



Accepting the bona fide spiritual master as one's life and soul and worshipable deity, the disciple should learn from him the process of pure devotional service. The Supreme Personality of Godhead, Hari, the soul of all souls, is inclined to give Himself to His pure devotees. Therefore, the disciple should learn from the spiritual master to serve the Lord without duplicity and in such a faithful and favorable way that the Supreme Lord, being satisfied, will offer Himself to the faithful disciple.

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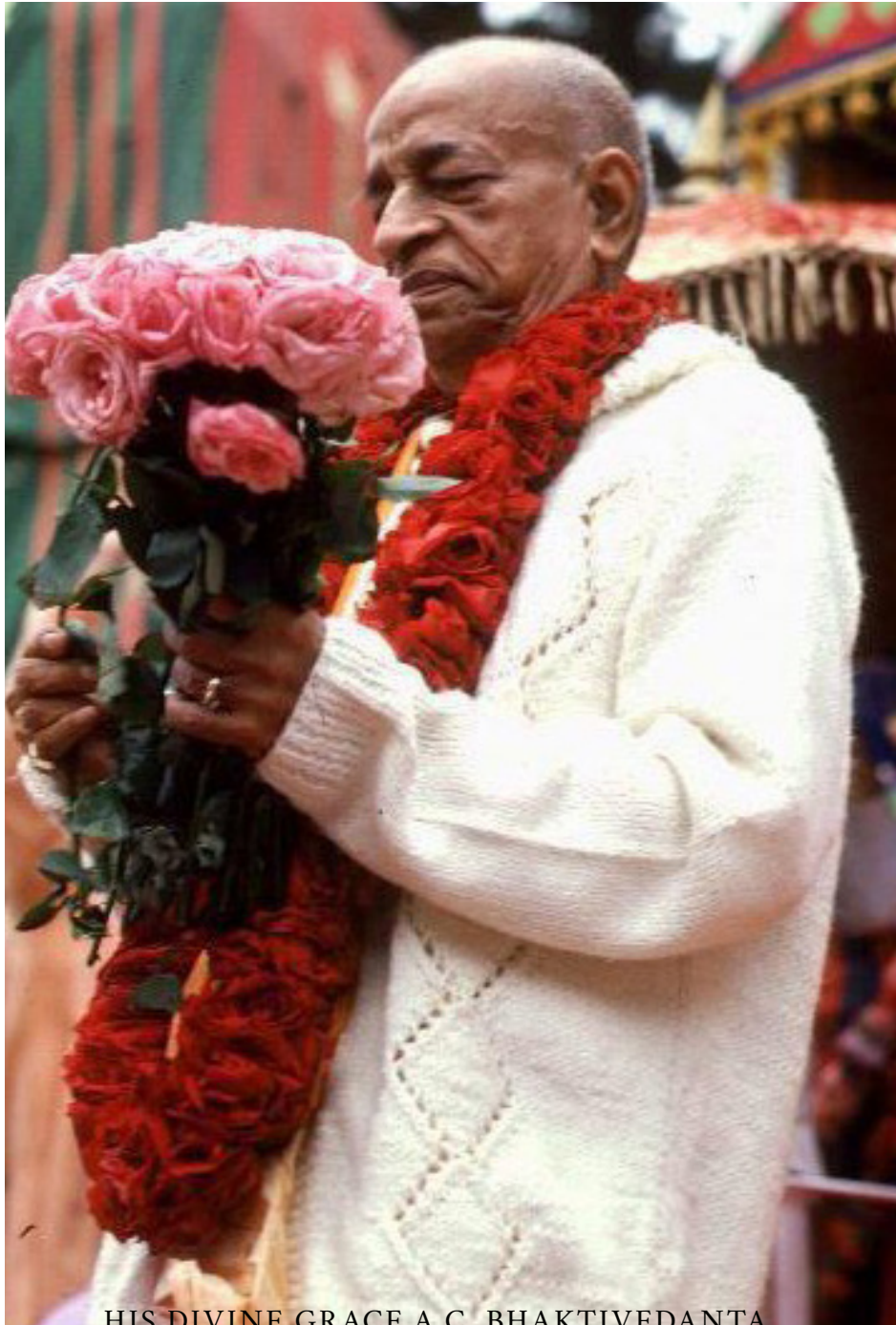
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SURRENDER TO THE RIGHT PERSON

For knowledge, we have got to go to the right person, tattva-darśī. Tattva-darśī means "one who has actually seen or experienced the Absolute Truth." So unless we find out such a person who has actually seen the Absolute Truth or who has in his experience what is Absolute Truth, so there is very little chance of our spiritual advancement.

If we can find out such a person who is experienced in the Absolute Truth, and if we follow the principles, as it is stated here, praṇipātena paripraśnena sevayā . . . praṇipāta means to surrender, and paripraśna means to enquire, and sevayā means service. Three things. You should find out a person who is self-realized, who has experience in the Absolute Truth and, on your part, you have to surrender there, and you have to enquire and you have to render service. When these things are completed, there is no doubt about one's spiritual salvation. If we have actually found out a person who is self-realized and we have surrendered there honestly, with enquiry and service, then we must know that our spiritual salvation is guaranteed. Guaranteed. There is no doubt about it.

(Lecture on BG 4.34-38, New York 1966)



SIGNIFICANCE OF SRI VYASA-PUJA

BY JAGANATHA SUTA DASA

In a material setting, age old tradition is something that carries value. The oldest civilization, the oldest country, the oldest city, the oldest university, the oldest business company, the elder brother even. We take his words, at least at the beginning, without questioning.

Why is it such a big thing? Because it stands the test of time we perceive it as something of substance. Meaning that, there must be something real, an element of authenticity to it.

All the falsities and pretense fall off eventually, revealing the true essence within. As the famous author says: "in time everything passes, only truth remains." So we think there's some truth present in these establishments and especially if the century on the year established reads 18 or less even, we are sold. This innate, subconscious appreciation for tradition is appreciation for the shadow resemblance of a transcendental quality.

That's essentially what Guru parampara is:

The authorized line of disciplic succession is the most valuable asset in this manifestation because it carries the absolute truth. All the baforementioned, carrying material truths, will end, sooner or later, but Guru parampara will stand the test of time because its origin is of a different kind. Originating from the service of the lotus feet of Sri Sri Radha and Krsna, expanding, through space and time, spanning all the way here. Right into our "I don't really know what I'm doing, but I'm very busy doing it" lives of this day and age.

The helping hand is extended out for us to grab and hold on to, and we should, hold on as if our dear life depends on it, because it literally does. We don't know what life's really about, why we are here, why do we have to suffer. Our understanding is very limited at best and it's far from cutting it into any level of transcendental existence, what to speak of Goloka Vrindavana. More even, when we first heard that name we were like, what the heck are these guys on about, right? Or when we heard the term devotional service. Like, really? Just, please, give me a break.

