru – Guru Tattva" to the exclusion of the individual spirit soul who serves Krishna by taking on the difficult and often thankless service of being a spiritual master. Such persons prefer to celebrate "Guru Purnima" exclusively, which occurs Full Moon day of the month of Ashadha (usually June-July). This day also coincides with the Appearance Day of Sri Krishna Dvaipayana Vyasa. On this day also Lord Buddha delivered His first sermon, and Lord Shiva taught the yoga principles to the seven great sages. On this day also, Mahavir, the 24th Tirthankara from the Jain tradition made his first disciple. The Vaishnavas have no objection to celebrating Guru Purnima.

However, in our Gaudiya Vaishnava tradition, which encompasses both the impersonal as well as personal aspects of spiritual life in Lord Chaitanya's Achintya Bheda Abhedva Tattva "The Principle of Inconcievable Simultaneous Oneness and Difference", even though the Guru is seen as an expansion of Krishna and therefore non-different from Him, the Guru is still loved and revered also as an eternal separate living entity, in a compact of love with Krishna. Even though love for Krishna is one, still, the specific way in which this love is manifested in the activities of the spiritual master is varied and relishable for every sincere seeker of God, very much worthy of celebration.

Thus, the specific appearance day of the spiritual master is celebrated as "Vyasa Puja". Also, technically it is as if Lord Krishna Dvaipayana Vyasa Himself had expanded and appeared again on that day. Thus, the fortunate sincere soul gets a chance to celebrate this Vyasa Puja on multiple occasions throughout the year, not just on Guru Purnima once a year.

The Vaishnava Acharyas have sung like this:

yasya prasādād bhagavat-prasādo yasyāprasādān na gatiḥ kuto 'pi dhyāyan stuvaṁs tasya yaśas tri-sandhyaṁ vande guroḥ śrī-caraṇāravindam

"By satisfaction of the spiritual master, the Supreme Personality of Godhead becomes satisfied. And by not satisfying the spiritual master, there is no chance of being promoted to the plane of Kṛṣṇa consciousness. I should,





therefore, meditate and pray for his mercy three times a day, and offer my respectful obeisances unto him, my spiritual master." (Srila Visvanatha Chakravarti Thakura, in the 8th verse of his famous Gurvastakam song)

This is also clearly confirmed in the Srimad Bhagavatam, that a disciple retains their Krishna consciousness insofar as the spiritual master remains merciful to them:

tuṣṭo 'ham bho dvija-śreṣṭhāḥ satyāḥ santu manorathāḥ chandāmsy ayāta-yāmāni bhavantv iha paratra ca

You boys are first-class brāhmaṇas, and I am satisfied with you. May all your desires be fulfilled, and may the Vedic mantras you have learned never lose their meaning for you, in this world or the next. SB 10.80.42

In the purport Srila Prabhupada writes "Cooked food left sitting for three hours is called yāta-yāma, indicating that it has lost its taste, and similarly if a devotee does not remain fixed in Kṛṣṇa consciousness, the transcendental knowledge that once inspired him on the spiritual path will lose its "taste," or meaning, for him. Thus Sāndīpani Muni blesses his disciples that the Vedic mantras, which reveal the Absolute Truth, will never lose their meaning for them but will remain ever fresh in their minds."

Indirectly, the pleasure of the spiritual master is stressed in the above verse, and none other than the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Sri Krishna, along with His dear friend Sudama, manifest this behavior to invoke the pleasure of the householder spiritual master Sandipani Muni, to instruct by personal example.

Worship of the spiritual master is also clearly mentioned in the Bhagavad Gita:

deva-dvija-guru-prājñapūjanaṁ śaucam ārjavam brahmacaryam ahiṁsā ca śārīraṁ tapa ucyate

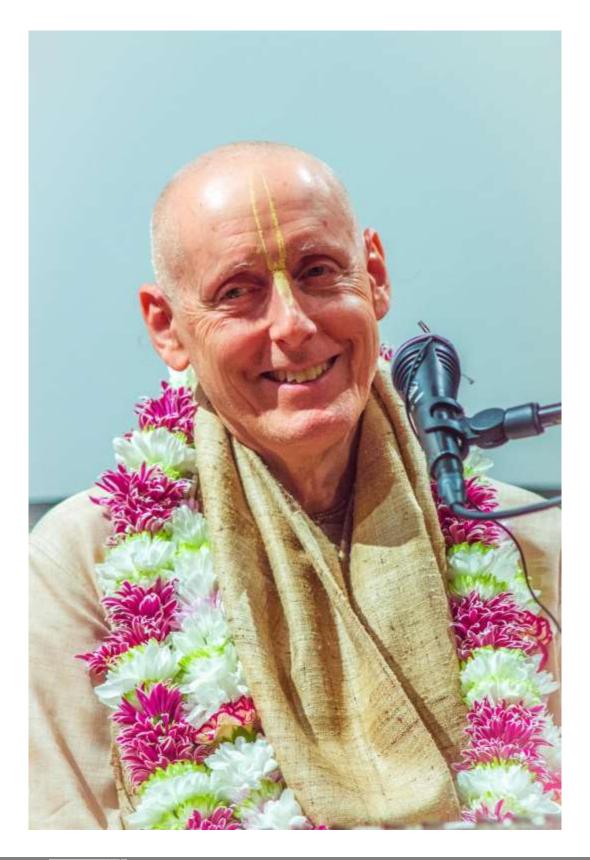
Austerity of the body consists in worship of the Supreme Lord, the brāhmaṇas, the spiritual master, and superiors like the father and mother, and in cleanliness, simplicity, celibacy and nonviolence. BG 17.14

Closing off with a quote by His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, from a lecture given in Jakarta Indonesia, on 27th February 1973, "Therefore, according to our system, when you observe the birthday anniversary of spiritual master it is called Vyāsa-pūjā. Actually the worship is going to Vyāsadeva, and his representative is accepting the pūjā. The honor offered to the spiritual master is transferred to Vyāsadeva because Vyāsadeva is the original guru."

With humble obeisances to my spiritual master His Divine Grace Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari, I beg that this humble offering may be pleasing to him and all the sincere souls.

Mahabhagavat Das, Toronto, Canada



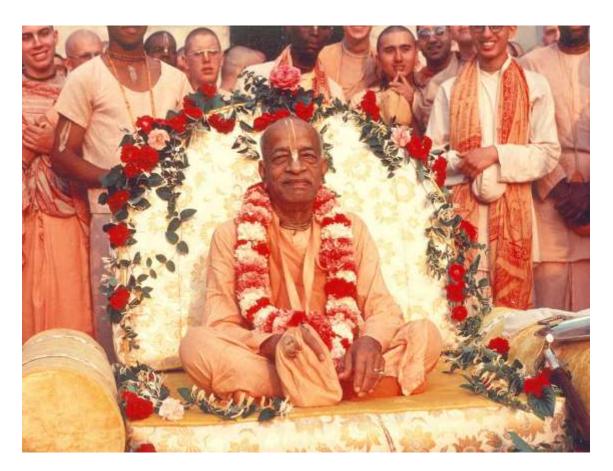




Selected offerings to Srila Prabhupada by Srila Sankarshan Das Adhkari

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The Greatest Day of My Life



Srila Prabhupada With His Loving Disciples

The greatest day of my life was 12 August 1971 when Srila Prabhupada accepted me as his disciple giving me the new spiritual name "Sankarshan Das." I live forever in that pristine moment when he picked me up out of this material world and resituated me in my original identity as the eternal servant of Krishna.

At the time of initiation the spiritual master gives the disciple a new name such as Krishna dasa or Govinda dasa. This is the greatest blessing upon the disciple to help him always remember that he is not a member of a particular family here in the material world, that he is instead the eternal servant of his spiritual master, Krishna, and Vaisnavas, and indeed of



all living beings. In his purport to Srimad Bhagavatam 6.2.32 Srila Prabhupada describes the importance of the disciple's getting a new name at the time of initiation:

"The Lord, who is situated in everyone's heart, is so kind that if one has ever rendered service to Him, the Lord never forgets him. Thus the Lord, from within, gave Ajamila the opportunity to name his youngest son Narayana so that in affection he would constantly call 'Narayana! Narayana!' and thus be saved from the most fearful and dangerous condition at the time of his death. Such is the mercy of Krishna. Guru-krishna-prasade paya bhakti-latabija: [Cc. Madhya 19.151] by the mercy of the guru and Krishna, one receives the seed of bhakti. This association saves a devotee from the greatest fear. In our Krishna consciousness movement we therefore change a devotee's name to a form that reminds him of Vishnu. If at the time of death the devotee can remember his own name, such as Krishna dasa or Govinda dasa, he can be saved from the greatest danger. Therefore the change of names at the time of initiation is essential. The Krishna consciousness movement is so meticulous that it gives one a good opportunity to remember Krishna somehow or other."

All those persons who are serious about going back to home, back to Godhead can be initiated immediately as soon as they meet a bona fide spiritual master. In this connection Srila Prabhupada (CC Madhya 24.331) quotes as follows from the book called Tattva-sāgara:

durlabhe sad-gurūṇām ca sakṛt-sanga upasthite

tad-anujñā yadā labdhā sa dīkṣāvasaro mahān

grāme vā yadi vāraņye kṣetre vā divase niśi

āgacchati gurur daivād yathā dīkṣā tad-ājñayā

yadaivecchā tadā dīkṣā guror ājñānurūpataḥ

na tīrtham na vratam hemo na snānam na japa-kriyā

dīkṣāyāḥ karaṇam kintu svecchā-prāpte tu sad-gurau

"If by chance one gets a sad-guru, it doesn't matter whether one is in the temple or the forest. If the sad-guru, the bona fide spiritual master, agrees, one can be initiated immediately, without waiting for a suitable time or place."

So when one receives the topmost good fortune of coming into contact with a sad-guru, a bona fide spiritual master, one can take full advantage of his mercy by taking shelter of him, being initiated by him, and by accepting his instructions as one's very life and soul. This will immediately liberate him from this material existence.







My Most Beloved Spiritual Master, Srila Prabhupada

I Was So Deluded Then, But I'm Wiser Than That Now

Befooled by foolish teachers that my body is my self

Dreaming I'm the center of the universe

I neglected everyone else.

My anguish knew no boundaries

Each moment painfully endowed.

Yes, I was so deluded then

But I'm wiser than that now.

Each day an endless dirge, funereal misery

Faking life like circus clown

Hiding tears so none could see



Pondering Hamlet's doomful quest

Screaming for meaning somehow.

Yes, I was so deluded then

But I'm wiser than that now.

Misguided grossly blinded hog-tied I was hurled

Into poisonous pernicious jaws of a brutalizing world.

They entangled me in slavery cruel and forced me to kowtow.

Yes, I was so deluded then

But I'm wiser than that now.

Wasting my time twisting my mind with abstract poetry

To smash down the wall that separates us all from true reality.

Denyingly I tried to merge with God my existence to disallow.

Yes, I was so deluded then

But I'm wiser than that now.

By causeless grace I met a sage whose name is Prabhupada

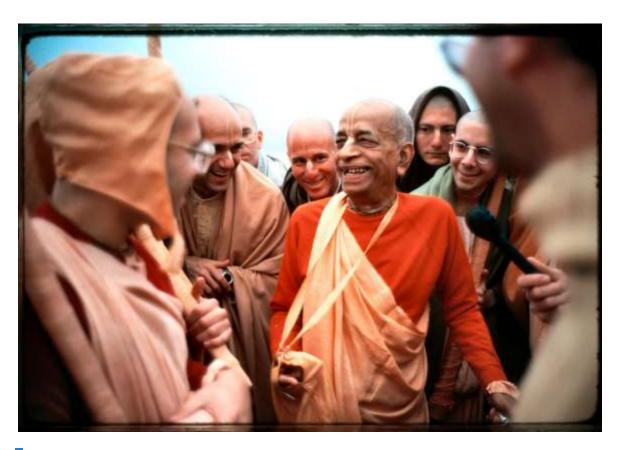
He blessed me with enlightened eyes to break through the facade.

Showered with compassion that I must gift the world somehow.

Yes, before I was so deluded

But I'm wiser than that now.





Bhakti Tidal Wave Will Soon Inundate the World

The sastras or scriptures tell us of a time in the future when the entire world will be Krishna conscious. This prediction is not for some date way way off in the future such as 427,000 years from now when the Satya yuga begins. Although the Satya Yuga will certainly be a Garden-of-Eden type age when everyone will be saintly, we do not have to wait that long to get relief from all of this global distress. The sastric prediction I am referring to is that even now during the grossly materialistic age of Kali there will a wonderful global resurgence of pure spirituality. This profound spiritual renaissance began 500 years with the advent of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu and will continue expanding and expanding undauntedly until the entire globe is 100% united being fully immersed in pure love of God. This global spiritual rebirth will last for 10,000 years, of which 500 have already passed. At the present this renaissance is still in a seed like state in the form of the Krishna consciousness movement. This seed has been firmly planted by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta swami Prabhupada. It will continue growing and growing until that glorious day when the entire world will be fully absorbed in glorifying the unlimited qualities of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Sri Krishna. The way that you can help bring this age to the world is to fully dedicate yourself to awakening your own Krishna consciousness under the guidance of



the bona fide spiritual master and encouraging everybody else that you meet to do the same. In this way a tidal wave of pure bhakti will very soon inundate the entire world.



Loyalty to Srila Prabhupada Brings Great Joy to the Heart

Your Mercy is All That I Am Made Of

The disciple never thinks that he can surpass his spiritual master in any way, even though externally it may appear that he has done so. For example, Bhaktisiddhanta Saraswati Thakur, the spiritual master of Srila Prabhupada, was able to spread the Krishna consciousness only within India, while Srila Prabhupada was able to spread it all over the world. Srila Prabhupada never thought for a moment that he had surpassed his spiritual master. He always knew that whatever he was doing was actually all being done by the mercy of Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Saraswati and that he was only an instrument in the hands of his spiritual master. In this mood the disciple always gives all credit for whatever he has accomplished to his spiritual master and he prays to his spiritual master, "Gurudeva, your mercy is all that I am made of."



The purpose of my life is to become a pure devotee of Krishna fully qualified to see Krishna face to face and in co-operation with the devotees of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) to make the entire world Krishna conscious. I am prepared to take birth after birth in this material world to accomplish this mission, if this is what Krishna desires of me. This purpose of life gives me great happiness and satisfaction because this is what my spiritual master, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada desires of me.



Srila Prabhupada Defeats All Opposing Arguments On a Morning Walk in Sri Vrindavan Dhama

The Supreme Bliss: Getting a Letter from Prabhupada

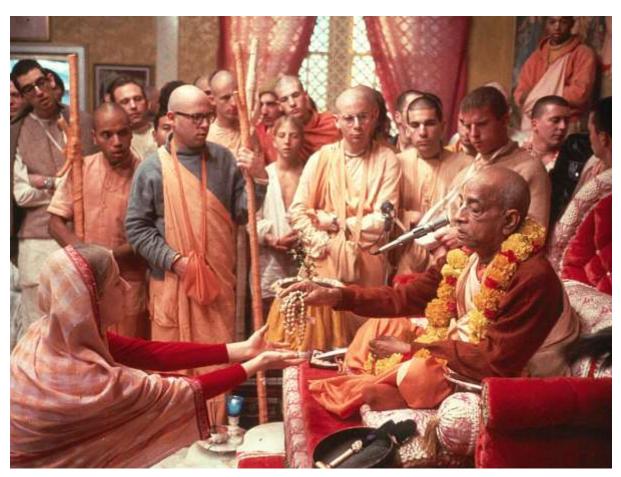
In addition to writing so many books and giving so many lectures and engaging in so many conversations, Srila Prabhupada also wrote many thousands of letters especially for giving personal guidance to his disciples on how they can become fixed up in Krishna



consciousness and on how they can make the Krishna consciousness movement a grand success all over the world.

Those rare souls who were most fortunate to have gotten a personal letter from Srila Prabhupada know what extraordinary mercy this is. Srila Prabhupada is not an ordinary devotee or an ordinary spiritual master. He is the most powerful, influential spiritual master, at least in present age of Kali, for bringing about a spiritual revolution in the lives of this world's misdirected, suffering human population. Therefore to get a personal letter from him was a very, very special blessing indeed.

I was most fortunate to receive many letters from His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, in which he greatly encouraged me in my Krishna consciousness with his very practical, poignant, and profound guidance. I very much treasure those personal instructions as my greatest asset. They have always been and will always continue to be a great source of inspiration and englightenment for me.



Srila Prabhupada Initiates a Disciple in Los Angeles





Last night after my lecture here in the suburbs of Melbourne I was asked if being a follower of our Hare Krishna movement (ISKCON) is the only way to realize God. So what is the proper understanding in this regard?

We never say ISKCON is the only way to realize God because anyone from any religious tradition who develops pure love of God is a first class religionist qualified to attain the kingdom of God. One could then wonder why then do we even have a separate movement, the Hare Krishna movement, if by any religious process one can realize God. The answer is that at present the followers of the world's religious traditions have lost the essence of what religion actually is. They have degraded religion into a self-centered process of begging God to fulfill their material desires. They have forgotten what is the real essence of religion, namely to become a selfless pure lover of God by fully surrendering oneself unto following His will.

Our ISKCON Founder Acharya, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, has presented God consciousness in the most profound and scientific way, defeating all atheistic, impersonalistic, and so-called scientific arguments giving the world the most, authoritative, profound, practical, simple and ecstatic way to develop pure love of God for anyone from any religion from any part of our planet. And Srila Prabhupada has also established our Hare Krishna movement, which is practically based on these unique teachings. Therefore anyone from any religion who is serious to attain spiritual perfection is advised to take advantage of Prabhupada's books and this Hare Krishna movement for becoming perfect in their loving relationship with God.

Super Ecstatic Prabhupada Night in Santiago

One of the super sweet highlights of my traveling and preaching the science of Krishna consciousness all over the world is that once a year I get to participate in Prabhupada Night at the ISKCON temple in Santiago, Chile. It is a most delightful program held here every Friday night when devotees come in large numbers to hear about and glorify ISKCON Founder-Acharya: His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada. Since I was the only Prabhupada disciple present I was asked to give my memories and appreciation of my most beloved Guru Maharaja.

I told the enthralled devotee audience the story of how I was rescued from material consciousness by Srila Prabhupada and his wonderful disciples. I was a Mayavadi singer/songwriter who foolishly thought that he could save the world by his music until I realized, "How can I save the world when I haven't even saved myself?" I understood that it was Srila Prabhupada and his Hare Krishna movement who were actually saving the world. I was blessed with the realization that my desire to bring a new era of spiritual bliss



to this planet could only be satisfied by my joining the Hare Krishna Movement as an initiated disciple of Srila Prabhupada. So on 12 August 1971 I was accepted by Srila Prabhupada as his disciple and was given the spiritual name, "Sankarshan Das." Getting initiated by Srila Prabhupada was truly the greatest good fortune that I had ever received in my millions upon millions of lifetimes of sojourn in the cycle of repeated birth and death. Now forty four years later after my initiation I am celebrating that wisest of all decisions very, very grateful that I am now able to offer the suffering humanity Srila Prabhupada's perfect solution for the ocean of problems which are now plaguing them.



Srila Prabhupada Night in Santiago, Chile--2 January 2015

When Will the World Recognize It Leaders?

The whole world is waiting for a leader who can bring peace, prosperity, and happiness to the entire global society, a leader who is completely free of any kind of cheating exploitative mentality, a leader who has no desire in his heart other than the welfare of living beings. That leader has already come. But the problem is that people are so blind that they do not recognize him. That leader is His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada. Even though Srila Prabhupada has departed from this world, he is being purely represented by those who are strictly following him. This makes his loyal followers the factual current



leaders on this planet. We pray that the world will wake up and take full guidance from the Prabhupadanugas, those who are strictly following the path chalked out by His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.



Srila Prabhupada Teaches the Perfect Teachings of Krishna

ISKCON: A Loving Spiritual Family to Unite the Whole World

When our ISKCON Founder-Acharya, His Divine Grace A.C.. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, was physically present in this world an astrologer in India predicted that he will build a house in which the whole world can live. This is indeed what Srila Prabhupada has done. The institution he has created, ISKCON, the International Society for Krishna Consciousness, is a society which will gradually become so popular that eventually the entire world with all of its leaders will become ISKCON followers. Therefore it is the solemn duty of every ISKCON member to see that the movement is always progressing nicely towards that end.

How to do this? We must always remember and follow the instructions of Srila Rupa Goswami to always be engaged in loving exchanges with the devotees.

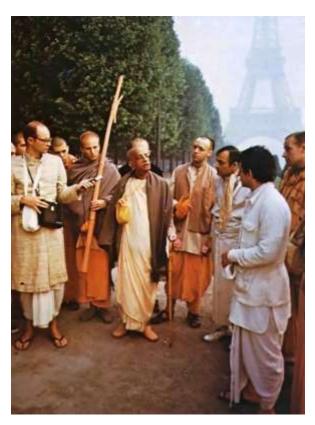




dadāti pratigṛhṇāti
guhyam ākhyāti pṛcchati
bhuṅkte bhojayate caiva
ṣaḍ-vidham prīti-lakṣaṇam

"Offering gifts in charity, accepting charitable gifts, revealing one's mind in confidence, inquiring confidentially, accepting prasada and offering prasada are the six symptoms of love shared by one devotee and another."--Nectar of Instruction, Verse 4

Even if we sometimes disagree with each other, we must always agree to stick together as a loving worldwide spiritual family dedicated to following the instructions of Srila Prabhupada. In this way we will all be able to do our duty to make sure that ISKCON is indeed that house in which the entire world can live peacefully and happily.

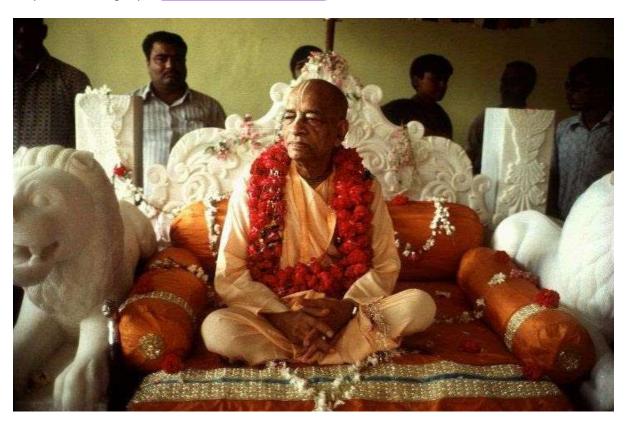


Srila Prabhupada Mercifully Gives Instructions



Due to ignorance of the eternal spirit-soul and its ever-lasting servitude relationship with the Supreme Personality of Godhead the entire world has been plunged into an ever-increasingly chaotic and miserable downward spiral. Fortunately this suffering planet has been blessed with the appearance of a saktyavesa avatar, a devotee of the Lord who is fully invested with the Lord's divine potency for delivering all the suffering souls of this world back to home, back to Godhead. That saktyavesa avatar is none other than my most beloved spiritual master, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada. His teachings will indeed save the entire global society from imminent total ruination. Therefore my life is fully dedicated until my last dying breath to convince the entire world to follow the teachings of Srila Prabhupada.

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Srila Prabhupada--Spiritual Master of the Universe



Offerings in English



North America

Abhay Charan das - Austin, Texas - Glorious Gurudeva, The Epitome of Tolerance

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Srila Gurudev you being a pure Devotee you have unlimited divine qualities. Trying to glorify you is like showing a lamp to the sun. Though it is impossible to glorify all your qualities or even one of your divine qualities I would like to write a few words about your divine quality of Tolerance.

Being a spiritual master in itself daunting task in your Service to Srila Prabhupada. As Srila Prabhupada says "You have to spend or waste gallons of blood before you can convert a person to Krsna consciousness. It is so difficult task. By talking with him, with the rascal and foolish, you tax your brain and spoil your energy, blood."

You travel around the world to teach the process of Krishna Consciousness to everyone. You spend all your energy in service of others and in return you have to tolerate the inadequacies, incompetencies, short comings of your followers and disciples like myself. This is your causeless mercy to us the fallen souls. In spite of all this you encourage us in the process of Krishna consciousness.

Srila Prabhupada defines "Tolerance means to patiently endure unhappiness". No matter how disturbing a situation is around, you are always calm and composed and completely tolerant of the situation.

Srila Gurudev thank you for tolerating and encouraging me in Krishna Consciousness.

I pray to remain as the dust of your lotus feet and become tolerant to all the ups and downs of life and never deter away from Krishna Conscious.

Your unworthy servant Abhay Charan das, Austin, Texas, USA







Wonderful 1.27 Acres for Our Future ISKCON Austin Temple

Ajanta Rao - Austin, Texas - Vyasa Puja offering to my spiritual master

My Dear Gurudeva, Please accept my humble and respectful obeisances! All glories to Gurudeva! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

"samsara-davanala-lidha-lokatranyakarunya-ghanaghanatvam praptasyakalyana-gunarnavasya vande guron sri-caranaravindam"

"The spiritual master is receiving benediction from the ocean of mercy. Just as a cloud pours water on a forest fire to extinguish it, so the spiritual master delivers the materially afflicted world by extinguishing the blazing fire of material existence. I offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus feet of such a spiritual master, who is an ocean of auspicious qualities."

Gurudeva, this enlightening verse from Sri Sri Guru-vastaka by Srila Visvanatha Chakravarthi Thakura sums up your great qualities. Gurudeva, you have awakened my dormant Krishna consciousness and helped me to stay steady in the divine path of self-





realization ever since I met you. You have kindly offered shelter to this neophyte devotee and blessed me with the ultimate knowledge of the Absolute Truth. I have obtained pure knowledge and bliss by listening to your lectures, reading your daily newsletters and the book, "Truth Works", by participating in your e-course and by your direct association in Austin, Texas. I have become detached from material sense gratification after your divine association and feel that a huge burden has been lifted off my shoulders. I have become calmer and wiser by becoming firmly fixed in Krishna consciousness under your merciful quidance.

Gurudeva, by following your orders of chanting 16 rounds of the Hare Krishna maha-mantra and following the 4 regulative principles daily, I am gradually becoming cleansed of material contamination. By imparting the teachings of your guru His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada to all your disciples, you have carried on the glorious tradition of the parampara system to the present and future generations of the world. You are a great source of inspiration, strength and wisdom not only to me but to all your disciples and to all those who are blessed to hear your lectures. Whenever I feel troubled or helpless or bored, I listen to your lectures and obtain peace and bliss. I try to keep you in my mind always so that I don't fall prey to maya/illusion. I hope that you continue to spread the holy name and message of Lord Krishna for many more years and bring solace to the numerous fallen souls in the world.

I'm forever indebted to you for your kind words of wisdom, mercy, and grace and I pray that I will be able to serve you nicely and sincerely always.

Your eternal servant, Ajanta Rao, Austin, Texas



Inaugural Hare Krishna Kirtan on Lord Sri Krishna's Land Although Bitterly Cold We Were Celebrating in Ecstasy!



Amogha Lila das, Toronto - you are the perfect guide

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

My most humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Srila Gurudeva, earlier this year, I was blessed by your grace to accept my unworthy self as your disciple and connect me in the disciplic succession all the way to Lord Krishna.

Gurudeva, your lectures gave me the perfect guidance of what Krishna consciousness means and how we as humans must make use of this life form to surrender ourselves to Guru and Krishna. In your discourses you mention the importance of the three pillars of spiritual life namely sadhu, sastra and guru - this resonated with me immensely. Your example of a tripod which needs all three legs to stand, made it even clear that all three are equally important to make any kind of spiritual progress.

The Srimad Bhagvatam purport to 4.16.1 says in this regard:

"As stated by Narottama dasa Thakura, sadhu-sastra-guru: one has to test all spiritual matters according to the instructions of saintly persons, scriptures and the spiritual master. The spiritual master is one who follows the instructions of his predecessors, namely the sadhus, or saintly persons. A bona fide spiritual master does not mention anything not mentioned in the authorized scriptures. Ordinary people have to follow the instructions of sadhu, sastra and guru. Those statements made in the sastras and those made by the bona fide sadhu or guru cannot differ from one another."

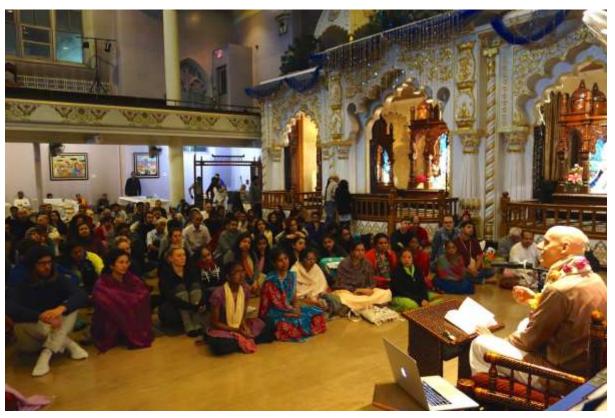
Gurudeva, you are the embodiment of what it means to be a bonafide spiritual master, and I beg you on this auspicious day of your Vyas puja to bless me so that I may one day be able to become your bonafide disciple and come to the stage of complete total unalloyed surrender unto your lotus feet.

Gurudeva ki Jai! Guru Mata ki Jai!

Nitai Gaura Premanande! Haribol!

Your insignificant servant, Amogha Lila das, Toronto





Sharing the Bliss of Krishna Bhakti in Toronto--11 January 2015

Anil Damodaran, Austin, Texas - Praying for service

Dear Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Gurudeva.

namo om vishnu padaya Krishna prestaya bhutale srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

With your blessings I'm able to do some services in the Austin temple.

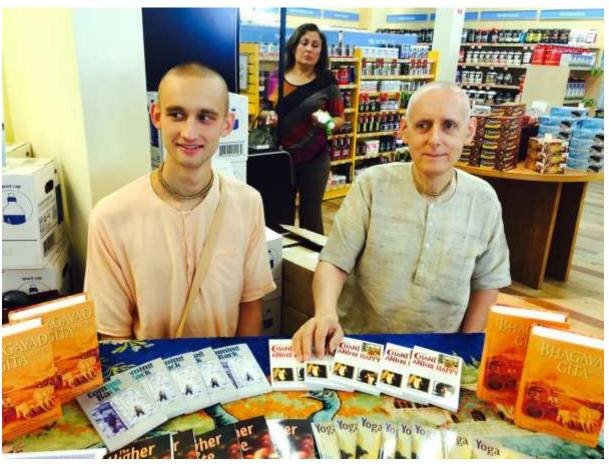
I'm learning new things every time I associate with you and Gurumataji and devotees in temple. My prayer is that I be able to continue serving you and Krishna so that Krishna Consciousness is spread to as many people as possible.

Thank You Gurudev for guiding me and family to be Krishna Conscious, which is the highest perfection of life.

Your Servant Anil Damodaran, Austin Texas







Sharing Krishna Consciousness at a Health Fair Austin, Texas--15 August 2015

Aniruddha dasa (age 8) , Sacramento CA, - thank you for inspiring me in Krishna Consciousness

Hare Krishna Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Srila Prabhupada

On this auspicious occasion of Vyasa puja of HG Sankarshan Dasa Adhikari Prabhuji, I thank His Grace for inspiring me in Krishna Consciousness through his enthusiastic dedication to Srila Prabhupada. I appreciate that His Grace travels around the world, propagating Krishna Consciousness everywhere he goes, simultaneously answering inquiries from inquisitive people. This quality of his, undertaking such inconvenience to please Srila Prabhupada encourages me. His Grace also instructs me through his e-course. He gives me a better understanding of the purports of The Bhagvat Gita as it is. Through his e-course I am able to understand and memorize one shloka of the Bhagvat Gita per week. I also use this e-course as my English comprehension and writing assignment for my school. I offer my sincere gratitude at the lotus feet of His Grace for inspiring me in my spiritual quest.



Hari Bol Seeking for your blessings Your aspiring servant, Aniruddha dasa (age 8), Sacramento CA

Arundhati Devi dasi, Fair Lawn, NJ - praying for your mercy to live by your instructions

Srila Gurudeva and Guru Mata My humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories, all glories, all glories to you.

Like a broken leaf in a hurricane, a tossed ship in a storm, a floundering body in this material world - I was headed somewhere but actually going nowhere.

My senses were dragging me hither, my mind was deciding thither.

I was the one in control, wasn't I?

Then there was a cloud - wait, no - it was your shadow, your protective cape, that threw a calmness in this turmoil.

Your mercy wrapped around this floundering soul, sheltered it, and safely landed it on the platform of a servant - a glorious servant who is privileged enough to serve at your lotus feet!

Please, I beg you, Spiritual Master, to always let me remain there - "Just like Arundhati, always stay calm and peaceful - and preach like She did."

These were your instructions to me, and these are etched in my mind, body and soul.

I pray for your mercy to live by your instructions and take these words beyond my grave.

Always your humble servant Arundhati Devi dasi, Fair Lawn, NJ

Bhavani-devi dasi, Vancouver - My eternal thanks

Dear Srila Gurudeva.

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you and to our beloved Srila Prabhupada.

Each year as the time comes round for me to send my offering for your Vyasa Puja, I think I will never know what to write but as I start sending my words of appreciation, respect and love, I find my mind filled with wonder. I will never be able to repay you for what you have done for me, your devoted and sincere disciple.....but I will never stop thanking you. My attempts at finding the words to truly portray my innermost feelings, seem to be tiny and obscure and never do I truly find those words for which I am searching. Simply I want you always to know the extent of my gratitude and depth of my appreciation for bringing this conditioned soul to the place where I may be able to learn and realize my privileged position. That of devotee being given the opportunity to serve you to the best of my ability. May this wondrous opportunity always be offered to me and may I never stop being aware



of the fortunate position I have been in since you came into my life. Thank you, dear gurudeva.

My most sincere gratitude and affection. Hare Krsna.

Your humble servant and devoted disciple, Bhavani-devi dasi, Vancouver

Brian Williams, Los Angeles, CA - Where would I be without your divine instruction?

Dearest Guru,

Hare Krishna! All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to Your Holiness! Please accept my humble obeisances.

I first wanted to wish you a happy Vyasa Puja. Please forgive my weakness in giving a suitable offering.

I was helplessly entangled in maya, so caught up in my own suffering that I saw no light at the end of the tunnel. Then you came along with the lantern of knowledge. What great fortune I have! I know I still have a long way ahead of me. Sometimes I just want to give up. Then I read your thought of the day, and I am inspired to keep pushing forward. Your Holiness has all the right words to encourage me. Where would I be without your divine instruction?

On the one occasion I had the pleasure of meeting you, I knew you were no ordinary personality. You did not pose yourself to be any greater than me, you showed me love. And yet I knew instantly you were so much better, in the way you spoke of Krishna and the energy I felt in your presence. It was a breath of fresh air in a world clouded with sulfur. I will always remain indebted to you for that, and I will always remain indebted to Srila Prabhupada for bringing me to you.

You have so kindly remained in this world of suffering to deliver all the fallen souls. But I know I do not deserve such a wonderful gift due to my past misdeeds. Please bless me so that I can spread Krishna Consciousness to the best of my abilities, which I know are so few.

With love and affection, your most fallen student aspiring to be your disciple,

Brian Williams, Los Angeles, CA



Chakravarthy, Austin, Texas - Guiding hand for a lost soul

My Dear Gurudev,

My humble obeisances unto you my spiritual master, Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. All glories to His divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.

All glories to His divine Grace Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

It was not too long ago after reading the "Bhagavad Gita as it is" I learned about ISKCON and contacted Gurudev in Austin. He showed his mercy right away on the phone and cleared some of the nagging questions I had. He then invited me to ISKCON, Austin the next day. It didn't take long to realize the importance of the spiritual master. His divine grace constantly amazes me in the ways he tackles the challenge Srila Prabhupada gave him in spreading the Krishna Consciousness movement.

I only hope to be a worthy servant to you as you are to Srila Prabhupada. Please accept my deepest appreciation for accepting to guide a lost soul.

Chakravarthy, Austin, TX

De Pa, des plaines IL USA - Vyasa puja offering

I have been so enlightened and comforted by your huge wealth of wisdom. I hope our paths can cross soon because I am strictly following initiation is such a huge step and you are the person that I would like the most for initiation. I somehow or other have managed to get about six people into your free e-course. I hope this pleases you because when guru is pleased Krishna is pleased.

De Pa, des plaines IL USA

Govinda Mohini Devi dasi, Toronto, - Your mercy is my only hope

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at his lotus feet."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesa vikasartha uttama bhakti varsine

"O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of Prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers Pure Bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet





All glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji All glories to Srila Prabhupada

I would like to thank to Lord Krishna for giving me this blessed opportunity to offer my humble homage at your lotus feet.

Srila Gurudeva, I humbly would like to wish you a Very Happy Vyasa Puja. I pray to Lord Sri Krishna to give you and Gurumata good health so that you can continue your great service and thus spread the topmost knowledge of Krishna Bhakti to the entire world.

By your divine grace blessings, I have entered into Grihastha ashram this year. I have got nice association of devotees in and we are although unqualified, trying our best to serve Sri Sri Radha Ksirchora Gopinath in Toronto temple.

This year, we got an opportunity to visit our place of pilgrimage ISKCON, Austin during the Janmashtami. Deep in my heart I had a strong desire to visit Austin Temple and serve my Gurudeva and Gurumataji. By Krishna's mercy, the trip was wonderfully arranged even though we didn't have the Permanent Residence Card to return to . During my stay in the Austin temple, I have received some of my life's lessons and instructions. You are teaching us by your own example how to always be engaged in Krishna Consciousness. There is not a single moment you waste. I would like to include in my offering, one of the incidents that has struck a chord with me. While we were travelling in the car, your grace noticed a magnetic car sign on a car rear window which read "Who Rescued Who". Your grace spontaneously quoted "Srila Prabhupada rescued us". After spending a lot of time trying to comprehend your statement, I have realized how your divine grace had sacrificed the whole life in rescuing us from the cycle of birth and death. Otherwise my position would have been as a dog without a master loitering in the street. From this incident, I have also understood how you have dedicated your thoughts, words and actions to your spiritual master Srila Prabhupada.

I humbly thank your grace because without your mercy I wouldn't have been able to follow your instructions. Please bless me that I will always be able to have complete faith in your instructions.

I remember this sloka by Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura which tells my position and I offer this as a prayer at your lotus feet.

Gurudev!
jogyata-vicare, kichu nahi pai,
tomara karuna-sara
karuna na hoile, kandiya kandiya,
praṇa na rakhibo ara

"If you examine me, you will find no qualities. Your mercy is all that I am made of. If you are not merciful unto me, I can only weep, and I will not be able to maintain my life."

Jai Srila Gurudeva! Jai Srimati Gurumataji! Jai Srila Prabhupada!

Hare Krishna!





Your Insignificant Servant, Govinda Mohini Devi dasi, Toronto,

Guruvani Devi dasi, Austin, Texas - Your appearance day is the most auspicious day

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

nama om vishnu padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Thank you for your immense mercy. Your appearance day is the most auspicious day as without you there is no hope for fallen conditioned souls, your dedication to Srila Prabhupada is inspirational and your blessings are immensely powerful, thank you for your attention and guidance. Thank you for your attention and guidance.

Your servant Guruvani Devi dasi, Austin, Texas

Hemanga das, Toronto, - Fearless like a lion

Dear Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to your divine grace All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Each day is passing like a minute. If I look into my daily routine, I see nothing more meaningful and satisfying other than devotional service that fulfills purpose of my existence. On the other side, I wonder how little progress I'm making (if any) each day. But all my anxiety is gone when I realize that by your causeless mercy I'm connected to the Guru parampara. How fortunate is that. Out of all those millions of people around who continue to





pretend to be happy with the work they are engaged in and with the material wealth that they have acquired.

I'm one among those thousands who are receiving your causeless mercy via Thought for the Day. Krishna consciousness is the best thing that ever happened to me. You dedicated your whole life in spreading Krsna's love by making every opportunity to preach. Your strong desire to preach is like the lava that's inside a Volcano which is ready to explode. Your burning desire to give Krsna to all the 7 billion human beings is contaminating. Your daily "Thought for the day" emails remind me of my responsibility to share Krsna's mercy to the people around me. Because of my miserly weakness and laziness, I struggle to step out of my comfort zone to share the message of Lord Chaitanya Mahaprabhu to the general public.