"So the same thing, it is chalked out by Kṛṣṇa, and by paramparā system we have under-



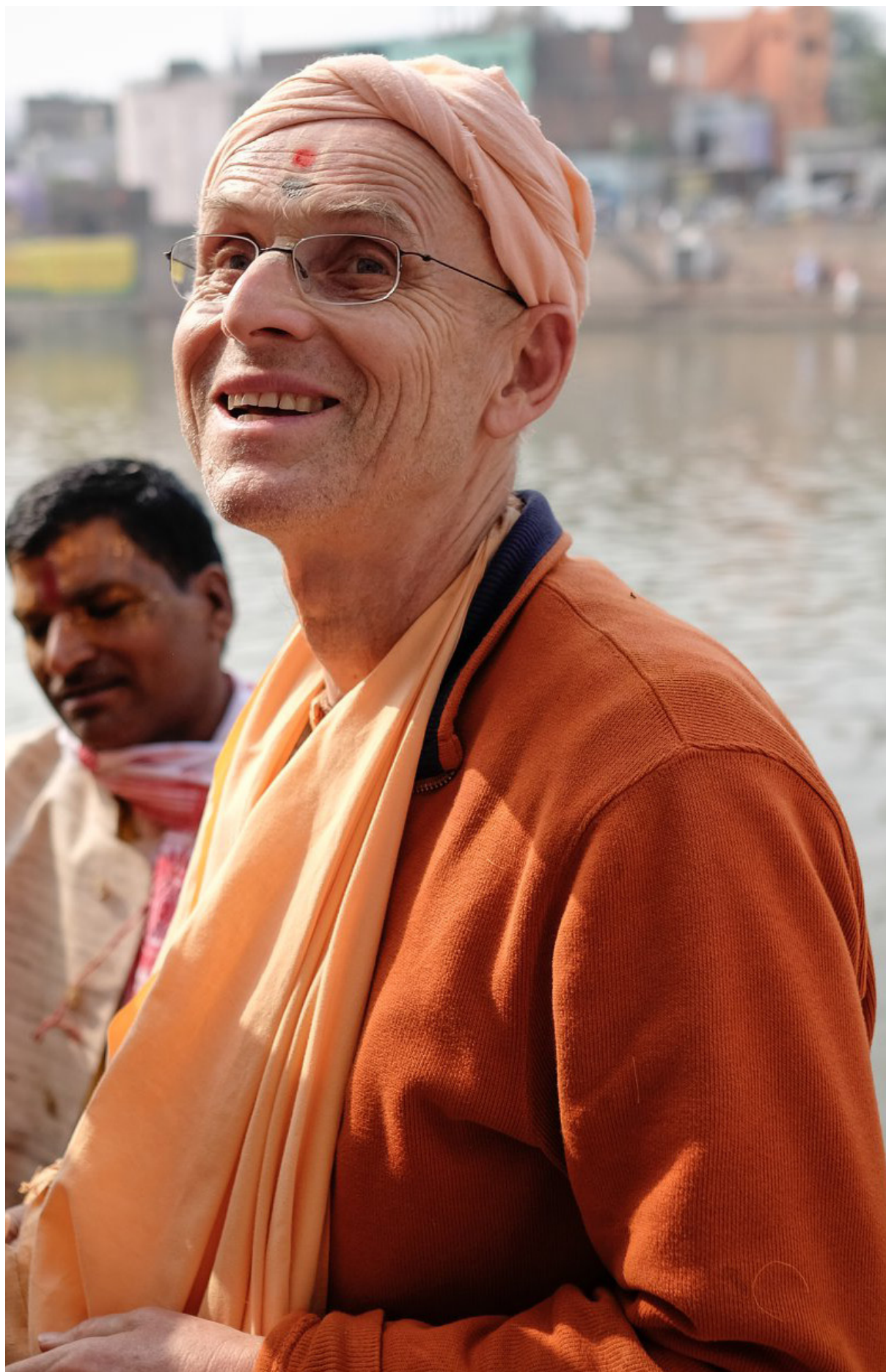
stood this philosophy. *Evaṁ paramparā prāptam imaṁ rājarṣayo viduḥ* [Bg. 4.2]. So keep this paramparā system. This Vyāsa-pūjā is paramparā system. Vyāsa-pūjā means to accept this paramparā system. Vyāsa. Guru is the representative of Vyāsadeva because he does not change anything. What Vyāsa-pūjā... What Vyāsadeva said, your guru also will say the same thing. Not that "So many hundreds of thousands of years have passed away; therefore I will give you a new formula." No. There is no new formula. The same Vyāsa-pūjā, the same philosophy. Simply we have to accept it, then our life will be successful."

Srila Prabhupada, lecture,
December 10th, 1976, Hyderabad

Srila Prabhupada explains that Vyasa-puja means celebrating our connection with the parampara system. Kṛṣṇa Dvaipayana Veda Vyasa knows everything that all the others in history will ever know and he even knows some things that nobody else does. Usually there is a qualified jiva that is given the task of putting the Vedas in writing, but because of the Gautama muṇi's curse all the knowledge was lost (*kaleneha nastah*) so there was a need for Kṛṣṇa to come forward.

Now, in this age, Srila Prabhupada again, there was the need of the hour, presented this timeless wisdom in a way that can, not only be understood but most importantly, be put in practice by members of contemporary society at large.

And here comes His Holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami, personally for us, because, of course, we all are a special kind of bunch, amongst the many, so that we can see that there is hope for us also. Even though we are something else, Kṛṣṇa is taking perfect care by giving us a perfect Spiritual master.





THE NECESSITY FOR A SPIRITUAL MASTER

Someone asked Śrīla Prabhupāda the question, "Do you really need a guru for spiritual life?" Prabhupāda said, "Of course! Is there anything you can do without a guru? You need a teacher for everything. If you want to become a carpenter, you have to learn from a carpenter. If you want to be a car mechanic, you have to learn from a car mechanic. If you want to become a professor, you have to learn from a professor. So for anything, you need a teacher, a guru, somebody to learn from."

That is how it is in spiritual life also. On our own we can learn a little but not very deeply. If we want depth we need to inquire from a spiritual master. So somehow or the other, invest in a relationship with a spiritual master because that is the secret of this movement. Even within the entire Gauḍīya Vaiṣṇava sampradāya, ISKCON stands out for one thing – it's guru niṣṭhā; it's great conviction. And Śrīla Prabhupāda is the one who stands out for his guru niṣṭhā. If we study the history of Śrīla Bhaktisiddhānta Sarasvatī Ṭhākura's Gauḍīya Maṭha, they didn't have a daily guru-pūjā; they had one once a year! But Śrīla Prabhupāda instituted it daily. Very central in our entire spiritual life and the arrangements that Śrīla Prabhupāda made is the guru-disciple relationship. Śrīla Prabhupāda often said, "Why did this miracle happen to me? I have so many Godbrothers, all highly qualified! So why did this miracle happen to me? I can only say that it is because I cent percent followed the order of my spiritual master!"

In the concluding words to the Caitanyacaritāmṛta Śrīla Prabhupāda writes that Kṛṣṇa is present in the heart as Paramātmā along with all His associates and devotees. In this way the spiritual master is also present within the heart and always guiding us from within.

(Guru disciple book)



Acyuta Gotra Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate Kadamba Kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

gaura-kṛpāmṛtaṁ prāpto vraje mājāpure'pi yaḥ
prabhupāda-priyo lokam pāyaty anivāritam

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa Jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

Hare Kṛṣṇa Maharaj,

Please accept my humble sincere obeisances.

All glories to your lotus feet,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

The day of the appearance of the spiritual master symbolises the descending of mercy of the Supreme Lord. Srila Prabhupada became an example of the mercy. Srila Jayadvaita Maharaj, so as your highness to us in this mortal material world.

My life ever since I met you, it became easier. Yes, you would always say to me "Acyuta you must be serious about your spiritual life. I need you to take shelter."

And that alone was simply your encouragement to fulfil the wishes. You've been an embodiment of purity, spirituality and success. You showed your children, us, how to behave. Chant, Read, follow the vows and keep taking shelter of Srila Prabhupada and Guru. Not once you deviated from the teachings Srila Prabhupada gave us. Nor your spiritual master, his holiness Srila Jayadvaita Maharaj.

You mentioned to us that being a disciple means being disciplined and following. You kept us closer to you. Even during your busy times, you still managed to read and reply our emails and WhatsApp. During COVID, glories to Sri Sri Radha Radhanath, you were with us in Durban. And I was asked by managed to assist you. Every day I'll sit with you while you do your live stream on YouTube. And after class, you'll ask me questions about the class. And honestly,



some answers I wouldn't know. And Rukmini, during breakfast the following day would help. You chastised me for not bringing your lunch on time, yet you were live on class.

After breakfast, one morning you saw I was bit hyperactive. I simply opened up and stated that "I will take Sannyasa Initiation from you in the coming years". That was the day I've saw you laughing so happily. And there was a cup holder next to Srila Prabhupada in the room. There's a sign that says "Do Not Touch". You jokingly placed that sign on your head. And said, "Sannyasa is for desire less, and those willing to leave the world behind for Krsna. And to bring Krsna to the world".

You will always be the only father, master, and pure servant of Krsna I've ever had. I'll always try my best, which you always told me "try Acyūta" and make you the proudest father.

Your ever humble servant,
Acyuta Gotra Dasa
(South Africa)

Acyuta Kesava Dasa

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guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine
nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

Please accept my humble obeisances.
All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

Dear Gurudeva.

It is difficult and it is easy.

Why is it easy?

Because you are so approachable and accessible. So understanding, flexible, and lovable. You make Krsna consciousness so practical and bring to life to what Srila Prabhupada said "Krsna consciousness is so simple, you might just miss it."



You are relaxed about many things but serious about the serious things.

In short you have stolen my heart. No, you have not stolen my heart. You have entered deep into and stolen the inner core chambers of my heart.

It's easy because you have left me with so many instructions to follow. There is no need to speculate about what I need to do.

It is easy because you have given me such a beautiful, vibrant and supportive Godfamily.

It is easy because you are a Prabhupada man.

It is easy because you have led by example. You have shown us how to live a life dedicated to the mission of Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu. To be on the cutting edge of the preaching mission and to give this world Krsna consciousness.

It's easy because you have appeared in so many of my "dreams" revealing to me that you are still actively involved in my life.

Then why is it difficult?

It is difficult because you have captured the inner core of my heart. Deep down in that inner core there is a feeling of emptiness. A feeling that just doesn't go away. The heart doesn't want to reconcile with the what the head knows (in terms of philosophical truths).

I long for the moments of physically seeing you in ecstasy in your kirtans, of your deep and practical classes, and most of all your kind, warm and personal exchanges.

The sweetness of you calling out my name, of you putting your arm around my shoulder and walking and talking with me, as if we were just friends.

It is also difficult because I feel challenged every day to please you, to take on the responsibilities of management and leadership in Iskcon (even though I rather not), to care for other devotees and to try to preach to others. Every day is an offering to you dearest Gurudeva.

However with your mercy Gurudeva even the difficult becomes easy:

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."
(Adapted from Bhavartha Dipika, Mangala Stotram 1)

Your servant

Acyuta Kesava Dasa

Iskcon East London, South Africa)



Adi Ganga Dasi

Hare Krsna Guru Maharaj,

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

The connection with a spiritual master goes deep. So deep that even death cannot limit it. This has been my realisation over this past year, the first without your physical presence. It doesn't matter that there is no more vapu, because you have left so much vani behind that there is no time to even remember that you no longer walk among us. I only need to reach for one of your lectures or kirtans or one of your books and you are right there, in front of me. Guiding, advising, encouraging, as you always do. Often, I hear the exact class I need to hear or read the exact line in your book that I need to read, to allay my fears and bring insights into long-standing problems. I had expected to feel separation but so far, I have only experienced connection. Such mercy from you.

And I have needed it! There have been so many struggles, in this long dark tunnel of the anartha nivṛtti phase. Dealing with the three material miseries, particularly adhyatmika, has not been easy, to say the least. There have been so many hurdles to get over. I have good intentions to double down on my practice, to not waste time, to get things done, both material activities and spiritual, in a balanced, constructive way, to serve more and better but I am limited. Limited by my physiology and psychology. I hear that 'we are not the body' but it's hard to transcend the body and mind as physical pain and mental battles floor me. I remember when I was young, I went on a hardcore self-development course. One of the things we had to do was climb up a cliff face. It was painstaking and laborious and slow; we had to really focus and find the little cracks that acted as handholds and footholds, one hand and one foot at a time. In the middle of the cliff face, there was a large cave-like hole. I got both feet onto it but because the mouth was so wide, my hands and legs were too short to reach up to the next hole beyond the top edge of this cavern. I struggled and strained for ages, but of course my body just did not have the length or strength needed. In the end, I had to be pulled up from above by my harness so that I could swoop past the cavernous hole, grab the next handhold and foothold and resume my climb. You are the harness Maharaj, and it is your mercy that pulls me up when I have no strength or willpower. Often, I cannot think of Krsna but I do think of you. You have always given all of yourself to us and you continue to do so from beyond the material realm.