You are fearless like a lion while preaching. I lately realized why your dear most God brothers address you as Prabhupadanuga. In all these years, whatever lectures I heard from your divine grace has always been in line with Srila Prabhupada's instruction. The same applies to Gurumataji who is your constant companion and powerhouse of devotional service. Your replies to the questions from email subscribers are straight to the point and bold nothing less nothing more. This helps me to reflect on the answers without ambiguity.

This year, I had privilege to be in your personal association for a week. Your grace makes the best use of time. No second in your association goes in vain. There is always something to learn from words & actions. Being under Gurumataji's guidance to serve you is the sweetest thing. Even if I'm 1% determined like you are in spreading the mercy of Lord Chaitanya, my life will be successful.

S.B 1.2.43

kṛṣṇe sva-dhamopagate dharma-jñanadibhiḥ saha kalau naṣṭa-dṛsam eṣa puraṇarko 'dhunoditaḥ

Translation: This Bhāgavata Purana is as brilliant as the sun, and it has arisen just after the departure of Lord Krsna to His own abode, accompanied by religion, knowledge, etc. Persons who have lost their vision due to the dense darkness of ignorance in the Age of Kali shall get light from this Purana.

Just like Srimad Bhagavatam takes away the darkness of ignorance in life, when I'm in your association my countless assumptions, misinterpretations come into light. I can clearly see my anarthas. I understand that I'm just a bag filled with garbage.

I can see how kind you are to give me shelter and connect me to the guru parampara. In return all you are asking me is to know & revive my eternal relationship with Krishna and serve his devotees. Who else can be my well-wisher other than you? In this life and for eternity.

Because of my less intelligence, it takes a while to learn from my mistakes. But, as a kind loving father you forgive all the wrong doings. Moreover, you shower your blessings so that I can perform my devotional service.





One of the qualities of a Vaishnava is to be poetic. Texas is considered as the capital city for song writers. Your song "Peace Formula" is a bit hit among devotees and general public in Texas. Your grace has dedicated your time & energy in fulfilling Prabhupada's personal instruction which is to have a temple in Austin. Krsna is very pleased with your service that you now acquired the land and the project is already in progress.

On this auspicious day, please shower your drop of mercy upon this fallen soul so that I can sincerely chant the Maha mantra and serve devotees with love & respect.

Your insignificant servant, Hemanga das, Toronto,

Jesse, New Dwarka, Los Angeles, CA - Vyasa puja offering

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Thank you very much for being such an inspiration and enlivening force for this world, by preaching constantly about the glories of Lord Krishna. It is so wonderful to see how you spread the teachings of Srila Prabhupada without deviation. I hope that one day, only with your blessings, despite my many serious disqualifications, I can possess even a minute fraction of a fraction of the devotion that you always so blissfully radiate.

Your insignificant servant, Bhakta Jesse, New Dwarka, here in Los Angeles, CA

Kirtan Nagavarapu (Age 12), Austin Texas - Your Divine Grace

Dear Srila Gurudev

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Thank you for saving my life, you cut the bondages of the modes, with your scriptural knife

You saved my soul and now I have a chance to make my spiritual life whole With this chance, I can advance and reach my spiritual goal

I have the fortune of your spiritual place and the mercy of your grace

Thank you for teaching me the way of spirituality And showing Krishna consciousness is the only reality.

Your servant Kirtan Nagavarapu (Age 12 yrs), Austin Texas

Mahabhagavat das, Toronto - you are the foremost pure devotee I know

My Dear Srila Gurudeva,

nama om vishnupadaya Krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine

Please kindly accept my humble obeisances in the dust of your lotus feet. All glories unto your divine grace.

On this auspicious occasion of the anniversary of your divine appearance in this world, I beg to offer you my gratitude, for coming here, choosing the Internet and Email, a medium that I was very much attached to, and using my attachment to grab me by the scruff of my neck and picking me up and placing me in your own soothing shelter.

I am not qualified, worthy, or deserving to be your disciple. I am not disciplined, I am not surrendered, I am not intelligent, I am not sincere, and I am mostly useless, but somehow or the other, I still am your disciple. This is my personal understanding of causeless mercy that you have bestowed upon me.

This is one verse I have been studying, from the Chaitanya Charitamrita, Adi 1.1

vande gurun isa-bhaktan
isam isavatarakan
tat-prakasams ca tac-chaktih
krsna-caitanya-samjsakam





I offer my respectful obeisances unto the spiritual masters, the devotees of the Lord, the Lord's incarnations, His plenary portions, His energies and the primeval Lord Himself, Śrī Kṛṣṇa Caitanya.

The verse does not have a purport, but I have been hearing a lecture by Srila Prabhupada repeatedly (quoted from lecture transcript): "So that is described here. Krsna-caitanya-samjnakam. Krsna Caitanya Mahaprabhu, He has expanded Himself as gurun. The guru, the spiritual master, he's also Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu. Saksad-dharitvena samasta-sastrair uktah **. In all the sastras, guru is accepted as Krsna. Saksad-dharitvena. Saksad means directly. Just like you offer your devotion, respects, to guru. So that respect is offered to Krsna. Guru also does not think himself that he is Krsna, but he collects the devotional services of the disciples to offer to Krsna. This is the process. We cannot approach Krsna directly. We should approach through guru. Tasmad gurum prapadyeta jijnasuh sreya uttamam [SB 11.3.21]. That is the injunction of the sastra, that one should approach the guru who can transfer the service from the disciple to the Supreme Person. So... Therefore the first offering is guru, vande gurun. Then guru creates many devotees. Guru's business is to canvass on behalf of Supreme Lord. That is guru's business." - A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, Lecture Caitanya Caritamrta Adi 1.1 Mayapur, March 25, 1975

When I heard this, and I read this now, I am shocked and appalled at my own ignorance. All this time, since 2004, I have been communicating with and serving an expansion of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu in the form of my own spiritual master! I have been chanting this "sakshad haritvena samasta shastraih" since 2004 and I still haven't understood and internalized the real meaning of this!

Srila Gurudeva, you are a disciple of Srila Prabhupada, and you are engaging everything and everyone at your disposal in the service of Krishna. I mean, if I look at my services today, and in 2004, clearly all the services are directly a result of your mercy upon this useless soul. Without your mercy, what can I do? Nothing of any value whatsoever.

My alarm clock goes off in the morning to the melodious notes of your music and the sound of your voice, "kabe habe bolo sei din amar - when o when will that day be mine". You are singing your personal rendition of Srila Bhaktivinode Thakura's "kabe habe bolo sei din amar", where Srila Bhaktivinode Thakura is putting himself in my position as a conditioned soul and hankering for that day when he will chant purely without offenses.

For me, chanting Hare Krishna purely is surely a distant thing, but at least I can pray in this way to you, my only real hope...

"When o when will that day be mine

offenses to my spiritual master ceasing remembrance of his mercy rising appreciation of his gifts unceasing service to my spiritual master ever-increasing surrender to his lotus feet everlasting when o when will that day be mine"





Srila Gurudeva, you saved me once and again, mostly from my own mind, so many times and again, that now I have lost count. I pray that I will be your servant, and not a servant of my mind.

Srila Gurudeva, I pray for the day when I might actually be your disciple.

Since you have personally shown the example of staying dedicated to the instructions of Srila Prabhupada in letter and spirit for over 44 years, weathering all sorts of troubles and challenges, clearly you have the capacity to bless others that they can stay dedicated to you and to Srila Prabhupada. In fact, who knows how many countless lifetimes upon lifetimes you have already spent in the service of Srila Prabhupada, travelling with him wherever he went to establish Krishna consciousness! I am certainly not privy to your relationship with Srila Prabhupada.

But if I can stay dedicated to you, staying dedicated to Srila Prabhupada will be a natural consequence Srila Prabhupada is your father, and my grandfather. So Srila Gurudeva, I beg you "bando mui savadhana mate". Please kindly hold me accountable to my initiation vow to really be your disciple, to accept your discipline, to serve you and others who are dear to you, and to fulfill your instructions and the spirit of your mission.

As you have taught me, whenever I meet a pure devotee, I must fall at their feet and beg for pure devotional service. My Lord and Master, you are the foremost pure devotee I know, who else can I approach for pure devotional service but you? Please have mercy upon this wretched fool and keep me somewhere in your mission.

your tiny little servant, Mahabhagavat das, Toronto,

Manu das, ISKCON Vancouver - My humble offering

Hari Bol Gurudeva.

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

I just cannot believe already one year past when I sent my humble offering on your appearance day last year. In that offering I ended saying that I am the President of Gaura Hari Karma-Free Meals Society (Previously known as Hare Krishna Food for Life). But it was published as President of ISKCON Vancouver BC. You even enquired through email "is it true?" I replied saying that it is a typo error in publishing.

Now to my surprise, what they have published has come true in just few months' time. I became President of ISKCON Vancouver on April 12, 2015. The first thing came to my mind on that was you Gurudeva and took it as your blessings & prediction through that publication. Unbelievable.

I am really very proud that I could serve you whenever you visited us. Hope to improve our congregation and welcome you once again to our New Gokula Dham. I am working towards that goal. Please give me your blessings.





Thanks a lot for your daily encouragements through your Ultimate Self Realization Course. They are always enlightening as they come from your heart. Always wonder how you can write such wonderful messages on daily basis. Thank You Gurudeva.

May Their Lordships bless you and mataji with good health to wake up the sleeping conditioned souls like me.

Hare Krishna.

Yours ever humble servant, Manu das, President, ISKCON Vancouver

Mathura das, Woodsboro, MD - Your mercy and unconditional love are immeasurable

Dearest Srila Gurudeva,

tad viddhi praṇipatena pariprasnena sevaya upadekṣyanti te jnanam jnaninas tattva-darsinaḥ

"Just try to learn the truth by approaching a spiritual master inquire from him submissively and render service unto him. The self-realized souls can impart knowledge unto you because they have seen the truth." (BG 4.34)

I thank you for accepting me, granting me this rare opportunity to be your servant on the wings of Lord Caitanya's sankirtan movement. Your mercy and unconditional love are immeasurable. It is a debt that the disciple cannot repay. The best I can do is to try to be Krishna's instrument, reflecting your love all over the world. Thank you for teaching me to thank Krishna without interruption and motivation.

You make Krishna Consciousness so simple, that even foolish persons like myself can come and try to take advantage without becoming discouraged. This is your expertise. Simply by being connected with you through any medium, I become full of inspiration to serve you and Krishna - that is your great influence and blessing. When I hear your instructions all distress goes far away and I become happy from within.

Thank you for teaching me and inspiring me on the path of pure devotional service. For kicking all hidden motives of profit, adoration and distinction out of my rascal heart and mind. At times, Maya's tests are strong, but your shining example clears the fog of my false ego. Hearing your live lectures regularly and relishing your Thought for the Day cleanses my dirty heart and gives strength and courage to strive for pure love of Krishna.

I am praying to Kirshna to be your faithful and fruitful disciple and assist you in some small way. I beg your grace eternally.

Your servant, Mathura das, Woodsboro, MD





Melanie Boodoo, Toronto, Ontario, - Your Thought for the Day is my guide

Dear Gurudeva,

Hare Krishna. Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Srila Prabhupada All glories to you on this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja

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"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet."

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my humble obeisances to Srila Prabhupada and thank him most sincerely for making you into the spiritual master that you are today. It is by his grace and blessing and mercy that we are enjoying the association of such a pure devotee as yourself. You are sincere, kind and most compassionate to your children. Whenever I think of your gentle and loving nature tears well up in my eyes (the way it is now), and I just-want to cry out to you, as I would to Krishna Himself, to save me from this misery of birth, death, old age and disease. You have already blessed my life in countless ways, and I cannot thank you enough. I beg Lord Krishna's mercy that He protects you and keep you safe for a long time to carry out the mission of spreading Krishna Consciousness in every town and every village on this planet. I pray that I can humbly surrender myself to your feet and the lotus feet of Sri Krishna, and I can serve the servants of the servant of the Lord.

I thank you most sincerely Gurudeva, for enlightening me everyday. Your Thought for the Day is my guide to daily Krishna Consciousness living. You have taught me how to make Krishna my best friend and how to always depend on the mercy of the Lord, even in the midst of all difficulties. I truly do not deserve this. I aspire to become more and more Krishna Conscious every day by hearing, chanting and remembering the Lord, but I can only do this with your blessings and by your mercy, therefore I beg your mercy and blessings.

On this most auspicious Vyasa Puja Day I pray for Krishna's blessings to you now and always.

Your most humble and insignificant servant, Melanie Boodoo, Toronto, Ontario

Miten Patel, Santa Clara, CA - Ever so energetic

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my respects, All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

You are always very energetic in enlightening the fallen soul and your answers to all the questions of devotees are very comforting!

Miten Patel, Santa Clara, California







Srila Prabhupada at New Vrindavan, West Virginia USA

Nikha Khanna, USA - May Lord Krishna continues blessing you

Dear Gurudeva

Kind Regards

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Please accept my humble regards on the auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja. You shower your kind mercy upon us fallen souls by bringing the sublime message of Lord Krishna through your daily thoughts on Ultimate Self Realization Course every day you find time to write these messages and personally reply to our emails. I humbly and with much gratitude thank you from the bottom of my heart. May Lord Krishna continue to keep blessing you with health and prosperity.

Your humble servant Nikha Khanna





Pankaj Vithlani, Markham, - Thank you for inspiring and encouraging me

Hare Krishna Maharaj,

This fallen soul has got lots of inspiration and was able to get lots of answers to the questions that were asked time and again!

I'm truly grateful to you for all the efforts that you're taking to uplift a fallen soul like me.

Your daily "Thought for the Day" is so good to read every day morning! It encourages me to keep myself engaged in the spiritual service of the Lord at every moment without which it is so easy to get lost in this material world under the clutches of "Maya".

Words would not do enough justice to glorify your efforts and therefore, I would end my writing here.

Your Humble Servant, Pankaj Vithlani, Markham,

Patita Pavani Devi dasi, Toronto, - Happy Appearance Day

My dearest Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisance's. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji.

Hare Krishna, Happy Appearance Day

sri-guru-caraṇa-padma, kevala-bhakati-sadma, bando mui savadhana mate jahara prasade bhai, e bhava toriya jai, kṛṣṇa-prapti hoy jaha ha'te

The lotus feet of our spiritual master are the only way by which we can attain pure devotional service. I bow to his lotus feet with great awe and reverence. By his grace one can cross the ocean of material suffering and obtain the mercy of Krsna.

On this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja I am making this simple offering of love and surrender at your lotus feet.

This year began with immense blessings of your divine grace giving unlimited mercy by accepting this very fallen soul as your disciple. I beg at your lotus feet that you bless me so that I can try to serve you and your mission to follow His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada and make the whole world Krishna conscious. I always try to get your association through Vani and follow the instructions that I get through your live lectures. I pray and pray to Krishna to help me in concentrating on his holy name, with your blessings.





This unworthy soul will always beg for you mercy to engage in devotional service and strive my best to make you happy by serving your Lotus feet.

Your eternal spiritual daughter, Patita Pavani Devi dasi, Toronto ON

Priya Harinath, New Jersey - I am forever indebted to you

Hare Krishna, Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Srila Gurudeva All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

nama om vishnu padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadaanuga prema-murti, kripatmane, gauradesa-vikashartha, uttama-bhakti-varshine

om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya cak**Ş**ur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-qurave nama**h**

Thank you very much for blessing me with another opportunity to write my offering to Srila Gurudeva on the glorious occasion of His Grace's Vyasa puja.

Dear Gurudeva,

I humbly bow down and offer my most grateful obeisances at your lotus feet. I am forever indebted to you for giving me shelter and guiding me on the path of Krishna bhakti and pure devotional service. Srila Prabhupada guided me to you when I saw and signed up for your Ultimate self realization course and ever since you have showered your mercy on me through your mails, thought for the day and talks. You have taught me how to practically follow Krishna consciousness and blessed me with the association of your disciples and devotees.

Gurudeva, how can I even begin to thank you and serve you. You endeavor so tirelessly and enthusiastically in delivering the message of Chaitanya Mahaprabhu to millions of fortunate souls around the world. You explain such complicated and deep truths from the scriptures in such simple way with practical examples such that everyone can taste the sweet nectar of Bhagavad Gita, Srimad Bhagavatam and Srila Prabhupada's books.

Although I am completely unqualified and fallen, I pray to Krishna and to Srila Prabhupada to grant me the strength to always serve you and please you. Please bless me that I may always be engaged in your service and never deviate from the path of Krishna consciousness.

Your humble servant Priya Harinath, New Jersey





Rajendra Das, Bowling Green, OH - I feel protected by your divine grace

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my most humble obeisances in the dust of your lotus feet. All glories to your divine grace.

This year during Janamashtami, when you formally accepted me as your disciple in Austin, Texas - I felt as if I was born again with more responsibilities to carry forward the mission of Srila Prabhupada under your perfect guidance and by strictly following your teachings. As taught by your divine grace, this mission is to get the chanting of the holy-names spread in every town and village which will act as a means to access 'Krsna-prema' and this way, make the entire world Krishna-conscious. This is the prediction of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu and all our previous acharayas have confirmed it. And we all see, how your grace is so kindly distributing this mercy to each and everyone by travelling all over the world tirelessly, inspiring all of us. Recently I read a past-time of Srila Prabhupada wherein, Srila Prabhupada during his morning walk in Juhu beach, quoted the below verse from Sri Caitanya caritamrta (Madhya1.206):

bhavantam evanucaram nirantarah prasanta-nihsesa-mano-rathantarah kadaham aikantika-nitya-knikarah praharsayisyami sanatha-jivitam

"By serving You constantly, one is freed from all material desires and is completely pacified. When shall I engage as your permanent eternal servant and always feel joyful to have such a fitting master?" (Also, I read that this is the verse spoken by Srila Rupa and Srila Sanatana Goswami when they first met Mahaprabhu)

After quoting this verse, Srila Prabhupada said there are two words - 'a-natha' and 'sa-natha'. Natha means "master", so 'a-natha' means "without master" and sa-natha means "with master". The whole goal of life is to become sa-natha, "with master".

After explaining it, Srila Prabhupada pointed to a fat and fit gentleman walking with an equally fat and fit dog. The man was walking briskly and confidently with his dog on his leash, and the dog was walking equally briskly and confidently with his master by his side. Srila Prabhupada commented that every dog wants a good master. If the dog has a good master he is happy. He holds his head high, he wags his tail. He knows that his master will maintain and protect him, so he has no anxiety.

But the street dog. "The poor fellow has no master. Therefore he is always suffering". Srila Prabhupada then pointed to some stray dogs. "They have no master. They do not know where they will sleep, how they will get food. Other dogs bark at them; children throw stones at them. They are always in anxiety".

"So we should be sanatha, protected, and not anatha - orphan. We should have our master and be exclusively devoted to him. Then we will feel confident in his protection and always be happy".

After reading this past-time of Srila Prabhupada, I thanked Srila Prabhupada for blessing me with a master like your divine grace in my life who very mercifully made me 'sanatha' and I also feel protected, satisfied and happy at every moment under your protection like the dog

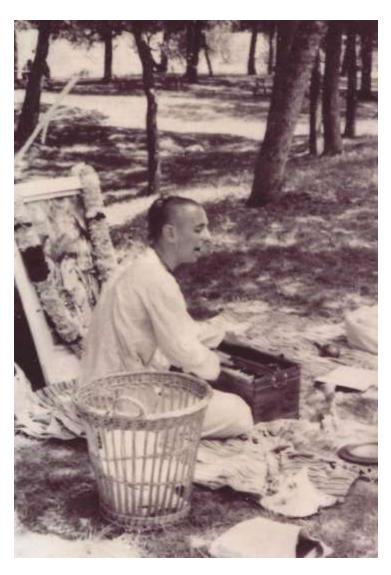


to whom Srila Prabhupada was pointing at the Juhu beach. I feel confident that under your divine grace protection, I will be saved from all kinds of danger and I will make rapid progress towards my spiritual goal of attaining Krishna Prema. I pray to Krishna that may He always keep me engaged in the loving devotional service and keep me always remain as your faithful dog.

Always a servant of your servants,

Rājendra Das

Bowling Green, OHIO, USA



His Holiness Vishnujana Swami Maharaja Pease Park, Austin, Texas USA--Spring of 1971



Rantideva das, Southaven, MS USA - I want that 100% factor

nama om visnu-padaya Krishna-prestaya bhu-tale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

I offer my respectful obeisances unto Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari, who is very dear to Lord Sri Krishna, having taken shelter of His lotus feet!

namo prabhupadanuga-prema-murti-kripatmane, Gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances unto you, the embodiment of mercy, who expands the order of Lord Gauranga, who showers us with pure bhakti!

Om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge

My dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I trust that you are well. Please accept my most humble obeisances at your lotus feet on this most auspicious day of your Vaysa Puja;

It's been eleven years now. Eleven years since the first time I was fortunate enough to have your darshan for the very first time. I had been a subscriber of your Ultimate Self Realization e-course for several months before our first meeting and had become very much interested in your teachings and the Bhagavad-Gita. You were going to be in Birmingham Alabama and told me I should come for a few days if possible.

What struck me most about that first meeting was the way you spoke about Lord Krishna. The way your face lit up every time you recalled the glories of the Lord. And the fact that you believed, 100%, in everything you were preaching. I could see it, plan as day. I came away thinking "this man knows 100% that everything he's teaching is absolutely true. He has full faith that he has found the right path to God" It was obvious that you had full faith in your spiritual master and Lord Krishna. And I wanted that too!

So then, eleven years have passed and you're still preaching the same message with the same enthusiasm. Some may say "how is this possible?" Well, your disciples can easily answer that question, or anyone who has ever been fortunate enough to meet with you for that matter. Our beloved spiritual master has 100% faith in His spiritual master Srila Prabhupada, 100% faith in Lord Sri Krishna, 100% faith in Bhagavad-Gita, 100% faith in Srimad Bagavatam, and 100% faith in this Krishna consciousness movement. I absolutely believe that it's this 100% factor that draws lost souls from all over this planet to sit at your lotus feet and keeps them there to hear your message.



The spiritual master is our spiritual father, and we are his spiritual children. And the children are always bothering the father, I want this, give me that. All the time begging for one thing or another. As for this child, there is only one thing I want from my spiritual father, I want that 100% factor!

I look forward to the day when I can once again sit at your lotus feet.

I remain your worthless servant,

Rantideva das, Southaven, MS USA

Rathin Mandal, Davenport, IA - praying for your devotees association

Hare Krishna,

Please accept my humble obeisances, All glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji, All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I want to offer my most humble obeisances at lotus feet of Srila Gurudeva. It is only by causeless mercy of Srila Gurudeva that I am able to have association of devotees and hear about Sri Krishna.

I have been traveling places this year and not really getting a chance to settle down. But still by mercy of Srila Gurudeva, I am still able to do some Krishna Conscious activities.

When I came to USA this year, I had to face difficult situation. At that time I remember lotus feet of Srila Gurudeva and wrote to Srila Gurudeva for directions. Srila Gurudeva gave me his most important time and directed me. I tried following the instruction best I can, and it helped me to come out of the situation. I also got to meet a very nice devotee family in my neighbourhood and was able to participate in Krishna Conscious activities with him.

While going back to India, I received association from GuruVandana Mataji, Sudip Prabhu and Shashank Prabhu. By their mercy I was able to participate in Janmasthami festival in Iskcon Noida temple and have most wonderful darshan of Sri Sri Radha Govinda.

By mercy of Srila Gurudeva and Gurumataji, it has been one year of my marriage and I have received all the support from my wife in Krishna Consciousness. My mother is also very eagerly participating in all temple activities in Iskcon Ghaziabad temple. This time I am living in a place in USA which is 4 hours away from temple but I am living near to a Prabhuji who is initiated devotee. We have programs at his home every Sunday evening. And we are trying to start a congregation program at his home. We are also trying to do some activity in Hindu temple in Quad City at time of Dussehra and Diwali. I beg for mercy of Srila Gurudeva that I can distribute few books of Srila Prabhupada to people.

I pray to Sri Krishna to keep me at lotus feet of Srila Gurudeva and enable me to serve and follow him obediently. I pray to Sri Krishna that whatever state of life I am in, please keep me in touch with your devotees so that I can remember you all the time.





Your Servant Rathin, Davenport, IA, US

Ravi Sarma, Toronto – Your thoughts keep me firmly on the path of devotion

Om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah

Dear Sankarshan Prabhu,

Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Srila Prabhupada

On this most auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja, I pray to Lord Krishna to bless you with continued good health and long life so that you can continue to spread the message of Srila Prabhupada.

Its been 7 months since I was introduced to the Ultimate Self Realization course and the daily emails and I look forward to receiving them every day. Your thoughts are very enlightening and they keep me firmly on the path of devotion. I thank you from the bottom of my heart and would like to express my deepest gratitude.

I would like to once again wish you a 'Very Happy Vyasa Puja'

Ravi - Toronto, Canada





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Rekha Mathkar, New York - I feel privileged

Dear Sankarshan Prabhu,

Hare Krishna! Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Gurudeva. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I am a student of your Ultimate Self Realization Course.

Kindly accept this Prayer as my Vyasa Puja Offering , which comes from my heart as an expression of gratitude ,

Oh God, I am indeed privileged to be a part of your Humanity Enlightenment Movement of Krishna consciousness. I pray that this love offering, which is an expression of my love and gratitude, shall be in accord with Your Will and that Truth of Krishna consciousness shall spread far and wide. I am grateful!



Rekha Mathkar, New York

Seema and Prabhunath, Prateek and Kamna, Queens, New York - God bless you always.

Shri Gurudev and Shri Gurumata, Charan Sparsh.

I am a sinful person and have nothing to offer, I have so many flaws which I cannot offer to you, I only beg for your blessings for me and my family (husband-prabhunath, son-prateek, daughter-kamna). Please bless us with sadhbudhi and gyan, and that we always be connected to the Lotus Feet of Shri Radha Krishna.

We live in this maya sansar and get entangled with our chores and duties of family and start asking God for healthy life and so on for our loved ones. For example now my kids are going through hard time, I pray to God to clear their hurdles, I feel ashamed to ask for such things but can't help because your heart opens up automatically in front of the Lord the One who listens to you. Please forgive me if I am wrong and bless us to be on the right path. We have always learned from your bhakti and emails.

Thanks so much for all you do to clean the dusted souls of the world. God bless you always.
Always seeking for your blessings

Seema and Prabhunath Prateek and Kamna, Queens, New York

Sri Gaura Hari das, Detroit, Michigan - The potency of Sri Guru's Instruction

nama om visnu-padaya Krishna-prestaya bhu-tale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga-prema-murti-kripatmane, Gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

mukam karoti vachalam pangum langhayate girim yat-kripa tam aham vande shri-gurum dina-taranam

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, the deliverer of the fallen souls. His mercy turns the dumb into eloquent speakers and enables the lame to cross mountains."

In March of 2012 I was going through some troubling times and Your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji was merciful to let me stay in the Ashram in Austin, Texas for a few





days. During that time one day in the morning during the Bhagavatam class I enquired your Divine Grace about how to overcome my problems and you instructed me to attend Mangala Aarti everyday and that should resolve all my problems. At that time I did not understand the relationship between Mangala Aarati and family and work related problems, however I started following your instruction though very faultily and over the course of time my troubles went away and my sadhana grew more steadier. That was the first time I realized the potency of your instruction, that the Spiritual Master's instruction is enacted on the spiritual plane and one need not try to analyze using one's mundane intelligence, one just need to faithfully follow Sri Guru's instructions.

Srila Gurudev when asked the question as to how to be Krishna Conscious at work you have instructed to keep a Bhagavad Gita at the desk and to read it during breaks and you also mentioned that it would also serve the purpose of preaching as someone might look at it and be attracted and enquire about it. Following your Instruction I have kept a copy of Srimad Bhagavad Gita at my desk, many have glanced at the book, some even commented about the cover art, until recently, a really enthusiastic soul was inspired by the Bhagavad Gita, wanted to read one, I took the opportunity to not only to distribute Bhagavad Gita to him, but also encouraged him to sign up on "The Ultimate Self Realization Course", invited him to my home and also invited to the temple. He is reading the Bhagavad Gita every day and attending Sunday feast at the temple and hope that one day he takes shelter of your lotus feet. All this was possible only by the ultimate potency of your Divine Grace's instructions. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all glories to Srila Gurudev.

Dear Srila Gurudev because of all my anarthas I am able to follow instructions only faultily, however my only wish is that I am able to dedicate this life in following your instructions for there is no other duty for me but to follow your instructions faithfully and in one way or the other to serve you in your mission of Spreading Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu's mercy all over the world.

Your servant, Sri Gaura Hari das, Detroit, Michigan

Sulakshana Devi dasi, Billings, MT - Seeking the shade of your lotus feet

nama om vishnu padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti varsine gauradesa-vikashartha, uttama-bhakti-varshine

"O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Dear Gurudeva:





Gurudeva you have made my good fortune. When I think about my past life before coming in contact with you I was engaged in so many sinful activities that I do not know how I became eligible to receive such a highest gift from you. I do not know yet the full ramification of this good fortune because I am still in shower of cleansing all the dirt which is accumulated in my heart since time immemorial. Gurudeva please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

Gurudeva I am a shameless beggar, I am asking you again to please give me your blessing so that I will be able to finish this Krishna consciousness process in this lifetime. Thank you gurudeva for coming into my life and giving me this chance of one in billion lifetimes to go back to Godhead. Otherwise I would be also wasting this valuable human life in frivolous activities like others in this present Kali yuga. It is only by your mercy and by the grace of Krishna that I will be able to get out of this conditioned life.

This year by the grace of Krishna I was able to have your darshan and Gurumataji along with other devotees and render some services for Janmastami festival and Srila Prabhupada's appearance day celebration. It was so ecstatic to hear you sing and play on your quitar on Janmastami night, it is very rare that you do this. Please give me your blessings so that I will be able to attend such festivals again.

My desire is to fully purify myself first and at the same time help others to come to your lotus feet to fulfill yours and Lord Caitanya's desire that in every town and village Lord Krishna's holy name will be chanted by everyone. Please bestow your blessings on this poor wretched soul so that I will also have same enthusiasm like yours to continue to serve your mission day after day 24/7. I am helpless Gurudeva, it is only by your mercy I will be able to serve you in this task. I am eternally indebted to you. Please give me the shade of your lotus feet. Thank you Gurudeva. By Krishna's grace I will be coming to Vrindavan this year for celebration of your Vyasa puja. I will see you in Vrindavan Gurudeva.

Happy Appearance day Gurudeva! I wish Krishna will give you a long life so you can save many many fallen souls like me.

Happy Vyasa Puja!

Your unworthy servant, Sulakshana Devi dasi, Billings, MT

Sundar Mukunda da, Nitya Kisori devi dasi and Murari – Columbus OH - You lead by example

Srila Gurudev,

namah om visnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine. namoh prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesa vikasartha uttama bhakti vasine

Gurudev, it is our fortune to have connected with a pure spirit soul like you in this life time. As a spiritual master you lead by example, encouraging us to act properly in the science of Krishna consciousness. Even though we are not in close proximity, you make it up by being





accessible by email for personal instructions. During difficult times, thinking about you and Krishna helps us tide over material sufferings. We always get encouragement that Krishna is connected directly to us through you.

Please bless our family to have ruchi for Krishna, Guru and Gauranga.

Your insignificant servants Sundar Mukunda das, Nitya Kisori devi dasi and Murari, (Columbus OH)

Vandana Neeraye - Toronto, ON - You are my savior

Hare Krsna Dear Srila Gurudev

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to your Divine Grace. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

nama om vishnupadaya Krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine

50 years ago, Srila Prabhupada came to USA to spread the message of the love God. This year, on January 10, when I first saw you in Iskcon Toronto temple, I felt "wow", you are truly a representative of Lord Krsna. That day it was very chilled in the temple room as the heater was broken. But you continued with the lecture and you seemed to be unaffected by the cold. The message that I brought home was full of love for the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Lord Sri Krsna, and it really warmed my heart.

Rain or shine or even snow storm, it is always a pleasure to receive your enlightenment emails and also in reading them. You inspire us through your messages that come from different corners of the world.

So on this auspicious day of Vyas puja, I fall in the dust of the dust of you lotus feet and beg for your mercy on this worthless disciple of yours. I pray to Lord Krsna that He bestows you with a long and healthy life so that you can fulfill Lord Caitanya's mission that every town and village will be Krsna Conscious and will be filled with the love of Lord Krsna.

Your worthless disciple Vandana, Toronto, ON,

Vilasini Devi dasi, Cuernavaca, Mexico - Gurudev! Ocean of mercy!

Gurudev! Ocean of mercy!

After some 12 years knowing you, I feel I am starting to practically realise, not just repeat, what the scriptures say about the Guru. Gradually I have realised how supremely kind you





are to me and I am in awe of my good fortune. How dark was my life before. How troubled and lost was I in my ignorance. A condition I would not ever want to experience again. I wanted to know, but had no way of knowing.

Until you came along. When you manifested by Krishna's sweet grace, it was as if I was taken out of a pitch-black dungeon and shown the vast, vast world that is waiting to be discovered. My spiritual journey was infused with power. Now I understand the most important day of my life was when I met you and took your shelter. Please keep me there always. Thanks to you the highest good is attainable...even for me. I know you went out of your way to save me. Thank you, thank you unlimited times! I look forward to serving you in this life and beyond.

You are always merged in your Guru's service! You are the Vaishnava Thakur always spreading the glories of the Supreme Couple Radha and Krishna! You are a transcendentally situated lotus in this swamp of ignorance and my only hope to gain back my spiritual identity. How can your mercy compare? Who else could show me my true self, that too with such kind patience, magnanimity, compassion? Just like a father teaching a child to walk, you help me up when I fall. I hope to become a proper servant of yours one day. Your exemplary behavior and excellent qualities are an inspiration to all. May I always dwell in the saccidananda nectar of your vani in this life and beyond.

Your eternal servant, Vilasini Devi dasi, Cuernavaca, Mexico

Vrindavanesvari Devi dasi , Detroit, Michigan - Blessed by your mercy

Dear Srila Gurudev, Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and your divine Grace.

I can't express in words how much love and affection I received from you and Srimati Gurumataji. I am praying for your blessings that I am sincerely able to follow your instructions and begging to give me even more opportunities to serve your lotus feet.

Without your causeless mercy, I would have remained in fallen condition in this abominable material world. There is no real happiness in this conditioned world but a Satguru like you can easily show true happiness with your pure knowledge, love and dedication to Srila Prabhupada's mission.

Lord Krishna says that one should approach a bona fide Spiritual Master for becoming self realized. I received the Shelter of your lotus feet just because of the unlimited compassion that you have over a fallen conditioned soul like me. I feel very blessed to have taken part in your association during Janmastami festival where I could clearly see how you elevated thousands of souls by giving them Krishna Consciousness. I took one step towards you and you took 100 steps towards me and helped me come out of my difficulties in Krishna Consciousness. Sometimes I feel, "I don't deserve this special mercy". Now that I am blessed by your mercy, I pray at your lotus feet, that I become a good instrument in your hands and become a sold out slave of your Divine Grace. Your mercy is most important to



me than anything else, how else can I understand Lord Sri Krishna and Srila Prabhupada without your blessings and guidance.

On this auspicious day of your appearance, I want to thank you for giving me the best of all things, the desire to chant and glorify the holy name.

Your Servant, Vrindavanesvari Devi dasi, Detroit, Michigan



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Amala Bhakta Das, Malaysia - You are the jewel of my life

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances unto your lotus feet,

All Glories To Srila Prabupada.

My dear Srila Gurudev, you indeed are a man of your word. When you told me that you would take full in-charge of me, I had my doubts but fortunately till this day you have always been there to support and guide me in this miserable and ignorant life. Srila Gurudev, you have been the jewel of my life because of your great divinity and unlimited mercy upon sinful and fallen souls such as myself. I am truly indebted by your grace and gurumata. Both Srila Gurudev and Gurumata have given me so much realization of what life is really about through your actions and instruction.

Moreover, having Srila Gurudev as a spiritual master is a jackpot lottery with two bonuses, one is by having your grace as my Guru and having Gurumata being a merciful mother towards all us as her children. That would be rare and priceless gift that I cherish till the end of my life.

Thus,in this very auspicious day, I am grateful by your grace along with Srila prabupada's blessing to wish you a glories Happy "Vyasa Puja Srila Gurudev", and I sincerely pray to Sri





Sri Nitai Gaura Sundar to always keep me in your service and to always be eager to serve Srila Gurudev and Gurumata forever.

Thank you Srila Gurudev and hope to see you soon.

Hare Krsna. Srila Gurudev Ki Jai.

Your Servant,

Amala Bhakta Das, Malaysia



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Ananda Vardhana Das, Tarneit, Australia - Longing to serve you

My dear Srila Gurudev.

Offering my humble obeisances at Your lotus feet.

All glories to You and Srimati Gurumata!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!





Even though I cannot describe the divine nature of Yours and the mercy You have showered upon me and many other souls by adventing in this material universe to spread divine Krsna Consciousness, on this most auspicious day of Your appearance kindly please allow me to express few words of gratitude in response to the mercy I have received from You, Srimati Gurumata and Your followers.

My dear Srila Gurudev, thank You very much for Your compassion and the mercy You have showered upon me by accepting me as Your initiated disciple in this divine Guru Parampara and ISKCON society.

My dear Srila Gurudev, thank You very much for Your sweetest mercy and pastimes of Sri Vrindavan Dham which are now deep within my heart and constantly encouraging me to join You again in those nectarine pastimes. It is only through Your transcendental vision, I got a little glimpse of Sri Vrindavan Dham and the devotees residing there. Mangala arati at Srila Prabhupada Samadhi, Vibhavari Shesha arati in front of Krsna Balarama, Sri Sri Radha Damodara Panchamrita, Shringar arati, Srimad Bhagavatam class at home at Your lotus feet, preparing and serving Prasadam, receiving maha maha Prasadam, Srimad Bhagavad Gita class by Srimati Gurumata, personal services, Sri Vrindavan Dham parikrama, associating with Srila Prabhupada at Sri Sri Radha Damodara Mandir, watching You embracing mother cow Saraswati, being with You while You taking moon light photo nearly at midnight, watching You rolling in the dust of Ramanreti, Sri Govardhan Parikrama at midnight, Jaipur Darshan, chasing the Internet for You and so many such heart melting pastimes You have showered upon this fallen soul- just so that I get a little bit of devotion and love for Your Krsna and Sri Vrindavan Dham. I humbly beg to remain Your surrendered soul at Your lotus feet so You can again engage me in any of Your sweet pastimes.



Nectar Shot: 1 Srila Gurudev and Mother Cow Saraswati in Sri Vrindavan Dham





Nectar Shot: 2 Srila Gurudev and His devotees in Sri Vrindavan Dham

My dear Srila Gurudev, I thank You very much for constantly answering all my questions via emails. I personally witnessed Your great determination and 24x7 engagement when You were still answering all the emails even though Your eyes were so much itchy and with constant runny water.

My dear Srila Gurudev, thank You very much for Your recent visit to Melbourne Yatra. It is always so aspiring and heart melting to receive You at the airport, serve You for a week and then receive Your garland Mahaprasadam at the departure lounge. Begging for the day when I shall join You on the transcendental plane ride just like the transcendental car ride You showered upon me from Pune to Mumbai.

Today on this most auspicious day, I also want to thank my dear Srimati Gurumata for her constant guidance and encouragements in developing fixed up Krsna Consciousness. I will



always rejoice the sweet pastime – cooking with her at North Sydney temple. I humbly beg to her that she may always keep me engaged in Srila Gurudev's service neglecting my personal shortcomings and correcting me for my offenses.

My dear Srila Gurudev, it is through Your encouraging words of following Srila Prabhupada through his books, audios and videos recordings, we are holding Sankirtan in Werribee on Saturday mornings. We distribute Srila Prabhupada's books, Prasadam and invite the locals to the Melbourne Mahaprabhu Mandir.

Dear Srila Gurudev, I feel deep separation from You due to my lack of sincerity and without Your personal physical presence. Kindly please allow me to present to You these feelings as an offering.

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to live the moment when I first heard about You!

Longing to regain the first glance You showered upon me!

Longing to bathe Your lotus feet again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to welcome You to my heart again and again!

Longing to get Your shining smile again and again!

Longing to be Your 'door keeper' again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to massage Your lotus feet again and again!

Longing to hear Brahma Samhita from Your lotus mouth again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to ride sitting beside You again and again!

Longing to sit along at Keshi Ghat again and again!

Longing to roll along in Vrindavan Dust again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to follow You in Vrindavan Parikrama again and again!