I am a karma-yogi and a kanishta adhikari, not a very advanced devotee but someone who faces constant struggle. I am not on the frontline at the moment with my preaching but have had to retreat. I am focusing on my sadhana, doing a little teaching service, distributing prasadam and writing about Krsna consciousness. I often wish I was as bold and dynamic as you, but I find a gentle pace suits me better than a fast-paced one. So here I am worshipping the Deities, going to the odd festival, chanting beyond 16 and reading a chapter a day of Srila Prabhupada's books. I am finding out who I am and how best to fulfil your desires. It's an ongoing process but I keep climbing that wall, expecting your mercy to haul me up. I am not advancing very fast but I will continue trying in the hopes of pleasing you some day.

Always endeavouring to be your servant

Adi Ganga Dasi

Adigopi Radha Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

Gaur Kriparitam prapto vraje Mayapure priyaha.
Prabhupada priye lokam payayati anivaritam.

Hare Krsna Guru Maharaj.

Please accept my humble obeisances

Last year was a year that I felt that I have lost everything. Sadly you left your body and I felt like an orphan.

I tried to keep going with listening to your kirtan and sometimes listening to your lectures. I pray for more motivation in bhakti which is not there at the moment.
I have your memories at our house and I still remember your sweet smile.

I am fortunate to have some regular services such as serving the devotees prasadam every Sunday and every festival.

I organise youth kirtan every month first week first Saturday in Canberra. you are my biggest inspiration for loving kirtan and engaging our youth to remember Krishna in fun with lovely melody.



I recently got an opportunity to join the child protection team.

Guru Maharaj, I beg for your mercy and blessings for me to continue with my services with full focus and dedication

Your fallen servant who is trying to be a devotee,

Adigopi Radha Devi Dasi
(Canberra Yatra)

Adikarta Dasa

nama om visnu-pádāya krsna prestháya bhú-tale
śrímate kadamba kánana svámin iti námine

nama om visnu-pádāya krsna-presthāya bhú-tale
guru dāsa jayadvaita svámin iti námine

nama om visnu-pádāya krsna-presthāya bhú-tale
śrímate bhaktivedānta-svámin iti námine

namas te sárasvate deve gaura-vání-pracárine
nirvīśesa-śúnyavádi-páścátya-deśa-tárine

Lieber Guru Maharaj,
Nehmen Sie bitte, im Staub Ihres lotusfüßens, meine achtungsvollen hrerbietungen an.
Alle ehre sei an Ihrer Heiligkeit.
Alle ehre sei an Sri Gauranga.
Alle ehre sei an Ihren Guru Maharaj his holiness Srila Guru Dasa Jayadvaita Swami.
Alle ehre sei an Srila Prabhupada.

Auch wenn Sie mittlerweile allen erdenklichen Sprachen verstehen, möchte ich mich beim Verfassen dieses Offering wie bisher weiterhin an der deutschen Sprache halten, auch wenn ich nicht ausschließen kann, dass meine Schreibweise und mein Ausdrücken nicht fehlerfrei sein werden.

Es ist schon fast ein ganzes Jahr vorbei, als Sie Ihren physischen Körper verlassen haben, und trotz aller Ereignisse, die zu diesem Stand geführt haben, Sind Sie und bleiben ein für alle Mal ein Nektar Ozean der Grundlosen Barmherzigkeit. Das ist die Tatsache, die nie ihr Ende nehmen mag, und auch nicht kann, auch unabhängig von neuen Umständen gesehen, in denen



Sie sich jetzt befinden.

In Ihrem früheren, aus materiellen Substanzen bestehenden Körper, haben Sie ununterbrochen all das Leid der materiellen Welt auf Sich genommen, was zu diesem Zeitpunkt ein Jahr eher seinen Höhenpunkt erreichte, damit Sie die meisten Lebewesen wie möglich retten können, und ihnen so Ihre unendliche Barmherzigkeit unmittelbar erweisen.

Nur schon die Reihe von Vorlesungen, allerhand Schriften, persönliches Schriftstudium, veröffentlichten Bücher, der durchgeführten Kirtans und einer ganzen verschiedensten Menge echt spirituellen Aktivitäten, deren Ende kaum zu erkennen ist, weist deutlich auf diese Tatsache an.

Nur auf der Grundlage dessen, was die heiligen Personen über Ihren Abschied von dieser Welt sagen, kann ich den Schmerz in meinem Herzen überwinden, der durch Ihr immenses Leid, das in der Zeit des Vorjahrs zu seinem Höhepunkt führte, verursacht wurde.

Auch nach Ihrem Abschied von dieser Welt, bleiben viele Ihrer Vorlesungen und anderen spirituellen Aktivitäten zur Veröffentlichung hier. Ich habe die Hoffnung, dass Wir alle die Schüler mit den weiteren Bearbeitungen und veröffentlichen des allen fortfahren dürfen. Auch die Bearbeitung der Umsetzungen Ihrer originellen Vorträge, und deren Ausgaben, die äußerst wertvoll sind, ist jetzt noch hochwertiger, sowie die ursprünglichen Vorlesungen selbst sehr geschätzt sind. Als Teilnehmern an diesem Prozess, haben wir die Gelegenheit viele Erfahrungen zu erwerben, und auch wichtige antworten auf die vielfältigen Fragen zu bekommen. Mein Glück ist, ich darf immer noch an den Tätigkeiten des Prozesses mein Teil nehmen.

Mit Dankbarkeit und demütig, möchte Ich stets Ihre lotusfüße, die lotusfüße meines spirituellen meisters, Srila Guru Maharaj Kadamba Kanana Swami, ununterbrochen verehren, und auch daher, neige ich mich vor Ihnen stets erneut, und bringe Ihnen, meine respektvolle Ehrerbietungen dar.

Ihr ewiger Schuldner und unansehnlicher Schüller,
Adikarta Dasa



Adirasa Dasa, Citra Malini Devi Dasi & family

Dear Guru Maharaj,

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

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Please accept our humble obeisance.

All glories to you on this auspicious day of your appearance day.

The day you blessed us by accepting as your disciples, is the most memorable day for us. That day our journey of Kṛṣṇa consciousness was started with vows and principles.

When we think or remember the time when we had your personal association in Vrindavan and Germany, it fills our heart and soul with joy, hope and spiritual bliss.

Many times we find ourselves in the clutches of Maya, then when we turn to your classes, books and kirtans, gives us relief and we find ourselves in a better position.

By your example you taught all of us what it means to be an affectionate, caring, loving spiritual master, disciple, leader, preacher and also you showed us how to be strong and sincere in executing vows and services regardless of any difficult circumstances.

Whenever we ask for the personal instructions, you always focused on living in devotee communities, we can now understand how important it is. This is what is saving us from fall down.

By your blessings, we have a very nice devotee care community of many families under the guidance of Sudama Prabhu ji. We all celebrate festivals, events together in temples and outside and atleast once in a month we conduct home program in which we seek the possibilities to invite new people and try to connect them to Kṛṣṇa consciousness. By your blessings and mercy, many new people have joined since last year and Sudama Prabhu ji is engaging everyone in some services very nicely. Please shower your mercy always which only can keep us going on this path.

Last year we were blessed with a baby girl. By your blessings, his holiness Swayam Bhagawan Keshava Maharaj gave her name, Mohini. She is almost one year old now and starts dancing



in her own way when hears your beautiful Kirtans. Please bless her so that she can also serve her part in this movement. Our son, Gauranga is also 4 years now. Please bless him also Maharaj Ji that he can also develop some taste in devotional activities.

Although you have given us so much, we miss your presence in our life, your Fridays live sessions, your kirtans - classes in temple, yatras in dham, your funny jokes and so on. When you left this planet, it was very painful for all of us but at the same time happiness that you would join the team of Mahaprabhu.

We wish we could serve you better while you were on this planet and beg for forgiveness for any offense committed at your lotus feet because of our ignorance. Please shower your mercy Guru Maharaj so that we can develop some taste in Bhakti and can follow your instructions sincerely and serve you in a way that pleases you.

We again wish you a very happy appearance day Guru Maharaj

Your insignificant servants,

Adirasa Dasa, Citra Malini Devi Dasi, Gauranga Dasa & Mohini

Aditya Varna Devi Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my respectful obeisances in the dust of your lotus feet.

All glories to Sri Gauranga,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada,

All glories to his holiness Srila Guru Dasa Jayadvaita Swami.

All glory to your holiness.

On this auspicious day of your appearance on this planet, I want to glorify you with my limited abilities. Unfortunately, I'm not good at offering letters, I can't express my feelings and thoughts very well, but I have so much to say.

What a year we have had. A bitter one, but at the same time a happy one. Bitter, because you have left this planet and we can no longer have your direct community here. Happy because you are finally home, at Sri Krsna's lotus feet. With your entire life of commitment and devo-



tion to Srila Prabhupada's mission and the last months of your life full of physical difficulties until your last breath, you have shown the entire world an extraordinary example of a perfect vaishnava.

Like a caring father, you provided us students with all the necessary instructions - in your books, in your lectures, in the zoom meetings and in your last video message. Not a day goes by that I don't think about that last message. She is very inspiring and makes the feeling of being apart much more bearable.

There is much for which I can be grateful to you in this past year. It was through your mercy that I was able to obtain my bhakti satri degree. I prayed to you while studying and during the exam and always felt a strong connection with you and your presence.

I know that it was only through your mercy that my husband and I were able to spend five months in Sri Mayapura dhama in 2023. Every time I have been in Srila Prabhupada samadhi, I have given you the greatest appreciation. What a beautiful masterpiece this is!

Unfortunately, we didn't have much time to develop a deep guru-disciple relationship. But I can sense your presence in my life. And I'm so grateful to you for appearing in my dreams every now and then and encouraging me not to worry. Thank you and thank you again.

I miss you.

Your insignificant servant

Aditya Varna Devi Dasi

Advaita Simha Dasa

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmlītaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Please accept my humble obeisance.

All glories to you Guru Maharaj.

All glories to Jayadvaita Swami,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

It has been more than a year since we last met physically in Vrindavan, yet somehow you feel closer to me than ever before. Many significant events have unfolded in our lives, offering nu-



merous opportunities for spiritual growth as a family and opening new doors for engagement in the preaching mission.

Just yesterday, I had a dream of you passionately urging me to join you on sankirtan. Although you expressed frustration with me, I felt empowered knowing that you continue to guide me and anchor me in the fundamentals of Krsna consciousness, reminding me of the importance of my daily sadhana and preaching efforts.

Our preaching activities have evolved, with more emphasis on online platforms and wellness seminars or events. While this approach allows for gradual connections with people, it lacks the exhilaration of taking to the streets with a stack of books and a Mrdanga for Naga sankirtan.

I humbly seek your mercy to become more deeply involved in fieldwork within our movement and to gain the intelligence to integrate it with our preaching endeavors. Currently, I am engrossed in listening to your lecture series on the Chaitanya Caritamrta on YouTube and revisiting your book "Forever Present" repeatedly.

Although I once believed that you had already imparted more instructions than I could possibly handle in one lifetime, you continue to reveal deeper layers of our tradition—making Krsna in Vrindavan more accessible through the mercy of Guru, Gauranga, and all the acharyas.

Today, I came across a commentary by Bhaktivinoda Thakura, emphasizing that we should not merely view our Guru from a distance as a Sadhu, but rather as a friend. This resonates deeply with me, and I believe it would resonate with you as well.

I eagerly anticipate our reunion in the spiritual world, where I hope to engage in the loving service of Radha and Krsna under your guidance and care.

With heartfelt obeisances, your ever aspiring servant.

Advaita Simha Dasa

Advaita-Candra Dasa

Hare Krsna My Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances unto you.

I offer my obeisances to Jayadvaita Swami.



I offer my obeisances to Srila Prabhupada, to whom you were so attached.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all of our previous acaryas, without whom, I am lost.

All glories to you.

My offering to you this year is two-fold. I first of all offer at your lotus feet all the attempts at so called service I have clumsily made. If you are pleased, then perhaps Krsna will bestow his mercy upon me. In times of difficulty, your example has been a tremendous source of strength for me, and others, I'm sure. Your steadfast determination in spiritual life has helped me make those decisions, the seemingly insignificant ones that end up making a huge contribution to our spiritual health over a larger span of time. For example, being in bed and realising that you still have one or two rounds left. Do we just say, "It's alright, I will do it tomorrow," or do we get up and do the thing. You mentioned in a lecture two types of devotees: those who just exist in the movement and receive a little mercy due to sukrti and other factors concomitant of being a quote unquote member of the society, and those who are on the cutting edge of adventurous, bold pursuit in conquering Krsna. You invited us to consider, "Is it enough to just be a member?". The devotees in the latter category do not consider prema to be a foreign concept that is millions of miles away. They have the firm faith that diving into Krsna Consciousness without a single reservation will at the end of this life grant them the perfection of this movement - attaining pure love for Krsna. Oh and if they can point one or two souls in the right direction then that is nice too. Dear gurumaharaja, please give me the strength to be on the cutting edge and do something for Prabhupada in his movement.

The second part of my offering to you this year, on this most glorious day of your appearance, is this set of poems. I am not sure when it happened, but I have become somewhat inclined to writing in poem format as you know from the last few offerings. I feel that my competency in expressing myself through this medium (and the written word in general) is highly underdeveloped. However, since Rupa Goswami has instructed us that sharing ones heart in confidence is a loving exchange, it behoves me to still make this attempt. Hopefully you will kindly consider these offerings a sincere sharing of my heart.