Longing to go on Yamuna boat ride again and again!



Longing to serve You "mishti dahi" again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to get Your Maha Maha Prasad again and again!

Longing to be Your "Internet Guy" again and again!

Longing to read Your "Truth Works" again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to relish Your "Thought For The Day" again and again!

Longing to go with You on Govardhan Parikrama again and again!

Longing to hear You leading "Mangala arati" again and again!

Longing to see You feeding go-mata again and again!

Longing to hear Your transcendental vani again and again!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to be Your servant again and again!

Longing to spread Your glories all over the universe life after life!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

Longing to be the dust of Your lotus feet, O my spiritual master dear Srila Gurudev!

I am so fallen, have so many shortcomings and have committed so many offences while serving You, Srimati Gurumata and Vaishnavas at various occasions, kindly please punish me or forgive me as You like but kindly please please, I beg to remain Your servant always engaged serving You and Your Devotees.

Your unworthy servant,

Ananda Vardhana Das, Melbourne, Australia

Balarama Das, Melbourne - You remove all my doubts

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which





were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

I pray at your lotus feet that I may be able glorify you on this most auspicious day of your Vyasa Puja.

It was only the other day I was talking with a Prabhu at temple and we were discussing where we both were in this life before Krishna Consciousness, where we are now and where we pray to be in the future.

Maya had her claws in me so much, I was such a rascal wasting this human form of life prior to coming into contact with the devotees. I was at a point in life where I was realising this place (earth), is not that nice and I was questioning big issues and kept asking why? My questioning got to a point where my friends could not answer me, or the answers they gave were correct materially, but they did not satisfy me.

'God (Krishna) works in mysterious ways', as the saying goes. By Krishna's arrangement, I was fortunate enough to come into contact with you. Since I first met you, whenever I have had a question, doubt or needed some clarification, no matter how big or small the question/issue, you have been able to answer it and remove all the doubt/s I have had.

Yes Krishna does work in mysterious ways, however with your unlimited mercy you have removed some of that mystery and helped me to try and understand the meaning of life and what I am meant to do with this human form of life. I pray that I may serve you and my only mission is to please you, even though I am unqualified to do so.

Please bless me so I can follow your instructions and please you.

Your servant,

Balarama Das, Melbourne, Australia







Journey to the Inner Self Lecture--Urban Yoga Center Melbourne, Australia--23 June 2015

Bhakti Priya devi dasi, Melbourne, Australia - You are an ocean of transcendental qualities

My dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

All glories to you and Srimati Gurumata.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I would like to express my deep gratitude to you for giving me initiation and connecting me to the Guru Parampara. I am the most unworthy and the most fallen but due to your causeless mercy, you have accepted me as your disciple. Please forgive my offenses at your lotus feet and continue to engage me in your service.

I would also like to thank you for revealing the Srila Vrindavan Dham to me. The Lord's abode is pure and non-material. But due to my material blindness, I would have never been able to appreciate the glories of Sri Vrindavan Dham. It is only due to your transcendental vision that I got a glimpse of what the spiritual world is like. Please bless me so that I can continue to develop more and more love for Krsna and His devotees.



Unable to glorify you, your unworthy servant has attempted to write some words to describe your unlimited glories. Please forgive my shortcomings and accept this as my humble offering at your lotus feet.

Srila Gurudev, O ocean of transcendental qualities!

I was floating in a dreamy illusion,

Living aimlessly without any conclusion.

But your teaching made me realise the reality,

That the material world is miserable and saps vitality.

Due to your causeless mercy you accepted me as a disciple,

Delivering me from the loop of birth and death cycle.

Srila Gurudev, O abundance of mercy!

You are spreading the chanting of the holy names of the Lord,

Eternity, knowledge and bliss are the worthy rewards.

Your teachings are sublime and pure,

It opens the doors to spiritual world for sure.

Your ULTIMATE SELF REALIZATION knowledge is easily accessible,

Beyond the bodily concept, this spiritual revolution is irrepressible.

Srila Gurudev, O ambassador of divine knowledge!

The world is polluted by lust, anger, envy and greed,

There are useless wars with lack of peace indeed.

But you are compassionate for the suffering human race,

Guiding them to path of Krsna, the controller of this place.

Your PEACE FORMULA is the only hope for Global peace,



All the world leaders must take it now and the problems will cease.

Srila Gurudev, O messenger of peace!

You have taken Srila Prabhupada's orders as life and soul,

To inundate this planet with Krsna Prema is your goal.

Pleasing Srila Prabhupada is your only ambition,

Please make me an instrument in this mission.

O Paramhamsa positioned on a transcendental seat,

Please accept me as the dust of your lotus feet.

Srila Gurudev, O Prabhupadanuga saviour of fallen souls!

Your fallen unworthy servant,

Bhakti Priya Devi Dasi, Melbourne, Australia



Journey to the Inner Self Lecture--Urban Yoga Center Melbourne, Australia--23 June 2015



Chuan, Singapore - I wish to be always at your feet

Dear Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Thanks a lot for your encouragement and providing the daily thought of the day for enlightening the society. Always at your feet.

Your servant

Chuan, Singapore

Dinavatsala Das, Tungavidya devi dasi, Shreya, Shrivas, - revolution in our hearts

My Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada.

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Kindly accept our offering on this auspicious day of your appearance. Your continuous guidance has been invaluable to our spiritual progress. As we look back to the day of first meeting your grace in 2005, after regularly reading your thought for the day, when you came to bhaktha bhavan for one of the Saturday evening lecture, at that time we came to



know of the Ultimate Self Realization course through internet and we immediately registered for it, from then onwards we have not even missed reading even for one day.

Srila Gurudev, your unlimited mercy is illuminating our clouded consciousness. Only by your mercy, we have taken shelter of Bhagavad Gita and Srimad Bhagavatam. Otherwise, we don't know, how we would have wasted this rare human form of life. You have taught us, how to engage in yajna 24 hours a day, such as chanting, reading, honouring prasadam etc., to get closer to Krishna. Every word emanating from your lotus mouth, seeds bhakti in our hearts. Your instructions nourishes and purifies our consciousness.

Srila Gurudev, we always like to think that because of your purity, you seeded the spark of pure bhakti in someone so conditional like us. No other person or process would have been able to achieve the same result. You are a perfect representative of Srila Prabhupada and Supreme Lord Sri Krishna! Through listening to your instructions, your kirtan and by serving you we are pleasing Krishna directly. Thank you very much for accepting these fallen souls as your disciples and formally initiating us during Dec 2011.

Your tireless efforts and bringing a revolution in the hearts of neophytes like us. There are so much nectar and lots of instructions you are providing on each of the lectures. On this day, I sincerely pray that we should really progress well in Krishna Consciousness as well as help others to provide some basic understanding of your teachings.

We are very fortunate to attend the live Vyasa Puja this year for our beloved spiritual master in the holy dham of Vrindavan!

Your Humble Servant

Dinavatsala Das, Tungavidya Devi Dasi, Shreya and Srivas, Melbourne, Australia





Devotees Gathered to See Us Off at the Airport Melbourne, Australia--25 June 2015

Gusti Nyoman Ambara, Indonesia - 5 years of your sweet merciful inspiration

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept our humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

All glories to you.

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Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

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Srila Gurudeva, it has been 5 years ago when Lord Sri Krishna blessed us with His mercy by connecting us to you through your wonderful ultimate self realization course. We are very fortunate fallen souls. In this auspicious event of your appearance in this world, my wife and I would like to humbly take this opportunity to express our gratitude to you. Thank you very much for your never ending teaching, for your never ending guidance and for your never ending example to be always Krishna-conscious. May Lord Krishna always shower you His mercy.

Srila Gurudeva, you really always inspire us. You show us how to love Sri Guru and Lord Sri Krishna by your example. Following Narada Muni's example, you travel around this world time after time only to share Lord Krishna's name and His pure love to every living being in this world. You heart is always full with love and compassion for them. You do not consider your own difficulties or your own health. You teach us, by your example, how to serve and satisfy your beloved spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada. So, no doubt at all, you are all at once a bona fide disciple and a bonafide spiritual master altogether. Yet, you always humbly clarify that you are never entitle to every single credit acquired from your sublime efforts, but all that credits belong to your spiritual master.

Srila Gurudeva, please be merciful to us. Just as Srila Narottama Das Thakur said in his song to Lord Sri Krishna Caitanya Mahaprabhu who came to this material world only to reclaim the fallen souls, that he was the most fallen soul and that was why his claim was first, so please be merciful also to save us, who are also the most fallen and insignificant souls. We are aspiring to take shelter under your lotus feet, but we are so low, without qualification at all and without capabilities to reach you. Please kindly accept our humble obeisances and please kindly always engage us in your loving devotional service under your lotus feet.

Your insignificant servant,

Gusti Nyoman Ambara & Istigomawatiningsih, Banjarmasin, Kalimantan Selatan - Indonesia



Harsha Jadhav, Melbourne - You are my inspiration

My Dear Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeiscances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

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Lord Krishna says it is possible to control one's mind by suitable practice and detachment, I find it always difficult to understand this instruction and implement as the inertia of my insignificant mind poses challenge, but I when I look towards you, you practically demonstrate this instruction. You teach us by your mere presence and practice of how to implement this instruction. I see you as the perfection of practice and detachment.

I remember your divine grace always instruct us by saying "Take your spiritual masters instructions as your heart and soul" are instructions are simple and straightforward. Although my heart understands this, my mind resists the slightest possibility to surrender. But again when I look towards you of how to practically implement this, you demonstrate relentlessly how you have been an instrument of Srila Prabhupada and Sri Chaitanya in spreading the nectar of Krishna around the world. Your mere sight inspires my heart to continue on this path.

It is just your causeless compassion that despite multifarious challenges you travel everywhere to wake up sloppy souls like me. Although you get numerous queries around the world, with such love and dedication you answer my foolish queries personally so much so that these messages that you broadcast has become an inseparable part my life now.



On this auspicious day I humbly bow down before your lotus feet and offer my heartfelt good wishes and gratitude Gurudeva. Please bestow your causeless mercy on this insignificant soul so that I can be an instrument in your hands to have the strength and conviction so that I can take your instructions as my heart and soul.

Your insignificant servant

Harsha Jadhav, Melbourne



Bhagavad-gita Lecture--Adelaide, Australia 27 December 2014

Jamadgni Das, Fiji - You teach pure Bhakti

Hare Krishna Maharaj ji,

Please accept my humble obeisance.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

You are very good in answering questions of all devotees doubts. You have taught us so much about bhakti regularly, how to have pure love for Krishna.

May Lord Krsna give you even more Bhakti!





your servant,

Jamadagni Das

Karuna Sindhu Das, Dunedin, New Zealand - Prayers for your blessings

Hare Krishna Gurudeva!

On your impending most auspicious Vyasa Puja, I marvel at the complete and unbreakable faith you have in His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, that has permitted you to serve the Sankirtana Mission of Lord Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu so extraordinarily well.

I am not sure I can even approach one particle of your faith, but know if I pray for yours and Guru Mataji's Blessings during your Vyasa Puja, then surely Lord Krishna will grant my wish.

May Lord Krishna grant you and Guru Mataji Long Life so you can continue to shower your Nectarian Instructions to us.

Every time I am in need of an answer, I find it in Your Thought of the Day Section or the Question and Answer section.

His Grace Sankarshan Das Adhikari Vyasa Puja Ki Jai!

Your Servant,

Karuna Sindhu das, Dunedin, New Zealand

Kirti Patel, Wellington, New Zealand - I would be lost without your daily email

Hare Krishna Maharaj,

Please Accept My Humble Obeisances,

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada,

All Glories to you

I cannot thank you enough for your daily email and the teachings provided in them.

I am still lost in ignorance but I would be even more lost without your teachings.

May Lord Krishna and Srimati RadhaRani continue to bless you so you are able to fulfil Lord Caitanya and Srila Prabhupada's mission to make the whole world Krishna Conscious.

Your insignificant student

Kirti Patel, Wellington, New Zealand



Krishna Das, Melbourne - I am lost without you

Dearest Gurudev,

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Thank you. These two words do no justice to the deepest heartfelt emotions I feel for you. Every year I sit down to write and I feel completely overwhelmed as no words can really describe how thankful and grateful I am for everything that you do. I start to reflect and write but tears well up in my eyes and roll down my cheeks and the writing stops as I am overcome with intense emotion.

I realise that to do any sort of justice is to follow your orders and hold them dear as my life and soul. Constantly striving to fulfill them to the best of my ability and to truly embody your teachings.

Gurudev, thank you for rescuing me. Thank you for showing love to me like that of no one else. Thank you for caring and for not giving up on me. Maya is strong and I have a long way to go, but with your mercy I learn more each day. Every moment I find strength in your shelter and I pray that I never disappoint. I struggle at times, but I gain so much motivation, strength and enthusiasm from you and being your disciple.

I am lost without you Gurudev. I know that. I pray that my eyes continue to see and my intelligence continues to grow in Krishna Consciousness. Please help me progress further Gurudev so that I can truly fulfill your orders and help you in your mission. I just want to be the best instrument I can be for you.

May Krishna and Prabhupada forever shower their mercy on you.

Your servant,

Krishna Das, Melbourne, Australia



Krishnaprema Dasa, Melbourne – Submissive prayer unto your divine grace

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you and Srila Prabhupada and Sri Gauranga Mahaprabhu.

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Dear Srila Gurudeva, I am so disappointed to not being present in your Vyasa Puja this year. Kindly excuse my absence as I have just started a new job. If I reflect on my thoughts this year and the little amount of personal association with you I must say that how it is absolutely important to have your Vapu association without which I am now feeling dried up spiritually like a dry mango without any juice in it. With regards to your instruction which you have very mercifully passed on to me about how I should be becoming more serious in Krishna Consciousness and perform daily sadhana regularly, I could only say that as every year passes I hardly see any improvements in my consciousness and spiritual practices. I can truly understand that I am lacking in my spiritual practices and trying my best to meet up your grace's standard. The only great hope that I have is your divine grace's shelter in this case and your lotus feet which I understand to be greatly worshipable. I submissively offer my humble obeisance at your lotus feet millions and millions of times Srila Gurudeva.

If I can think of only one thing how I am going to please you that will give me great satisfaction and relief of mind. Honestly I am not matured enough to know how should I act and my actions always brings worries in your mind as I always make mistakes even while in your presence. If I could learn one thing how to render service on to you without irritating you, that will be a good start. And ofcouse I must have to continually improve every time. Deep in my heart I am not happy that I am not doing service, which pleases you even a tiny bit and as a consequence of that I am not able to get stability in my life and bring lasting peace and happiness. My hope is that a day will come when I will become a little advance and know the importance of pleasing Guru and know your position. This indeed greatly motivates me to go on in my life. My only desire is that I should never forget that spiritual master is not an ordinary person. He is the most confidential servant of the Supreme Lord and he should be as worshipable as the Lord himself.



This year your Vyasa puja is getting celebrated in the holiest of all holy places Sri Vrindavana. I am sure it will certainly bring great joy in the heart of you and all my fellow god brothers and sisters who will cherish this most magnanimous event. I am sure thousands of other disciples and well wishers including myself will see this event all over the world and being blessed. This event will purify all who watches it globally and becoming recipient of your mercy. I sincerely like to thank you for your continuous care and guidance. All glories to you.

Your insignificant servant,

Krishnaprema Dasa

Madhuri Jadhav, Melbourne - You touch my heart

My Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my grateful and most humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

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On this auspicious day I wish to express deep gratitude for your kindness in giving me the opportunity to serve the mission of Chaitanya Mahaprabhu under your merciful shelter.

Every word you speak deeply touches my heart and kindles the dormant Krishna consciousness in me and inspires me to be more determined and enthusiastic in executing my sadhana. All glories to your great personal example of unalloyed bhakti and Krishna Prema!

You and Srimati Gurumata have been like our parents and a transcendental messenger sent by Krishna to guide us on this path of devotion. Without your compassion, I would have been helpless and hopeless.

Prior to my shelter, I had the causeless opportunity of having your darshan the first time which ignited the fire of divine knowledge from your question and answer session. Then I had the good fortune of attending your Vyasa puja in one of our god brothers house and then when I saw you next time, I realised the importance of spiritual master for connecting



us with Krishna. Again when I had the second opportunity of having your darshan, I developed a desire to serve You and Gurumata, but was feared of committing any offense against such exalted devotees, so I indirectly served by assisting your disciples. Later in your next visit, You and Gurumata were so kind hearted and welcoming that you graced my husband and myself your divine shelter and gave us a chance to serve you at the home program at our place. In the following visit I got many opportunities to serve You personally and realised your deep consideration and kindness for all fallen souls like me. My heart was filled with joy and had no bounds for I was happy to have you as my Gurudeva. By the effect of your mercy I have been able to realise many inherent defects in me like ego, false pride and many more which hinder me even while I perform devotional activities. I am trying to overcome these only by your causeless mercy and blessings.

Dear Srila Gurudeva, please bless me that I cultivate sincerity and intelligence to continue on this spiritual path by being even more humble and faithful servant at your lotus feet.

Your insignificant servant,

Madhuri Jadhav, Melbourne, Australia

Madhvacharya Das, Sydney - I pray to imbibe your qualities

My Dear Guru Maharaja,

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Please accept my Dandavat Pranams,

All Glories to Your Divine Grace and Her Grace Gurumataji,

All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada,

All Glories to Sri Sri Radha Damodar,

On this most auspicious occasion of Vyasa Puja, I beg to offer my written offering to Your Divine Grace, though this is possible only by Your mercy as I am otherwise unqualified.





I am ever amazed by the accuracy with which You present Srila Prabhupada's teachings on Krishna Consciousness as it is without any dilution and yet can be understood by one and all. By the use of the internet, You are making this available to persons who otherwise would have surely missed out the transmission of Srila Prabhupad's mercy.

By publishing Ideal Grihastha Standards under Iskcon Standards, this has helped many Grihasthas as a practical manual. As Your Divine Grace and Her Grace Gurumataji are living an ideal Grihastha and thereafter Vanaprastha life, your teachings have great spiritual potency.

Your Divine Grace is undeviating in Your sadhana and preaching activities and You are the perfect example of Ahaituki and Aprathihata bhakthi. You have demonstrated this on several occasions like Your ashram struck by lightning & fire and loss of baggage during travel, to quote a couple.

I heard in Your lecture that Your Divine Grace said that Srila Prabhupada asked You to be enthusiastic. You are strictly following that instruction and other instructions of Your Guru Maharaja and anyone can see the fruits of the same by the phenomenal results of your preaching across the globe.

On this occasion, I pray to Srila Prabhupada and to Sri Sri Radha Damodar to bestow a long and healthy life for Your current pastimes so that Your world deliverance mission is unimpeded. Though my prayers are insignificant, nevertheless, this is my desire.

On this occasion, I beg Your Divine Grace to please bless me so that I can imbibe some of Your qualities and serve You in the world deliverance mission. I beg to be Your instrument and a humble servant to serve Your Divine Grace in all times, places and circumstances.

Your servant,

Madhvacharya Das, Sydney, Australiahuri Jadhav, Melbourne

Nandadulal Das, Melbourne - You make me inconceivably fortunate

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my most humble and respectful obeisances in the dust of your divine lotus feet.

All Glories to You and all Glories to Srimati Guru Mataji.

All Glories to Jagad-Guru Srila Prabhupada.

All Glories to Your Divine Appearance Day.

It has been my prayers to Srimati Radharani to celebrate Your Vyasa Puja Day by being physically present and by doing some service.





So I Thank you Srila Gurudev and Guru Mataji and thank you Srimati Radharani Mataji for giving us this wonderful opportunity to be physically present for "Your Most Auspicious Transcendental Appearance Day".

Srila Gurudev a fully conditioned soul like me who is a bonafide citizen of kali in any shape or form can not do justification in glorifying a fully transcendental divine personality like yourself, but as a service to you and for my own purification I will make a feeble attempt.

The whole purpose of human form of life is to elevate our consciousness, the whole purpose of Lord Shri Krishna descending into all avatars is to elevate our consciousness and the whole purpose of any real spiritual society is to elevate peoples consciousness and one society which is clearly, strongly and Boldly doing this very nicely and in a very profound and purifying way is ISKCON. So our sincere, deep and heart felt gratitude to our Founder Acharaya His Divine Grace A.C Bhaktivendanta Tridandi Goswami Maharaj Srila Prabhupada for giving us ISKCON and for giving us our beloved Spiritual master His Divine Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

Srila Gurudev, on this most auspicious divine appearance day of yours we seriously and sincerely pray to our Lordship Sri Sri Radha Damodar for your's and Gurumataji's good health and long life so that your pastimes can continue till the time the whole planet becomes Krishna Conscious. May our lord bless us with that day very soon.

You are one of those rare soul's who have a strong unflinching faith in Krishna and especially in Srila Prabhupada. Your life's goal is to follow the orders of your spiritual master that is to love and serve Krishna and to deliver others. Your dedication, determination and enthusiasm to make the entire planet Krishna Consciousness in this life time appears to be impossible but being true Prabhupadanuga you also do not have the word impossible in your vocabulary.

You are a first class yogi who is seeing Krishna everywhere. You know the import of Vedic literature, you can explain the purposes of the vedas, you abide by the rules and regulations and teach your disciples to act the same way. Today's world is in total chaos as there is total confusion, deviation and misinterpretation due to lack of religious activities. At this time what the world needs are transcendental personalities like yourself to lead the world because You have thoroughly digested the spirit of the message of the scriptures and through your thoughts, your words and your actions the human society can be uplifted and benefitted.

On this Auspicious Day Srila Gurudev you receive our offering of love and delivers it to Lord Krishna through Disciplic succession and distributes Lord Krishna's mercy freely to those who accept it or in other words, Today is that day when through Via, the transparent medium of the spiritual master the worship goes up to Lord Krishna and Mercy comes down from Lord Krishna through Disciplic succession.





Srila Gurudev I am really blessed with such inconceivable good fortune to be your disciple and to be part of this Disciplic succession called parampara as the Mercy is flowing through this parampara and I sincerely pray at your lotus feet that I should not become obstruction on this flow of mercy. This day fills us with intense soul searching as I dive deep deep into my heart and still unable to completely express my debt, gratitude and commitment to you,I promise to re-dedicate myself to become more sincere and serious to take up the gift you have offered and to resolve the mission for which you have given your life. Srila Gurudev I beg for you causeless mercy,may you mercy flow uninterruptly and freely not only on this day but for rest of eternity.

In dark times of doubt and uncertainty all that is needed by me is to see a smiling picture of yours or hear enlivening kirtan or enlightening lecture of yours or read your "Thought for the day" and I find myself smiling internally and externally. A lowly person like myself gets immense benefit from your divine association.

Srila Gurudev you are an expert preacher who presents the Krishna Conscious philosophy in a very intelligent way looking at the time, place situation and audience. All your lectures are very enlightening as they are delivered with utmost faith, knowledge, conviction, purity and with profound realizations as they melt the hearts of the conditioned souls and they get attracted towards you and you guide them and take them to Krishna which is your mission.

Srila Gurudev and Guru Mataji you both are epitome of Selflessness, Compassion, Tolerance and Humility. It is very exemplary to see how you both put your personal comforts and ill health aside for preaching Krishna consciousness and making sure it does not come in between your sadhana. Your compassion has no boundary as you both are open to help anyone and everyone. You tolerate so many of our offenses, our improper services which even we find hard to except and very humbly you both tolerate that.

If you want you both can very happily and comfortably reside at your Austin Ashram at the lotus feet of Sri Sri Radha Damodar but knowing and following the order of Srila Prabhupada and Lord Caitanya as your life and soul you make great effort to travel across the globe twice a year to save the conditions souls who are entangled in this material world.

Srimati Gurumataji, thank you for all you help and guidance. Your genuine love for us like mother nourishes our Divine nature and your prayers protects us from all danger. Thanks you for everything, your guidance helps us to become better disciple for my Guru Maharaj.

Srila Gurudev, please help me not only to understand but also realize and then live by the fact that I am not this body but spirit soul. My duty is to serve you and please you at all place time and circumstances and to follow your orders and instructions as life and soul.

I pray that I can meditate on your orders and instructions worship them and execute them with love, devotion, dedication and faith.





Please Srila Gurudev give me the intelligence, knowledge and guidance to do my devotional service selflessly with no ulterior motive and to awaken our love for our divine couple by chanting the hole name with pure love, devotion, dedication and faith.

Srila Gurudev today I fall at your lotus feet and beg you for pure devotional service to you and Lord Krishana please bless us that i don not do any aparadh, any nam aparadh any vaishnava aparadh knowingly or unknowingly. Begging to be an instrument of love and compassion in your hands to be Krishna Consciousness and make others Krishna consciousness.

Srila Gurudev Vyasa Puja ki jai.

Srila Prabhupada ki jai.

your insignificant children,

Nanda Dulal Dasa/Jodie/Mannix/Chaya, Melbourne, Australia

Parvati Devi Dasi, Klang, Malaysia - You are a most perfect preacher

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Happy Vyasa Puja, your divine mercy showers the world. It is amazing to see how Krsna Consciousness movement is growing despite all difficulties and tribulation. This is a time when people are getting increasingly confused about their identity and relationship to the Supreme as I was once upon a time.

Your are the most perfect preacher of bhakti. Srila Gurudev, your loyalty and dedication to Srila Prabhupada's mission never cease to astound us. Your true greatness shines forth in your deep commitment to Srila Prabhupada. By your example you have shown us how to satisfy the spiritual master. Even at your age, you sacrificed your own comfort and ventured out around the world to save the miserable people.

We are very grateful and eternally indebted to Your Divine Grace for showing us the way out of this material world, back to the Lord's lotus feet. We humbly beg for your blessings. Let us always be engage in your service and in the service of your sincere followers.

your servant,

Parvati Devi Dasi, Klang, Malaysia





Sanat Kumar Das, Klang, Malaysia - You are the cause of my spiritual advancement

My Dear Srila Gurudev, Hare Krishna

Please accept my humble obeisances

All Glories to Srila Gurudev

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.





I seek your divine grace permission to speak a little vyasapuja offering here. Thank you so much for all your divine grace blessings and guidance

I humbly would like to wish Srila Gurudev Happy Vyasa Puja 2015. My prayers to Lord Chaitanya Mahaprabhu to always provide Srila Gurudev Good health, spiritual strength peace and happiness So that Srila Gurudev can continue to quide all our godbrothers and godsisters in the path of Krishna Consciousness.

I would like to fall to lotus feet of Srila Gurudev, begging for forgiveness for all my offences in performing devotional service. I am full of fault Srila Gurudev. Please Please I beg your divine Grace to bless me with spiritual strength and knowledge.

Please forgive me and guide me and I beg your divine grace to always keep me at your divine grace lotus feet.

Thank you so much also for blessings my son Subhal das for taking up brahmacarya life. Its all by your divine grace mercy we would perform some devotional service to Lord Chaitanya.

You are the sarva karana karanam Srila Gurudev for our spiritual advancement and spiritual knowledge. Srila Gurudev's thought Of the Day really give us so much spiritual knowledge and your words are so sweet and transcendental.

Happy Vyasa Puja Srila Gurudev.

Thank you.

Hare Krishna

I LOVE you.

your servant,

Sanat Kumar das, Iskcon Klang, Malaysia





Subhadra devi dasi, Canberra - My devotion is due to your mercy

Hare Krishna Gurudeva and Gurumata,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and Srila Gurudeva.

O my beloved Srila Gurudev, on this auspicious day, I pray to remain the dust at your lotus feet and also to attain perfection in serving you and Gurumata. It's always nectar to personally serve and hear from you and Gurumata. You personally set a good example of how to become a perfect devotee of the Supreme Lord by your constant devotional service. Your every thought, word and deed are dedicated to your spiritual master and Lord Sri krishna. You have completely dedicated your life to serve the mission of your Gurudev, Srila Prabhupada. May the whole world get inundated with Krishna Bhakti through your preaching service. I pray at your lotus feet that, with your mercy, I get a tinge of your quality so that I can nicely serve you and Gurumata, other Vaishnavas and ultimately Lord Sri Krishna.

Whatever devotion I have is only due to the mercy of my Gurudeva and Gurumata. I would humbly beg you to come to Canberra in June every year to enlighten many conditioned



souls who are trapped in the material energy. You are mercy Personified, Gurudeva, so please come and help the conditioned souls in Canberra.

I beg for your mercy for me to remain steady and progress in Krishna Consciousness. You are doing the most excellent service for Srila Prabhupada and Lord Krishna.

Your humble servant,

Subhadra Devi Dasi, Canberra, Australia

Subhal Das, Penang, Malaysia – By your blessings I am a monk

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Hare Krishna

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Please accept my respectful obeisances

All Glories To Srila Gurudev

All Glories To Srila Prabhupada

Please allow me to fall to your divine grace lotus feet and seek permission to speak my Vyasa puja offering.

I wish your divine grace Happy Vyasa Puja and pray to Lord Krishna to provide Srila Gurudev many long life, peace and bliss so that I can hear hari katha from Srila Gurudev lotus mouth.





This is a very special year for me where Srila Gurudev had blessed me to become a brahmachari. Currently I am practicing brahmacharya in Penang temple and eagerly waiting to serve Srila Gurudev in next year visit.

Thank you so much for always answering my prayers while at Mangal Arati and Guru Puja. By Srila Gurudev mercy, everything has become blissful in my life now.

There is nothing in this world can match Srila Gurudev's mercy upon me. Thank you so much for the blessings and mercy.

On this auspicious day I would like to seek forgiveness from Srila Gurudev for all the mistakes I had done while performing devotional service. My humble request to Srila Gurudeva please give your divine grace blessings and always engage me in service of your divine grace' lotus feet.

Once again Happy Vyasa Puja Srila Gurudev.

Hare Krishna

your servant,

Subhal das, Sri Sri RadhaKrishna Kanaiya, Temple Of Devotion & Understanding,

Seberang Jaya, Penang, Malaysia

Sujata, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia - Thank you for your kindness

Hare Krsna

Dear Spiritual master

Kindly please accept my humble obeisance.

May you have a wonderous vyasa puja celebration in the holy land. may Lord Krsna bless you always !! I would like to thank you very much for the wonderful reads and also kindness.

Thank you

Sujata, Malaysia





Para Shakti Devi Dasi, Rasika Krishna Das, Oman - Nothing but to serve you

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept our humble obeisances.

All glories to you and Srimati Gurumata!

All glories to Srila Prabhupad!

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Srila Gurudev, on this most auspicious occasion of your 2015 Vyasa Puja, we wish to present our heartfelt prayers and best wishes at your lotus feet.

We earnestly pray to Lord Krishna that you always remain healthy so that you can continue to preach His glories everywhere and deliver the poor fallen souls like us.

Words can neither describe nor do justice to the feelings we have in our heart for you. Thank you very much for rescuing and saving us from this material world. You are our savior.

We pray to Lord Krishna everyday that we may continue to follow and fulfill your orders with love and devotion.



We want nothing but to serve you well and in a way that pleases you most. Thank you for giving us the honor every year to directly serve you and Srimati Gurumata in Sri Vrindavan dham.

All glories to you! All glories to you! All glories to you! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Your mercy is our only hope.

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Krishna Hare Hare

Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Hare Hare

Your humble and insignificant servants,

Para Bhakti Devi Dasi & Rasika Krishna Das, Oman

Prashant Joshi, Dubai - Please give me your foot dust

My dearest Gurudev,

Dandvat Pranaam.....

On this pious day, I wish you an eternal life full of blessings on pity souls like me. May you be in your best of your health to fulfill your mission.

I am sinking in the ocean of Maya. The more I try to concentrate on Hare Krishna the stronger is the pull from Maya to drag me down.

Its only the mercy and blessings from Maharaja like you that can save me.

Please please shower your unlimited blessings on us so that I can fix myself on Krishna.

Kindly guide me further to help me come out of this situation. Give me an iota of your "charanraj" (dust of your lotus feet) to make me free of this distress.

Yours falling and failing servant

Prashant Joshi, Dubai

Priya, UAE – You are a desire tree

Dear most Maharaj,

Hare Krishna. Please accept my most humble and loving obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to beloved Prabhupada. All glories to your exalted self.

Wish you a very auspicious and happy Vyasa puja.





You wrote in one of the daily ultimate self realisation course mails that all it takes is one pure devotee of Krishna, to bless the entire world with the all-auspicious light of Krishna consciousness. His moon light will bring peace and prosperity to the entire human civilization. One moonlike pure devotee of Krishna can lead the entire world out of chaos.

Undoubtedly, you are one such brilliant moon, perfectly illuminated by the powerful sun rays of Prabhupada's grace and love. You're the moon which is inundating the material ocean with waves of pure love and compassion. I'm indeed very fortunate and most blessed to have had the ecstatic experience of being drenched by such a powerful yet gentle wave, being situated on the shore of the bottomless transcendental ocean of Krishna consciousness. The tremendous impact of your association and guidance is reflected in the reformation of my response to life situations, transformation in the way I think and insignificant endeavours to please Sri Guru and Gauranga.

- Read Prabhupada's books as much as possible.
- Follow the regulative principles as much as possible.
- Get up every day and chant 16 rounds of Hare Krishna. Then apply yourself seriously to your studies.
- Maintain your determination to be a fully surrendered devotee and Krishna's will.
- •This year you must take shelter of the bona fide spiritual master and get ready for initiation.
- •Now take your spiritual life very seriously.

These are few instances from your several replies which I consider very precious instructions unto me. Though I'm not very sincere or stern in my resolution, I constantly endeavour to follow your instructions which you so lovingly gave me during subsequent email conversations.

Dear Maharaj, it's beyond my wildest dream to be in the association of such a pure soul as yourself and a Prabhupada disciple! I consider it only mercy and result of no previous piety that I'm blessed to be in your caring shelter. I again mention here the so called poetry I scribbled out for you as a token of thanks for your blessings, guidance, concern, compassion and love which you displayed towards this peculiar and non deserving servant.

The Live Desire Tree

I'm truly blessed to have association of HG Sankarshan Das Adhikari,

Who's one of the purest devotees of Lord Hari!

Empowered by His Divine Grace, Pure love of Godhead, he's teaching to this human race.



So kind and scintillating,

In His divine heart, the seed of pure love is forever blooming!

As a loving father, he's guiding every soul,

Distributing unconditionally the knowledge of the complete whole.

Blessed by His wonderful grace,

In my spiritual journey, I aspire to accelerate my pace.

Compelled by His unconditional love,

My heart is up surging with the desire to serve.

Encouraged by His fatherly intentions,

I sort to devote my heart and soul in following His instructions.

I owe much of my little progress to this great devotee,

Who's a live example of spiritual desire tree!

He's a divine soul so very rare,

Serving everyone with utmost care!

Oh Maharaj, my heart is hollow to the core,

Due to the perpetual sins I bore! Please extend your blessings dear Maharaj,

So that I can acquire shelter in the divine land of Vraj!"

I express my heartfelt gratitude to you for being so kind and wonderful to this very insignificant soul. I considering myself unworthy for all the loving reciprocation you showed to my useless and dumb queries. Your truly so divine. I'm indeed super blessed to associate with the loving God brother of my dear guru maharaj HH Radhanath Maharaj! Simply as the result of your selfless concern, today I'm under the guidance of a very nice mentor and aspiring to progress in Krishna consciousness.

On this most auspicious occasion, I hope and pray that may you please keep pouring the endless immortal fountain of causeless mercy upon this menial servant. I forever beg to serve and please you.

Humbly begging a drop of your mercy. Please bless me so that I develop the desire to serve and one day may be eligible to emerge out as the most insignificant instrument of Prabhupada's compassion and love. Thank you very much.



Best regards and wishes. Hare Krishna

Your most insignificant servant

Priya, UAE, Middle East.

Sabu Krishnan, Doha, Qatar - Your inspirational messages drive my devotional service

Hare Krishna Guru Maharaj,

My humble obeisance...

Dear Gurudeva,

I take this opportunity with great enthusiasm that me a fallen soul, could got a chance to participate in the Vyasa Puja ceremony on your highness such an elevated soul. Subscribing your daily thought program has totally changed my life and i think it for many fallen souls. By your unlimited mercy i could know about Krishna and the Krishna Consciousness the movement of Srila Prabhupada. Only by your inspirational messages now I am associating with ISKCON center and devotees regularly and reading Srila Prabhupada's books.

I pray to Srila Prabhupada and Sri Radha Krishna to empower you more to spread Krishna Consciousness to every one that the mission of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu.

A fallen soul,

Sabu P Krishnan, Doha Qatar

Sivaguna Krsna Das, Kuwait - Thank you for your thought for the day

Hare Krishna Maharaj

Dandvat Pranams!

Please accept my humble obeisances

All Glories to Guru and Gauranga

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada

This is my humble offering at your lotus feet on your Glorious Vyasa Puja!

By the mercy of the Lord, I have come across your "Ultimate Self -Realization E-course in the internet. It has been now more than three years, I am almost regularly reading your daily thoughts and the Q&A section. I have shared it with many friends here and they too got benefitted by the regular mails. My faith has grown over years and along with that my inspiration and very recently by the causeless mercy of the Lord Krishna, Myself and my wife got initiated from HH Jayapataka Swami Guru Maharaj. We wish to become his sincere



servants and we were very much touched by his Merciful nature. Please bless us for the same.

My humble and sincere prayers unto their Lordships Sri Sri Radha Krishna, Guru Parampara and Chaitanya Mahaprabhu for your good health and also for success in all your endeavors on spreading this glorious Krishna consciousness movement all around the world.

Your humble insignificant servant

Sivaguna Krsna das, Kuwait



West Asia, Africa, and Mauritius

Charlene Lutchman, Johannesburg, South Africa - Blessed am I by your association

Dearest Maharai,

Please accept my humble obeisances

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada

It amazes me to witness Your intense devotion to the orders of Your spiritual master His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada

With Your every thought, word and deed, You push on His mission of spreading Krsna consciousness throughout the world

That is indeed the secret of success and Your teachings to the world is exemplified in Your life's activities.

So merciful and kind, You always inviting any questions from people throughout the world, in person or via the net, smashing illusion, with perfect answers in line with Guru, Sadhu and Shastra.

I personally have learned a lot from You and I express my earnest gratitude.

The online live lectures are another example of Your causeless mercy upon us fallen souls, who become so fortunate to hear Hari katha, even if far from devotee association.

May Your humble attempts of spreading Krishna consciousness continue to grow each day.

I pray for Your blessings and mercy to advance in spirituality.

Blessed are those who have even a moments association of the devotees of Lord Krishna

Blessed are we to have within our midst such a magnificent personality as Yourself

Srila Prabhupada must be so pleased with Your endeavours.

Falling at the dust of Your lotus feet

I offer my most humble obeisances

your servant

Charlene







Giving the Road Map to Eternal Freedom Pretoria, South Africa-Monday 8 June 2015

Chiranjib Sarker, Nairobi, Kenya - Please make me your servants' servant

Dear Gurudev,

Though I am still not an initiated devotee but I am indebted eternally to Lord Krishna, Srila Prabhupada, other Vaishnava Acharyas and you. Lord Krishna's Bhagavat Gita has been come down through disciplic succession and at at last to Srila Prabhupada and his disciples like you which has immensely benefited like a fool and fallen number one, as me. Without this nectar which I am receiving from you and the previous Acharyas the devastating fire where I had been burning life after life could not be extinguished. Now at last I am receiving a cool breeze of peace, cool water of devotion to quench my thirst, It is my humble prayer and hope that one day God may give me shelter to the lotus feet of the servant of the servant of a pure Vaisnava like you.

Awaiting for that golden day.





Trying to be servant of the servant of Yours,

Chiranjib (still unfortunate), Nairobi, Kenya

Chitralekha Devi Dasi, Durban, South Africa - I pray to serve as you are serving

Dear Maharaja,

Hare Krishna! Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

And all glories, all glories to you Maharaja on this most auspiciously blessed day of your Sri Vyasa Puja.

Your relentless daily sense of purpose, love, devotion, and remarkable enthusiasm to advance The International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON); so selflessly established by our Founder Acharya His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada is an exceptionally extraordinary example of what dedication can achieve.

I pray to imbibe some minute element of your outstanding model of seva to Guru and Gauranga and thereby also be a positive contributing member to Srila Prabhupada's ISKCON. May divine blessings continue to be bestowed upon you Maharaja on your unyielding mission to impart Krishna Consciousness and the Holy Name of the Supreme Personality Of Godhead Lord Sri Krishna to one and all.

Haribol!