1)

Grand

Understanding

Radiant

Uncompromising

Magnanimous

Audacious

Hero



Accessible
Righteous
Ardent
Jovial
Acarya

2)

For all my mistakes and shortcomings,
I plead with you to forgive me.
For my lack of surrender, determination, patience, and enthusiasm,
I plead with you to be patient with me.
For my holding on tightly to material attachments even after understanding so many instructions on the matter,
I plead with you to reprimand me.
For my misusing time, which is non-different from Krsna, and thereby disrespecting Him,
I plead with you to grant me the intelligence by which I will stop this foolish behaviour.
I am a first-class fool in front of you, and surely commit, and have committed, innumerable offenses at your lotus feet.
But to avoid adding salt to the wound that is my despicable condition, as it would be an even greater disservice to you,
I submit myself before you as your lowly disciple.

I plead with you, don't throw this kali yuga reject out from your shelter, I have nowhere else to go.

3)

The magic of Krsna consciousness is
is something to behold. Try it,
it's a bender.

The hardest of hearts melt like
molten gold, making them
soft and tender.

Behind the magic is a boy
standing crooked, with
unlimited splendour.

His transcendental tricks, second to none,



leave everyone stunned.
Not one contender.

To reach Him, we must give
away mercy received, not become
hungry spenders,

and heed instructions left behind,
by teachers, wise and kind, lest
we be offenders.

"Too much work!" exclaims the naysayer.
But the ocean becomes water in a hoof print
if we simply surrender.

Then we'll find Him, in
next to no time, and won't
that be momentous?

4)
Impossible is a word in the dictionary of a fool.
My mind harbours him, and he conspires against me.
However, you are the exemplar for the valiant fight
in Krsna's service, need I mention your temple presidency?
Fi on those who claim that the effort bears no fruit,
for they have not seen that you now reside in the Krsna Balarama residency
Let this dacoit,
living in the dank, dingy, decrepit depths of my heart
be evicted.
Thus I am allowed to come out and fight, fuelled by your example.
You have cleared the path, now I shall follow you.

Akshobhya Dasa

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ



All glories to Srila Kadamba Kanana Swami Maharaj,
All glories to Srila Jaiadvaita Swami Maharaj,
All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

To my revered Spiritual Master,

You opened new dimensions of Krsna consciousness in front of me. You clearly want all your disciples to go back home back to godhead. And you laid down clear cut practical instructions for achieving this result. Becoming pure devotee is definitely not easy, for a highly conditioned soul like me. The pathway is especially filled with innumerable challenges and hurdles, both external and internal. But you by your personal example demonstrated that Krsna consciousness is possible.

You give your cent percent energy for serving Krsna. That was evident by the energy you put in your kirtans, two hundred percent.

You had full faith in Mahaprabhu's kirtan, dance, gita Krsna, spiritual master and the vaishnavas. You must have seen me as a helpless, hopeless case, and therefore you gave me the opportunity of serving you personally and thereby giving me a chance for associating with you personally. I understand that how much actual association we took will be demonstrated by how we conduct ourselves in Krishna consciousness after your departure.

I can only say that I am maintaining my vow of chanting 16 rounds and make very tiny efforts in preaching. I try to regular read Bhagavatam.

You mentioned several times in your lectures that spiritual master is present in our hearts along with paramatma. Please give me ability so that I can hear you instructing from within and then give me the strength to follow it.

Your eternal servant
Akshobhya Dasa

Anakulya Devi Dasi

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

"I was born in the darkest ignorance, and my guru, my spiritual master,
opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto him."



nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine
nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Dearest Gurudeva

anyābhilāṣitā-śūnyam
jñāna-karmādy-anāvṛtam
ānukūlyena kṛṣṇānu-
śīlanam bhaktir uttamā
(CC Madhya 19.167)

“One should render transcendental loving service to the Supreme Lord Kṛṣṇa favourably and without desire for material profit or gain through fruitive activities or philosophical speculation. That is called pure devotional service.” “Unless one is completely freed of all material desires, which are caused by the dense darkness of ignorance, one cannot fully engage in the devotional service of the Lord. Therefore we should always offer our prayers to Lord Nṛsiṃhadeva, who killed Hiraṇyakaśipu, the personification of material desire. Hiraṇya means “gold,” and kaśipu means “a soft cushion or bed.” Materialistic persons always desire to make the body comfortable, and for this, they require huge amounts of gold. Thus Hiraṇyakaśipu was the perfect representative of materialistic life. He was therefore the cause of great disturbance to the topmost devotee, Prahlāda Mahārāja, until Lord Nṛsiṃhadeva killed him. Any devotee aspiring to be free of material desires should offer his respectful prayers to Nṛsiṃhadeva as Prahlāda Mahārāja did in this verse.” (Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam 5.18.8, Text and Purport).

As I sit down to express the love that fills my heart, I am overwhelmed with a profound sense of both loss and gratitude. Though you are no longer physically present in our lives, your teachings and your enduring love continue to shape the very fabric of our beings. The verse above resonates with me daily as you often read or referred to it in many classes or talks. It feels like just yesterday that you were among us, a beacon of wisdom and kindness. Your departure has left a void that can never be filled, but your legacy remains vibrant and alive in



the countless lives you touched, including mine.

You were more than my spiritual father, you are a caring and compassionate person who saw the best in each of us. Your unwavering belief in our potential and your gentle guidance have been a source of strength and inspiration. You led not only with words but with the luminosity of your actions, embodying the positive traits that have become a guiding light for us all.

Your lessons extended beyond the spiritual realm, encompassing the very essence of what it means to be a compassionate and loving human being. You taught us to embrace life with an open heart, to find joy in simplicity, and to always see the beauty in others. Your presence was a reminder that kindness is a transformative force capable of healing the deepest wounds.

I am profoundly grateful for the precious moments we shared, for the wisdom you imparted, and for the countless ways you shaped my understanding of life. Your teachings continue to resonate within me, serving as a compass in times of confusion and a source of solace in moments of despair.

Though you may no longer walk beside us in the material world, you remain alive via your books, lectures and kirtans. Your legacy lives on in the kindness we extend to others, the love we share, and the compassion that you encouraged us to treat everyone we ever came into contact with.

I take solace in knowing that you are now free, soaring in Goloka Vrindavan dancing and singing with the lord and his associates. Your guidance and love will forever be etched in our hearts, and your lessons will continue to guide us on our journey.

Thank you, dear Gurudeva, for allowing me the privilege of being your disciple.

Your eternal servant,
Anakulya Devi Dasi
(East London, South Africa)

Antaranga Dasa

My dear spiritual master,

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

We stand on a threshold of a new life, though not by our own choice or desire. This life is diffi-



cult to bare yet part of vipralabha seva at your lotus feet. Our eternal spiritual father departed and we desire even more your kind words of support, smile, gesture, quotation from the scriptures and direction in the storm of difficulties. The shining jewel and emblem of devotion is not present anymore to our mortal eyes. But just like Kṛṣṇa doesn't forget His devotees I know that you don't forget your devotees and followers. This understanding soothes our constant lamentation.

Like newly orphaned children we move from one day to another, empty husks which are only held together by rendering some service in your name, to your desires guided by your instructions. Carrying your mood in depths of our hearts like a treasure, we desire to bring this intimate and sacred relationship between spiritual master and disciple into reality of day to day life. Kindness, that was something dear to you. One of your last personal instructions you gave us was to continue with sankīrtan – book distribution and I pray I can develop at least a fraction of kindness you have been able to extend to others by this service, which is so dear to you. We pray unto your lotus feet just as Sanātana Gosvāmī prays unto the lotus feet of Kṛṣṇa:

na premā śravaēdi-bhaktir api vā yogo 'thavā vaiñēavo
jīānā vā śubha-karma vā kiyad aho saj-jātir apy asti vā
hēnārthādhika-sādhake tvayi tathāpy acchedya-mūlā satē
he gopē-jana-vallabha vyathayate hā hā mad-ācāiva mām

“O my Lord, I do not have any love for You, nor am I qualified for discharging devotional service by chanting and hearing. Nor do I possess the mystic power of a Vaiñēava, knowledge or pious activities. Nor do I belong to a very high-caste family. On the whole, I do not possess anything. Still, O beloved of the gopīn because You bestow Your mercy on the most fallen, I have an unbreakable hope that is constantly in my heart. That hope is giving me pain.” (Cc. Madhya 23.29).

This hope is that one day we may stand in front of you again, with this meagre offering of our life, when that day comes again we pray that you may smile and accept this insufficient broken service and be kind upon us.

Your servant,
Antaranga Dasa



Anuttara Devi Dasi

Caro Gurudeva,

per favore accetta i miei umili e sinceri omaggi,
tutte le glorie a Srila Prabhupada, tutte le glorie alla Parampara.
Caro Guru Maharaj mi manchi tanto. Sono passati lunghi mesi e non e' facile.
Ti voglio ringraziare immensamente di tutti i preparativi che hai fatto per noi prima della tua
partenza e di come ci hai accompagnato sicuro verso il giorno piu' glorioso in cui hai lasciato il
corpo. Devo confessarti di aver avuto ancora una grande speranza che tutto si potesse
risolvere in un miracolo e che tu potessi restare con noi nella forma in cui abbiamo imparato
a vederti.

Piano piano al posto della rabbia e del dolore che mi hanno accompagnata, sta prendendo
posto una nuova consapevolezza. Ora non ci sono piu' limiti. Ora e' il mio turno.
Quando ancora ero bhaktin a Londra mi hai mandato un bellissimo messaggio registrato, un
regalo inaspettato e meraviglioso. Ci tenevi a farmi sapere che posso contare su di te: I care!
Ora non c'è storia devo ricambiare.

Non so ancora esattamente come, ma ho molta fiducia che tu sarai con me e mi farai sapere.
Per me le tue istruzioni sono sempre state palesi nelle tue lezioni, nelle parole dei confratelli
e delle consorelle piu' anziani, in piu' di ogni altra cosa nelle tue parole scritte
perche' riflettono sempre quelle di Srila Prabhupada.

Non ho mai conosciuto una persona piu' innamorata di Srila Prabhupada. Nel senso
piu' profondo ce l'hai sempre trasmesso perche' Srila Prabhupada ha dato un senso a tutta la
tua vita e hai sempre con forza propagato la sua missione. Una missione che hai menzionato
fino all' ultimo respiro.

Per favore ora aiutami veramente ad avere sempre nel cuore e negli occhi la stessa visione
che hai avuto tu per tutto questo grande movimento. Ti prego di darmi la forza di andare
avanti anche nella mia posizione di componente della squadra. Aiutami a seguire i leader che
davvero hanno preso a cuore la missione e dammi l'intelligenza di distinguere cosa puo'
aiutarmi in questo. Ho considerato in questi giorni come molte volte mi si presentino nella
mente due voci contrastanti: una molto negativa che mi fa pensare al peggio in molte
situazioni e una invece positiva e piena di speranza. Per favore aiutami a capire che sono
entrambe parti di me e che c'è una ragione profonda per entrambe. A volte non la vedo, ma
so che queste due visioni non sono in conflitto. Sono entrambe parte di me e mi hanno



spinta fino a qui, fino a conoscere te e il movimento di Srila Prabhupada. Per questo ringrazio e ti voglio assicurare che puoi contare su di me.

Puoi contare su di me per le piccole cose e per le cose che restano. Puoi contare su di me per stabilita' e amicizia e perche' mi so prendere le mie responsabilita'. In caso dimenticassi per favore ricordami questi punti.

Sempre eternamente grata
Tua servitrice del servitore del servitore del servitor,
Anuttara Devi Dasi

Arundhati Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my most humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to Jayaidvaita Swami.
All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Every morning we sing the prayers for your glorification. I can't express what a deep gratitude and respect I have for you - showing us the way out of the material world. You are endlessly and very patiently showering us with Srila Prabhupada's mercy.

You showed us a perfect example of how to offer one's life for Srila Prabhupada's mission. Very inspired by your zoom meetings we stepped out of our comfort zone and jumped back into the preaching field. This last year was very active. Our small family decided to leave Hungary and we are now back In Gothenburg, Sweden. We are again in charge of the Govinda's restaurant. It has not been so easy but it feels very good. This is what gives me life and sense in my being. The customers and devotees are very happy that we are back and the atmosphere in the restaurant is happy and Krsna conscious. We often play bhajans by you during lunch time. The guests love the atmosphere and the prashadam.

To be in charge again of the restaurant is physically and mentally challenging but I can feel your presence and support very much, every single day. You have appeared in several dreams where you gave me clear instructions and I am very grateful for that. You were so kind, loving and shiny.



At times I feel bad, because you gave so many instructions in the zoom meetings and it is difficult for me to follow all of them. Then I get depressed that I cannot do better. A few nights ago you appeared again in a dream and told me that firstly I should associate more with devotees: "Do not sit alone with my picture. Be together with the others."

You were so present in the dream and shiny and happy as usual you said: "I am here with you." I was confused and said: "I thought you had left". You said: "It is the same, it doesn't matter what happened physically. I am still here." I am feeling such a relief.

I also started again to do children's programs in our congregation by planning theatres and doing different workshops for the kids. Still I have not published the book about Jahnavi Mata. I don't know why it is so difficult for me. I really hope I will find the strength to follow your order to publish it as soon as possible.