Aspiring To Be Your Servant,

Chitralekha devī dasī, Durban, South Africa





Initiating Disciples in Lenasia, South Africa--7 June 2015

Dwarkadish Das, Cape Town - Please bless me to remember Krishna and serve Krishna

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my respectful obeisance My Dear Guru Maharaja.

Please, and please again, please accept this prayer.

On this day, please dear Guru Maharaja, pray for us, who fail to continue our devotional service to Sri Krishna.

May the dust of your lotus feet be upon us so that we can remember and chant the Lord's name.

Please be kind to as we pray and beg for your mercy.

your servant,

Dwarkadish Das, Cape Town, South Africa

Krishna Katha Das, Mauritius - trying to be your disciple

Dear Srila Gurudeva,





Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

After being initiated by you this year, I am greatly indebted to you even though Iam trying to be your disciple. But still, it is my good fortune to be connected with you eternally.

Even though many devotees say you are a very strict spiritual master, it helps us a lot not to deviate from Srila Prabhupada teachings. It helps us in our sadhana. Your strictly following Srila Prabhupada is very clearly seen in your answers in "Thought for the Day" or in your lectures where you are simply straightforward and always very well referenced sastrically. Regarding your e-course, many of my friends who have enrolled on the course are just so fascinated.

Sometimes I do hear questions that may aim to criticize you, but you answer all of them and you are so compassionate that you do not take any offence. I just want to say that once a devotee told me that when Srila Gurudev sits on the vyasasana, he is like just a lion ready to devour all kinds of questions. Even if you are so advanced on the spiritual platform, yet I find you always very humble and behaving according to Vaishnava etiquette.

Last but not the least, I wish you a very Happy Vyasa Puja and may Krishna continue to bless you to spread Krishna Consciousness wherever you go.

Your servant

Krishna Katha Das, Mauritius





N.J., Mauritius – Indebted to you

Hare Krishna Prabhu ji,

Hare Krishna

Please Accept My Humble Obeisances

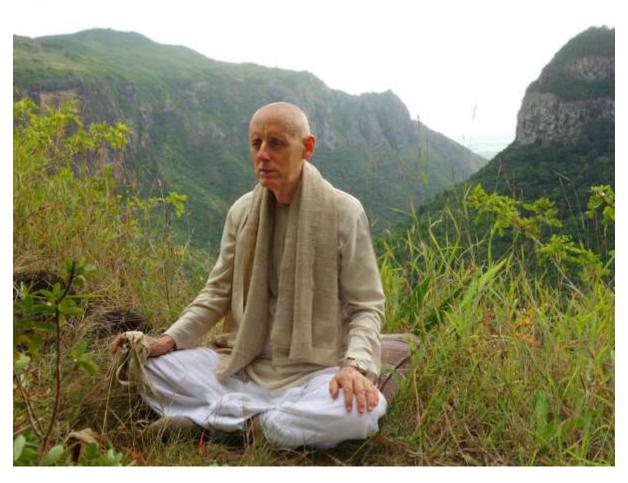
I am greatly indebted to you to always providing me and all the world continuous information about making our life Krsna conscious.

Please let us do our best to be spiritually successful as soon as possible.

Humbly,

Your Servant,

N.J., Mauritius



Meditating on Krishna in the Mountains of Mauritius



Nashvin Gangaram, Durban, South Africa – Offering your own nectar back to you

Dear Sankarshan Prabhu,

Hare Krsna

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to You and Guru Mataji.

I remain grateful for your continued service of "Thought for the day", which enlightens an ever-increasing number of people all over the world. I hope that the entire world population subscribes to this course (or those with e-mail access, at least)!

Here are some of my favourites of your communications from this year:

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Why Be a Star When You Can Be a Moon?

Srila Prabhupada often quotes this verse by Canakya Pandit:

ekas candras tamo hanti na ca tara-sahasrasah

"If there is one moon in the sky, it is sufficient to give light to the whole sky. What is the use of millions of stars?"

There are many so-called stars here in the material world: leading politicians, well-known scholars, reputed scientists, powerful businessmen, famous movie stars, prominent rock musicians, etc. But none of them have been able to do anything to bring actual light to this darkened world. All i ./ t takes is one moon, one pure devotee of Krishna, to bless the entire world with the all-auspicious light of Krishna consciousness. His moon light will bring peace and prosperity to the entire human civilization. One moonlike pure devotee of Krishna can lead the entire world out of chaos. When Srila Prabhupada started this movement he was hoping that he could make at least one such moon-like disciple. But after starting this movement he said, "Fortunately, by Krishna's grace, many moonlike boys and girls have come to me. Many moons.

So the conclusion is that instead of trying to be a star, a so-called prominent person in this material world, one should strive to be a moon, who can give Krishna consciousness to the entire world. Srila Prabhupada explains in his conclusion to Teachings of Lord Caitanya that such person enjoys eternal fame:

"One who is famous as a Krishna conscious man enjoys eternal fame. In the material world, everyone is striving for three things: he wants his name to be perpetuated, he wants his fame to be broadcast all over the world, and he wants some profit from his material





activities. But no one knows that all this material name, fame and profit belong to the temporary material body and that as soon as the body is finished, all name, fame and profit are finished also. It is only due to ignorance that everyone is striving after the name, fame and profit that are connected with the body. It is deplorable to become famous on the basis of the body or to become known as a man of spiritually developed consciousness without knowing the supreme spirit, Vishnu. Real fame can only be had if one attains Krishna consciousness."

We are eternally indebted to Srila Prabhupada for revealing such spectacularly amazing knowledge to us.

Question: What To Do When I Feel Envious?

What to do when I become envious when my you, my Gurudeva, show more attention to other disciples (especially new disciples) or to other devotees?

Answer: Try Harder So That You Are Also Recognized

When I was a young devotee I was also jealous of my Godbrothers who were being more recognized than me. Knowing that a devotee is not supposed to envious I did not feel good about this. Therefore I wrote Srila Prabhupada asking him how I could become free from this envy. Srila Prabhupada very much surprised me with his answer. He did not tell me to give up my envy. He called it spiritual envy and encouraged me to engage this envy in Krishna's service by using it as an impetus to try harder so that I would also become recognized.

As far are new devotees goes, just as the parents have to give more attention to little babies than they do to their grown up children, new devotees require more training and guidance from the spiritual master. So naturally they sometimes get more attention. This does not mean that my older, more experienced disciples like you are less important.

Do not think that you are not being noticed. This morning as we were leaving the temple I particularly noticed you out of all the devotees how you were especially enthusiastic in the send off the devotees gave us. I so much noticed you that I mentioned your name to the other devotees in our vehicle.

So, whether you are externally recognized or not recognized, you are always being recognized by Guru and Krishna for the wonderful devotional service you are rendering every day. So, kindly continue enthusiastically in your service to Guru and Krishna, and surely Krishna will shower His causeless mercy upon you like torrents of rain in the monsoon season.

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Let's Get Spiritual





It is utterly pathetic to see how much the conditioned souls are caught up in the material energy. Even if we approach them with a Bhagavad-gita they have absolutely no interest whatsoever to even stop for a second to hear about it. They are so much covered by passion and ignorance that all they can think about is material sense gratification. Yesterday (22 August 2015) while distributing Bhagavad-gitas on South Congress Avenue in Austin, Texas one young woman I approached with a Gita was scantily dressed in shorts and a tank top which read "Let's Get Physical", which is another way of saying, "Let's Have Sex." Feeling sorry for this poor deluded soul who is completely enamored by material sense gratification I immediately offered her the Krishna conscious positive alternative, "Let's Get Spiritual." But she ignored me and continued walking down the sidewalk. Such ignorance and misfortune is sadly typical of everyone in this fallen age of Kali and is dragging them all down to the animal kingdom in their next births. Therefore we must be compassionate upon them and dedicate our lives for saving them by educating them in the transcendental science of Krishna consciousness.

Question: Rules Are Meant to Be Broken?

When preaching to the people about the four rules and regulations, they say, "Rules are meant to be broken". How can we argue against that?

Answer: My Rule Defeats Your Rule

Tell them that you accept their argument. That is why you are breaking the rule that rules are meant to be broken by the following the ultimate rule which defeats all other rules, namely to always remember Krishna and never forget Him. Tell them that your rule is perfect and undefeatable and that their rule is imperfect and easily defeated. In fact, it simply cancels itself out.

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Question: How to Give Up Lusty Desires?

How to give up lusty desires?

Answer: Don't Slither Out of the Guru's Hands

As long you continue to identify yourself with your material body, you must necessarily be disturbed again and again by lusty desires. To become free from the torment of lust you must always remember that your real identity is that of an eternal spiritual being, servant of God, who is qualitatively one with Him. In other words, this material world is not your actual home. You are presently like a fish out of the water dreaming that you will be happy by connecting yourself with some girl on the land. This will not bring you real happiness. The only way that fish can be happy is to somehow get himself back into the water. But he has no legs for walking on the land to do so. He is dependent on someone else picking him up and throwing him back into the water. This is the loving service of the spiritual master. He



picks up the fish and throws him back into the water. The problem is that due to misunderstanding the fish get so scared when he is picked up that he panics and slithers out of the guru's hands falling back down onto the sandy beach. The fish who calmly accepts the mercy of the spiritual master allowing his magic to act fully becomes a liberated soul reestablished in his eternal constitutional position of unlimited bliss and knowledge. So all you to do to become free from the contamination of lust is to fully surrender yourself to the bona fide spiritual master. Don't slither out of his hands.

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Atheist Means Blind Faith Dogmatist

Atheist means blind faith dogmatist, and there is not much more to be said in this connection. Anyone who clings tightly to the dogma that everything comes out of nothing is not using their common sense to see the reality, which is beautifully manifesting all around them at every minute. Everywhere around us millions and millions of times we see reconfirmation of the principle that things come from things. We never at any time see that something comes out nothing. Therefore any sane person can easily deduce the conclusion that there must exist an original thing, a source from which everything has come. Therefore theism is logical, atheism is illogical, and any system of knowledge which is based on atheism is nonscientific and flawed. The so-called scientists who propose an atheistic view of the universe are, according to the dictionary, known as nonscientists.

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Question: What is Time?

Is there any difference between past, present, and future in this material world? What is time?

Answer: Time is an Energy of Krishna

In this material world there is obviously a vast difference between past, present, and future. But since time is an energy of Krishna, Krishna is not under the influence of time. And the inhabitants of His eternal abode, being fully realized in their qualitative oneness with Him, are also not under the influence of time. Time is only active here in the material world.

In this connection the great Vaisnava acharya, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada explains as follows in his purport to Srimad Bhagavatam, 2nd Canto, Chapter 9, Text 11 as follows:

"In the material world everything is created, and everything is annihilated, and the duration of life between the creation and annihilation is temporary. In the transcendental realm there is no creation and no destruction, and thus the duration of life is eternal unlimitedly. In



other words, everything in the transcendental world is everlasting, full of knowledge and bliss without deterioration. Since there is no deterioration, there is no past, present and future in the estimation of time. It is clearly stated in this verse that the influence of time is conspicuous by its absence."

So take advantage of this sublime process of Krishna consciousness under the guidance of the bona fide spiritual master and you will attain timelessness, an eternal existence with Lord Krishna in His divine pastimes.

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Question: How Could There Be a God?

I have been reading Bhagavad-Gita since I was 15, mostly as my parents read it and then during medical school I started reading Srila Prabhupada's Bhagavad-gita As It Is version. I read your "Thought for the Day" on most days and although I am not initiated, I try to do japa on beads between 7-12 rounds per day. I have managed 16 rounds only a few days. However I always convince myself that very soon I will start doing 16 rounds as well as giving up meat and the occasional wine on social occasions. However a few things happened in quick succession, which are disturbing me:

- 1) I recently saw a BBC program "Human Universe--Why We Are Here" where the presenter Prof. Brian Cox postulates (and very convincingly at that):
- a) We and the universe are chance occurrences-like a ticket in a lottery.
- b) There are infinite number of universes
- c) We do not need a God to explain us or the universe. Everything can be explained by Darwin's theory of evolution).
- 2) Influenced by the program I then did some research and read some articles by Carl Sagan and Einstein's nonbelief in a personal god.
- 3) Then I read a book by Richard Dawkins, "The God Delusion." This book has started the confusion in me that I refer to. It says that almost certainly there is no God and gives several justifications for it (all very acceptable to my logical mind). Dawkins writes why and how we have started believing and how we have been trained not to question God even if our logical mind thinks otherwise.

I ask you, Sir, with all due respect and with all humility, do you believe that someone can be born of a virgin mother and that someone can be the son of God and God Himself?

Do You believe (at the very depth in your heart and brain) that a flute playing young man from Vrindavan can be the creator of this infinite number of universes and that reciting His name 1,728 times a day by turning a beaded string is a very logical thing to do. If there



were intelligent life on another planet, would they not laugh at us if they were to see us doing this day in and day out? If Lord Krishna is the creator of this vastness and of us, then who created Lord Krishna? If God does not need a creator, then why does this universe need a Creator?

Please help to allay my confusion.

Answer: Nothing Comes From Nothing

I am delighted to hear that out of the countless zillions of lost souls in this material world you are one of the extremely rare souls who is fortunate enough to be reading Bhagavadgita As It Is and to have begun the process of regularly reciting the holy names of God. I can absolutely assure you that you are on the right path and that these atheists who have razzle-dazzled your brain are nothing but a bunch of highly decorated fools and rascals who don't even have the slightest idea of what they are talking about. They don't even know who they are, what to speak of anything else.

Regarding what you heard on the "Human Universe" program presented by Professor Cox and what you have understood from the theory of Charles Darwin, where is the evidence that any highly organized system can be produced by chance? This cannot be demonstrated scientifically. Anyone who accepts this materialism doctrine is simply taking a leap of blind faith into the darkness of ignorance. Atheists, not unlike fanatical religionists, cling to the doctrine of materialism, that life arises from dead matter which comes from dead nothingness, to be an established scientific fact, when in reality it is nothing but a blind assumption. Even within science itself, evolutionary cosmology, quantum physics, and consciousness studies make this materialism doctrine look quite quaint, doggedly dogmatic, and indeed to be rendered completely extinct. Everywhere around us we see that life comes from life, not from dead matter arising from nothing. There is not a shred of evidence to establish that something alive can come out of something dead. A dead, empty nothingness cannot produce life. Only something that is alive can produce life. If the scientists want to actually make progress, they should do research to find out what is the original living force behind all of existence and give up their dishonest attempt to brainwash the masses into accepting their materialistic dogma.

You mention Richard Dawkins. This is the same Richard Dawkins who says that you are nothing more than a robot. Do you honestly feel that a robot can feel love? Do you feel that you are a robot? Have you ever tried to make friends with a machine? These atheists propound a mechanistic world view that completely denies the existence of persons. Do you feel that your personality is an illusion, that you don't really exist. If that were true, then who is it that is experiencing the illusion that you exist?

The main reason for the widespread dismissal of religion as blind faith is that the commonly understood systems of theistic thought are not backed up by any verifiable direct interaction with the Supreme Person. Krishna consciousness, however, is different. It is a completely



different theological system, which totally decimates the materialistic doctrine of atheism because it gives one the scientific tools to directly perceive and associate personally with the Supreme Person, who is the origin of all existence. Any genuine scientist or sincere seeker of the highest truth can directly experience the Supreme Truth which contains all truths if he will learn from a bona fide spiritual master how to become peaceful, free from all material hankerings, and how to dovetail his individual consciousness with the Supreme Consciousness. Otherwise, by undefendable distorted so-called scientific arguments these atheistic pseudo scientists do nothing more than cover the existential truths with a dense fog in which the Supreme Lord disappears from our sight.

Lord Krishna warns us of the danger of being carried away by irrational atheistic dogma:

"But ignorant and faithless persons who doubt the revealed scriptures do not attain God consciousness; they fall down. For the doubting soul there is happiness neither in this world nor in the next."---Bhagavad-gita 4.40

Therefore we should have pity on these highly decorated fools and try to save them from their madness. This is the mission of the Krishna consciousness movement, to save the world from this deadly soul-killing atheism.

These atheists are the most extreme dogmatists. They have blind faith that everything came out of nothing, although there is absolutely no proof of that in the vast history of the universe that anything has ever come out of nothing. Let them do even one experiment now in their richly funded laboratories to produce something out of nothing. They cannot do it. Their claims are simply sophisticated word jugglery bluffs. That's all. Our modern society has become a fool's paradise in which the blind are leading the blind because the people in general blindly follow these blind fools who are masquerading under the name of scientists. These so-called scientists will fall into the ditch of the animal kingdom in their next birth, and their blind followers will go with them. This is the pathetic result of this vast ocean of misinformation which is being forcibly crammed down the throats of the innocent public falsely designated as science. It is not science at all. It is just the opposite. It is nescience or ignorance. Those who have good intelligence are not being fooled by these sophisticated word jugglers who say that a big bang came of nothing and produced this highly ordered universe. Fools and rascals dogmatically cling with the fervor of fanatical religionists to their elaborately fabricated theory that this beautifully ordered universe came into being from a freak explosion. According to their logic you can explode a stick of dynamite on a stack of building materials and get a beautifully constructed house as a result. These scientists should prove their philosophy by building their own homes in this way. I dare them to do this and prove their theory by practical example.

They foolishly think that everything came of nothing when in fact the opposite is the real truth. Everything we experience comes from something, which comes from something, etc., etc. At some point in this chain of causality there has to be something which set things into motion without that thing being set into motion by



something else. This is called in philosophy "the unmoved mover." There is an original substance to reality. It is not void as these rascal cheating scientists are trying to convince us.

If they want to convince me of their philosophy, they need to stop trying to brainwash me with their dogma and start speaking like intelligent, sane people. But they can't do this because there is no scientific, logical, or philosophical basis for their spurious malarkey born out of envy of the Supreme Person.

We do not need the use the word "God" when talking to these people. Because of their envy of God they become very angry like venomous serpents as soon as we mention His name. Instead we should simply defeat their rascal voidistic speculations which have not a shrewd of empirical evidence to support them. And then when and if they become humble and submissive we can teach them the techniques by which they can personally meet face to face, eye to eye, with the Supreme Personality of Godhead and directly witness how everything in all of existence is emanating from His transcendental body at this very moment.

Now I will list and answer your questions:

Q: Do You believe that someone can be born of a virgin mother and that someone can be the son of God and God Himself?

A: If you can accept the atheistic conclusion that the universe comes out a virgin nothingness, why can't you accept that Krishna can appear from a mother without the seminal injection of a father? Everyone has a father, who has a father, who has a father, etc. When you come to that father that does not have a father, you have found God.

Q: Do you believe (at the very depth in your heart and brain) that a flute playing young man from Vrindavan can be the creator of this infinite number of universes?

A: If you accept the atheistic conclusion that from nothingness are derived unlimited planets and universes, what is the difficulty to understand that they could also be derived from anything? In other words, if nothing can produce everything, why something can't produce everything? There is no logical reason why it could not.

Q: Is reciting Krishna's name 1,728 times a day by turning a beaded string a very logical thing to do?

A: If you were in a prison and they had policy that anyone who begs for release 1,728 times will be set free, do you think that any of the prisoners would find a logical reason to do this?

Q: If there were intelligent life on another planet, would they not laugh at us if they were to see us doing this day in day out?



A: There is intelligent life on other planets who are so intelligent that they chant a lot more than we do.

Q: If Lord Krishna is the creator of this vastness and us, then who created Lord Krishna?

A: Krishna is self-manifested. He is created by Himself because He is origin of all existence.

Q: If God does not need a creator, then why does this universe need a creator?

A: If the sun is self-luminous, why can't the sunshine also be self-luminous without having to depend on the sun for it's existence?

In conclusion, these scientists still cannot clearly discern between a living body and a dead body because they insist on closing their eyes like owls to the truth that is being clearly presented to them.

A servant of your servants, Nashvin Gangaram, Durban, South Africa

Nithin Prakash Gukhool, Mauritius - Your support is unconditional

My dear Srila Gurudeva!

Please accept my humble dandavat obeisances!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada and His wonderful Iskcon!

I thank all those who have invited us to write a Vyasa Puja offering for the year 2015 and what a wonder that you will be in Vrindavan for the event this year. I wanted to write a small offering unto you and I hope this will please you, Mataji, the devotees and Srila Prabhupada - ultimately Sri Krishna Himself.

Your guidance in my spiritual life has been invaluable; so much so, I always look forwards to your Thought for the Day and lessons, a staple in my emails' diet. I also look forward to your constant personal emails and guidance and although I have experienced difficulties in my spiritual life as well, your support has been unconditional. For that, I shall always be grateful. I also want to thank Your Grace for constantly pushing us and encouraging us to go that stretch further in our sadhna; just yesterday I received one of your personal emails and the way you urge us to stick to the regulative principles and chant 16 rounds is very laudable.

In You, I have learnt the value of not watering down this movement and sticking to Srila Prabhupada's instructions. Thanks to You, I have learnt the value of Srila Prabhupada's books. Thanks to Your Grace I have learnt how to behave with devotees, value them and offer some service - however insignificant. I could go on but I am sure your initiated disciples and devotees will do full justice to your Vyasa Puja offering 2015. I cannot but wait till we get the Vyasa Puja ebook and appreciate the outpouring of 'bhakti-bhava' from the wider SDA devotee community.



I also want to personally thank Guru-Mata and your disciple Mahabhagavat Das for their personal encouragement both now still and in the past and I hope one day I can be of valuable service to all of you. I cannot but solidify my commitment towards Srila Prabhupada's wonderful Iskcon and look forward to more years of Your Wonderful Association in the service of our Deities here, Sri Sri Radha-Golokananda at ISKCON Phoenix Mauritius.

Kindly accept, dear Srila Gurudeva, my humble best wishes and pranams on this most auspicious day of Your Appearance in the most Holy and Revered month of Karthik.

From your student,

Nithin Prakash Gukhool, Quatre-Bornes, Mauritius



Initiation Ceremony--Phoenix, Mauritius---31 May 2015 Kesaven Becomes Krishna Katha Das

Prahlada Dasa, Mauritius - Thank you very much

My Dear Srila Gurudeva,





Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet on this auspicious day of your appearance in this world.

All glories to Sri Sri Guru and Gauranga!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

All glories to your lotus feet!

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, qauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

On this auspicious day, let me bow down again and again and touch the dust from your lotus feet and pray to Krsna to bestow His mercy upon you and give you courage, good health and time to be able to show the path of liberation to millions of conditioned souls like me and be able to continue this mission of Srila Prabhupada and Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu.

I am once again asking you to forgive me for all my offenses to You, and devotees. Gurudev, You are so compassionate, that despite your health, you are traveling continuously to broadcast the message of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Caitanya Mahaprabhu and Srila Prabhupada.

Thank you Gurudev for being my savior. Thank you Gurudev for your Thought of the Day. Remaining connected to You though Your Thought of the Day enables me to remain always connected, with Srila Prabhupada and Lord Sri Krsna.

Thank you Gurudev for making me understand that the perfection of my life is to be cent percent engaged in the service of the Absolute.

Thank you Gurudev for inspiring me to be always engaged as an instrument of Lord Krsna's mercy without desire for material benefit.

Thank you very much.

Wishing you the most wonderful Vyasa-Puja celebration

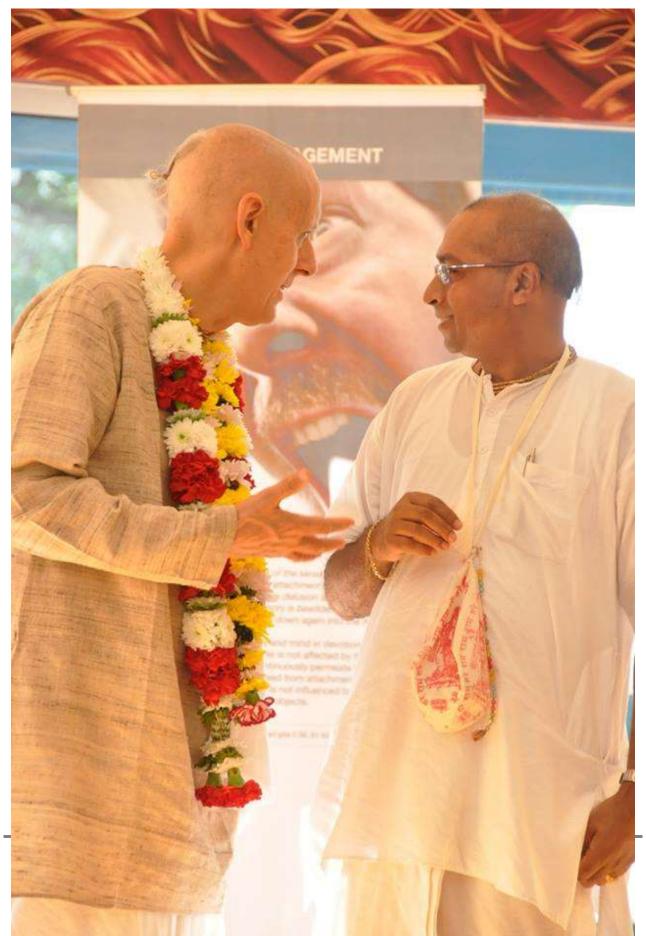
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Prahlada das from Mauritius







Prajan Maharaj, Durban, South Africa - You are my inspiration

Hare Krishna,

I Prajan Maharaj from South Africa (Durban), would like to say thank you, you are my inspiration, without your thought of the day messages, I am lost. May you outlive me so that I don't have to go by without a day without reading these messages.

Hare Krishna, all glories to Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

Sincerely,

Prajan Maharaj

Sandeep Dosieah, Mauritius – You are my lord birth after birth

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

All glories Sri Guru and Gauranga & all glories to you Sri Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari

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On this very auspicious day of your happy appearance day, please let me extend the expression of my gratitude for letting me begetting an opportunity to become your eternal servant, having taken your shelter. From the Srimad-Bagavatam verse 6.3.20-21

svayambhur naradah sambhuh kumarah kapilo manuh

prahlado janako bhismo balir vaiyasakir vayam

dvadasaite vijanimo dharmam bhagavatam bhatah

guhyam visuddham durbodham yam jnatvamrtam asnute



I cannot estimate my fortune that by being connected to you & Srila Prabhupada, my family member's lineage became endowed with extraordinary personalities enlisted as Lord Brahma, Bhagavan Narada, Lord Siva, the four Kumaras, Lord Kapila [the son of Devahuti], Svayambhuva Manu, Prahlada Maharaja, Janaka Maharaja, Grandfather Bhisma, Bali Maharaja, Sukadeva Gosvami. Even though, I am totally unqualified to have your mercy, your Grace has still saved me from drowning in this material quagmire. Analyzing those great personalities in our lineage, I found some similarities in your life and that of Narada Muni who was a singing song in the glorification of demi-gods before he became a devotee. You were also a song writer, aspiring to propagate peace in this world but somehow did not know how to successfully execute the proliferation of a proper peace formula. As Narada muni was lucky to serve the sages, you were blessed with the divine association of His holiness Vishnu Jana Swami Maharaj who in turn brought you to the Jagat Guru, His Divine Grace A.C Bhativedanta Srila Prabhupada. Narada muni became the most travelled sage with the ability to visit distant worlds and here you are going on around the world tour twice a year preaching this nectar of Krsna consciousness. Dovetailing your aptitude of song writing to Krsna consciousness with the recent release of "Peace formula" & "Turn on your Soul" is an example for us to engage our propensity in Krsna consciousness.

To me, you are my Mahajan who came and fished me out of this ocean of misery using the net of love. It was on one of your stop in Mauritius specifically on the 2011 world tour in June, which I met you. Before encountering you, my plans were resumed to sense gratification and self-realization was top on my famous procrastination list. My devotion then could be compared to a beach which is sometimes covered by the waves and sometimes uncovered. Your arrival to delicious Mauritius triggered a "Prema Tsunami" which inundated the whole beach. I could not escape but let the current drive me to the unlimited depth of Krsna consciousness. Yet I am still a struggling neophyte begging for your mercy on this special day.

You are the perfect guru who has smashed all my intermittent doubts, opened my eyes with the torch light of knowledge and brought me to see actual reality beyond illusion. Seeing through the scriptures, the instruction of saintly teachers and your own very guidance is gradually removing my materialistic cataracts. May I become intelligent enough to never give up these 3 associations which is none other but the external expansion of the chaitya guru within the heart. Had I not received your mercy, today I would not be able to align even two words to glorify you dearest maharaj, my worshipable lord birth after birth. I was totally broken, completely lost here and now since your instructions are with me imbibed within my heart, there is a hope of happiness in this very world of misery.

Thank you so much Maharaj. A very very happy returns of the day to you on your Vyasa Puja.

Your Eternal Servant

Sandeep Dosieah, Mauritius





Home Program--Vacoas, Mauritius--1 June 2015

Sridama Das, Mauritius – Your mercy is all I have

Dear Srila Gurudev,

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.



On the occasion of your Vyasa Puja please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Srila Gurudev, on the order of your spiritual master, you are tirelessly travelling around the world to save poor ignorant souls like me, even at the expense of your health. Had I not got your association I would have continued to wander in this endless material labyrinth. Thank you again Srila Gurudev for kindly accepting me I your disciple although I do not have any qualifications.

With your mercy, now I am trying to understand what devotional service is. With your mercy I am trying to chant my rounds as early as possible in the morning. With your mercy I am trying to read Srila Prabhupada books. With your mercy only I am trying to attend and participate in satsangs as often as possible.

Dear Srila gurudev, in fact without your mercy I am nothing and I beg you to cast your kind mercy on this poor ignorant servant of yours.

Srila gurudev, on the occasion of your Vyas puja, my only prayer to you is that you allow me to serve you and be part of your life mission which is to to deliver the poor ignorant souls lost in this world.

Srila Gurudev ki jay !!

Your insignificant servant,

Sridama Dasa, Vacoas, Mauritius

Syama Kunda das, Johannesburg - You are my immeasurable good fortune

Dear Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to You!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

As Srila Prabhupada has pointed out, a dog with a master is in a far better position than a stray. Thank You for saving me from this nightmarish position of having no master and being slapped continually by the illusory energy just as a stray dog is tormented by men while wondering about the streets.

Although, I have tried to express my gratitude in words, I pray that my actions and obedience to Your orders will speak louder. Still this is not good enough, for I am yet to





understand the immeasurable good fortune You have bestowed upon me by accepting me as Your disciple.

Therefore I pray that I may remain forever at Your lotus feet as a humble servant so that someday I will understand this and fully express my gratitude.

Hare Kṛṣṇa

Your insignificant servant

Śyama Kuṇḍa das, Johannesburg, South Africa



Vaidarbhi devi dasi, Mauritius - You are a mine of nectar

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

Jaya Srila Prabhupada.

Hare Krishna!



I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you for taking me on board.

I still feel underserving of your mercy and am committed to serve you and obey your orders till my last breath,

I received initiation from you some 5 months back and I feel faith in the saying from Saint Kabir in hindi:

Yah Tan Vish Ki Belri, Guru Amrut Ki Khaan |

Sees Diye Jo Guru Mile, To Bhi Sasta Jaan ||

An English translation of which is as follows:

This material body being a bag of poison, the spiritual master is a mine of nectar and even if somehow may need to forsake his own life (give one's head) in order to obtain the mercy of the spiritual master, that is still a bargain.

Your shelter, Srila Gurudev, is a blessing from Krishna, which I intend to preserve preciously throughout my life.

I pray to Krishna to please bless me with strength and intelligence so that I don't fail in my service to you, and also that He bless my children so that they too become worthy of service to you in the near future.

I wish you sincerely a very happy Vyasa Puja day

yours ever indebted,

Vaidarbhi devi dasi, Mauritius

Zila Mangra, Mauritius - Please accept my sincere prayer

Dear Maharaja

Please accept my humble obeisance

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada

All Glories to You on this auspicious day of Your Vyasa Puja

Nama Om Vishnupada Paramahamsa Parivrajakacharya Ashtottara Shata His Divine Grace Sri Srimad Sankarshan Das Adhikari ki jaya!

Nama Om Vishnupadaya Krishna Preshthaya bhutale Srimate Bhaktivedanta Swaminiti namine

Namaste Saraswate deve gaura vani pracharine Nirvishesha shunyavadi pashchatya desha taarine



Om ajnana timirandhasya jnananjan salakaya Caksur unmilitan yena tasmai sri guruve namaha

Titiksavah karunikah - Suhrdah sarva dehinam - Ajata satravah santah - Sadhavah sadhu bhusanah

The symptoms of a sadhu are that He is tolerant, merciful and friendly to all living entities. He has no enemies. He is peaceful, He abides by the scriptures and all His characteristics are sublime.

(SB Canto 3 Chapter 25 Text 21)

Mukam karoti vachalam - Pangum langhayate girim -

Yat kripa tam aham vande - Shri gurum dina taranam

"I offer my respectful obeisance unto my Spiritual Master, the deliverer of the fallen souls. His mercy turns the dumb into eloquent speakers and enables the lame to cross mountains."

"Dhyana Moolam Guru Murti - Puja Moolam Gurur Padam

Mantra Moolam Gurur Vakyam - Moksha Moolam Guru kripa."

Guru Gita – Skanda Purana dialogue between Shiva and Uma (Shakti)

"The Guru's form is the best to meditate upon, the Guru's feet are best for worship, the Guru's word is mantra, the Guru's Grace is the root of liberation."

Through Your kind blessings, Your mercy and Your wonderful teachings, I realize now who I am, what I am and my duty. So, I sincerely pray at Your lotus feet, to always have Your precious blessings, to give me the power of reminiscence and to follow Your footpaths so that I can be able to help other people. Therefore, I bow down at Your lotus feet, my Saintly Spiritual Master.

By Your blessing, my dear Master, I am making my best to center Krishna, the Supreme Absolute, in everything that is my job and my family. Therefore, I offer my respectful obeisance unto the lotus feet of my divine Master.

My Spiritual Master who has good qualities like God and who is very kind to deliver His transcendental knowledge to all fallen souls. I offer my humble obeisance unto His lotus feet. By His mercy, I can follow His footsteps and deliver His nectar instructions which He sincerely shares with us. Again, I bow down at His lotus feet with sincerity so that my advancement into Krishna Consciousness is a success.

Your sincere servant





Zila Mangra, Mauritius



Europe

Andreea, Timisoar -, Romania - Wish I could follow your example

Hare Krishna my Dear Srila Gurudeva, All glories to you and your service. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

On this auspicious day of Your Vyasa Puja I took some time to reflect on your qualities and I realised once again that you possess all the good qualities of the Vaisnava. If I will just follow your example and instructions like you followed that of your spiritual master, I am sure that I will also attain perfection like you did.

It is said that on the appearance days more mercy is flowing, so I take advantage of this auspicious moment to thank you for all that you are doing for us and beg your mercy and blessings that I can help you in fulfilling your spiritual master mission.

Your servant Andreea, Timisoara, Romania

Alejandra De la O Tell - Llanharan, Pontyclun, Wales, UK - You are the representative of Krishna

Hare Krsna,

Dear Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

This is the first time that I am given by Krishna the wonderful opportunity to participate in your Vyasa Puja. As a recent awaken jiva in Krishna consciousness my heart is inundated with the ocean of Krishna's compassion, love and every day I am amazed by how since being awaken, Krishna is taking me in the right path to go back to him. Since I was a child I remember I was always unhappy and feeling like I don't belong in this world and that I must have done something severely wrong to be placed in such an unfortunate planet. For years I searched and searched many paths and realized none of them will take me out of this constant misery. It was until I became Krishna consciousness and Krishna took me to you that I finally feel this is where I belong and this is where I want to stay until be delivered out of this material condition.

Dear Srila Gurudeva, you are the representative of Krishna and when I hear you I hear Krishna, when I see you I see Krishna and my heart and mind are full of hope that Krishna is guiding me in the right direction to go back to him and be released from this hellish condition.



I pray to Krishna and to you to please forgive my past misdeeds from this and other lives as well as forgive my ignorance and that gives me the opportunity to become pure and be delivered through you dear Srila Gurudeva.

Gratitude for your kindness, your words, guidance and lectures, I pray to Krishna everyday that you have many more years to come in this world and that Krishna has mercy on this insignificant soul so I can become your disciple and enjoy the nectar of devotional service and ultimately go back to Godhead.

Please forgive the ignorance in my words that are not full of knowledge, but they are full of love for Krishna and ultimately for you.

Wishing to be your devotee, Alejandra De la O Tello, Llanharan, Pontyclun, Wales, UK



myself with my daughter Steffi during Janmashtami in Bhaktivedanta Manor, UK, 2015 in the children area posing with a child devotee dressed as Krishna.



Aruni, Italy - I really appreciate your effort

Hare Krsna!

please kindly accept my humble obeisances.

I really would like to thank you a lot for introducing me and helping me in the study of Krsna consciousness books.

I really appreciate your effort in guiding me, so I really would like to wish you a "Happy Vyasapuja"!

with immense gratitude

bhaktin Aruni, aspiring for initiationf from His Holiness Candramauli Swami

Dace Goldmane - Riga, Latvia - I owe you so much

Dear Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji! Please accept my humble obeisances! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I owe you so much.

I don't have words to describe how much I appreciate your effort to go around and preach Krishna consciousness, and as well the opportunity to hear from you on the Internet even from the other part of the world.

What inspires me the most? It is your love, devotion and dedication to Srila Prabhupada. It is amazing. Because of your choice – to give your life to Srila Prabhupada and his mission, so much people are saved, they changed their life, gave up four principles of sinful life and developed love of God within their heart. That because they have met a true example, true representative of Srila Prabhupada and his teachings as you.

Your wonderful association is so purifying. I have been clone in this material world for millions of lifetimes. I tried to be happy by myself and I fully failed. I don't have any idea what is true love and what is devotion, but by listening from you transformation of the heart happens and I realized that Krishna consciousness is what I have been searching for and my only desire is to serve you.

I am also very thankful to Srimati Gurumataji. I always take her words very, very deep in my heart. Gurumataji once said me that I have to always say yes to Krishna consciousness. I accepted it as my guiding principle in life, and it helps me to be steady and follow your instructions.

I pray to the Lord that you Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji always remain in good health so that you can continue to save the fallen souls from the cycle of birth and death.

I'm unworthy to be your servant,

Dace, Riga, Latvia







Super Ecstatic Send Off from ISKCON Riga, Latvia--31 October 2014



Loving farewall 2015, Riga, May

Dasarath dasa, Mandakini Devi dasi - Radhadesh, Belgium - Your mercy is indescribable

Dear Gurudeva,

All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.





All Glories to You and Mataji.

Please accept our humble obeisances.

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to You, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Dear Gurudeva,

Year after year we begin to realize more and more what you are doing for us. It is not possible to describe it in words.

Knowing also that it is not possible to pay our debts back to you. The only thing we can do is to try to follow in your footsteps. And to do our best to follow your instructions as good as we can.

It is only by your mercy that we can make some progress. It is said that Krishna consciousness is simple for the simple minded, but that does not mean that it is always easy.

And only by your enthusiasm and teachings we are able to find the courage to go further on that wonderful path of devotional service.

So again and again we have to thank you otherwise we should be completely lost and more and more entangled in this nasty material world.

Hoping that you still can guide us for a long time.

In great debt to you and Mataji.

Your unworthy servants,

Dasarath dasa, Mandakini Devi dasi, Radhadesh, Belgium

Deividas - Kaunas, Lithuania - Let me grab your lotus feet and place it in my heart

Please accept my humble obeisances.





All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Our beloved Gurudev and Guru mataji you are so kind for us. You have fully given yourself to the will of Spiritual Master and Krishna.

Only by pushing this most important Srila Prabhupada mission of Harinam- Sankirtan, you have inspired so many souls to awake their real spiritual consciousness or pure devotional service to lord Krishna. Therefore you are most dear to Krishna. Because you are distributing Him as He is, even such rascal like me can be freed from material contamination and blessed with your association. In regards of your dedication for saving all the fallen souls and making Lord Caitanya prediction success, Srila Prabhupada says in one of his bhajans named

"Bhagavan Krsner Pada Padme Prarthana (Prayer unto the Lotus Feet of Krsna)":

tara iccha balavan pascatyete than than hoy jate gauranger nam prthivite nagaradi asamudra nada nadi sakalei loy krsna nam

"His desire is very powerful, and thus he is causing the Holy Name of Lord Gauranga to spread throughout all the countries of the Western World. In all the cities, towns, and villages on the earth, extending to all the oceans, rivers, and streams, everyone may accept the Holy Name of Krsna."

I was wasting so many lifetimes, for trying to find happiness in this mundane nonsense world. Even in this life, I have wasted 20 years for sense gratification. Moreover I'm in the path of devotional service, but still I'm egocentric nonsense rascal who is always criticizing others and wants to be in the centre of attention, and don't want to take full advantage of this Srila Prabhupada's mercy. So by being in such miserable condition I came at your lotus feet and begging for your divine mercy that I could become a perfect servant of Holy Name and instrument of your will. I wish that you could be also perfect instrument of Srila Prabhupada by flooding all the universe with Lord Gauranga's purest love and devotion mood.

Your insignificant servant, Deividas, Kaunas





Teaching Krishna Bhakti--Klaipeda, Lithuania--30 April 2015

Gaura-Nitai das - Copenhagen, Denmark - Glorious spiritual master

Hare Krishna Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to you.

I have no devotion independently from you, whatever devotion I may exhibit, is simply a reflection of the devotion that you have, for your glorious spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada.

A spiritual master from whom, you have most expertly assimilated the mood of complete dedication, to the mission and purpose of the disciplic succession.

I could string words on needles and garland you with praise. But I know that your concern is not for your own glorification, although you take pleasure in seeing your disciples praising you. It is simply a way for us, your disciples, to make progress in spiritual understanding.



It is your burning desire to spread Krishna Consciousness in every nook and corner of the world. Therefore I simply pray that I may forever be an element of assistance to you, in this glorious campaign, which is nothing less than a world deliverance mission.

If I should ever neglect my duty to you, kindly remind me. Haunt me in dreams; let the blanket of material comforts be pulled away beneath me. But kindly never allow me to forget my position as a servant of your spiritual desires.

As your disciples we are but different limbs of your body, meant to execute the instructions received by the brain. So I come to reflect, what can I actually offer? Rather my position is that of a beggar. I have nothing to give, because all that I am is already yours.

Your servant

Gaura-Nitai das, Copenhagen, Denmark



Teaching Pure Devotion to Krishna--3 May 2015--Kaliningrad,

Hemamukhi Devi Dasi -Kaliningrad, Russia - Please live in my heart

My Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances at Your Lotus Feet.

All glories to You! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!



I am very happy that I have met You in my life, because even one moment spent with a pure devotee can make one's life perfect. I am very fortunate, because You have showered tons of mercy on me. This is the mercy of Your loving and compassionate glance, the mercy of inspiration for sadhana bhakti, the mercy of Your instructions. This mercy is extinguishing the fire of my material existence. All I have to do is fully embrace Your orders and follow them.

My dear Srila Gurudeva, I beg You to kindly give me Your blessings to always please You with my deeds, words and thoughts. I humbly beg You to come to my heart and never ever leave it.

On this auspicious day of Your divine appearance I want to offer my gratitude to Your closest associate, Your wonderful wife, my beloved spiritual mother, Srimati Gurumata. She is helping us so much to improve our service to You and to all the Vaishnavas. All glories to her!

Your insignificant servant,

Hemamukhi Devi Dasi, Kaliningrad, Russia





Ecstatic Sendoff Kirtan--3 May 2015--Kaliningrad, Russia

Isvara Parama das - ISKCON Tallinn, Estonia - The shade of your lotus feet is the best blessing

Dear Srila Gurudev! Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

It is very exciting to write, because with whatever you come in contact, the truth will be victorious there and all misconceptions will be destroyed. Your purity and dedication shine out of you. Thus by carrying out of Srila Prabhupada's and Krishna's orders you continuously nourish many souls with unconditional love. In order to make such sacrifices in delivering the message of Krishna like making yourself easily available in emails, writing always fresh daily thought and extensive travelling you must know Krishna to be very special. You have won His exclusive company and now Krishna can be found wherever you are. How you see Krishna and in what way you see Krishna, the same way I want to know



Krishna. Your kindness knows no limits. The shade of your lotus feet is the best blessing. Thank you for your trouble, patience and perfectly strong words in training me. Your presence in this world makes a difference.

Thank you. Your servant, Isvara Parama das, ISKCON Tallinn, Estonia



Flipping the Switch to Turn On the World Tallinn, Estonia--9 October 2015

Ivars Rutkovskis - Riga, Latvia - My Vyasa puja offering

Hare Krishna! All Glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Even though I am highly-unqualified and just in the beginning of realizing all the pureness, beauty and love that can give Krishna consciousness, I decided to write this letter as my Vyasa Puja offering.





This autumn when I just started to attend Sri Sri Gaura Nitai Temple I was able to be present at your lectures in Riga. I cannot express how grateful am I since this time spent in Temple made changes to my life, for what I am grateful to you, Sri Sri Gaura Nitai Temple and all its Devotees and His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.

Please accept my humble obeisances to you for being a true servant of a true servant and spreading Krishna consciousness around the World and for helping fallen souls like me to start to wake up.

Ivars, Riga, Latvia



Loving Send Off from Riga, Latvia--28 April 2015

Jack - Belgium - Wishing you all the best

Hare Krishna!

Please accept my respectful obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Hare Krishna His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari,

Thank you for your endless help.



Wishing you all the best, I wish you an eternity of pure love for Radha Krishna. Wishing you a life of pure service for your spiritual master A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

Wishing you all the best.

I hope that they may always protect you and give you all that you need, to do everything in the service of Krsna!

Thank you for your endless help.

Hare krsna! Jack, Belgium

Karuna Sindhu dasa - Antwerp, Belgium - Grateful of your blessings & teachings

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Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances

All Glories to His Grace Srila Prabhupada, All Glories to you and Srimati Gurumata,

I am very thankful for your blessings and teachings which I receive and read every day again, I do my very best to serve you by trying to serve the devotees here in Antwerp, Belgium as good I can.

My humble service here in the temple is cooking every second Sunday feast and updating the website.

By doing this, I feel connected to you, Srila Prabhupada and ISCKON.

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Thank you for accepting me as your disciple.

On this Joyful day off your Vyasa Puja, I want to wish you strong health, and that I will always bring you joy by engaging myself very seriously in the loving service of your Lotus Feet,

Your eternal servant,





Karuna Sindhu dasa, Antwerp - Belgium



Warm Arrival Welcome on a Cold Day Narva, Estonia--1 November 2014

Kishori Devi dasi - Tartu, Estonia - Eternally grateful to you

My dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Your Grace.

This material world is a chaos. I see more and more how people don't have a clue what they are doing, where they are heading, what they believe in. Acting on emotions, they are in an illusion they are independent but nothing could be farther from truth.

In this situation the greatest fortune is to have a bona fide spiritual master. It is the only hope for confused people. I am eternally thankful for you and Guru Mataji for your guidance and I am praying every day that I could follow your orders and wouldn't waste my life away.

Your servant





Kishori Devi dasi, Tartu, Estonia



Super Ecstatic Home Program Narva, Estonia--1 November 2014

Lila-shuka das - ISKCON Tallinn, Estonia - Krishna Consciousness As It Is

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances, All glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada!

I consider myself most fortunate soul to have met you in Tartu in 2005. Because of your association I could understand that Krishna consciousness is the answer to all my questions and the solution to all my problems.

And I have been experiencing the positive effect of Krishna consciousness ever since meeting you. I have also been going through many ups and downs, but I always see how much you want me to come to pure Krishna consciousness. I always receive your most kind help in overcoming all obstacles.

To become purified of all dirt in the heart and to regain the natural state of pure devotional service mood is possible by your mercy. I see it now better than before. I know that if I



keep going in your service and in the service of Krishna and the vaishnavas, practicing devotional service properly - as it is - then coming to pure Krishna consciousness will become a reality.

I see how strongly you want to help all conditioned souls to come to pure Krishna consciousness. I am totally amazed and inspired how purely and steadily you keep preaching all over the world and how expertly you are guiding many, many souls. I have no doubt that by your efforts Srila Prabhupada's mission will be fully successful and the whole world and it's inhabitants will be saved. Including me. For me there is no better place than in the Krishna consciousness movement. There is nothing better than this. Thank you for guiding me and thank you for showing me the best example of Krishna consciousness as it is without any deviations. I am so happy and grateful to be your disciple, to be able to awaken my love for Krishna. Thank you eternally. I want to serve you in your mission.

Your eternal servant



Sunday Feast Lecture--Tallinn, Estonia--2 November 2014

Mitravinda dasi , Croatia, Kutina - Offering to spiritual master

Hare Krishna! Dear Maharaja, Please accept my humble obeisances, All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Thank you for your great service for delivering me out of this miserable world, and bringing real balance in my mind and heart, indirectly through the loveable mood of separation from Srila Prabhupada.





Your love for spiritual master is presenting me the ways of heart for my spiritual master, to approach Him in right mood of humble guru-disciple relationship and express my real feeling for most loveable person in life.

By intending Ultimate self-realization course I'm getting insight who I am(who I'm not), who is Krishna(who is not), and who is my spiritual master in this and in spiritual world. Begging for forgiveness from mistakes and illusion caused unintentionally. Still searching for right answers.

Mitravinda Dasi, Croatia, Kutina, disciple of His Holiness Krishna Ksetra Swami

Rabindra das - Bhaktivedanta Manor, London, UK - Meditating on your glories

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Dearest Gurudeva.

There is a beautiful verse in Srimad Bhagavatam found in the twentieth chapter of canto four. Therein are the prayers of Maharaj Prthu to the Supreme Lord.

uttamaçloka mahan-mukha-cyuto bhavat-padämbhoja-sudhä kaëänilaù småtià punar vismåta-tattva-vartmanäà kuyoginäà no vitaraty alaà varaiù

"My dear Lord, You are glorified by the selected verses uttered by great personalities. Such glorification of Your lotus feet is just like saffron particles. When the transcendental vibration from the mouths of great devotees carries the aroma of the saffron dust of Your





lotus feet, the forgetful living entity gradually remembers his eternal relationship with You. Devotees thus gradually come to the right conclusion about the value of life. My dear Lord, I therefore do not need any other benediction but the opportunity to hear from the mouth of Your pure devotee."

As I am meditating on your glories, I am looking at this verse and making some connections. Your Spiritual Master Srila Prabhupada mentions that glorification of the Lord must come from the mouth of a pure devotee, only then does the aroma of saffron dust from the Lotus Feet transfer to the recipient. By hearing from you, we receive that very nectar because you are a pure devotee, selflessly serving the instructions of your elevated spiritual master, forever travelling the world with your elevated wife, our mother Srimati Visnupriya devi dasi and freely giving the Holy Name of the Lord and all the pure love that goes with it to anyone who cares to listen and not only that, but that transcendental vibration is so powerful that it can revive the living entity's memory of his eternal relationship with the Supreme Personality of Godhead. I feel that I have truly learned and realised so very much about that relationship since taking shelter of your instructions.

We also bathe our ears in your beautiful songwriting glorifying the Supreme Lord, songs such as 'Peace Formula' and my favourite, 'Relieve the burden of the earth'. The very spiritual name that Srila Prabhupada gave you is so apt, 'one who attracts away unhappiness or illness and guides one to the level of equanimity'. So many times, I listen to those songs when I feel overcome with life's burdens and I immediately feel liberated. May many many souls hear those songs and be inspired in the same way.

Thank you so much dear Gurudeva. I don't know what service will be required of me as I follow you through eternity and what service I will be inspired to give, but beneath all my coverings of darkness, I know that I will strive to be the devotee that you are. That I know will make everything a great success.

All glories to your glorious preaching mission, All glories to you on this very auspicious Vyasa Puja day,

Your fallen but hopeful servant, Rabindra das brahmacari, Bhaktivedanta Manor, London, UK

Ruahoo Baboo Rajendra (ashok) – Verdun France - Eternal remembrance

My Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you and All glories to Guru Mata Ji. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

nama om visnu padaya krsna presthaya bhutale srimate bhaktivedanta svamin iti namine namaste sarasvate deve gaura vani pracarine nirvisesa sunyavadi pascatya desa tarine

Dearest Sankarshan Das Adhikari Maharaja, Hare Krsna!





If our jagat guru Srila Prabhupada is the initial first candle, you are the second candle who received enlightenment and spiritual empowerment from this first candle, there is no doubt about it.

You have been able to explain to the whole world and specially to us, the devotees of the devotees of Krishna, this most perfect descending transcendental knowledge (The Absolute Truth) because you received it yourself as Arjuna from the right source. You also taught us that without enquiring submissively, there is no question of understanding this transcendental knowledge.

You have awakened the dormant Krishna consciousness eternally present in our heart, thus made us forget forgetfulness.

sarvasya caham hrdi sannivisto mattah smrtir jnanam apohanam ca vedais ca sarvair aham eva vedyo vedanta-krd veda-vid eva caham

I am seated in everyone's heart, and from Me come remembrance, knowledge and forgetfulness. By all the Vedas I am to be known; indeed I am the compiler of Vedanta, and I am the knower of the Vedas. (BG 15.15)

You therefore became the right person who can distribute the raining mercy of Krishna and guru to the fortunate (bhaqyavan) one.

brahmanda bhramite kona bhagyavan jiva quru-krsna-prasade paya bhakti-lata-bija

"According to their karma, all living entities are wandering throughout the entire universe. Some of them are being elevated to the upper planetary systems, and some are going down into the lower planetary systems. Out of many millions of wandering living entities, one who is very fortunate gets an opportunity to associate with a bona fide spiritual master by the grace of Krsna. By the mercy of both Krsna and the spiritual master, such a person receives the seed of the creeper of devotional service. (CM lila 19.151)

Your activities Dear Gurudev will always remind the devotees of the Lord's lotus feet.

Srila Prabhupada Ki Jai

Sarkarshan Das Adhikari Ki Jai

eternal remembrance Your servant Bhakta Rughoo Baboo Rajendra(ashok), (Verdun France)

Priya Chauhan - Loughborough, UK - Srila Gurudeva is my shining beacon

Dear Srila Gurudeva,





How can I glorify you properly? It is only by your mercy that we are able to say anything at all.

Srila Prabhupada planted a kalpavrksa a tree of bhakti, then another and another, now we have a forest of wish-fulfilling trees satisfying all the desires of the living entities.

Your Grace is one of the mighty ones With Guru Mataji he blossoms Now bestowing fruits and flowers Humbly offering them to the previous Masters.

As a transcendental gardener You bring rains of limitless mercy Harvesting the joy of Krsna katha You delve deeper into Bhakti.

Like the Ganges emanating from the heavens By the grace of the Lord's lotus feet Purifying the three worlds You please all with the nectar you speak

Your unwavering faith in the strength of hearing and chanting Attracts us to the pristine sound vibration And the peace formula that you are singing Comes down in pure succession.

Srila Gurudeva is my shining beacon. You are fixed in pure devotional service. Radiating effulgence like the sun Illuminating my path to eternal bliss

Our most merciful spiritual master Personally saving fallen souls Taking us to Krishna faster Our good fortune is on a roll.

I cannot fathom your personality For I am small and fallible Yet attracted by your humility I pray to be a worthy disciple.

Your servant, Priya Chauhan, Loughborough, UK

Sankirtan das – Kaunas, Lithuania - Fully indebted to you

Dear Srila Gurudev, Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Srila Prabhupada





Somehow today is popular to say, that there is no need to have personal attachment to Guru. But it sounds as if Guru is some machine, which print some orders according to parampara and you just take it and follow. This is nonsense. Srila Prabhupada always quotes, that "If you love me, love my dog". We know, that Guru is most confidential associate of Krisna. This loving feeling of the disciple to Gurudev is the corner stone factor, which attract attention of Krishna. This is most secret treasure of the disciple.

Guru is not a machine, he is a person. And this person out of his love and free choice come to people and give them Krishna. Despite my dry heart you coming year after year and watering it with most sweet Krishna katha. Only love can change people. I am fully indebted to you for that and that indebtedness gives me the biggest joy.

My confidential desire is to become totally immersed to this feeling of debt and love to you.

Your eternal servant, Sankirtan das, Kaunas, Lithuania



Ecstatic Send Off From Kaunas, Lithuania--8 October 2015

Saranagata Devi dasi – Kaunas, Lithuania - Thank you for being the savior

My Dear Gurudev, Please accept my respectful and humble obeisances.

All glories to You. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

On this Vyasa Puja Day I want to say my heartfelt thanks to You, Dear Gurudev. I thank you again for teaching Krsna Consciousness and guiding us in proper direction. Thank you for teaching how to drown the fear, how to put on the light in the dark, for giving back the hope, for teaching the soul how to fly...

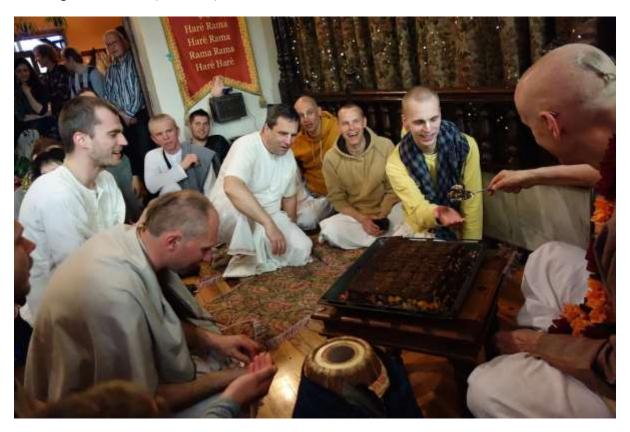
Thank you for being and for leading to the Real happiness by the path of Absolute Truth.





I wish You good health and a lot of strength.

Your insignificant servant, Saranagata Devi dasi, Kaunas, Lithuania



Blissful Prasadam Distribution--Kaunas, Lithuania--10 May 2015

Sarvabhauma das – Sofia, Bulgaria - Your priceless words spread throughout the fourteen worlds

om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah

My dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my most humble obeisances at your lotus feet! All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!





I bow down at your lotus feet
Where all my other Prabhus meet
They are the abode of pure devotion
I worship them with love, attention and emotion
Oh, my dear mind, my dear brother
It is through the grace of the spiritual master
That we can cross this ocean of material desire (trishna)
And attain the lotus feet of the Supreme Lord Krishna

I make the teachings from your lotus mouth One with my mind, one with my heart Nothing else will I desire
I will only fervently aspire
For attachment to your lotus feet divine
The best means to advancement mine
By your mercy all I am hankering for
Will be fulfilled at once and even more
At any stage there will be no rejection
And soon I will attain the spiritual perfection

You, who have picked me out from the dirt Are my lord and master birth after birth By your mercy dark nescience is destroyed Knowledge is revealed and bhakti unalloyed The Vedic scriptures sing your praise Your mercy spreads in many ways

Oh Srila Gurudev, the friend of fallen souls You teach everyone and you're the life of all O master! Be merciful unto me and be so kind To give me shelter at your lotus feet divine May your glories and your priceless words Now spread throughout the fourteen worlds

Your insignificant servant: Sarvabhauma das, Sofia, Bulgaria





Sofia, Bulgaria Ratha Yatra--18 September 2015

Tapasvini Devi dasi - Helsinki, Finland - Glorification for the Teacher of Pure Devotion

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Your Grace.

Krishna is very kind because He sent me to you to study what is pure devotion. And you are very kind because you teach how to go to Krishna! Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Hare Hare.

It is not exaggeration to consider myself insignificant. On the bodily platform it feels strange, but after thinking about the size of the soul described in Bhagavad-gita As It Is, and after remembering the Maha-Vishnu Who is creating all the universes just by breathing, I can understand something about my insignificancy. You are the representative of the Supreme Lord, and I am your insignificant servant. I offer my most humble, respectful and grateful obeisances at your lotus feet. Please accept me as yours and Srimati Gurumata's eternal worshiper and servant. All glories to your Grace, all glories to your Grace, all glories to your Grace.

Your servant, Tapasvini Devi Dasi, Helsinki, Finland







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Tom Krese – Riga, Latvia - Wish I could serve you

Hare Krishna!

Please accept my gratitude and humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I am very thankful for your love and kindness you show upon all conditioned souls by traveling around the world and trying to liberate us from the clutches of maya. I have met you twice in Latvia and both times your presence changed my consciousness very strongly. The more I associate with you the more inspired I become to be as enthusiastic and devoted servant of Guru and Krishna as you are.

I hope to have the opportunity to serve you in spreading Prabhupada's message and to adapt the same mood that you always have within your heart - to take every Guru's instruction as your very life and soul.

Your sincere and humble servant, Tom Krese, Riga, Latvia





Explaining the Absolute Necessity of Having a Spiritual Master Riga, Latvia--26 April 2015

Vamanadeva das – Szabadhidveg, Hungary - Your shelter is the only hope in my life

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine



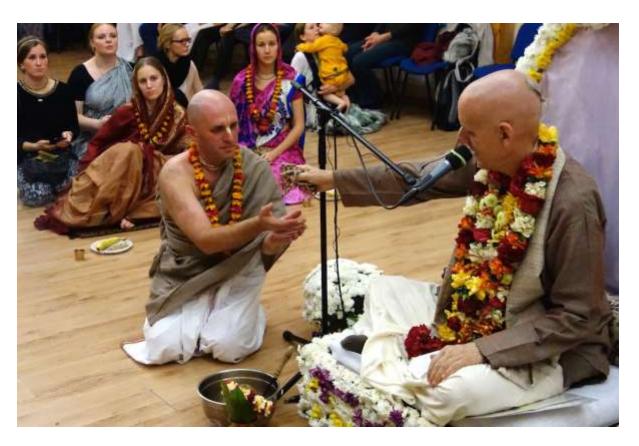


"O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Srila Gurudeva, I want to thank you from the core of my heart, for your unlimited mercy to accept me as your disciple. Your shelter is the only hope in my life. Kindly forgive me for all the offenses that I have committed at your lotus feet. I feel so blessed to have received shelter at your lotus feet - it was your inconceivable mercy upon this fallen soul. I pray at your lotus feet for remaining in your shelter. I wish to be able to chant your glories for all eternity and to serve you from complete heart, fully dedicated to your divine instructions, without any deviation, not even for a moment.

In this most auspicious occasion of Vyasa Puja, I pray to my Srila Gurudeva to bless this fallen soul to always stay under your lotus feet and to become a more sincere servant,

Yours Lovingly, Your eternal servant, Vamanadeva das, Szabadhidveg Hungary



Vamanadeva Das Accepts Initiation from His Spiritual Master 18 October 2014--Kaunas, Lithuania



Vraja Kishor das - Kaunas, Lithuania - You sprinkled my soul with your divine compassion

My dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to your divine appearance! All glories to mission for saving all fallen souls!

I am eternally indebted to you for that you have forcibly pulled me out of my degraded illusioned position. It is miracle what you are doing. Everyone I knew in country where I lived where teaching and glorifying art of drinking poison of material life. I was convinced that this is real life and I did not want to change anything. If I have seen someone preaching glories of God I thought they are stupid and insane that they do not know what they are doing with their life. But when I met you, miracle happened. You sprinkled my soul with your divine compassion. You planted divine seed in my heart. Being a demon I do not care for that seed and I am poisoning it by many means. But you are forcibly giving me medicine by regularly coming to Lithuania and injecting pure love of Godhead again and again.

What is most amazing that you not only wake up sleeping souls but you inspire others to wake up other souls. My only desire is that one day I could really understand importance of your mission of awakening sleeping souls and assist you in appropriate means. I am trying to develop such consciousness so please continue sprinkling your mercy on me. That one day I can become one of your instruments bringing revolution of God consciousness in this universe.

Your insignificant servant, Vraja Kishor das, Kaunas, Lithuania



Injecting medicine in Kaunas





Northern India, Nepal, and China

Ajita Devi Dasi, Hong Kong – you are always merciful

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Every year, this auspicious Vyasa Puja of Yours provides me with an opportunity to glorify You. However, meditating upon Your pure devotion to the Lord and to Srila Prabhupada, as well as Your wonderful preaching to save the humanity, I find it an arduous task to use any suitable word to describe Your glorious activities. In fact, You are always glorious with or without glorification from a dull-witted disciple like me. But the spiritual master is always merciful to accept such glorification for the disciple's spiritual advancement.

Indeed, Your mercy is what has been sustaining and nourishing my spiritual life. What more could I say? Your daily course gives me spiritual boost every day. And amidst Your extremely packed schedule, You personally give me blessings and guidance; You kindly travelled to Hong Kong so that we can have Your personally association; You even accept my service although they are full of flaws. You are always available to bestow Your mercy, no matter how undeserving I am.

In the past year, I have been blessed with a lot of chances to learn and explore different aspects in devotional services. Different aspects of my life seem to have fallen into place properly as well. I understood that it all happened because of Your mercy and blessings. How would I be able to achieve anything all by myself? It would not be possible at all. But Your mercy makes everything possible. More importantly, I was more and more convinced by the power of prayer. If I constantly pray to You for spiritual advancement, You will certainly give Your blessings; as the spiritual master is always merciful. This is what I realized and what I have been experiencing this year. Some devotees are often curious that why I would accept a spiritual master whom I could not meet very often, but I never feel that You are far way or hard to approach. Your vani, as well as the power of prayers are always there. For this I am forever grateful.

By the time You are reading this, I should be in Vrindavan Dham celebrating Your Vyasa Puja. I never thought that I am qualified to be in the Dham on such an auspicious day in the month of Kartik. Again, this is all because of Your mercy which brings me, an unqualified disciple, to further receive Your mercy. I have nothing to repay all these, and I would not even have such an ability. I could only pray for more mercy so that I would be able to execute Your instructions, purify myself and assist You and Srila Prabhupada in the mission of saving the humanity given by Lord Caitanya.

I pray to the Lord that by Your exemplary effort, the day when Krishna consciousness pervading the whole world would come very soon,

Your eternal servant, Ajita devi dasi (Hong Kong)

Aarushi Vyas - New Delhi - You came into my life like the blazing sun





Dear Gurudev,

I wholeheartedly believe that Lord Krishna has Himself sent you in my life when I especially needed you the most. Here I was – a shy, hesitant youth who was awed by the process of Krishna consciousness but at the same time plagued by many doubts and fears. Because I was carrying around this unnecessary baggage of fear and negativity, all of my relationships including my relationship with the Supreme Lord were in a pitiable state. You came into my life like the blazing sun and smashed away all the dark illusions, delusions and misconceptions I had been carrying along for so long. I was already drawn to your vani and your lucid way of explaining difficult things after reading your book 'Uttama Bhakti' but what helped me the most was attending your live lectures online and getting my doubts personally cleared by you.

As I write this offering of my endless gratitude to you on the most revered occasion of your Vyas Puja, an amazing realization dawns on me. I remember the pastime of Srila Prabhupada where he urged his disciples to themselves become glorious as the best way to glorify him. I realize Gurudev that you have the same desire from all your disciples and students. You want every one of us to become so glorious that we become the perfect example to the rest of the world and thus attract many other wandering souls to the lotus feet of Lord Krishna. I know Gurudev that you want our behavior or 'acaran' to be the most powerful preaching tool to the bewildered karmi population. I absolutely love Gurudev, how you illustrate this through the example of Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur who was so expert in his material duties along with being such an exalted devotee. I pray to the Supreme Lord to bless me so that I can also properly represent you and Srila Prabhupada through my every thought, word and deed. I know this will please you more than any amount of glorification. Happy Vyas Puja dear Gurudev!

yours Aarushi, New Delhi, India



Bhagavad-gita Lecture--New Delhi, India--23 October 2015

Asima Narottam Das - New Delhi - You helped in driving away the dark clouds of ignorance Dear Gurudev,



Please accept my most humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to ISKCON devotees.

Hare Krishna.

I am extremely grateful to you for your daily 'Thought for the Day' that comes without fail wherever you may be travelling in your mission to spread Krishna Consciousness. As my shiksha guru your grace has helped in driving away the dark clouds of ignorance from my psyche and some degree of appreciation of Krishna Bhakti is getting rooted. Your sharp analysis and crisp and intrepid replies to numerous queries help in progressing on this path and reinforce belief in the entire process. Your analysis is so precise that I now consider the whole subject as a science. On this front I was a lost cause, but because of your kind grace, some degree of correction seem to have taken place and my conviction has increased multifold. I wish that your message reaches millions of lost souls all around the world so that they can do the much needed course correction and relieve the world of miseries.

I am greatly impressed and admire your conviction, vast knowledge and depth of understanding of Vedic science. Indian society must be greatly indebted to you for championing its cause - Krishna Consciousness and Vasudaiv Kutumbhakam. I pray to Lord Krishna to grant you good health and long life so that you can help millions of illusioned people embrace the right path of devotion and bhakti.

Kindest regards Most sincerely

Asima Narottam Das(Disciple of HH Gopal Krishna Goswami), New Delhi, India

Bhakta Deepak - New Delhi - Guru's feet are the best for worship

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I was reading many books during my illness and I know the Guru's form is the best to meditate upon; the Guru's feet are the best for worship; the Guru's word is the mantra; the Guru's Grace is the root of liberation.

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master because I know your mercy can turn the dumb like me into eloquent speakers and enable the lame to cross mountains. So on the most auspicious day of your appearance I beg that you please accept this offering as a humble attempt to somehow or other reciprocate with your causeless mercy. Furthermore, I beg you to remove my ignorance that is presently covering me so that I can properly receive and follow your instruction and try and serve your lotus feet with everincreasing purity, love and devotion.

your servant, Bhakta Deepak, New Delhi, India







Telling My Pastimes With Srila Prabhupada New Delhi, India--24 October 2015

Guru Vandana devi dasi - New Delhi - You are an embodiment of mercy

My Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to Srila Gurudeva!

nama om vishnupadaya krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Divine Grace Sankarṣaṇa dāsa Adhikāri, who is very dear to Lord Krsna, on this earth , having taken shelter at the lotus feet of the transcendental Lord.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti in order to spread the teachings of Lord Caitanya."

On this cherished day of Vyas Puja, let me read this pranam mantra prayer again and again. How great you are! You are an embodiment of mercy otherwise how can an unworthy soul





like myself get initiation? Your Grace has absorbed our karma and taken responsibility to take us back to Godhead. Your Grace has taken this risk to lift and save us from this material pool of miseries. After crores and crores of sinful lives, we have been given a chance to reclaim our constitutional position.

You revealed me Srila Prabhupada, the savior of the whole world. I just recollect myself how my heart was like a dry desert, but still your Grace planted the seed of bhakti and made me fortunate. You are teaching us the watering process of chanting and teaching us how to guard against the mad elephant offenses. You engage us in pure devotional service. Your teachings are exactly in accordance with the revealed scriptures. You not only show the source of Divine knowledge but also how to live in the revealed scriptures.

Srila Prabhupada explains two qualifications for a spiritual master as- <code>crotriyaa</code> brahmaniñöham [MU 1.2.12] Srila Prabhupada describes <code>crotriyaa</code> means that he is expert in hearing from the bona fide spiritual master and <code>brahma-niñöham</code> means he is firmly fixed up in God consciousness.

Your quality of demonstrating the above qualities by acting in a perfectly exemplary manner, showing the true meaning of acarya, is very much inspiring. Your exemplary activities are sometimes inconceivable, spiritually surcharged and transcendental. Once when Gurumataji and your Grace went to meet a medical doctor (who is also a devotee) you were asking, "Doctor, give me a medicine that I never forget Krishna". You were all totally absorbed in Krishna Katha and the same time teaching an insignificant person like me the essence - "Always remember Krishna Never forget Krishna".

How sad it is to see myself as a forgetful soul. Let me submit my prayer to remember your Grace's teachings at least by reminding myself again and again. Let me become serious and take your divine instructions as my life and soul.

Let me offer my prayers for keeping your Grace's and Guru Mataji's health fit, for constantly circling the globe and spreading Krishna Consciousness all over the world.

your insignificant servant in the dust of your lotus feet, Guru Vandana devi dasi, New Delhi, India





Srimad Bhagavatam Lecture--5 April 2015--ISKCON Vrindavana

Haladhar Dasa – Zirakpur, Punjab - I owe my life to you

Hare Krsna Gurudeva

nama om vishnupadaya krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers, pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories unto you and respected Gurumata ji. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I have no qualification to say something worthwhile on the most auspicious day of your Vyasa Puja. Whatever I am today is due to your mercy only. What can I glorify you, I cannot even grasp a tiny fraction of your glories. You are a personification of prema for all



the suffering souls and every moment of my Krsna conscious life is a tribute to your compassionate and merciful heart which is carrying and delivering the orders of your spiritual master His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.

It was an intense desire to attend your Vyasa puja personally in Lithuania, which seemed highly improbable as of now due to personal circumstances. Lord Krsna is so merciful, now we too are so fortunate that we would be having your Vyasa Puja in India itself this year. We are eagerly waiting for the glorious day.

In the year 2011, being habitual of searching each & everything online, was looking for something to fill the emptiness in life, some panacea to remove the sadness of heart, by Lord Krishna's mercy, came across the "Ultimate Self Realization Course". Seeing your compassionate picture on the subscription page, something deep inside said that you are the real well wisher and can help me recover from my fallacies. Within a short span, I could feel the change in myself from the daily thoughts I started receiving.

Six months of joining the course, I got the opportunity to hear Srimad Bhagvatam from you in Iskcon Vrindavan. I am quoting the same below as much I could remember

"mana mora väma-déna, jala vinä yena ména, kåñëa vinä kñaëe mari' yäya madhura-häsya-vadane, mana-netra-rasäyane, kåñëa-tåñëä dviquëa bäòäya

(CCA 17.59)

"If I do not think of Krsna, my impoverished mind will die within a moment like a fish out of water. But when I see Krsna's sweetly smiling face, My mind and eyes are so pleased that My desire for Him redoubles."

So how can we imagine the transcendental position of Srimati Radharani, as She is gazing at Krsna's sweet smiling face since eternity and every time She looks at Lord Krsna's face, Her desire for Him redoubles.

I can still relish the nectar that I received that day, you were glorifying Srimati Radharani, and I remember the verse, and it made my faith deeper and stronger in the sublime and ultimate process of Krsna consciousness. I can visualize still how you were feeling the transcendental pleasure while sharing the nectar with the devotees.

Dear Gurudev, by your mercy, my life has been completely transformed, and within a short span of time, earlier where I could not even talk with people, now I am giving lectures on Bhagavad-gita in the local ISKCON temple, and at various Bhakti-virkshas in the city as well as running a weekly home program at my residence. This is all due to your compassionate shelter to a wretched soul like me and as a result I am gaining so much insight and determination from your continuous enlivening and inspiring lectures all around the world. Kindly bless us so we can also have the empathy for the suffering souls and share the mercy of Srila Prabhupada as you are doing day in and day out.

May Lord Krsna Bless you and Gurumata ji with good health and you are able to deliver more and more suffering souls from this illusory Maya's castle.



Hare Krsna. your eternal servant, Haladhar Dasa, Zirakpur, Punjab, India

Hema - Chandigarh - I want to serve your lotus feet

Dear Gurudev, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you and Gurumataji All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Guru Maharaj, I am not able to glorify your quality. I want to serve your lotus feet but I am still attached with this materialistic world, so I will beg you kindly lift me from this Kali Yuga or material world and show me the spiritual path so that we never stop making efforts in devotional service, despite all our material problems and impurities.

Guru Maharaj please forgive my imperfect offering on your Vyasa Puja, my prayer to Shri Radha Krishna, Shri Shri Gaura Nitai, Srila Prabhupada is that you stay long life on this planet with good health, so that you continue to guide your fallen children.

Always desiring to stay in the dust of your lotus feet.



Srimad Bhagavatam Lecture--5 April 2015--ISKCON Vrindavana



Hladini Devi Dasi, China - Please help me to be a servant of God

Dear Srila Gurudeva:

Please accept my humble obeisances

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

All glories to Srila Gurudeva

Srila Gurudeva' Vyasapuja is coming, as your spiritual daughter, Gurudeva know I am very silly, although I have many words in my heart, I cannot express them clearly, just like a Chinese saying: kettle boils dumplings, then you cannot pour them out. I prayed to srila Gurudeva and Sri Sri GauraNitai to bless me to express my gratitude to Gurudeva on this auspicious day Gurudeva wrote a "Thought for The Day" titled "Street Dog or Dog with a Master:

"His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami explains that a person who does not have a spiritual master is like a dog without a master and that a person who does have a spiritual master is like a dog with a master. I have personally witnessed the graphic contrast between the pitiful, lean and thin, diseased, under-nourished street dogs in Vrindavan and the jolly, healthy, stout and strong well-fed, well-cared for dogs who walk with their masters on Mumbai's Juhu beach. It is indeed quite a striking contrast. When you have a bona fide spiritual master you have the guidance and the blessings you need for a wonderful, blissful eternal existence. But when you don't have a bona fide spiritual master you are lost in the cycle of repeated birth and death with no hope of ever escaping the miseries of material existence. Therefore all those who are seeking real happiness in life must take shelter of a bona fide Spiritual Master."

Since the year 2011, I met Gurudeva' Ultimate Self Realization Course, I was not that pitiful, lean and thin, diseased, under-nourished street dog in Vrindavan, I became that jolly, healthy, stout and strong well fed, well-cared for dog who walk with master on Mumbai's Juhu beach. especially last year, Gurudeva initiated me as a disciple, in order to take good care of us , Gurudeva have been making great attempt to try this way , that way through "Ultimate Self Realization Course", through startmeeting, to connect with us, to enlighten us, to rectify us, to encourage us, at noon, I read Gurudeva' Ultimate Self realization Course, in the evening, I attend Gurudeva and Gurumata' startmeeting lectures, Gurudeva accompany me like this, I feel satisfied, I remember during one of the startmeeting lectures, I said I felt depressed to perform those spiritual activities artificially, because I have no love for Krsna, Gurudeva said because I was selfish, only paid attention on myself happy or unhappy, I should cultivate compassion for others, to practise Krsna consciousness in order to save others from material existence. I understood Gurudeva' words limitedly, these days I listened to Gurudeva' lectures in ISKCON Riga, Latvia, Gurudeva answered a question about self-centered mentality, because I have serious selfcentered disease, a devotee asked why self-centered, Gurudeva said because he thinks he



is God, suddenly I understood something, Krsna creates this material world to facilitate us fallen souls to imitate God, so I am that pitiful, lean and thin, diseased, under-nourished street dog, maya means " is not", I am not God, I act as a god, so I do not like to respect others, I want others to respect me, I do not like to offer obeisances to others, I want to enjoy from chanting, I want to enjoy from listening, what I will obtain from these spiritual activities, factually, they are not spiritual activities, I turn them into material activities, at last I am still that street dog, I am God mentality really frightened me, birth after birth, I wandered up and down within this universe, how miserable, through these years chanting, listening under Gurudeva' guidance, I understand at last what is my business: to give up "I am God" consciousness, to come to my original position to be a servant, from God position to servant position, the transition is not easy, on Gurudeva' Vyasa puja day, I beg Gurudeva to help me to accomplish this transition.

Your servant

Hladini devi dasi

Jai Prakash Saxena - Lucknow, UP- Highly grateful to you

Honorable Sir,

I am highly grateful to your honor to bestow upon me your blessings through your lessons clearings all doubts of this material world and caused me to mingle myself in the holy dust of the feet of Lord Krishna. Once again I am highly thankful to you.



Lecturing to Gurukula Boys--9 April 2015--Vrindavana, India



Madhumati devi Dasi - Vrndavan Dham - Thank you for accepting me as your God-daughter

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada! All Glories to the Sankirtan movement of Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu!

yasya prasadad bhagavat prasado yasya prasadan na gatih kuto pi dhyayan stuvams tasya yasas tri sandhyam vande guro Sri caranaravindam!

"By the mercy of the spiritual master one receives the benediction of Krsna. Without the grace of the spiritual master, one cannot make any advancement. Therefore, I should always remember and praise the spiritual master. At least three times a day I should offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus feet of my spiritual master."

nama om visnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshandasa adhikariti namine namo prabudhanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesha vikasartha uttama bhakti varshine

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Divine Grace Sankarṣaṇa dāsa Adhikāri, who is very dear to Lord Krsna, on this earth , having taken shelter at the lotus feet of the transcendental Lord.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti in order to spread the teachings of Lord Caitanya."

Srila Gurudeva please accept my humble and respectful obeisances unto Your Lotus Feet.

Today is the most auspicious day in the whole world because Lord Krishna has sent to the earth a brave, surrendered and determined soldier of Srila Prabhupada's army out of kindness and generosity. A compassionate and loving soul, whose only mission is to propagate the dedicated and majestic teachings of his master His Divine Grace A.C Bhaktivedanta Swami Srila Prabhupada all around the world. I have been so fortunate to meet this blessed soul whose words are teachings based on the scriptures. In the middle of confusion, he made me come back to life and changed it from the deep root. I live, struggle and smile for this soul everytime, I always offer my obeisances unto your Lotus Feet.

My gratitude is unlimited, with their Lordships Sri Sri Goura Nitai, Sri Sri Krishna Balaram and Sri Sri Radha-Syamasundar as witnesses here in Vrndavan Dham I want to say Thank you for your beautiful instruction of visiting the Holy Dham. Thank you for all your endeavors, your hours without sleeping, your flight trips, your concerning and dedication for keeping us in a good consciousness by the thought of the day. Thank you for encouraging us to keep on and on. Thank you for your songs, poetry and your wonderful lectures. Thanks for giving me true happiness, thanks for your unconditional love, I feel so proud to have a Spiritual Father like you, my source of inspiration and real shelter, you are my true guidance in this world which is full of dangers. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you for accepting the austerity and responsibility of helping us to come back to Godhead. Thank you for all the realizations you kindly gave me. But above all, Thank you for accepting me as



your God-daughter. I renew my vows in this auspicious day, always as your worthless disciple, trying to serve you. May Lord Krishna, Srimati Radharani, Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu, Lord Nrisimhadeva and Srila Prabhupada always protect your service and give you health, being full of admirable transcendental happiness.

Sankarshan Das Adhikari ki jay!! Srila Gurudeva ki Jay!!! Srila Prabhupada ki Jay!!!

The most silly trying to serve you Madhumati devi Dasi, Maria Lezcano, Vrndavan Dham, India

Padma malini devi dasi - New Delhi - Indebted to your efforts in preaching

My Dear Srila Gurudev Hare Krsna! Please accept my humble obeisance at your lotus feet All glories to you and Srimati GuruMata ji! All glories to Srila Prabhupad!

On this most wonderful occasion of your blessed Vyas Puja , I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your blessings and your causeless mercy upon me. I was the most bewildered soul until I took shelter of your lotus feet but after taking initiation from you, I have realized that I am the most fortunate soul to get the wonderful association of your grace and Srimati Gurumata ji even without having any qualifications. After meeting with Srila Gurudev and Srimati Gurumata ji I could actually realize the most famous verse - "Sadhu sanga sadhu sanga sarve shashtre kahe, lav matra sadhu sanga sarva sidhi hoye" - as just by Srila Gurudev's merciful glance my entire family has become devotees who were earlier behaving like anti-Krsna'ites.

I am so thankful for getting your personal association whenever you are in Shri Vrindavan Dham and through your online classes and e-mails. You both have always been a source of inspiration for me. Whenever I get stuck at any point, I just think if Gurumata ji would be here in my situation how would she react to it and I find my way by simply meditating on the wonderful qualities of your Grace and Srimati Gurumata ji.

Your personal instructions/suggestions come like a flash of light in the darkest night and it has all the potency to illuminate all the darkness from the heart and mind of a bewildered soul like me.

Srila Gurudev and Gurumata ji you teach not only theory but by practice. I appreciate your efforts in serving our Beloved Radha Damoder with a world class standard. You take so nice care of deities at the same time you are relishing so much nectar in Chanting and Preaching. I always wonder how you manage to answer over 100 e-mails every day with so many other services.

Srila Gurudev you are working so hard to preach the message of Krsna Consciousness, you are constantly travelling all over the world without taking any rest. You are the true messenger of Srila Prabhupad who is working towards accomplishment of Lord Chaitanya's mission. The entire humanity will always be indebted to your efforts in preaching and for the peace formula you have given to the world leaders.





Srila Gurudev and Gurumata ji, you are so kind and merciful that you give your association to all without any hesitation, be it a neophyte devotee or a disciple and you love to answer any silly or intelligent question from them. You give chance to your students and disciples to serve you directly even though we commit blunders in our services.

Srila Gurudev though I don't possess all the intelligence to completely understand and glorify the merciful guru and Krsna who are always ready to bestow their causeless mercy on all, still before I stop writing, I would like to sing atleast one verse from Sri Guru Vandana which is deeply realized after coming in contact with Srila Gurudev and Srimati Gurumata ji:

"Sri guru charan padma kevala bhakti sadma bando muhi savadhana mate,. Jahara prasade bhai ye bhave toriya jai krsna prapti hoye jaha hoyite"

Thanks to Srila Gurudev and Gurumata ji for giving me another chance to express my heart to you.

Srila Gurudev ki jai!! Srimati Gurumata ji ki jai!!

your servant Padma malini devi dasi, New Delhi, India

Parashakti Devi Dasi - Zirakpur, Punjab - I feel too much blessed surrendered to your lotus feet

Dear Gurudev Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to you and Guru Mata.

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, qauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

"O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers, pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

mukam karoti vacalam pangum langhayate girim





yat-krpa tam aham vande Sri-gurum dina-taranam

"By the mercy of the guru, even a dumb man can become the greatest orator, and even a lame man can cross mountains."

Dear Gurudev, on this auspicious day of your Vyas Puja, once again, I am thinking that how an unworthy soul like me could get a shelter of your lotus feet. Thank you, Gurudev for bestowing your causeless mercy upon me. "Sometimes we struggle through tasteless milk till the last sip. Then, we find sugar lying at the bottom. That's life sweetened but not stirred well." I was also living a life in that way before fortunately coming in contact with you. I was totally in the clutches of Maya and doing everything to gratify my senses, but was not getting that much satisfaction. But, now by your mercy, I could know what is the ultimate purpose of human life? And the ultimate way to be happy eternally.

Your lectures and daily thought of the day are very enlightening and inspiring, which helps me to be Krsna Conscious every day. All my doubts and confusions are eradicated through your daily answers to questions asked by readers. Now, this has become a daily diet of my soul in the same way, as we require food daily for maintaining our material body. Atma, or self, is distinguished from matter and material elements. It is spiritual in the constitution, and thus it is never satisfied by any amount of material planning. Your this ultimate self realization e-course based on Bhagvad Gita and Srimad Bhagvatam has been playing very important role in making whole world Krsna Consciousness.

Dear Gurudev, Sometimes I become disappointed that I could not serve you, whenever you come to India because of my household responsibilities. But once, I heard your lecture in which you said that a disciple can do either 'Vani' or 'Vapu' service towards his spiritual master. Now, I am trying to follow your instructions (Vani). In your lectures, there is so much nectar.

Thank you, Gurudev, I feel too much blessed surrendered to your lotus feet.

your insignificant servant Parashakti Devi Dasi, Zirakpur, Punjab, India

Radhakrishnan - New Delhi - I feel a strong connection with you

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge."

mukam karoti vachalam pangum langhayate girim yat-kripa tam aham vande shri-gurum dina-taranam

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, the deliverer of the fallen souls. His mercy turns the dumb into eloquent speakers and enables the lame to cross mountains."





Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Today (10^{th} October 2015) - the last date they have fixed for submitting our written offerings for your Vyas Puja - I sat the whole day, from 6 in the morning till 10 in the night, thinking what I shall say that will attract more and more conditioned souls to your divine self!

Least did I realize then that I was one among a million who were attracted by your infinite good qualities - of love, purity, humility, simplicity, austerity, steadfastness, self-control, expression etc. etc..

So, whatever I may say or write here today is only superficial, given the fact that I have learnt all the worthwhile, habits and behaviors from you. Whatever I claim as mine today - my mind, my sense of self-expression, my most private thoughts and my spiritual emotions are not actually my own, but which were given to me by you - in little sensible doses day after day over the past 7 years - via your most powerful tool, your best invention, your unique social change agent, the Ultimate Self Realisation Course. The more and more I read or listened to your messages, the more I was convinced that every fiber of your being was devoted to broadcasting the Absolute Truth without any tinge of a personally motivated agenda.

If each one of us (your disciples) will pick just one of your transcendental attributes and try to describe it here along with our personal experiences, such glorification of your greatness may still spread across thousands of pages or hundreds of hours, without any of us coming to the end of the exercise.

This is one of the great things that we disciples, aspiring disciples and students may aspire to achieve collectively someday, under what we think will be more favorable circumstances, but the only time that is surely ours is the present, and so, it is the time to speak the word of appreciation, of beauty - to do the grateful act. I call it a grateful act because through this act I'm not actually broadcasting your glories, but I'm paying a small token for what I have always received and will be receiving from you. In a sense, I can never ever fully appreciate you because whatever I do with my limited vocabulary and mental capacity is once again attributable to you. Therefore Gurudev, I'll try to speak about one of your noble qualities, i.e, Love, and by this worthy act which I have long postponed, I intend to make my life meaningful.

I have heard that an understanding heart is everything in a teacher, and cannot be esteemed highly enough. Men look back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touch their hearts. The rules and regulations may be so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for a growing plant. This is what I received in your presence everytime I came to have your audience. Not once, you instructed me in the past 7 years, except for times when I exclusively sought your guidance. You always patiently waited for me to grow more mature, and tolerated my so-called smartness so many times, all the way training and engaging me in all sorts of activities for the gradual development of my Krsna consciousness.

One day, while sitting next to me at a petty shop in Loi Bazaar, you reached over to me and spelled out a secret message in my ears. In doing so, you spoke not just simple words, but





a language of love - words of affirmation. Another day, while shopping for clothes at the same place, you came charging towards me with your stick - to protect me from a naughty monkey, that was attempting to rob my spectacles. And when you missed the monkey by a narrow margin, you actually started chasing and chastising the rascal so loudly that I could not believe my own eyes. A spiritual master running after a monkey to reclaim a belonging of one of his students. In doing so, you spoke no ordinary words, but a language of love - that of physical protection.

Another memorable incident took place the day when I visited Vrindavan on a weekend, as I do always. The previous week you had told me and a few other devotees that you will take us for a bath in the Yamuna the following weekend. But when we came the next weekend, I learned that you had already taken the devotees for a bath as well as ride on the Yamuna. Gurumata reasoned that since most of the devotees were leaving Vrindavan that week, and because the weather was pleasant one of those week days, you had decided to go for the Yamuna bath. Though I never expressed my disappointment and even thought that I've successfully suppressed it, you probably sensed my inner feelings and instantly offered to take me for a bath in Yamuna, just the two of us. The walk to the Yamuna on that day was your powerful way to spend quality time with me. Due to bad weather, we had to eventually return without bathing on that day, nevertheless that walk turned out to be the best philosophical experience!

These and many other similar pastimes that you have mercifully bestowed upon me over the years have helped establish a strong bond in my heart for you. I don't feel that I'm just your student or an aspiring disciple. Very often, I feel a strong connection with you, but as you recently pointed out, "Real love means that you are willing to undergo austerities to please the person that you love."

Gurudev, I'm willing to undergo any amount of austerities to please you. By your causeless mercy, I'm hopeful of qualifying as your disciple very soon.

Wish you a Happy Appearance Day & A Long, Healthy, Purpose-filled Existence!!!

May Srila Prabhupada always bless you and guide you!

May you and Gurumata always bless and guide me! Ever your blissful servant, Radhakrishnan, New Delhi, India

Sevananda Das, Kathmandu, Nepal - You are the summum bonum of my life

My dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

My dear Srila Gurudeva, O summum bonum of my life, this glorious day has dawned again when I get the chance to formally remember you and worship you and count my blessings for having the opportunity to do so. Today, as I am preparing to write my love letter to you,





trying to put into words my feelings for you, trying to find words that will adequately portray to the world the significance that you hold in my life, I feel completely incapacitated not knowing what to write and how to write it. I feel like a child who is tasked to figure out Calculus and Differential Equations. My situation is probably similar to that of Dhruva Maharaja's when the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Krishna, appeared before him and he became completely dumbfounded not knowing how to glorify his Lord.

My dear Srila Gurudeva, O summum bonum of my life, I can clearly remember how I stumbled upon you over the internet in the fall of 2002. At the time, I was simply looking for a source that could provide a Vedic perspective to some of my academic queries, and while searching over the internet for such a source, I stumbled upon your website and sent my queries to you without the slightest inkling that I was being guided by Krishna Himself and that I was about to reignite our eternal loving relationship. After that we exchanged several e-mails that were full of my queries, which were succinctly answered by you in every case. And then, my dear Srila Gurudeva, O summum bonum of my life, do you remember that beautiful week in the spring of 2003, when we met for the very first time in Fargo, North Dakota, in the house of one of your students and disciple, Sachi Dulal Das? Do you remember the hired red car in which I drove you around Fargo...., the flower petal with which you hit me and I ate it...., the most beautiful smile that you gave me in the end as a sendoff gift for being pleased with my service....?

When I remember those days, My dear Srila Gurudeva, O summum bonum of my life, I am reminded of a beautiful verse spoken by Dhruva Maharaja from Hari-bhakti-sudhodaya (7.28), which is also given in CC Madhya 22.42:

sthanabhilaşī tapasi sthito 'ham

tvam praptavan deva-munindra-guhyam

kacam vicinvann api divya-ratnam

svamin krtartho 'smi varam na yace

"O my Lord, because I was seeking an opulent material position, I was performing severe types of penance and austerity. Now I have gotten You, who are very difficult for the great demigods, saintly persons and kings to attain. I was searching after a piece of glass, but instead I have found a most valuable jewel. Therefore I am so satisfied that I do not wish to ask any benediction from You."

Indeed, I was simply looking for some piece of glass, but instead I found the most valuable transcendental jewel that is you. And then, in due course, you mercifully accepted me as your disciple. I wonder, if there is anyone in the three worlds who could accurately estimate your significance in my life, but I seriously doubt it. Truly, my life begins and ends in you. For me, anything without you is but a farce. In this great ocean of material existence, which is punctuated by storms like suffering and where we are constantly threatened to be



devoured by insurmountable tsunami like struggles for existence, you are that incredible anchor of my life that holds my life boat from drifting away and crashing into oblivion. You are directly the hand of Krishna, which caresses me and guides me through thick and thin – nay, for me, you are directly Krishna.

In fact, you are more important to me than Krishna, for Krishna will not accept my service unless you accept it first. This is also corroborated by Srila Narottama Das Thakura in his superexcellent song titled Sri Rupa Manjari Pada from Prarthana. I persuade all sincere seekers of prema-bhakti to carefully study this song by Srila Narottama Das Thakura. Fittingly, to evoke that same mood, please allow me to reproduce the first verse of Sri Rupa Manjari Pada:

śrī-rūpa-mañjarī-pada, sei mora sampada,

sei mor bhajana-pūjana

sei mora praņa-dhana, sei mora abharaņa,

sei mor jīvanera jīvana

Srila Prabhupada's translation: "The lotus feet of Sri Rupa Manjari [Rupa Goswami's eternal form as a gopi of Vraja] are my real wealth. They are the object of my devotional service and worship. They are the treasure of my heart, and they are my ornaments and the life of my life."

In this beautiful creation by Srila Thakura dedicated to the lotus feet of Sri Guru, we can clearly see his sublime feelings for his Guru as well as understand the real position and value of Sri Guru. Srila Thakura goes on to say that to attain the lotus feet of Sri Guru is the goal of all his activities including the chanting of the maha-mantra. What more can be said regarding the significance of Sri Guru in the life of his disciples? Simply put, the only way we can access Krishna is by making our Guru the repository of all our love. There is no other way.

Krishna Himself says (SB 11.17.27), "acaryam mam vijanīyan navamanyeta karhicit: One should know the acarya as Myself and never disrespect him in any way." On the basis of the same principle Jesus Christ also proclaimed "one who has seen me has seen the father" and "nobody comes to the father, but through me." Most importantly, the point here is not so much the philosophical understanding, but the feelings behind it, for one of the names given to Krishna is Bhava-grahi Janardana meaning He digs for feelings (bhava). So there are many spiritual principles given in the scriptures, e.g. detachment from all material principles, equanimity among all beings and things, being self-satisfied, tolerance, humility, etc. but, all these are only preliminary principles before one comes to the platform where one develops strong feelings of attachment for the lotus feet of Sri Guru, the pure devotee of the Lord. Then and only then does one get entry into the pastimes of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, Krishna.



My dear Srila Gurudeva, O summum bonum of my life, please forgive me, if I have overstated anything, but I would like to proclaim without any hesitancy that I see you as the direct manifestation of Krishna, and the only goal of my life is to be able to love you intensely with all my heart. On this most holy of holy days, I pray that you guide me on the right path.

A servant of your servants,

Sevananda Das, Kathmandu, Nepal

Shalini Khurana - New Delhi - Your teachings have completely changed my way of thinking

Respected Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances

Your teachings have completely changed my way of thinking and my attitude towards life. Now I feel more focused and not much confused.

The Hare Krishna Maha-mantra has now become part of my life. I chant this Maha-mantra whenever I get time. This chanting is my first priority.

Your teachings have completely changed my way of thinking and the way I thought about myself.

When compared to others your teachings have brought a positive change in my life and I will always remember you throughout my life.

your servant, Bhaktin Shalini, New Delhi, India

Shalini Gupta - Dehra Doon - Humble and dedicated offering

Respected Sir, Hari Om. All glories to Srila Prabhupada,

It is my utmost honor to be offering His Grace my humble and dedicated Puja offerings. In this world today, most of us are lost in the quagmire of emotions, thoughts and perceptions.

To be lifted from this materialistic existence to a meaningful existence requires the teachings and guidance of a spiritual teacher. We are fortunate to read and try to understand these glorious teachings of Shri Krishna through Sir's daily Ultimate Self Realization course which helps me to be a better human being and selfless in all my activities.



Thank you so much. It is our privilege indeed. Sincerely yours, Shalini Gupta, Dehra Doon, India

Shashank - Noida - Thank you for all the causeless mercy

Hare Krishna, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Gurudev and Srimati Gurumata ji. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

By the causeless mercy of your Divine Grace I could come in the holy dhams. I had lived in Kolkata and New Delhi for almost 10 years but could never get entry in the dham but only the causeless mercy of your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumata ji, HG Srimati Guru Vandana Mataji and Radhakrishnan Prabhu brought me to Sri Vrindavan Dham on 8th of September, 2012.

It was 29th of September, 2012 when I went to Govardhan for the Parikrama with your Divine Grace, Srimati Gurumata ji and other Godbrothers and Godsisters. We were travelling in an auto and I was standing at the back as there no space to sit but as soon a little space was created your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumata ji called me immediately to sit. I was so much touched. I was thinking that here is someone who is meeting me for the second time and are so much loving and caring.

Thank you for all the causeless mercy which your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumata ji has bestowed upon me.

your most unfortunate servant, Bhakta Shashank, Noida, India

Shashi Bhushan - New Delhi - You mercifully accepted me under your shelter

Hare Krishna, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Gurudev and Srimati Gurumata ji. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

nama om vishnupadaya krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine



"I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Divine Grace Saṅkarṣaṇa dāsa Adhikāri, who is very dear to Lord Krsna, on this earth , having taken shelter at the lotus feet of the transcendental Lord.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti in order to spread the teachings of Lord Caitanya."

Please accept my humble obeisances unto your lotus feet , Srila Gurudeva I am mesmerized by your kindness of accepting me and giving me your kind shelter, if you would not have explained mercifully that why do I exist and what is purpose of my life I would have been simply wandering in this mundane life like a ghost without any purpose simply to create nonsense for others. You mercifully accepted me under your shelter and I am trying to stand up and follow your kind instructions. For me you are my father and mother who is seeing this wretched child very affectionately. You are helping me in understanding ultimate purpose of life and how to follow it to attain everlasting peace and happiness. My dear Srila Gurudeva you are the most merciful representative of Krsna and previous acharyas. You very mercifully explain the percepts of Vedas and Vedic literature in a way that I can understand. I offer my respectful obeisance unto your lotus feet again and again for you are the only shelter for me from this status of confusion and chaos of this materialistic quagmire. Because of your purity and preaching countless souls are being attracted towards Krsna consciousness. For us you are the manifestation of Krsna's personal causeless mercy. Anyone who wants to render devotional service must accept a bonafide spiritual master hence sastras enjoins :

tasmad gurum prapadyeta jijnasuh sreya uttamam sabde pare ca nisnatam brahmany upasamasrayam

"Any person who seriously desires to achieve real happiness must seek out a bona fide spiritual master, take shelter of him by initiation. The qualification of his spiritual master is that he must have realized the conclusion of the scriptures by deliberation and he must be able to convince others of these conclusions. Such great personalities, who have taken shelter of the Supreme Godhead, leaving aside all material considerations, should be understood to be bona fide spiritual masters." (Bhagavatam 11.3.21)

Srila Visvanath Chakravarti Thakur advises that "It is only by the mercy of spiritual master that one receives the mercy of Krsna." So I must always follow your instructions to be eligible of your mercy.

Vande guru sri charanaravindam

your humble servant Shashi Bhushan, New Delhi, India



Sheela Uday - New Delhi - I bow at your feet

I bow to Guruji who by the application of the collyrium of knowledge opens the eyes of one blinded by the disease of ignorance. I bow to Guruji who imparts to the disciple the fire of self knowledge and burns away his bonds of karma accumulated through many births. Salutations to Guruji Sri Sankarshan Das Adhikariji.

Om namo bhagavathe vasudevaya. Mrs.Sheela Uday, New Delhi, India.

Shreyas Sharma, New Delhi - May I be able to serve your Divine Grace's Lotus Feet

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the

darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."

nama om vishnupadaya krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti krpatmane gauradesha viskashartha uttama bhakt varshine

"O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Srila Gurudeva, His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada states in a lecture on Srimad Bhagavatam 1.2.3, that offering obeisances to the spiritual master means glorifying the spiritual master.

Since chanting the guru pranama-mantra is a part of daily sadhana and a connection to your Divine Grace, I meditate on those syllables, which contains the glories, the mood and the mission of the spiritual master.

nama om vishnupadaya krishna preshthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

By the mercy of His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, a fallen soul like me has the association of His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari Srila Gurudeva, who's a representative of His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, having descended on this planet Earth to rescue me, being very dear to his spiritual master and Lord Krishna.

Namo prabhupadanuga





Srila Gurudeva, one of your Divine Grace's most powerful charming quality is dedication and surrender to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, not only by body but mind and words as well, at all time, places and circumstances.

Although ignorant and foolish mass often criticize your Divine Grace for being a fanatic, yet nonetheless, your Divine Grace's mind doesn't budge off a moment from sticking to the lotus feet of His Divine Grace, The Ultimate Absolute Truth.

How many in ISKCON are strongly preaching and understanding the importance of keeping a clean shaved face at least?

How many in ISKCON are seriously preaching the importance of reading ALL Srila Prabhupada books in and out?

How many in ISKCON are strongly preaching the importance of ideal Grihastha life, the actual meaning of no illicit sex and nothing less as per His Divine Grace's desire? How many in ISKCON are strongly preaching the importance of a laser focused attentive chanting of 16 rounds in early morning while practicing the same?

How many in ISKCON are preaching the importance of cultivation of inner mood of bhakti, while performing the external and at the same time not slipping to the extermes? These few of many aspects show your Divine Grace's dedication to preserve what has been left by His Divine Grace and understanding of His Divine Grace's mood.

Few of many ways your Divine Grace's surrender to Srila Prabhupada, inspires me: After 3 years of a professional life, your Divine Grace meditated: "How many computer programmers are out there and how many preachers?" Calculating it, your Divine Grace became a full time brahmacari.

Now I also aspire to follow your example Srila Gurudeva and give my attempts to please your Glorious Lotus Feet!

After 14 years of successful brahmacari life, which brahmacari would join grihastha ashram? But because your Divine Grace had faith in His Divine Grace's words that GBC is non-different from him, your Divine Grace on the orders of GBC, not only entered the grihastha ashram but also lived it ideally and now are an initiating spiritual master as a vanaprastha, a paramahamsa as per His Divine Grace's teachings.

In one lecture where a neophyte was arguing on origin of jivas, in Germany, your Divine Grace ultimately answered: "I don't know who's Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura nor Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Saraswati Thakura. I only know my spiritual master His Divine Grace Om Visnupada Paramahamsa Parivrajakacarya Astottarasata Sri Srimad Tridandi Goswami Maharaj Srila Prabhupada" and then your Divine Grace stated if we know other acarya's, we know them through the vision of Srila Prabhupada.

Prema murti krpatmane

With above staunch qualities, most may glide to the fanatic side of Krishna Consciousness. Yet, your glorious qualities are such that rather than repelling away from your staunchness and strong preaching, most of the sincere souls are instead attracted because of your Divine Grace's loving exchanges and ways of interactions that heals the wounded hearts of the fallen, without compromise in the teachings at the same time.

We disciples were amazed how last year, your Divine Grace attended and fully glorified your Divine Grace's dear Godbrother His Grace Kratu Das AdhikariPrabhuji and stated that your Divine Grace had brought the disciples along, to show them how to make arrangements for your Divine Grace's Vyasa Puja.



Your Divine Grace leaves no space in giving love to others. Even on the course, the inner thoughts of a spiritual master, not usually revealed to maintain their discipline of the disciples, are sometimes revealed.

Many of such instances I'd shared in last year's offering. 2 days after last year's Vyas Puja offering submission, the Russian devotees, who were leaving Vrindavan, waiting for their taxi, found your personal arrival for them, with a kirtan that broke few others into tears, for such isyour Divine Grace's love, which alone purchases many and has purchased me too. For many years in my life, I was looking for a true friend or love or an object of surrender and unbelievably by Lord's mercy I am convinced today, this was what I was in search after and I have found and desire that others may find their love as well.

The thunderbolt truths of Krishna Consciousness philosophy are delivered in sweet balls of your loving dealings, that a neophyte smilingly accepts.

A life changing instruction from your Divine Grace that dawned in to my life during difficult times of struggle recently, was: "Laziness is conquered by love"

Gaura desa vikasartha

During the time of His Divine Grace, no one except him had faith that this movement will inundate the whole world. Even today, unfortunately, there are few amongst many devotees, one being your Divine Grace who strongly preaches this fact to convince faithless like me. Travelling from countries, with varying temperatures, with so many bodily miseries and miseries due to improper management from disciples like me, besides a huge family of 17,000 to maintain, your Divine Grace sticks to the regular sadhana and preaching. All this displays your strong desire to fulfill His Divine Grace's mission. Your Divine Grace aims for nothing less than delivering the whole world.

uttama bhakti varsine

The topmost teaching that your Divine Grace emphasizes on is rendering of selfless and uninterrupted, pure devotional service, the only justice to the self.

Your Divine Grace constantly attacks the misconceptions that devotees stick to, that-'pure devotional service can be performed at this very moment and can be attained in this very lifetime itself'- in the most easy and convincing manner by your Divine Grace's dint of experience on this path.

Your Divine Grace's strong adherence to the teachings of His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, sweet loving ways of connecting and guiding the souls and strong desire to preach, preach and preach the message of acaryas simply results in bestowal of pure devotional service on any sincere soul.

There are infinite glories of your Divine Grace like relishing 1728 GulabJamuns within the bead bag (Hare Krishna Mahamantra), the infectious convincing point of unlimited nectar within the 2 syllable word Krs-na, the importance of connecting with Krishna through His Holy Names by attentive chanting, the importance of worshiping all the vaisnavas, of chastising the mind and the most important being praying intensely to guru and Krishna, while always deeply introspecting one's acts in an unbiased manner with an attitude of gratitude at all times.

Before your Divine Grace's arrival in Delhi, due to high stress from long hour jobs 6 days a week and many mismanaged services, besides unfavourable interactions and health, I had been suffering from constant strikes of flickering in my left eyes for consistent 3 weeks which was shifting to the right. Massage also couldn't solve it. Sunday programs would help a bit.



But when I was engaged in personally serving your Divine Grace, by your Divine Causeless mercy, they were miraculously gone! I then realized your Divine Grace's teachings that how despite the internet modem being connected to the laptop needs a hit on the "Connect" button to go online, similarly the Paramatma although as caitya guru is seated within heart but it takes his external manifestation guru, to go online with Him.

I sincerely desire to follow your Divine Grace's instructions of becoming a first class disciple as stated that 2nd class is not enough. Unfortunately I find myself crawling in third class and yet falling to fourth and sometimes worse.

But as per guidance of Srimati Gurumataji I am left with no choice than to keep marching with determination and attention. A wife is considered the second half of the husband and similarly is Srimati Gurumataji's importance to us as is the importance of your Divine Grace. Srimati Gurumata's standard of perfection in all aspects of devotional service is astounding and there's no match to it in my current experience. Even the best servants have sweated. Srimati Gurumataji's guidance is what perfects us in service unto your Lotus Feet. On our own we can never be nothing.

What else is wanted when a perfect guidance and boat is available to cross this ocean of nescience with spiritual master such as your Divine Graces? Only complete surrender and sincerity from my end. Therefore I desire that I be able to serve your Divine Grace's Lotus Feet with as much association, to perfect my life and existence and become a first class disciple. Meeting after meeting, mail after mails, I have always seeked your Divine Blessings, but I now realize that what will ultimately satisfy the self is a first class service for your Divine Pleasure. I regret for not being able to serve much during this Vyasa Puja but I consider these arrangements as a test of patience and tolerance for the awaited future.

Striving to give my best, your servant, Bhakta Shreyas, New Delhi, India

Shyamapriya Devi dasi - New Delhi - You are personifications of Srila Prabhupada's mood

nama om visnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshandasa adhikariti namine namo prabudhanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesha vikasartha uttama bhakti varshine

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Divine Grace Sankarṣaṇa dāsa Adhikāri, who is very dear to Lord Krsna, on this earth, having taken shelter at the lotus feet of the transcendental Lord.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti in order to spread the teachings of Lord Caitanya."

My Dearmost Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji,

Please accept my most humble obeisances in the dust of both your Graces' lotus feet.





All glories unto your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji. All glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. All glories, all glories to your Divine Grace's vyasa puja celebrations.

I humbly fall at your lotus feet and beg for your Divine Grace's permission and mercy so that I may be able to write a few words and present this as my humble offering on this most auspicious day of our lives.

Dearest Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji, I thank both of your Graces a million times from the core of my heart for making the celebrations of your Divine Grace's Vyasa puja in Sri Vrindavan dham, this year, in your personal presence, a reality. This is a dream come true for me and for all of us who couldn't travel to Lithuania, where every year our dear God-brothers and sisters celebrate Vyasa puja with so much love, opulence and grandeur.

Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji, this is my greatest fortune that by the causeless mercy of Sri Krishna and Srila Prabhupada I could meet both your Graces and that a rascal like me got a cooling shelter at your Divine Grace's lotus feet to protect me from this material entanglement and take me back home, back to Godhead. As mentioned in the purport of SB 11.17.27, both your Graces have been immensely pouring all your love and care in nurturing each one of us spiritually, just like a parent would for their child, and personally training each one of us-your disciples to realize our ultimate goal and reach towards it.

Sincerely practicing the teachings of Srila Prabhupada, both your Graces are visibly true prabhupadanugas walking this planet. Dedicating your entire lives to please your Divine Grace's spiritual master-His Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, both of you are personally teaching us by example how to follow Sri Guru by one's words, thoughts and deeds.

Your Divine Grace's mission- a seemingly daunting yet the most wondrous task of making this entire world Krishna conscious reflects your magnanimous stature and your unflinching faith in your spiritual master's words. Keeping all your bodily comforts aside and tolerating all the inconveniences, both your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji, have been tirelessly travelling around the world to preach and help all living entities like me to revive their original consciousness. This great sincerity of your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji towards your spiritual masters, has deeply instilled a desire in me also to sincerely follow your footsteps with great love and determination.

Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumataji, I see both your Graces as personifications of Srila Prabhupada's mood for Hare Krishna movement. By strictly adhering to Srila Prabhupada's teachings and preaching the same to the entire world, you both have been training us to follow the same for our deliverance and also to help keep the Hare Krishna movement go strong for many thousands of years to come, so that the future generations may also take advantage of this 'golden period' of kali yuga, for their deliverance.

Your Divine Grace's sincerity towards your spiritual master and your constant dwelling in the mood of how to expand Hare Krishna movement, allows me to deeply meditate and reflect on the definition of Uttama Adhikari given in the purport of text 5, Nectar of Instruction and see your Divine Grace as the manifestation of the definition, which is -



"One who is very seriously engaged in the service of the Lord and strictly following all the regulative principles, chanting the prescribed number of rounds on Japa beads and always thinking of how to expand the Krishna consciousness movement. Such a Vaisnava should be accepted as an <code>Uttama Adhikari</code>, a highly advanced devotee and his association should always be sought."

Also, your Divine Grace's expertise in answering the questions perfectly, based on Srila Prabhupada's teachings, has helped thousands of souls like me by freeing them from their many lingering doubts which have been posing impediments on their spiritual path. Your Divine Grace is so merciful that for the benefit of fools and ignorants like me you daily broadcast many significant questions and answers in the Question and Answers section of the 'Thought for the day' on your Divine Grace's Ultimate Self Realization course (which is at present enlightening more than 17,000 souls every day).

Every day, a new thought for the day, completely based on Srila Prabhupada's teachings and your Divine Grace's personal realizations is like a wakeup call or alarm clock which sets off to remind us of who we really are and what we are supposed to do with our human form of lives in this material world. 'Thought of the day' has now become the most important and most essential part of our lives. Thank you very much Srila Gurudeva for this wonderful gift you have given us in charity to transform our lives.

Again, it is our greatest fortune, my dearmost Srila Gurudeva that your Divine Grace's has been personally taking efforts to broadcast live lectures and giving us your vani association on a regular basis (no matter which part of the world your Divine Grace is visiting) for the benefit of all your disciples, students and many, many souls out there. And by making the summit use of technology in preaching the Krishna consciousness around the globe, your Divine Grace is showing us by example how to engage each and every thing in the service of Sri Krishna.

I humbly fall at the lotus feet of your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji, and thank you a million times, again and again, for providing us everything necessary for our spiritual advancement, for making complete arrangements (i.e. by engaging us in Sri Guru's and Sri Krishna's service, by making your lectures, books, writings available to us with absolutely no material costs) to take all of your disciples back home, back to Sri Krishna.

Realizing being the most foolish and most fallen of all, I humbly fall in the dust of your Divine Grace's lotus feet and on this most auspicious day of your Vyasa puja I beg for your causeless mercy that may I be able to sincerely follow your Divine Grace's instructions with immense love, great respect and determination and completely dedicate my life by taking them as my very life and soul to forever please my spiritual master.

I humbly beg and pray at the lotus feet of Sri Sri Gaura Nitai, Sri Sri Krishna Balaram and Sri Sri Radha Syamasundar of Sri Vrindavan dham that may we celebrate many, many, many more Vyasa puja celebrations in your Divine Grace's and Srimati Gurumataji's personal presence. I humbly beg and pray from the core of my heart, falling at the lotus feet of Their Lordships to bestow the best of health and facilities to my spiritual master and mother so that they can save many, many fallen souls like me from aimlessly wandering the universe and help on knowing the real purpose of human form of lives.



I humbly beg at the lotus feet of your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumataji to kindly forgive me for any offences I might have committed knowingly or unknowingly while writing the above words of glorification.

Desiring to completely immerse myself in the bliss of celebrating your Divine Grace's Vyasa puja in Sri Vrindavan Dham

your insignificant servant, Shyamapriya Devi dasi, New Delhi, India

Shyamsundar Das - Spiritual master is not just the person who initiates us

Respected Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Gurudev, I had received a mail requesting for Vyaspuja offering few months back. Frankly speaking, I thought it was meant for disciples initiated by you and I had nothing to do with it. But in my heart, a small thought kept surfacing at times that I keep bothering you with my questions time and again and you take time out to reply. The least I could was to be courteous enough to express my gratitude. And then little realization dawned on me. 'Gurun' is a plural word which includes Diksha, shiksha and chaitya guru. All the gurus in parampara are gurus, though one of them has accepted you in the parampara, yet others remain equally important. When this dawned on me, I began to make this little Vyaspuja offering.

Frankly speaking, like a child can never repay the debt of its parents. Much in the same way, I find myself totally incapacitated to write anything in your glorification. Shamelessly, I seek your blessings and guidance to be able to write anything in to glorify you.

All that appears to the mind, is YOUR ONE HUNDRED PERCENT DEDICATION TO THE CAUSE OF SRILA PRABHUPADA AND HIS MISSION TO ELEVATE AS MANY SUFFERING SOULS TO THE ETERNAL WORLD. You have chosen the Internet for achieving that. You are doing it tirelessly every day. What is most intriguing is your supplementation of any argument / advise from shastric injunctions. These quotes are most appropriate and make the statement so authentic, that there is no scope of any doubt in reader's mind. Also amazing fact is your humility and commitment to reply to the mails you receive. You are travelling extensively, preaching in the whole world and yet you find time to reply and connect to everyone. You could easily have a bundle of genuine excuses, yet you choose to find a solution to all these. Truly amazing, Gurudev.

I humbly pray at the lotus feet of Srimati Radha Rani to bless you with unlimited energy and good health to continue to serve Srila Prabhupada in his mission.

Trying to learn how to serve Guru parampara.



Your servant,

Shyamsundar das, Disciple of HH BB Govinda Swami

Dr. Suhasini Nandika - you are chosen by Karunamaya Shyamasundara

Dear Maharaja,

On this special day, I pray and express gratitude that the all-merciful Shyamasundara, Karunamaya Syamasundara has chosen you as an instrument for the deliverance of fallen souls like us. I pay my humble obeisance at your lotus feet and pray for you mercy.

Please accept this prayer from the Mukunda Mala Stotra, verses by King Kulashekhara, a favorite of Srila Prabhupada.

maj-janmanaḥ phalam idam madhu-kaiṭabhāre mat-prārthanīya-mad-anugraha eṣa eva tvad-bhṛtya-bhṛtya-paricāraka-bhṛtya-bhṛtyabhṛtyasya bhṛtya iti mām smara loka-nātha

O enemy of Madhu and Kaiṭabha, O Lord of the universe, the perfection of my life and the most cherished mercy You could show me would be for You to consider me the servant of Your servant Mukunda Mala Stotra, verse 25, also quoted in CC Madhya 13.80.

your servant, Dr. Suhasini Nandika

Visvanatha Das - New Delhi - Bless me with complete absorption in pure devotional service

Dear Srila Gurudeva and Gurumataji,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you!

The scriptures inform us that the spiritual master is the external manifestation of the Supersoul in our heart. You give me information about what is the right thing and how it is to be done. You always push me to the responsible course of action. Also you save me from my own foolishness when I blinded by ignorance and captivated by lust and pride, myself cannot see what I am doing. You do not sentimentally please me. Keeping myself under your vision helps. You act in my best interest even at the cost of being misunderstood. I offer you my respectful obeisances. Please excuse me for my innumerous past offenses and bless me with complete absorption in pure devotional service.

yours, Visvanatha Das, Delhi, India





Yudishthir Moza - Panchkula - My humble tribute to your lotus feet

Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I have been your disciple for more than ten years now through the Ultimate Self-Realization course. During this time, this material world or Maya, has shown me so many ups and downs. The only continuity that remains to the life is that I continue to be your disciple throughout.

Based on your teachings & my resultant realization, I wrote a poem recently that I offer here as a tribute.

Please accept my humble tribute to your lotus feet. Servant of the pebbles you tread upon, yours, Yudishthir, Panchkula, India

PASSAGE OF LIFE

When you arrived into this world, The place was new and own capabilities limited. You did not know what was day or night and warm or cold. Perception was less and capabilities less all submitted.

Then as you grew and observed others, Life was accepted and capacity increased. You did all things as done by mentors. The wonder what life is was taken for granted & struggle for acceptance very much ceased.

Soon body developed into an energetic youth, The person was all full of mirth and set out goals. Life was only a passage, you forgot this truth. With a vibrant body, you forgot your repeatedly embodied permanent soul.

In young age bodily desires increased.

Meaning of old things all transformed.

A crude example if sited into the breeze,

Breasts that sustained you one day, for them your lechery formed.

Your achievements were there for all to see, The receptacle was half full but yet to be made complete. For some more years and lot of time may be, You lived in this stupor & real purpose of life was not sought in unforgettable crime replete.

As you grew old capacity for work decreased. As had happened to you, a new youth to the centre was brought.



It was the same man but as the set of limitations increased,

To the drama of achievements of the world, Nature again another younger generation brought.

All through this rigmarole, you as a person stayed the same.

At one time it was a child, another time a youth and yet again a wretched old man.

Who was it bearing the Nature's bane?

Not the changing body but a spirit-soul bearing repeated physical forms reaching the body of a man.

Only as a man realize and bear the truth,

You have knowledge but know the fairness of truth.

You got repeated physical forms apart from Goloka Vrindavan & serving Almighty Lord, By being envious of Him and were sent in Maya world in a material body to learn on your own accord.

So live and act seeking God's company.

Call and seek Moksha or deliverance as you may.

Material world is only a mirage not worth further company.

Seek eternal servitude of God as everything else is worthless, your experienced spirit-soul would no doubt say.

Yudishthir Moza, Panchkula, Haryana, India



Eastern India

J.K Sah - Ranchi - No words can describe your unlimited mercy

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Hare Krishna My humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

No words can describe your unlimited mercy upon the fallen souls of this world. Thank you for giving Krishna to us .. thank you for giving sanity to our lives with the remembrance of Krishna.

Regards, J.K Sah, Ranchi, India

Lipsa Tripathy - Orissa - Begging your mercy

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers, pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Dear Srila Gurudeva Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to your Grace and Srimati Gurumataji All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Dear Srila Gurudeva, while searching for words to glorify your Grace, I realize that only by your mercy I am trying to live like a human being. I am actually being maintained by your divine Grace. I may fail to realize that but I know that.

Earlier I was always thinking how fortunate your students and disciples are who have your personal association when you are in India. And, by Sri Narasimhadeva's mercy, by Sri Sri Gandharvika Giridhari's mercy, by the mercy of the devotees, and by the divine potency of your and Srimati Gurumataji's order to visit you in Vrindavan, I could have darshan of both



your Graces, this year in the month of April. I sometimes wonder how a person like me could be so fortunate. You are constantly pulling me back on the path of bhakti and reminding me the goal of life.

What can I ever know about Krishna "Kichhu nahi mora guna" - I am devoid of even a fraction of any good quality, I am dull headed, lazy, full of lust, anger, greed, still you tolerate and provide me a chance to serve your lotus feet.

Out of so many divine qualities of yours, the one which attracts me the most to serve your lotus feet more and more is your complete, whole hearted, loving dedication to your spiritual master, His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. Begging your mercy so that I can understand and take deep inside my heart the meaning of the Sri Guru Vandana and live my life always meditating on the lotus feet of your grace and acting accordingly.

I humbly pray to Krishna for your and Srimati Gurumataji's good health so that you continue spreading Krishna Consciousness far and wide and deliver fallen souls life me.

Thank you your unworthy servant, Lipsa Tripathy, Orissa, India

P. Ramesh - Bhilai - You are our only hope

Hare Krishna Respected Gurudev, Please accept my respectful obeisances All glories to Srila Prabhupada All glories to Srila Gurudev

It is indeed our good fortune that we have you (bona fide spiritual master) as our Shiksha guru. I am thankful to the Supreme Lord Krishna for this beautiful arrangement. Now a days coming in contact with a bona fide spiritual master is very difficult and rare. Every day when I read your daily thoughts & B.G. lessons, I feel energized and spiritually advancing.

Guruji, you are a perfect example of a truly pure devotee of the Supreme Lord Shri Krishna and also a great disciple of His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. You are carrying out the mission of spreading Krishna Consciousness throughout the world. It is really peoples' good fortune that they are being guided by you to move in the right direction and avoid repeated birth and death. The kind of concern being shown by you for delivering people like us back to Godhead is unparalleled.

Finally, I beg you for your blessings so that I advance in Krishna Consciousness and become a true Krishna conscious person by following all the regulative principles etc. which is the highest goal in my life and I thank you once again for teaching Krishna Consciousness to us. You are our only hope to guide us in proper direction.

As a service unto you, I have donated a small amount as guru dakshina. Please accept the same





With respectful regards, your dasanu dasanu dasa, P. Ramesh, Bhilai, India

Supartha Rudra - Kolkata - Please bestow your mercy upon this ignorant animal

Dear His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari, Please accept my humble obeisance. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Sri Guru & Gauranga.

om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

"I was born in the darkest of ignorance, and my spiritual master opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."

On the auspicious occasion of your Vaysa Puja celebration, I would like to humbly put forward my heartfelt offering at your lotus feet for your pleasure and for my purification.

I truly feel grateful to be fortunately coming in connection with your divine association. Even though till now the connection with you has been through internet only, I immensely feel your presence in my heart. I always try to reflect upon your nectarean instructions and endeavor to follow those at the best of my capacity. In this relevance, I remember one verse from Sri Chaitanya Charitamrita by Srila Krishnadas Kaviraj Goswami:

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jéve säkñät nähi täte guru caittya-rüpe çikñä-guru haya kåñëa-mahänta-svarüpe

Word for word:

jīve — by the living entity; sākṣāt — direct experience; nāhi — there is not; tāte — therefore; guru — the spiritual master; caittya-rūpe — in the form of the Supersoul; śikṣā-guru — the spiritual master who instructs; haya — appears; kṛṣṇa — Kṛṣṇa, the Supreme Personality of Godhead; mahānta — the topmost devotee; sva-rūpe — in the form of.

Translation:

Since one cannot visually experience the presence of the Supersoul, He appears before us as a liberated devotee. Such a spiritual master is none other than Krsna Himself.

Purport:

It is not possible for a conditioned soul to directly meet Krsna, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, but if one becomes a sincere devotee and seriously engages in devotional service, Lord Krsna sends an instructing spiritual master to show him favor and invoke his dormant propensity for serving the Supreme. The preceptor appears before the external senses of the fortunate conditioned soul, and at the same time the devotee is guided from within by the caittya-guru, Krsna, who is seated as the spiritual master within the heart of the living entity.





I deeply contemplate on this portion of the purport by Srila Prabhupada "..but if one becomes a sincere devotee and seriously engages in devotional service, Lord Kṛṣṇa sends an instructing spiritual master to show him favor and invoke his dormant propensity for serving the Supreme." and found that even though I am not so sincere devotee and not engaging myself seriously in devotional service, Lord Krishna mercifully sent you as one of my most distinguished Siksha Gurus. By reading this verse again and again I try to remember the portion of the sloka "çikñā-guru haya kåñëa- mahānta - svarūpe" i.e. Such spiritual master is none other than Krishna Himself. Even though I have been endowed with such fortune, but due to my fallen condition I hardly remember this always and out of my puffed up false ego I waste valuable time in baseless mental speculative indulgence. So on this auspicious occasion I would like to beg at your lotus feet to kindly bestow your mercy upon this ignorant animal so that I can remember at least your basic instructions and act accordingly as and when required.

Further, I am really astonished as well as inspired to observe your optimistic vision to spread the mission of Krishna Consciousness throughout the nook and corner of the world. This really inspires me a lot and gives me fuel in driving myself into positive engagement of active devotional service.

Lastly, I'd like to pray at the lotus feet of Sri Sri Radha Govindaji, Sriman Mahaprabhu, Sri Jagannath, Sri Balaram, and Shubhadra Maharani so that you keep on bestowing your merciful divine grace to all the suffering souls of this planet Earth through your wonderful lectures, systematic on-line courses and inspiring regular e-mail postings.

Thanking you, with dandavat pranam, in your humble service, your servant of the servant, Supartha Rudra, Kolkata, West Bengal, India



Western India



ISKCON New Vedic Cultural Center--Pune, India

Abasaheb – Pune - I express my sincere gratitude unto your feet

Dear Gurudev Hare Krishna! Please accept my humble obeisance unto your lotus feet.

First of all I forward my earnest apology for not writing this offering in time as I really did not receive the specific message for writing vyaspuja offerings. My dear Gurudeva, on the day of your appearance I wish you a very long and prosperous life. Since last many many years not a single day has ever been passed without the sublime message you brought us for our spiritual advancement. Your regular, practical teachings have given us a new enthusiasm in the process of bhakti. I work in an office here in Pune and I know how it is always tricky to write in correspondence with others, but out of your causeless compassion for all of us you have merrily accepted this daunting task of writing so many e-mails to all of us. Giving detailed and precise, convincing answers is indeed an art of immense scarcity but have been a master of this art. O great Vaisnava we know that your only aim is to make this world happy by realigning them towards Krishna. I feel very very blessed to have been in contact of your divine & graceful personality. Before I wind up I must express my sincere gratitude unto your feet. I once again extend my warm wishes & greetings unto your lotus feet on the day of your appearance.

Looking further to receive the dust of your lotus feet





yours very very insignificant servant Bhakta Abasaheb, Pune, India

Acharya Das - Mumbai - Everyday we remember you

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeiances. All Glories to Srila Prabhupada.

As I meditate to write this year's Vyasa Puja offering, Srila Rupa Goswami book "Laghu Bhagavatamrta" comes to my mind where Rupa Goswami mentions in detail about the Sweetness of devotees & Sweetness of Krishna.

I have been fortunate enough to receive some part of this Sweetness for almost a decade now by way of your association, going on Parikramas, hearing Lectures, personal instructions, doing Service. We don't realize when we are receiving this sweetness but now by your mercy understand a tiny bit of this aspect of devotional life.

You continue to show us by example how to practice Krishna consciousness. You are always engaged in the process of devotional service without interruption and your determination, kindness and compassion give us strength and inspiration.

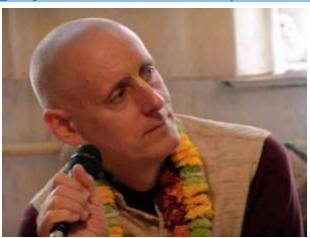
You are kindly giving us your association through your Ultimate self realization course daily, Online Meetings and Travels without this great effort fewer of us would be on the path back home, back to Godhead. Every day we think of you & feel grateful to Lord Gauranga for, you being part of our lives. We love to hear your talks about Krishna and His pastimes and we love to hear your singing His names and glories.

We humbly aspire to follow in your footsteps and truly become humble servants of the Lord and His devotees.

yours Eternal Servant, Acharya Das, Mumbai, India



Adipurusha das - Mumbai - I was fortunate enough to receive an instant reply



Hare Krsna Srila Gurudeva Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to your Divine Grace and Srimati Gurumata.

On the auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja, I am making an attempt to glorify you.

sarva-desa-kala-dasaya janra kartavya guru-pase sei bhakti prastavya, srotavya

"It is therefore the duty of every man—in every country, in every circumstance and at all times—to approach the bona fide spiritual master, question him about devotional service and listen to him explain the process." (Sri Caitanya-caritamåta Madhya-lila 25.122) Instead of inquiring from you about performing devotional service, in my emails I used to list the troubles given by my mind. I feel embarrassed about it now. But you patiently guided me pointing out how the lack of absorption in devotional service is the cause of my problems.

While reading about demons in Vrindavana and the different anarthas they represent, I came to know that there are certain anarthas like desire for name, fame, profit and adoration which cannot be overcome unless one inquires from the Spiritual Master. When I wrote an email to you in this connection, I was fortunate enough to receive an instant reply, while I was drafting the next email to you. I treasure the answer you gave me and read it again and again. I felt very grateful for having such a wonderful Spiritual Master who gives life transforming guidance. You are continuously showering "Uttama Bhakti" to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Taking your guidance, I feel more inspired to serve the Vaishnavas, have good relationships with them and keep them happy by serving them. In this way I am confident that I can please your Divine Grace.

On this day, I beg you to bless me so that I can also develop intense Guru Bhakti which you have towards His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada. Because attachment to your lotus feet is the perfection that fulfills all desires.

your insignificant servant Adipurusha das, Mumbai, India





Archana Lahoti - Please bless so I may receive your immense blessings

Dear Srila Gurudeva,
Please accept my humble obeisance.
All glories to Srila Prabhupada
I am reader of daily broadcast of the Ultimate Self Realization Course.
I feel myself blessed to read this nectar of devotion everyday
I always wonder how one can be so devoted to Krishna?

Gurudeva , I know you are there to give much but it is me who can take very little because of my insincerity & attitude.

I am very grateful to you for personally answering my foolish queries with so much of patience. Whenever I feel agitated & find that I am deviating from the path of devotion , I always remember your advice to keep myself on the right track Gurudeva , I wish you will continue to bless me forever in my life & further though I may be the most non-eligible person on this planet

Thank you so much for your unconditional mercy & love to me

Your aspiring servant, Archana Lahoti

Bina V Bhatt - Khanpur, Gujarat - Just following you I feel unexplainable happiness



Our dear Srila Gurudev,

Offering our humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to you and Srimati Gurumata! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Following is an offering from our mother – Bina V Bhatt. She had your personal darshan during our first initiation last year in Delhi East of Kailash ISKCON temple. She has been chanting 16 rounds on mala since then and have given up drinking tea and coffee. She wrote the offering in Gujarati Language and we have tried our best to translate it as it is. Kindly please forgive our offences and shortcomings in rendering this translation service.

Your humble servants, Ananda Vardhana Das Bhakti Priya Devi Dasi Melbourne, Australia



Her (translated) written offering...

All glories to Guru Maharaja.

Following are from poet Kabir (Kabir's Couplets).

Without Guru how can I get knowledge of God. O Guru, kindly please bestow your mercy so that I sing the glories of Lord Hari.

Guru and Govinda both are here! To whom should I bow first!

All glories to Sri Guru who made me realize Govinda!

In my life I have found gurus in the form of teachers and elderly relatives but now that at this stage of my life, I found you - a bona fide spiritual master. When I first heard pure devotional service and mellows of pure devotional service from you, even though it takes a while for me to understand but when I do understand even little bit, my mind goes again and again to offer my most humble obeisances to you at your lotus feet and I feel I want to hear more and more from you. At the same time I feel why did not I get this opportunity before? Now I feel may be I have only short time left in my life. But then I feel never mind better late than never. I feel so much great happiness that I have received such priceless opportunity of having shelter of your lotus feet. I had your first darshan through your photograph, the joy I felt at that time was so invaluable that nothing else could give me this much joy. Since that first darshan and taking shelter of you in my heart, my whole life and thoughts have changed for good. Since that first darshan, mundane tension and anxiety have disappeared. Now deep in my heart, I just feel that Krsna is taking care of everything and I just want to dedicate my life in pursuing pure devotional service from you. Now there is no ill feelings due to some social comments or no anxiety for relatives. Just by having constant remembrance of Krsna in my mind, I find the solution for all the problems. Deep within my heart, I have firm conviction in your teachings and just by following your instructions daily and doing devotional activities, I feel unexplainable happiness.

Unfortunately I have made a mistake of observing Cāturmāsa without your instruction. I am following this sacrifice not for the liberation or piety but to make further advancement on the path of pure devotional service. Kindly please forgive me for this mistake. Now my only desire is to have your constant darshan by purifying my mind, words and activities. I am just an insignificant living being, I hardly can understand 2-4 sentences in your lectures but I am just trying my best to read, study and implement teachings from your TruthWorks and same for Srimad Bhagavad Gita As It Is. If I get little bit of your blessings Guru Maharaja then only Krsna would accept devotional service from me - such a fallen soul.

Kindly please grant me blessings of allowing me to attend your Vyasapuja this year in Sri Vrindavan Dham.

Offering my most humble obeisances to you Guru Maharaja.

your insignificant devotee,

Bina V Bhatt, Khanpur, Gujarat. India

Kamal Caran Das - Bharuch, Gujarat - "Thought Of the Day" makes us fresh

Hare Krsna.

Please accept my humble obeisances.





All glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Sri Gaur Nitai.

I feel great pleasure to offer my humble gratitude to my Siksha Guru H. G. Shriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari for his humble and simple teachings. The teachings from Guru maharaj are always in a simple but unbelievably targeting to the truth with vedic supports. Reading "Thought For The day" and on-line "Lessons" from Guru Maharaj has helped me a lot in increasing ability to deal with my internal quarrels of understanding as well as facing the questions during preaching externally. "Thought Of the Day" makes us fresh and wakes us up in real term on the day. I remain grateful to him for the knowledge I get from him and pray to Sri Sri Radha-Giridhariji for his services as long as possible to the universe and I beg for the blessings to Sri Sri Radha-Giridhariji & Gurudeva to make me enable to serve in the mission our acharyas' have started through ISKCON.

All glories to Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikariji. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Guru & Gauranga. All glories to Sri Sri Radha- Giridhariji.

With love and gratitude, Kamal Caran Das, Bharuch, Gujarat, India

KP Kanziya - Ahmedabad, Gujarat - What a great moment!

Oh Great Divine Soul!
Hare Krishna.
What a great moment! a poor like me is offering words of devotion to THOU..
May THE ALMIGHTY act through YOU!,
Nay! is HE not acting now throughYOU?
Ah Glorious Supreme! Ah merciful!
Long Live to kindly bless the entire mankind with bliss, purity, divinity and PEACE.
Please accept my PRANAAMA, my VANDANA.

KP Kanziya, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

Krishna Kumar - Mumbai - That was the most happiest moment of my life.

All glories to Sri Gurudeva Dandavat Pranaam Gurudeva & Gurumataji,

After being disconnected for more than a year & a half, it was a pleasant surprise to learn about the presence of Your Grace at ISKCON, Juhu, this week. My cherished desire of five years, to meet your Grace & take your blessings came true on 14th october 2015. That was the most happiest moment of my life.

I promise to act on your suggestions, with firm faith, to progress further in my spiritual endeavor. I pray for your eternal guidance.



your humble servant Krishna kumar, Mumbai, India.

Krishna Priya Devi Dasi - Mumbai - Without your mercy, I feel helpless

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humblest obeisance's at your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all glories to you

On the auspicious day of your Vyasa Puja, the day of your blessed appearance in this world, please accept this humble offering as I make a trivial attempt in thanking your divine grace for being so kind and generous in accepting me as your Spiritual Daughter and in this wonderful family of devotees .

Yet somewhat I feel discontented and want to strive much deeper to please you in assisting in your service towards Srila Prabhupada's mission. Last Year after taking initiation, I have truly realized what the real position of a disciple is and that is to surrender to Guru's instructions and his will. I may not yet fully comprehend this message but by your encouragement, strength and mercy I want to make myself a more qualified disciple than last year by following your instructions more sincerely and rigidly.

But without your mercy, I feel helpless. Please Gurudeva, humbly I bow down my head unto your lotus feet and beg for your patience, support, guidance and blessings so I can serve you and all the Vaishnavas in all eternity. My only desire is to please Guru and Gauranga, please allow me, give strength and enable me to be always engaged in service of Guru & the parampara.

your Spiritual Daughter, Krishna Priya Devi Dasi, Mumbai, India





Pure Devotional Service Seminar--Pune, India--17 April 2015

Makarand - Pune - Who is the one?

Dear Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to srila Prabhupad.

All glories to you Gurudev on this most auspicious day of your vyaspuja.

Thank you very much for allowing me to glorify your goodself on this most auspicious day. WHO?

- ...is the one and only applying latest technology to spread Krishna consciousness world-wide?
- ...is available 24/7?
- ...is the one to guide us in distress and happiness?
- ...helps us remembering Krishna every moment?
- ...is the one answering all our inquiries day in and out?
- ...is the one available at the click of button?

It's you my dear Gurudev, millions of obeisances unto your lotus feet on this auspicious day. I sincerely pray that God may give me strength to serve you in your mission to TURN ON every soul.





your aspiring disciple servant, Makarand, Pune, India

Premal - Mumbai - I beg you to help me assist you

My Dear Srila Gurudeva Please accept my humble obesiances All glories to Srila Prabhupada All glories to Sri Sri Radha Damodar

Om ajnana timirandhasya jnanjana salakiya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master ,who has opened my eyes ,which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance ,with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

namo om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesa vikasartha,uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Although your love for Srila Prabhupada and Sri Krishna is not possible for me to comprehend it is apparent that you are beyond the stage of liberation in the material world. On daily basis, I come across so many situations where I'm constantly been attacked by Maya, your daily Thought for the day emails protect me from the arrows of maya and help me to be Krishna conscious.

You are addressed as Prabhupada Nuga - follower of Prabhupada. With your mercy, I could see how you have dedicated your entire life to follow Srila Prabhupada's instructions.

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.Acaryam mam vijaniyan nava-manyata karichit
na martya- buddhyasuyeta sarva- deva -mayo- guroh.
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One should know the $\bar{a}c\bar{a}rya$ as Myself and never disrespect him in any way. One should not envy him, thinking him an ordinary man, for he is the representative of all the Demigods. Such a person may appear to be an ordinary human being, but because he acts on behalf of the Supreme Personality of Godhead, the supreme spiritual master, he is not to be neglected as ordinary. It is therefore said, $\bar{a}c\bar{a}rya\dot{m}$ $m\bar{a}\dot{m}$ $vij\bar{a}n\bar{i}y\bar{a}t$ (SB 11.17.27): an $\bar{a}c\bar{a}rya$ who acts on behalf of the Supreme Personality of Godhead should be understood to be as good as the Supreme Lord Himself.

yasya deve para bhaktir





yatha deve tatha gurau tasyaita kathita hy arthah prakasante mahatmana

One who has unflinching devotion for the Supreme Lord and is directed by the spiritual master, in whom he has similar unflinching faith, can see the Supreme Personality of Godhead by revelation. One cannot understand Kṛṣṇa by mental speculation. For one who does not take personal training under the guidance of a bona fide spiritual master, it is impossible to even begin to understand Kṛṣṇa. The word tu is specifically used here to indicate that no other process can be used, can be recommended, or can be successful in understanding Kṛṣṇa.

Srila Gurudeva my indebtedness will never be paid by any material opulences of this world. Even if one gets a post of Brahma it is not possible to repay. The seed of bhakti is planted by the spiritual master at the time of initiation and it is the duty of the student to follow the instructions of his spiritual master sincerely and obediently.

By the mercy of spiritual master one gets mercy otherwise it is impossible to understand the science of Krishna for millions of life times. It is imperative and mandatory to serve the spiritual master and inquire from him submissively by following his instructions. I am so much grateful to you My Dear Srila Gurudeva though totally unqualified from all angles you have given me a chance. I read "Thought for the Day" everyday and it has become my daily routine.

It is so interesting to read the daily messages that it encourages me to dive deeper and deeper into the nectar of Krishna Consciousness.

Srila Gurudeva, I beg you to help me assist you as your servant ,servant,servant,servant hundred times servant of your servants in your mission of spreading the glories of Krishna all over the world. Your daily emails are constant source of inspiration and nectar I thank you so much that due to your webiste http://www.ultimateselfrealization.com/ your daily lectures, as well as recorded are available. Seeing myself full of bad habits and illusions, I am simply praying for persistence in my heart to endlessly and relentlessly pursue your causeless mercy.

yasya prasadad bhagava- prasado yasyaprasadan na gatih kuto 'pi dhyayan stuvams tasya yasya tri-sandhyam vande guroh sri-caranarvindam

By the mercy of the spiritual master one receives the benediction of Krishna. Without the grace of the spiritual master, one cannot make any advancement. Therefore, I should always remember and praise the spiritual master. At least three times a day I should offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus feet of my spiritual master. Words cannot do enough justice to glorify you my Dear Srila Gurudeva.

your eternal servant, Premal, Mumbai, India

Priya Nair - Mumbai - May Lord Krishna bless Gurudeva with best health





Hare Krishna! Please accept our respectful obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Dandavat pranam & Heartfelt thanks to Gurudeva Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari for imparting the most precious teachings to all the devotees.

May Lord Krishna bless Gurudeva with best health

yours humbly and most fallen soul Priya Nair, Mumbai, India



Questions and Answers--ISKCON Pune--17 April 2015

Dr. R.S.Vyas - Pune - I hereby take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt obeisance

Respected Gurudev,

On the pious occasion of Vyas Puja on 6th Nov. at Vrindavan I hereby take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt obeisance and Pranam to your Lotus Feet. Also I express my humble Obeisance & Pranam to H. H. Prabhupad ji and Lord Shri KRISHNA. May you live long so that humanity across the globe may be benefitted in terms of KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS you are constantly providing to.

With kind regards, Hare Krishna!

Dr. R.S.Vyas , Pune, India





"Seeing Krishna in Every Walk of Life" Seminar 18 April 2015--Pune, India

Shivani - Pune - Valuable opportunity of having Your Divine association and shelter

My Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisance, Obeisance to Srimati Gurumataji too, All Glories to Srila Prabhupada,

There is a way to Supreme happiness and joyfulness for me in this materialistic world, all I got to do is to jump start the day with morning dose of the inspirational daily broadcast of Ultimate self realization e course. By watching Srila Gurudeva's online discourses this supreme joy ride continues from afternoon till evenings and by emailing the questions/doubts to your divine Grace and receiving answers to them my conscience feels elevation to an ecstatic dimension and becomes full of unlimited love.



Srila Gurudeva, every moment my heart wants to Thank Lord Sri Krishna, Chaitanya and Srila Prabhupada for providing me with this ultimate fortune, once in a life time and most valuable opportunity of having your Divine association and shelter. Srila Gurudeva please remove my ignorance that is presently covering my conscience so that I may properly receive and follow your instructions and try to serve your divine Grace with ever-increasing purity, enthusiasm, love and devotion.

your unworthy aspiring servant,

Shivani, Pune, India

Siddhi Ravi naik - Panaji, Goa - It gives me great pleasure as I first read self realization message

Hare Krishna,

Vyas puja offering to our Guru Prabhupada and Sankarshan Das Krishna consciousness has now became your mission Thank you very much for your blessings and support every day, you offer your priceless mercy and it gives me great pleasure as I first read self realization message. Thank you very much from the bottom of my heart

Siddhi Ravi naik, Panaji, Goa, India

Sunil Vaswani - Mumbai - You make selfless endeavor to constantly travel



Hare Krishna



Please accept my humble obeisances All Glories to Srila Prabhupada

Constantly travelling from one country to another month after month, year after year is simply amazing

I understand that constant travel involves a lot of preparation, and repeated chaos and difficulties

But only to please Prabhupada and Lord, you have been taking so much effort You could have spread Glories through The Ultimate Self Realization E-course, but without considering pains of preparing and traveling, you make selfless endeavor to constantly travel, to please Devotees who are eager to associate with you in different countries.

With constant travel, you surely have changed hearts of thousands of persons in different countries and made their lives sublime by awakening their dormant Love for Krishna

Many words can be said regards your endeavor, but qualitatively and quantitatively, it is impossible to describe the endeavor you have been putting since years.

So , I simply say "Happy Birthday" :)

in humble mood, sunil, Mumbai, India

Vrindavan das and Purnamasi Devi dasi - Mumbai - Your Thoughts enlighten us

Om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya Caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

Nama om vishnu padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

Namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, Gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Please accept our Obeisances. We follow thought for the day through which we came to know many unknown facts of Krishna consciousness, we are in the service Lord Shri Krishna. We pray Krishna for your blessings.

your ardent devotees and servants





Vrindavan das and Purnamasi Devi dasi, Mumbai, India



Southern India

Anuradha Devi Dasi - Chennai - You revolutionized our conditioned minds

Dearest Srila Gurudeva,

namo om visnu padaya krsna presthaya bhutale srimate Sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane Gaura desa vikasartha uttama bhakti varsine.

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."

Please accept this small offering at your lotus feet

- S During your long spiritual journey of 44 years you remained steady in your sadhana whatever be your obstacles. In so many of your lectures you teach us how strict sadhana will help in our spiritual progress.
- A Most of the Thought For the Day exhibits your great ambition of seeing the whole world Krishna Conscious.
- N You are never negligent with the principles given by Srila Prabhupada.
- K It was never easy to for me to understand the science of Krishna consciousness if not for your lucid knowledge of making it clear for me.
- A You showed us the meaning of ahaituki by your example on how we have to render unalloyed service to Krishna.
- R You are relentless in your pursuance of pushing Mahaprabhu's mission.
- S You would always instruct everyone to take shelter of a bonafide spiritual master, for your disciples you never

denied us your loving shelter always.

- H Srila Gurudeva, Prabhupada would mention how a spiritual master works hard more than any materialist, you were always hardworking.
- A You took endless austerities just for so many conditioned souls like me.
- N You never neglect to answer even the most silliest of our questions and also if you have to repeat the answers so many times for our understanding.
- D Travelling different places and with different time zones still, you always remain a dhira.
- A Always working to awaken everyone's illusion.
- S By your simple methods of explaining Srila Prabhupada's teachings as it is, we are able to see Srila Prabhupada in you.
- A It is very difficult to remain ardent always like you, who have completely surrendered to Guru and Krishna.
- D Your determination in fulfilling Srila Prabhuada's desire of building a nice temple at Austin.
- H The hope to see all the suffering souls go back home back to Godhead.



- I Though preaching is tough and challenging, you always remained impervious to all the material conditions you had to face just for us.
- K There was no compromise on your kindness at all times, all places and all circumstances.
- A Your thoughts were always anxious to serve Srila Prabhupada.
- R You would always mention that we can be history instead of reading history. You revolutionized our conditioned mind.
- I Dear Srila Gurudeva, so many times you would exhibit your indebtedness to Srila Prabhupada. Just as you are to your spiritual master, I always want to be indebted to you all my life. Please accept me at your lotus feet.

Your insignificant servant, Anuradha Devi Dasi, Chennai, India

A.Sivakumar, Chennai - Reason for living on the planet is to practice in Krishna Consciousness

Dear Sir

Hare Krishna! All glories to Sankarshan Das Adhikari!

Guru is the greatest treasure a person can get as anything else such as material possessions is subject to destruction while the knowledge from Guru and discipline will lead to eternal lifetime of spiritual upliftment for the soul. I would like your journey to continue and impress lots of people around the globe so they actively become your disciple and take advantage of the reason for living on the planet which is to practice in Krishna Consciousness

Sincerely

A.Sivakumar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India

Bhaktarupa Das - Chennai - It's all just pure nectar

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my most humble obeisances. All glories unto your most merciful lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

namah om vishnupadaya krishna prestaya bhutale srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari itinamine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gaura-desa vikasarta uttama bhakti varsine.

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.



It's all just pure nectar

Nectarian Words

I have heard that the nectarian pastimes of Srimad Bhagavatam became more nectarian when the same narrations were emanated from the pure devotee Sukadeva Goswami.

I realized that the same narrations were made more nectarian when they were explained to us by Srila Prabhupada. That very same nectarian words from Srila Prabhupada now have become more nectarian to me when I got to listen them from your lotus mouth.

It is such a real nectar to listen to the words emanating from your lotus mouth.

Nectarian to Remember

Even when I am not directly hearing your words, I am still blessed to remember the nectarian words that had emanated from your lotus mouth. These nectarian instructions are the only hope for my battle with maya.

It is such a real nectar to remember the wonderful instructions you are giving them for us.

Nectarian Glance

Your merciful glance upon the conditioned soul like me is all that I need, because I am sure that I am in the list of conditioned souls that you have caught to save them from being drowned in an ocean of material existence. Your merciful glance can see through directly into my heart and touch the soul.

It is really a nectar to have your merciful glance upon the conditioned souls like me.

Nectarian Association

I have heard the power of association with a pure devotee. Even one eleventh of second of such association brings all good fortune for a conditioned soul. In each and every activity of yours I can see that how you are trying to save us from material existence. With your transcendental association only I can come to understand how lazy, unintelligent and fool number one am I, which is a very essential and important realization I need to have to open up my heart to allow the nectar to enter into.

It is really a nectar to associate with you in any form of yours(vapu or vani).

Nectarian Life

You have given us a life which you have taught us to lead a life of pure unalloyed devotional service to the Supreme Lord. There is nothing more valuable than this and you have shown us by your personal example that it is incomparable and not worth even a tiny drop to trade it for any amount of material opulence, power, beauty, knowledge, fame or artificial renunciation. The nectarian life of pure devotional service stands taller than a huge meru mountain when compared to all the material opulences of the entire universe, which is much smaller than a mole hill.

It is such a real nectar to learn the art of leading a life of pure devotional service.

Nectarian Mission

You are kindly engaging all of us in a very very necatarian mission, but for those who are weak call it as mission impossible. This mission is to bring Krishna Consciousness to each and every living entity of this world. With your absolute faith in the words of Guru and Krishna you are able to see that world which is now drowning in an ocean of miseries turn into a world drowning in an ocean of ecstatic bliss of Krishna Consciousness.

It is such a real nectar to be serving in such mission that is a turning point in the history of the universe.



I humble beg at your lotus feet on your appearance day to bless me so that I should always take shelter at your lotus feet to render pure devotional service at all times, places and circumstances.

Hare Krishna! your menial servant, Bhaktarupa Das, Chennai, India

Deenanatha Chaithanya Dasa - Bangalore - All Glories to your preaching

All Glories to Shri Guru and Gauranga All Glories to Srila Prabhupada All Glories to Vaishnavas

Hare Krishna Dear Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari prabhu Please accept my humble dandavats.

It is a great mercy to know life of Vaishanavas dedicated to preaching Krishna Consciousness that Srila Prabhupada has started to save the whole world. All Glories to your preaching. By receiving your daily nectar I am able to know Krishna Conscious information that helps my spiritual life. Every nectar is inspiring, motivating and taking towards Krishna and His pure devotees to enjoy Krishna Consciousness.

Begging Srila Prabhupada, Shri Gour Nitai, Shri Narasimhadev, Shri Radha Krishna for your good health and mercy to have more and more of your association.

Eagerly begging for your personal association and service.

your humble servant Dasanudasa Deenanatha Chaithanya Dasa, Bangalore, India

Gaura Lila Devi Dasi - Kerala - You dedicate your whole life for uplifting the fallen

Nama om Vishnu Padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine Namo Prabhupadanuga premamurthi kripatmane Gauradesa vikasartha uthama bhakti varshne

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.





My dear Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble and respectful obeisances. All glories to Srila Gurudev and Smt Gurumathaji All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Gurudeva,I feel so blessed to have received shelter at your lotus feet. It is only due to your mercy, I could understand the most valuable contributions done by Srila Prabhupada to this world and your teachings are helping us to understand in better way about the strength of Holy name and Japa.

Gurudev, you dedicate your whole life for uplifting the fallen souls by spreading Krishna Consciousness all over the world as per the instruction of your spiritual Master. I pray to you to please continue bestowing your mercy on this fallen soul to overcome the difficulties and obstacles in my path of devotional service. Being still a struggling neophyte in Krishna Consciousness, I pray that at least some time in this life, I will be able to act in a way that is completely pleasing you.

On this auspicious occasion of your transcendental appearance day I sincerely wish and pray to the Supreme Lord for your and Guru Mataji's strength and very good health to spread Krishna Consciousness all over the world and deliver the poor fallen souls like me.

Happy appearance day Gurudeva,

your insignificant servant Gaura Lila Devi Dasi, Kerala, India

Geeta Panje - Hyderabad - My humble pranam and gratitude to you

Please accept my most humble obeisances! All glories to Srila Prabhupada! I have been associated with Iskcon since 1975 and greatly benefited due to this association. Now due to distance from the temple and age I am not able to go often. So this Ultimate Self Realization has come as a boon to me. I look forward to the lessons and thought for the day, it is of great benefit to me.

I am positive this service is very dear to Srila Prabhupada as it is drawing so many people who may not have access to temples and association of devotees and enlightening them about the Glories of the Bhagavad Gita As It Is.

My humble pranam and gratitude to you for this wonderful service and a prayer at the Lotus Feet of Sri Guru and Gouranga to bless us with your continued blessings and mercy.

your humble servant, Geeta Panje, Hyderabad, India





Gomathi Sathyanarayanan - Chennai - You are the guiding force for all of us

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Hare Krishna, Please accept my humble obeisances All glories to Sri Sri Guru and Gauranga! All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

You are the guiding force for all of us. Kindly bless us to be under your shelter and your guidance so that we can progress in Krishna consciousness.

Hare Krishna, your humble servant, Gomathi Sathyanarayanan, Chennai, India

Hare Krishna Das - Kerala - You are my only shelter

My Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my most humble and respectful obeisances!

All Glories to His Divine Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari Gurumaharaj and Srimati Gurumataji!

All Glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada!

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

Srila Gurudev, your mercy constantly keep me in the path of bhakti. There is always Maya's allurement. Without your mercy, I have been long lost. Whenever, I feel weakened, I took shelter of Your lectures, which keep me equipoised. you are my only shelter.

Srila Gurudev, once you quoted His Holiness Tamal Krishna Goswami Maharaj's words about Srila Prabhupada; "Srila Prabhupada's unique quality is that he can see a spark in one's heart and fan it to a blazing fire." Srila Gurudev, you have imbibed that special quality. The proof is the question and answer section in daily thought for the day. This is continually helping neophyte devotees like me. It gives a sense of care and hope. Thank you very much Srila Gurudev.

Srila Gurudev, you tolerate all difficulties arising from constant travel around the globe. You continuously and enthusiastically bestow Lord Caitanya's mercy to all fallen souls. We





disciples are meant to serve you in your divine mission. The more I can give up the desire for sense gratification, the more, I will be potent to serve you. Srila Gurudev, my desire to serve you is there, but that desire is not strong. This is because of my foolish sense gratification. I earnestly aspire for that day, when I become a sincere servant of servant of your divine Grace, assisting you in Lord Caitanya's mission. Your unlimited mercy is already there; but my receptiveness is poor. My only hope is your unlimited mercy and love. Srila Gurudev, kindly tolerate me.

Srila Gurudev, in this most auspicious occasion of Vyasa Puja, I sincerely pray to Lord Krishna for your healthy long life.

Thanking you, Always holding unto your Lotus Feet, yours Lovingly, your insignificant disciple, Hare Krishna Das, Kerala, India

Harikatha Das - Dharwad - Your daily posts bring joy

Dear Srila Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisances! All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga!

Thank you for your daily posts which bring joy in my monotonus life and your regular visits to Pune, in spite of all hardships, which inspires me to face all the odds of life and remain in Bhakti.

your eternal servant, Harikatha Das, Dharwad,Karnataka, India

Haripriya devi dasi - Kerala - My Spiritual Father is the fountainhead of my spiritual family

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O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who showers pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

My Dear Gurudev

Please accept my most humble obeisances at your Lotus Feet,





All glories to Srila Gurudev and Srimathi Gurumataji All Glories to Srila Prabhupad

My Spiritual Father is the most precious gift that I received in my many millions of births.....

My Spiritual Father is the embodiment of The Mercy of Krishna and Guruparampara.....

My Spiritual Father is the source of all Spiritual Knowledge, coming through the parampara system....

My Spiritual Father is the one who opens my mamsa chakshu and makes it sastra chakshu....

My Spiritual Father mercifully takes all my karma and gives me new birth by harinam

My Spiritual Father show me the right way in all my life's difficulties

My Spiritual Father is the dear most servant of Srila Prabhupad and Sri Chaithanya

My Spiritual Father takes away all my burning anxieties , and gives me soothing moonlight of solace.....

My Spiritual Father's Lotus Feet is the only shelter for me in the three worlds

My Spiritual Father is the fountainhead of my spiritual family , where there is my beloved Spiritual Mother, and all my merciful God brothers and God sisters.....

I Am so fortunate , that Krishna has given me His Dearest Devotee ,

to take me back from this material world of three fold miseries...

Oh My Beloved Master, please give me the benediction to fully surrender to your instructions, taking them as my life and soul.....

I pray at The Lotus Feet of Krishna that may you live long and healthy so that many more conditioned souls like me get your Mercy......

your eternal servant, Haripriya devi dasi, Kerala , India

K C Vijayakumar - Kottayam, Kerala - You teach without addition or subtraction

All glories to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Srila Gurudeva, His Grace Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

My respectful obeisances and prayers to Srila Gurudeva. He is a very munificent and compassionate spiritual master of this age. He teaches the true spiritual knowledge to the entire world as enunciated in Srimad Bhagavat Gita, Srimad Bhagavatam and Sri Chaitanya Charitamrutam. His teachings are based on authorised scriptures and as taught to him and others by His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. It is authoritative and has the authority of Lord Krishna and Lord Caitanya. As a spiritual master, his vision is clear and undeluded. He was a true spiritual master in the disciplic succession. Srila Gurudeva has clear answer to all our queries. Unlike certain other spiritual masters who in the passage of time and during the evolution of their own spiritual perspective and different phases of understanding say things often contrary to what was said earlier, Srila Gurudeva always teaches the same transcendental knowledge as handed over to him through disciplic succession. I started attending the Self Realization Course in 2009 and I am getting more and more

interested in Krishna Consciousness.



May the all merciful Gurudeva Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari continue to inspire and instruct us in the path of Krishna consciousness and spread the teachings of Lord Krishna and Lord Chaitanya all over the world.

With respectful pranams and prayers at the Lotus feet of Srila Gurudeva. Hare Krshna.

K C Vijayakumar, Kuttickattu, Eravinalloor, Kottayam, Kerala, India.

Lalitha Subramanian - All glories to you and the devotees

Dear Maharaj,

All glories to Srila sankarshan Prabhu, my instructing spiritual master through his e-course Guru

All glories to Sriman Sridhar Maharaj who initiated me All glories to Srila AC Bhaktivedanta prabupada, savior of the world.

All glories to Srila vyasadeva, Sri Narada, Parikshit Maharaja, Ambarisha Maharaja, Dhruva Maharaja, Prahlada Maharaja, Bali Maharaja, Sri Sukadeva Goswami, the 6 Goswamis of Vrndavan and to all the Guru parampara.

Hare krshna

Happy Vyasa Puja!

Lalitha Subramanian (initiated name not mentioned)

Motwani - Bangalore - Your Teachings are an Eye Opener

Rev Divine

Humble Pranams at your Lotus Feet

I consider myself blessed by Supreme Lord Krishna and Radha through your daily Devotional Teachings . Your Teachings are an Eye Opener for me resulting in to improving My attitude and behavior towards creation of Our Beloved Lord through Love all Serve all, Help ever Hurt never.etc etc. I am trying to see and feel presence of Lord everywhere. My sincere Gratitude and Appreciation to you for all that you are doing for Lord's Creation Under his Guidance and Directions

With Love

Motwani, Bangalore, Karnataka, India

Mukundan Seshasayee - Chennai - Your 'thought for the day' e-mails come as a nectar to us

Dear Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you and Guru mataji!





All Glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I feel very fortunate to have this opportunity to wish you on the auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja.

Your 'thought for the day' e-mails come as a nectar to us in the midst of all the bitterness that this material world has to offer. Whatever be my state of mind, whenever I open your daily morning e-mail and taste the nectar, my mind becomes peaceful and strong to face the world. The question and answer section is also very appropriate and I have got answers to a lot of my questions asked by other subscribers and devotees. It is really very motivating for me and I feel very fortunate to have your association both directly through your e-mails as well as through your sincere and wonderful disciple, Bhakta Rupa Prabhu and his family who are doing a great service to you and Krishna here in Chennai.

I pray to you and Krishna that I always have your association and progress in Krishna consciousness. I also pray that your service to Srila Prabhupada and Krishna makes the whole world Krishna conscious, which you have set as the goal of your life! Hare Krishna!

Your unworthy servant, Mukundan Seshasayee, Chennai, India

Murali Manohar Das - Kerala - Your mercy is boundless

Dear Guru Maharai

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Gurudev and SrimatiGurumathaji All glories to Srila Prabhupada

On this special day of your appearance, I would like to thank you for showering your blessing on us. Srila Gurudeva, your mercy is boundless that you are distributing Krishna's mercy throughout the whole world. You are teaching us how to practice pure devotional service. To have a spiritual father and mother is an exciting experience.

Thank you again and again for guiding us on a perfect way.

On this auspicious day I wish you all health and strength to continue your mission successfully.

Wish you a blissful day.

your insignificant servant, Murali Manohar Das, Kerala, India

Rajamohanan - Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala - You are an oasis in this desert

Pranam Gurumaharaj!

You are an oasis in this desert of uncertainty, misery and exploitation arising out of greed for sense enjoyment. Please accept my humble obeisances on this great occasion.





Rajamohanan.M Pattrom, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India

Ramachandran - Kerala - your spiritual quotes helps to constantly keep in touch

Pranam Guru Maharaj

Your daily spiritual quotes help to keep in touch with Krishna Consciousness every time.

Ramachandran, Kerala, India

Ravi Kolluru - Hyderabad - I can't express how fortunate I am



Photo showing Joyous Picnic on the Road to Jaipur

om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah

I was born in the darkest ignorance, and my spiritual master opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisance unto him.

Dear Gurudeva, Please accept my humble obeisance. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I can't express how fortunate I am to come in contact with your E-Course at www.backtohome.com 10 years ago (2005). Since then I have been reading your daily thought every single day. It is a perfect way to start my day. Seeing your dedication to your spiritual master His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada, your daily thoughts and perfect answers to reader's questions has convinced me beyond doubt that Krishna Consciousness Movement has solutions to all our spiritual and material problems of the world.

On your Vyasa Puja day, I pray to Lord Krishna that He give you and Guru Mataji good health and sincere d4isciples/students who can help you push this movement to every corner of the world and make everyone Krishna Consciousness as soon as possible as you desire.

your most fallen servant, Ravi Kolluru, Hyderabad, India



Saci priya devi dasi - Dharwad - You personally keep eye on every Disciple

Dear Srila Gurudeva Please Accept My Humble Obeisances All Glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumata All Glories to Srila Prabhupad

namo om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesa vikasartha,uttama bhakti varsine

On the special day of your Vyasapuja, Srila Gurudev, I fall down on your lotus feet again and again. I continuously beg you to shower your mercy upon me. I am shameless creature but by your causeless mercy I am in Krishna bhakti. By giving your association you are bestowing your kripa on a fallen soul like me.

I am insignificant rascal, How can glorify your unlimited Glories by this mundane tounge. But I am taking the help of Sri Caitanya Caritamrita to Glorify you.

In Caitanya Caritamrita Madya lila 19.151 it is said,

brahmäëòa bhramite kona bhägyavän jéva guru-kåñëa-prasäde päya bhakti-latä-béja

"According to their karma all living entities are wondering throughout the entire universe. Some of them are being elevated to the upper planetary system and some are going down into the lower planetary systems. Out of many millions of wondering living entities. One who is very fortunate gets an opportunity to associate with a bonafide spiritual master by the Grace of Krishna. By the mercy of both Krishna and spiritual master such a person receives the seed of the creeper of devotional service."

I am that fortunate soul who got an opportunity to associate with Spiritual master like you by the Grace of Krishna.

In Skand Purana it is said ,

'GU' sabd sty andhakarasya 'Ru' sand tan nirodhakah Andhakara nirodhavad Guru ity abhidhiyate

The word GU means darkness and the word RU means which dispels the darkness.

You are that Guru who continuously removing darkness of people who forgot their eternal identities since time immemorial. The living entities are wandering in darkness of illusory.

identities since time immemorial. The living entities are wandering in darkness of illusory energy of maya, but your enlightening Krishna bhakti in every entity and removing the darkness.

In Sri Caitanya Caritamrita Madya Lila 25.122 it is said that,

sarva-deça-käla-daçäya janera kartavya quru-päçe sei bhakti prañöavya, çrotavya





"It is therefore the duty of every man in every country, in every circumstance and at all the times to approach a bonafide spiritual master question him about devotional service and listen to him explain the process."

Srila Gurudev you are so merciful, that you are not waiting for any country or man. You are personally encircling the whole world to spread Krishna bhakti. You are going door to door to give your mercy. You are going to every country to bestow your mercy.

You are personally giving your wonderful association to 17000 subscribers daily from your "Thought of the day" you are personally guiding your disciples through your live lectures etc.

I heard it is very rare to get the association of Spiritual master. But I am so fortunate soul that I am getting daily association of you Srila Gurudev. By your causeless mercy i am getting association of Srimati Gurumata also.

As nothing is hidden from you , you already told in "Thought for the Day" that you personally keep eye on every disciple. I personally experienced such situation in Puna.

I am entangled by Maya's tricks, trying to recover from it. It is only your causeless mercy that I am able to manage the things and stay in the process of Krishna consciousness.

Srila Gurudev you have mercifully sow the seed of Krishna bhakti in my heart .Though I have no pious credit neither in this life nor in previous life. It is only your causeless mercy that you accepted me as your disciple.

Trying to become servant of your servant, your Unworthy Rascal servant, Saci priya devi dasi, Dharwad , Karnataka , India

S.Balaji - Kalpakkam - The science which you have taught me is more than any material gain

Dear Gurudeva,

I offer my respect to you.

I remember how much offensive I was when I signed up for the course and how much patience you had towards me for all the offences I have committed to you. After long time now I realize you are perfectly following Srila Prabhupada.

Although I am so much sinful you taught me everything, who I am and what I am supposed to be. The science which you have taught to me is billions and billions of times more than any material gains in this universe. Without your association this birth would have been another "chewing the chewed" which I have done for millions and millions of lifetimes. With your grace I am slowly developing Krishna prema and unalloyed devotion towards the Supreme Lord. If I meet you I would fall flat in your feet and beg your mercy to forgive me for the offence which I have committed towards a pure devotee. I am trying to follow your instructions as much as possible and slowly chanting the maha mantra on the beads.

yours truly,

S.Balaji, Kalpakkam . India





S.Divya - Tirupati - I am seeing and feeling that narration of elders to be completely true

Dear Gurudeva,
Please accept my heartfelt humble obeisances
All glories to Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari
All glories to Srila Prabhupada
All glories to Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu
All glories to Vyasadeva

I would like to share and express my happiness for this is my first "Vyasa Puja" offering. And I am really blessed by Sri Krishna to take atleast a small part in rendering some service to my spiritual master "Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari" of his Vyasa Puja.

I have a lot to say Gurudeva and I don't know from where to start and how to start. I am mediocre at expressing my feelings. If any mistakes found in this offering please forgive me and bless me to improve myself.

Since childhood I have been attracted to Sri Krishna unknowingly from within but had never exposed it out. I have always used to hide that feeling of mine with some mental speculations which holds no evidence for who is Sri Krishna and why am I attracted to that particular God out of millions of Hindu Gods and Goddesses whom I knew till then. I didn't get any proper guidance by then and kept that thinking on hold. Later at my adolescent age, I made a friend (one of my best friends now) who introduced me about ISKCON and his Divine Grace A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami. As I was striving for shallow material pleasures too that time unfortunately I didn't concentrate much on what she was saying and how great work the ISKCON Mission is doing to deliver fallen conditioned souls like me all over the world. I was blinded by the mental speculations of this materialistic world then so I couldn't recognize its value. But now I have become completely opposite when compared to that me. Once upon a time I just heard from some stories narrated by elders that spiritual gurus exist and they always strive hard to contribute a lot to liberate the fallen conditioned souls. And the finally now (at my 23 years of age) I am seeing and feeling that narration of elders to be completely true. It's just because of you my dear Gurudeva. I don't even know how to thank you for showering and handling this priceless spiritual knowledge to fallen souls like me. Thank God for the day, he let me found you just by clinking a link online while trying to search for the soft copy of Bhagavad Gita. And then there I found my shelter "Ultimate Self Realization Course" fortunately i subscribed to it just because its registration is free and reliable last year. And then my days began to change just by reading your daily thoughts sent to us through emails. And then gradually I developed my interest to feel it as nectar and i had never missed any single day without reading about the thoughts and association of other devotees with you. And with your proper quidance which is authoritative now I found the bonafide answer for my feeling that why I have been attracted to Sri Krishna unconsciously out of many Gods and Goddesses. With your preaching I am aware of the real duties that a human being has to perform in his daily life.

Thanks a lot Guruji. May you provide shelter to more and more fallen souls like me in the upcoming days. And I am eagerly waiting to get initiated by you. And I hope that day would come soon as I am strictly following the four regulative principles you have prescribed for us to follow.



And i also wish many fallen souls who are unaware of this mission and you, should attract towards you and let themselves get one step ahead in the process of their liberation through you. I would strive as hard as i can to render some personal service to my spiritual master by propagating his preachings.

Once again thanking you dear Gurudeva.

May this appearance day of yours should bring glory to this world.

Jai Sri Krishna. your sincere disciple, S Divya, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, India

Shailesh Mahendrakar - Belgaum, Karnataka - Millions of obeisances not enough

Hare Krishna, Srila Prabhupada ki jai Srila Gurudev ki jai Koti koti dandavats to all devotees Dear Srila Gurudev,

What are we mortals without your daily vani through the emails and your sweet heartfelt guidance. Gurudev no matter how many koti koti dandvats we offer at your lotus feet for this is not enough.

On your Vyas Pooja day I beg at the Lotus of Shri Shri Radha Damodar that They give you much much more love, sweet sublime energy to uplift all the fallen souls in this material world and take us all to Gokul Vrindavan to serve at the Lotus feet of Their Lordships.

May Shri Shri Radha Hari bless you always Serving you at your Lotus Feet Hare Krishna Shailesh Mahendrakar, Belgaum, Karnataka, India

Smita Krishna Das - Dharwad - How Can I Glorify You Srila Gurudeva

Dear Srila Gurudeva Please Accept My Humble Obeisances All Glories to Srila Gurudeva and Srimati Gurumata All Glories to Srila Prabhupad

namo om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane gauradesa vikasartha,uttama bhakti varsine

"I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya."





Nama om vishnupada paramahamsa parivrajakacharya astottara shata sri,srimad,sripad,sriman,srila Sankarshan das adhikari goswami maharaj ki jai.

I offer my obeisances again and again at your lotus feet.

Today is very special day because Srila Gurudeva by his causeless mercy appeared on earth planate to reduce the burden of mother earth by distributing Krishna Consciousness, spreading Lord Gauranga's message door to door, uplifting fallen jivas to their constitutional position, transforming hearts, representing lord Krishna, preaching by his own examples etc. How can i glorify that great personality, a great Vaishnava acharya, it is not possible by my one single mouth.

But by the grace of Srila Gurudeva here i am making an attempt to glorify Srila Gurudeva in the form of a song with my limited senses and intelligence.

TITLE-HOW CAN I GLORIFY YOU SRILA GURUDEVA

One who carries lord Krishna in his pocket (Srila bhakti vinod thakur says sri guru carries Lord Krishna

One who carries lord Gouranga's message -in his pocket he can give it to anybody)

One who post the nector of lord Krishna every day

How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who gave the peace formula One who is spreading the glories of lord Krishna all over the world One who is constantly meditating upon Sri Sri Radha Dhamodhar How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who is encircling the globe One who is answering all the questions One who is defeating all the arguements How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who is a author of conquer the mind conquer the world One who is a author of uttama bhakti One who is a author of truth works How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who is on world deliverance mission One who is in bramha madhva goudiya prabhupad sampradaya One who gives the light of srimad bhagavatam How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who represent Lord Krishna
One who embraced the words of Srila Prabhupad
One who gave his life to Srila Prabhupad
How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

One who sow the seed of Krishna bhakti One who reestablish the lost relation with lord Krishna



One who constantly bestow his unlimited causeless mercy How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva!

Smita krishna das is greatly suffering in the material world mercifully you are taking me out of it by sowing a seed of pure devotional service in my heart (on7-sep-2014) How can i glorify you Srila Gurudeva! Sriman Sankarshan Das Adhikari Maharaj.

Srila Gurudeva please forgive my offenses committed knowingly and unknowingly.

your Unworthy Servant, Smita Krishna Das, Dharwad, India

Vasudevan Kunchithapatham - Chennai - I am nowhere without your mercy

Dear Guru Deva, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Thanks a lot for your encouragement and providing the daily Thought of the day for enlightening the society.

Just like a lion roaming in the forest you are roaming across the forest of Vedas and giving the most essential truth of Vedas and just like Lion's roaring all other small animals flee in fear similarly by your purity and preaching I beg to you to make the enemies in my heart like the word jugglery, mayavada, bogus intellectualism and other unwanted Anarthas like lust anger greed, pride, envy and illusion to flee away from me and please take me back to Goloka Vrindavana in this one life of mine.

Hare Krishna Hare Krishna Krishna Hare Hare Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Hare Hare

Always at your feet.

Thanks and regards, Vasudevan Kunchithapatham, Chennai, Tamil nadu, India

Visvapati krsna dasa - Bangalore - Your words like lotus petals and thunderbolts

Hare Krsna Maharaja

Please accept my humble obeisances at the dust of your lotus feet All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Thank you so much for your tireless efforts to spread the mission of Srila Prabhupada (Krsna Consciousness)

I pray to their lordship Sri Sri Jagannatha, Baladeva and Devi Subhadra to provide you good health. So that you continue to enlighten many thousands of souls in the coming years.



It is always spiritually enlivening for me to read your daily meditations and Questions & Answers.

Sometimes there are soft as lotus petals and sometime like thunderbolt.

Please do consider to bless Bangalore city as well with your divine presence in your hectic schedule of preaching.

your humble servant, Visvapati krsna dasa (Disciple of HH Jayapataka Swami Guru Maharaja), Bangalore, India



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Offerings from Disciples



Bringing a New Era to This World Vilnius, Lithuania--6 October 2015

Ekayani devi dasi, Kaunas, Lithuania – With all my heart I thank you, am nothing without you

Dear Guru Maharaja,

Please accept my obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.



From all of my heart I want to thank you for the Daily though that begins my every morning, for endless love and care, while pulling me from the quagmire of ignorance, for the seed of faith that destroys fear, grudge, envy, anger, attachments. I am nothing without you. Dear Teacher, please teach me love and service for my Lord, so that I can see and hear with my heart, that in every living entity I could see Highest Personality of Godhead and understand, that he is Krishna's servant. Teacher, I bow down at your lotus feet, asking for shelter and mercy. Only by your grace I will wake up and return back home, back to Godhead.

Your servant,

Ekayani devi dasi, Kaunas, Lithuania

LITHUANIAN:

Brangus Guru Maharadža,

Prašau priimkite mano nusilenkimus.

Visa šlovė Šrilai Prabhupadai.

Iš visos širdies Jums dėkoju už dienos mintį, kurią prasideda kiekvienas rytas, už begalinę meilę ir rūpestį, traukiant mane iš neišmanymo liūno, už tikėjimo sėklą, kuri naikina širdy baimę, pagiežą, pavydą, pykti, prisirišimus. Aš be Jūsų esu niekas. Brangus Mokytojau, mokykit mane meilės ir tarnystės mano Viešpačiui, kad galėčiau matyti ir girdėti širdimi, kad kiekvienoj gyvoj esybėj įžvelgčiau Aukščiausiąji Dievo Asmenį ir suprasčiau, kad jis Krišnos tarnas. Mokytojau, lenkiuosi prie Jūsų lotosinių pėdų, prašydama prieglobsčio bei malonės. Tik Jūsų dėka nubusiu ir grisiu namo pas Viešpatį.

Jūsų tarnaitė,

Ekayani devi dasi, Kaunas, Lietuva

Offerings from Students Seeking Initiation

Gintarė, Kaunas, Lithuania – I am unfortunate, please make me fortunate

Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada,

All glories to You and Gurumataji.



I am most fortunate to have met you in this world, full of anxieties and ignorance. I have never dreamed of having an opportunity to associate with a saintly personality, coming directly from the spiritual world, and to receive so much attention, care and love from him. Even though I am constantly making offences to you, you are still tolerating my ignorance and patiently trying to help me.

However, I am also very unfortunate not to be sincere enough to accept fully all your blessings and your loving association. I beg for your mercy to be able to fight all my doubts, to strengthen my faith in your instructions, and to develop loving feelings to you, other devotees and Krishna.

Your servant,

Gintarė Ziedelytė, Kaunas, Lithuania



Super Ecstatic Kirtan--4 October 2015--Kaunas, Lithuania

LITHUANIAN:

Šrila Gurudeva,

Prašau priimkite mano nuolankius nusilenkimus,





Visa šlovė Šrilai Prabhupadai,

Visa šovė Jums ir Gurumatadžei,

Man labia pasisekė, kad jus sutikau šiame pasaulyje, kupiname neramumų ir neišmanymo. Niekada nesvajojau apie galimybę bendrauti su šventa asmenybe, kuri ateina tiesiai iš dvasinio pasaulio, ir gauti tiek daug dėmesio, rūpesčio ir meilės iš jos. Nors aš nuolat darau jums jžeidimus, jūs vis tiek toleruojate mano neišmanymą ir kantriai bandote man padėti.

Tačiau aš esu labai nesėkminga, neturėdama pakankamai nuoširdumo pilnai priimti jūsų palaiminimus ir meilės kupiną bendravimą. Maldauju jūsų palaiminimo gebėti kovoti su savo abejonėmis, sustiprinti savo tikėjimą jūsų nurodymais ir išsiugdyti mylinčius jausmus jums, kitiems atsidavusiems ir Krišnai.

Jūsų tarnaitė,

Gintarė Ziedelytė, Kaunas, Lietuva

Eglė Sviklaitė, Kaunas, Lithuania – By your mercy I strive to be a better servant

Dear Guru and Guru Mataji,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I want to thank You for all the mercy that You give to all conditioned souls as me. I can't understand how it is possible to spread so much love and compassion as You do. Although I am not worthy of Your grace and I do not have qualities, just because of Your compassion I try to shake off all dirt and try to become a little bit better servant, I try to learn how to love Krishna just a little bit more.

jogyatā-vicāre, kichu nāhi pāi,

tomāra karuņā-sāra

karuņā nā hoile, kāndiyā kāndiyā,





prāṇa nā rākhibo āra

If You examine me, You will find no qualities. Your mercy is all that I am made of. If You are not merciful unto me, I can only weep, and I will not be able to maintain my life.

Your love for Krishna and Prabhupada inspires me and makes me eager to serve. I hope that someday I will become worthy to call myself Your disciple.

Your humble servant,

Eglė Sviklaitė, Kaunas, Lithuania

LITHUANIAN:

Brangūs Gurudeva ir Guru Mataji,

Prašau priimkite mano nuolankius nusilenkimus,

Visa šlovė Šrilai Prabhupadai,

Noriu padėkoti Jums už visą gailestingumą, kurį praliejate visoms sąlygotoms sieloms, tokioms kaip aš. Nesugebu suvokti, kaip įmanoma skleisti šitiek meilės, gailesčio visoms gyvoms būtybėms kaip Jūs skleidžiate. Nors esu visiškai neverta Jūsų malonės, neturiu tinkamų savybių, tik Jūsų dėka aš bandau nusipurtyti visą nešvarą ir tapti nors truputį geresne tarnaite, išmokti bent šiek tiek labiau pamilti Krišną.

jogyatā-vicāre, kichu nāhi pāi, tomāra karuņā-sāra

karuņā nā hoile, kāndiyā kāndiyā,

prāņa nā rākhibo āra



Jei pažvelgsite į mane, nerasite jokių gerų savybių. Jūsų malonė yra mano egzistencijos esmė. Jei nebūsite maloningas man, karčiai verkdamas aš negalėsiu palaikyti savo gyvybės.

Jūsų meilė Šri Krišnai ir Šrilai Prabhupadai mane be galo įkvepia prisidėti prie nuostabios Šrilos Prabhupados misijos ir vieną dieną tapti verta vadintis Jūsų mokine.

Jūsų nuolanki tarnaite,

Eglė Sviklaitė,

Kauans, Lithuania

Darius Dailidė, Lilehamer, Norway – You do beautiful things for Krishna

Dear Sankarshan Das Adhikari,

Please accept my humble obeisances at Your lotus feet.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

Hare Krishna,

nama om visnu-padaya krsna-presthaya bhu-tale srimate Sankarsana-DasAdhikarin iti namine namo Prabhupadanuga-prema-murti krpatmane gauradesa-vikasartha-utama-bhakti-varsine.

I want to thank you for such a wonderful dissemination of knowledge throughout the world, it is a beautiful thing when people can learn and worship Krishna.

Your servant,

Darius Dailidė



Lilehamer, Norway



Turning On the World to Krishna Consciousness Vilnius, Lithuania--5 October 2015

LITHUANIAN:

Brangus Sankarshan Das Adhikari,

Prašau priimkite mano nuolankius nusilenkimus prie Jūsų lotoso pėdų.

Visa šlovė Šrilai Prabhupadai!

Harė Krišna,

nama om visnu-padaya krsna-presthaya bhu-tale



srimate Sankarsana-DasAdhikarin iti namine namo Prabhupadanuga-prema-murti krpatmane gauradesa-vikasartha-utama-bhakti-varsine.

Norėčiau jums padėkoti už tokį žinių skleidimą visame pasaulyje, nuostabus dalykas, kad žmonės gali išmokti ir garbinti Krišną.

Jūsų tarnas,

Darius Dailidė, Lilehamer, Norvegija



Español / Offerings in Spanish with English translations

Devadeva Das, Mendoza, Argentina – Your words are carved in my heart

My dear spiritual father patita pavana:

Please accept my humble and respectful obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

om ajnana timirandasya jnanajana salakaya caksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah

I offer my respectful obeisances unto my spiritual master, who has opened my eyes, which were blinded by the darkness of ignorance, with the torchlight of knowledge, therefore, I offer my respectful obeisances unto him.

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate sankarshan das adhikari iti namine

I offer my humble obeisances at the lotus feet of my spiritual master Srila Sankarshan Das Adhikari. He is the dearest servant of Krishna in this world having taken full shelter at His lotus feet.

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine

O follower of Prabhupada! O personification of prema! I offer my obeisances to you, the embodiment of mercy, who shower pure bhakti to spread the order of Lord Caitanya.

I never stop thinking of your words which have been chiseled by fire in my heart:

"You should always remember that if you remain always totally dedicated to carrying out the orders that your have received from your spiritual master, you will have gotten a permanent place of residence in his heart and he will forever reside in your heart."

My heart resides with my spiritual master. You grant me everything I need in order to be happy in this world and you are always present wherever I am trying to serve you.

Srila Gurudeva, my life in the shade of your lotus feet is glorious, and I could not live without the shelter of your service, nor would I want to.

I can see that I am nothing but an insignificant servant of my eternal spiritual master. By his mercy, I have been saved from a most miserable life and engaged in the loving service of Sri Guru and Sri Krishna.



I know that I still have much to learn. You also teach me that to be humble means to always be ready to learn and to always be ready to be corrected.

Many times, memories of the past before meeting you come to my mind and I feel

ashamed of them, because I have no pleasure in them. Nothing compares to all the love, peace, apprenticeship, faith and devotion to you.

You have changed and continue to change profoundly my life. I always ask myself: "What would I be without you?"

I will always be grateful to you. That is why I beg you to bless me to serve you eternally in all places.

You mercifully picked me up from my misery and you showed me the beauty of spiritual life, what to speak of serving others or of the wonderful family that surrounds me. I have excellent Godbrothers and the well-wisher of all, my beloved spiritual father.

Happiness overcomes me at every moment. Thanks to you, I can be happy and ready to follow your footsteps knowing that there is truly no greater blessing.

Today, on the day of your Vyasa Puja, my heart is with you and I join with all my Godbrothers to celebrate the most auspicious day of your appearance as our savior, our beloved Srila Gurudeva patita pavana.

I pray to always remember that I am nothing more than your humble servant and to have the strength to keep my vows; for the enthusiasm to inspire others; for the humility to see my faults giving up my pride and to be able to make the right decisions to respond well to the needs of others.

You teach us that we must help others to develop their Krishna consciousness. I pray that you quide me so that I may be able to offer them the maximum orientation towards Krishna and devotional service.

My dear Srila Gurudeva, I should be simply offering and glorifying, but being so incompetent, I need your constant intervention to be able to carry out anything whatsoever. You are my only hope and qualification.

Please keep me always sheltered under your lotus feet. You are my master, birth after birth.

Wishing you a happy Vyasa Puja,

Your unworthy servant,

Devadeva das Adhikari, Mendoza, Argentina







Srila Prabhupada Night Attracts Many Eager Hearers

Original offering in Spanish

nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine

"Ofrezco mis respetuosas reverencias a Su Gracia Sankarshan Das Adhikari, quien es muy querido por el Señor Sri Krishna, por haber tomado refugio a Sus pies de loto."

namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane,

gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine



"iO seguidor de Prabhupada! iO personificación de prema! Te ofrezco mis reverencias, tú quien eres encarnación de misericordia y quien llueve el bhakti puro para propagar la orden del Señor Caitanya.

Mi querido padre espiritual patita pavana:

Por favor acepte mis humildes y respetuosas reverencias.

Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada.

Nunca dejo de pensar en sus palabras que han quedado grabadas a fuego en mi corazón:

"Deberías siempre recordar que si permaneces siempre totalmente dedicado a cumplir las órdenes que has recibido de tu maestro espiritual habrás obtenido un lugar de residencia permanente en su corazón y él residirá por siempre en tu corazón"

Mi corazón reside con mi maestro espiritual usted me otorga todo lo que necesito para para ser feliz en este mundo y siempre está presente donde sea que yo esté tratando de servirlo.

Srila Gurudeva mi vida a la sombra de sus pies de loto, es gloriosa, y yo no podría ni querría vivir sin el amparo de su servicio.

Puedo ver que no soy nada sino un sirviente insignificante de mi eterno maestro espiritual.

Por su misericordia he sido salvado de la vida más miserable y ocupado en el servicio amoroso de Sri Guru y de Sri Krishna.

Sé que todavía tengo mucho que aprender. Usted me enseña que también ser humilde significa que siempre estás dispuesto a aprender y que estás siempre dispuesto a ser corregido.

Muchas veces vuelven a mi mente los recuerdos del pasado antes de conocerte y me avergüenzo de ellos, pues no tengo ningún agrado en esos recuerdos, nada se compara a todo el amor, paz, aprendizaje, fe y devoción a usted.

Usted cambió y sigue cambiando profundamente mi vida, siempre me pregunto: ¿Qué sería de mí sin usted?

Siempre estaré agradecido, por eso le ruego que me bendiga a servirlo ternamente sea donde sea.

Usted misericordiosamente me sacó de mi miseria y me mostró la belleza de la vida espiritual ni que hablar de servir a los demás o de tan maravillosa familia que me rodea, tengo excelentes hermanos espirituales y el bien queriente de todos mi amado padre espiritual.



La alegría se apodera de mí a cada instante gracias a usted, puedo estar alegre y dispuesto a seguir sus pasos sabiendo que ciertamente no hay bendición más grande.

Hoy en el día de su Vyasa Puja mi corazón está con usted y junto a todos mis hermanos espirituales que festejan el más auspicioso día de su aparición como nuestro salvador, nuestro amado Srila Gurudeva patita pavana.

Oro para recordar siempre que no soy nada más que su humilde sirviente y tener fuerza para mantener mis votos, por el entusiasmo de inspirar a los demás, por la humildad para ver mis defectos renunciando a mi orgullo y poder tomar las decisiones correctas para responder bien a las necesidades de los demás.

Usted nos enseña que debemos ayudar a otros a desarrollar su conciencia de Krsna, oro por que usted me guíe de modo que pueda ofrecerles la máxima orientación hacia Krsna y el servicio devocional.

Mi querido Srila gurudeva; debería simplemente estar ofreciendo y glorificando, pero siendo tan incompetente que necesito de su constante intervención para ser capaz de lograr cualquier cosa. Usted es mi única esperanza y cualificación.

Por favor manténgame siempre refugiado bajo sus pies de loto. Usted es mi maestro, nacimiento tras nacimiento.

Deseando un feliz Vyasa Puja.

Desde Mendoza, Argentina

Su indigno servidor, Devadeva das Adhikari.

Francisco Vintimilla, Cuenca, Ecuador - Thank you for your invaluable nectar

Your Divine Grace Sankarshan Das Adhikari

Thank you for your calling, for your invaluable nectar everyday. I am a friend of the Hare Krishna Movement, and it is wonderful to read from you.

A friend and fallen man,

Francisco Vintimilla, Cuenca - Ecuador





Karma Reincarnation Conference--Santiago, Chile--3 January 2015

Original offering in Spanish

Su Divina Gracia Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

Gracias por su vocación gracias por su inestimable néctar de todos los días, soy un amigo del movimiento Hare Krishna, y es maravilloso poder leerlo .

un amigo y caído hombre

Francisco Vintimilla, Cuenca - Ecuador

Leandro, Rosario, Argentina - I admire you, admire you, admire you

om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya

cakshur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah



nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine nama om vishnu-padaya krishna-preshthaya bhu-tale srimate bhaktivedanta-svamin iti namine namas te sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine nirvisesha-sunyavadi-pascatya-desa-tarine (jaya) sri-krishna-caitanya prabhu nityananda sri-advaita gadadhara srivasadi-gaura-bhakta-vrinda hare krishna hare krishna krishna Krishna hare hare hare rama hare rama rama rama hare hare vancha-kalpatarubhyas ca kripa-sindhubhya eva ca patitanam pavanebhyo vaishnavebhyo namo namah

Dear Srila Gurudeva, please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

In 2010, I met the devotees and my life changed completely. The first Spiritual Master that I met, contacted and responded quickly to me was you. When I get my first Bhagavad-gita, the devotee that gave it to me, gave me a card with your contact information and I subscribed to the Ultimate Self-Realization Course. You are daily a source of inspiration for me.

I admire your preaching mood, your commitment to Srila Prabhupada and your exemplary attitude for all of us. I admire your determination, your enthusiasm and the seriousness of your service.

I admire the way you explain to us the science of Krishna, and you allow us to advance in Krishna Consciousness. I am so grateful to you!!!

Hare Krishna



In January 2016, I will personally go to Mendoza, Argentina to meet you.

I hope that Krishna will want that I may serve you heart and soul for all eternity.

At your service,

Bhakta Leandro - Rosario- Argentina

Original Spanish version

OFRENDA PARA SRILA GURUDEVA - 2015 om ajnana-timirandhasya jnananjana-salakaya cakshur unmilitam yena tasmai sri-gurave namah nama om vishnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale Srimate Sankarshan Das Adhikari iti namine namo prabhupadanuga prema murti kripatmane, gauradesa vikasartha, uttama bhakti varsine nama om vishnu-padaya krishna-preshthaya bhu-tale srimate bhaktivedanta-svamin iti namine namas te sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine nirvisesha-sunyavadi-pascatya-desa-tarine (jaya) sri-krishna-caitanya prabhu nityananda sri-advaita gadadhara srivasadi-gaura-bhakta-vrinda hare krishna hare krishna krishna Krishna hare hare hare rama hare rama rama rama hare hare vancha-kalpatarubhyas ca kripa-sindhubhya eva ca patitanam pavanebhyo vaishnavebhyo namo namah



Hare Krishna

Querido Srila Gurudeva, por favor acepte mis humildes reverencias, todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada.

En 2010 conocí a los devotos y mi vida cambiò totalmente, el primer Maestro Espiritual al que conocì, contacté, y rapidamente me respondiò, fue Usted. Cuando tuve mi primer Bhagavad Gita, el devoto que me lo dío, me entregò una tarjeta con sus contacto y me suscribí al Curso de la Maxima Autorrealización. Usted diariamente es una fuente de inspiración para mi.

Admiro su modalidad de prédica, su compromiso con Srila Prabhupada y su actitud ejemplar para todos nosotros. Admiro la determinación, el entusiasmo, y la seriedad de su servicio.

Admiro el modo en que nos explica la ciencia de Krishna, y nos permite avanzar en la Conciencia de Krishna. Estoy tan agradecido con usted!!!.

En enero de 2016 ire a conocerlo personalmente a Mendoza, Argentina.

Ojalá Krishna quiera que pueda servirlo con alma y vida por la eternidad.

A su servicio.

Bhakta Leandro - Rosario- Argentina

Luis Castro, El Salvador - The mercy of Krishna is manifested in your wise words

Hare Krishna!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

All glories to His Holiness Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

The Blessings and the mercy of Sri Krishna are manifested in your wise words and your spiritual devotion to save us from this world full of miseries. May the potency of your love for the Supreme Lord be the light that guides our minds and

our hearts. May good fortune give you health and strength so that you make continue guiding us in the darkness of Kali and this way come out of ignorance and deliver our unconditional devotional service to the spiritual master pure devotee of Krishna.

Luis Alonso Sánchez Castro.





El Salvador, Central America

Original offering in Spanish

Todas las Glorias a Srila Prabhupada.

Todas las Glorias a Su Santidad Sankarshan Das Adhikari.

Las Bendiciones y la misericordia de Sri Krisna estan manifestadas en sus sabias palabras y su devocion espiritual por salvarnos de este mundo lleno de miserias, que la potencia de su amor por El Señor Supremo sea la luz que guie nuestra mente y corazones, que la buena fortuna le de salud y fuerza para que continue guiandonos en la obscuridad de Kali y asi poder salir de la ignorancia y entregar nuestro servicio devocional sin condiciones al maestro espiritual devoto puro de Krishna.

Luis Alonso Sánchez Castro.

Vrinda Devi Dasi, Chile - Thank you for accepting me

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

All glories to Sri Sri Gaura Nitai

All glories to your lotus feet, dear Gurudeva:

Please accept my most humble obeisances.

Hare Krishna, Srila Gurudeva, I hope that this mail finds you in the best of conditions, along with Gurumataji.

I am writing to make an offering to you on this auspicious day of your Vyasa Puja.

I don't have the words to thank you for what you do for all the fallen and conditioned souls, day by day. I can't manage to fathom properly the trascendental nature of your saving and selfless mission, uninterested in any mundane recognition. Your effort to save the whole humanity from this ignorance has no limits, and it is a blessing for me - the most fallen and stubborn of all souls whom you are trying to save with your causeless mercy - to be able to feel you close via your instruction.



I sincerely hope that the day comes when I will really deserve your blessings and that my mind becomes sufficiently intelligent to understand the transcendental nature of life. May my heart become sufficiently pure to feel real love for Krishna and may my material desires become extinguished by the force of spiritual desires.

Thank you very much, Srila Gurudeva, for accepting me as your disciple and for inspiring me every day to continue on the Krishna path. Thank you for dedicating your life for others and for being an example - a living proof - of what prema bhakti and true spiritual realization are. Thank you for being an inspiration and for giving me strength with your Thought for the Day, when I feel that I have lost it.

All that is left to say is that I will be eternally indebted to you and I pray that every day I may feel a little more true love for Sri Krishna.

Hare a very happy Vyasa Puja!

Your eternal servant, Vrinda Devi Dasi

PS: Gurudeva, my husband and I have a Bhakti Vriksa group at home. It has been very good, but we cannot get more people to come, new people. We have focused on bringing people that aren't devotees but have some spiritual interest, so we can preach to them. It has been difficult; we have had rotation of people and now we only have 3 persons. How can we manage to interest common people in coming to a program on Saturday? How can we inspire people and deliver to them the importance of Krishna consciousness?

PS: How to inspire myself in Krishna consciousness when the troubles and duties of householder life bewilder me? Sometimes I don't find the concentration and stillness necessary for good sadhana and tiredness from duties and work overcome me. I feel that I am not being a good disciple. Please help me.

Hare Krishna.

Original version in Spanish

Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada

todas las glorias a Sri Sri Goura Nitai

todas las glorias a sus pies de Loto querido Gurudeva:





Por favor acepte mis mas humildes reverencias

Hare Krsna Srila Gurudev, espero que este correo lo encuentre en la mejor de las condiciones, junto con Gurumataji.

Escribo para hacerle una ofrenda en este auspicioso dia de su vyasapuja, no tengo palabras para agradecer lo que usted hace por todas las almas caidas y condicionadas, dia a dia, no alcanzo a imaginar, seguramente, lo trascendental de su mision salvadora y desinteresada de cualquier reconocimiento mundano.

Su esfuerzo por salvar a la humanidad completa de esta ignorancia no tiene límites, y poder sentirlo cerca a través de su instruccion es una bendicion para mi, la mas caida y testaruda de las almas; que usted, con su misericordia sin causa intenta salvar.

Sinceramente espero que llegue el día en que yo merezca realmente sus bendiciones y que mi mente se vuelva lo suficientemente inteligente para entender lo trascendental de la vida, que mi corazón se vuelva lo suficientemente puro para sentir real amor por Krishna y que mis deseos materiales se vayan apagando cada vez mas por la fuerza de los deseos espirituales. Muchas gracias Srila Gurudeva por aceptarme como su discipula y por cada día animarme a seguir en el sendero de Krishna, gracias por dedicar su vida a los demás, y ser con su ejemplo una prueba viva de lo que es el prema bhakti y la verdadera realizacion espiritual, gracias por ser una inspiración y darme la fuerza, con sus pensamientos del día, cuando siento que la he perdido.

sólo me queda decir que estaré eternamente endeuda con usted y que ruego cada dia por poder sentir un poco mas de amor verdadero por Sri Krishna.

iMuy feliz Vyasapuja!

su sirvienta eterna, Vrinda Devi Dasi

pd: Gurudeva, con mi marido tenemos un grupo bhakti vriksa en casa, ha sido muy bueno, pero no logramos que llegue mas gente, personas nuevas, nos hemos enfocado en traer





personas que no sean devotas y que tengan algún interés espiritual,. para así poder predicarles, ha sido dificil, hemos tenido rotacion de gente, y ahora sólo tenemos 3 personas....como poder hacer que gente común se interese en asisitir un dia sabado a un programa asi?, como poder inspirar a la gente y entregarles lo importante de la concencia de Krsna?

pd: como puedo hacer para animarme en la conciencia de krsna, cuando los problemeas y deberes del hogar me abruman, a veces no encuentro la concentracion y quietud necesaria para tener un buen sadana, y el cansancon por los debres y trabajo me agobia. siento que no estoy siendo una buena discipula, por favor ayudeme.

Hare Krsna

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