I am very grateful to be your disciple and I wish I could serve you much better.
Arundhati Devi Dasi

Audarya Lila Dasi

Dear Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All the glories to Srila Prabhupada.
All the glories to your lotus feet.

On the day of your appearance I thought how could I glorify you in words, words are too small for your importance in our lives. Though language sometimes prevents me from expressing myself, I wrote you a few lines from my heart:

Dear gurudev, you know
You're my superhero
You protect me every day
On a good day or bad day

When you come into my dreams
Your instructions it's a sign



That you care for me and now
I am not longer alone

Thank you gurudev, for all
Family, kirtans and more
For your mercy and your love
I am your servant, you know..

I miss you, but I know
Time will fly and you will come
And I'll walk with you back home
To dear Srila Prabhupada and God

Dear gurudev, thank you and I miss you
I wish you a wonderful appearance day with Krishna in His sweet lila

Your insignificant servant,
Audarya Lila Dasi

Bhaktilata Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Kadamba Kanana Swami,

Please accept my (hopefully one day) humble and loving obeisances.

All glories to Jayadvaita Maharaj
And all glories to A.C, Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, who made it all possible.

Guru Maharaj,

I'm actually not sure what to say. It's been a tough year for my Krsna consciousness. We left Berlin and went for some months to Australia, a month Mayapur and are now again settled in Germany near my mums place. Just a two weeks after arriving in 'Stralia we got the news of you leaving within days or hours. What an experience. To be at the other end of the world. Unrooted without our usual support trying to make sense of it all. It felt miraculously wonderful, shocking and hurtful to see and hear about your departure from this world.

Till this day I don't know how to connect to you. I know theoretically, that you're there - al-



ways. Some devotee stated, that now, you're even closer then before. You're sitting in every disciple's heart. I trust in that. Still emotionally I feel disconnected. It feels like a loss. Know it's similar to the experience I have with Kṛṣṇa: I know He is there and I know that I'm the broken end. I have difficulties to connect. "What to do?" As you would often state.

Because of moving places we gave away our service of the japa group and the reading group and for the traveling time continued our YouTube service. But settling back in, in the middle of nowhere-without other devotees besides us three, a steady service and your physical presence makes us wonder how to connect and feel inspired.

I'm super happy that I was able to continue to follow my vows. I realized through a japa retreat how much I'm meditating on everything else then Kṛṣṇa during my chanting and I really try to improve that - but as we all know, fighting our mind is like fighting with the wind. I'm deeply grateful for the place you gave me in your family! I'm grateful for the life of transcendental goals and inner growth.

Please dearest Kadamba Kanana Swami, help me to reconnect to you. Please always engage me in your service to Guru and Gaurāṅga and show me the next step on my ladder to your eternal service.

Thank you for being my eternal father.

Your servant

Bhaktilata Devi Dasi

Citralekha Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

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nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namaste sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine
nirvisesa-sunyavadai-pascatyā-desā-tarine



Please accept my most humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami Maharaj,
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Some years ago, while wandering over the surface of the earth, looking for meaning and direction in this short life, Krsna claimed my heart as His own. He pulled me to Vrindavan, where my restless mind found a divine purpose in His service. As I was entering into this new life of devotion, I found myself looking for divine sounds to accompany me on the inner and outer journey of transformation. On Spotify I typed 'Mahamantra' and clicked the first song that came up. It was divine indeed. As your voice entered my ears, my heart danced. Immediately I thought, 'here is someone who knows Krishna, here is someone who has truly understood what it is about, someone who has deeply connected with Krishna.' I also remember thinking: 'I hope someday I may have the honour to meet this very special person'. Little did I know you were also Dutch, the only Dutch guru even, and often to be found in Radhadesh, a place that I didn't know existed, but which was so very close to my birthplace. This particular song, just 11 minutes in total, was on repeat the rest of my stay in Vrindavan, I never listened to any other song, as my whole being was captured by your voice.

Just a few months later, after returning from India during the pandemic, I went exploring the mysterious new world of Krsna consciousness closer to home. Radhadesh came in the picture and on Janmashtami I drove there very early in the morning to be part of the festivities. The absolute highlight was the ongoing kirtan on the grass field with hundreds of devotees. Every half an hour or so, a new devotee would lead us into meditation upon the Holy Names of Krsna. I was sitting directly behind the leader, hoping to completely immerse myself in the sound, being as close to the source as possible.

Suddenly, an orange personality appeared. Casually, he settled behind the harmonium and started to sing. No slow build-up, no, right on! As lightning struck inside my heart, I recognized the voice: 'this is the one!' A dance of voices emerged as his voice entangled with ours in a divine play. My voice was underdeveloped, but I think you might have heard my absolute enthusiasm of meeting you here as after a while you turned around to meet my eyes and asked me to lead one mantra. I had never done such a thing, but it felt right, like pieces of an unseen but very familiar and natural puzzle seemed to find each other and click together. That was the invaluable moment, Krsna connected us.



Dear Guru Maharaj, your presence and voice made such a deep impact upon my heart back then and, even though, this is the first year we are missing your physical presence, they still do every day. Maybe I feel your presence even more deeply than when you were here. Still, you guide me every day, still, your hidden eyes pierce my heart, still, your voice is to be heard in the depths of my most precious memories.

Guru Maharaj, I am waiting, waiting for the day we will be reunited again. Until that time, I pray that whatever time, energy, opportunities, resources or ideas might be mine to employ, I may always use them in your service, to please you and to help your mission in this world. Although so many imperfections haunt me, I pray to Kṛṣṇa and to Lord Caitanya that I may be of some use to you. In that way, perhaps there will be a spark of hope that I could give something back for all you have so selflessly given to us and the world.

Guru Maharaj, I am forever grateful for your perfect example of how to be a pure servant of Kṛṣṇa and how to give your full being to the mission of Lord Caitanya and Srila Prabhupada. You embody surrender, compassion and bhakti.

I remain forever indebted to you.

Your eternal servant,

Citralekha Dasi

Danakeli Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,

All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

We wish you a happy Kṛṣṇa conscious appearance Day dear Guru Maharaj



I would like to thank you dear Guru Maharaj for accepting me as your disciple.

After initiation, there are so many miracles in my life and my spiritual journey is smooth. There is increase in taste in doing japa after initiation. I am so happy that with your blessings, we have organised a home program with Jagannath Chappan Bhog recently and invited new people.

In LeichstenStein I am trying to spread Krsna consciousness, what ever is feasible here I am trying to add Krsna in their lives through distributing Parsad to known family and friends. Reading scriptures and listening to more lectures time to time.

Please bless me so that I get more opportunities to serve devotees and always be in the association of devotees.

With your blessings I would like to visit many dhams and spend time in Dhama.

Please bless us Guru Maharaj!

Your servant,
Danakeli Dasi

Devarsi Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my respectful obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Jayadvaita Maharaj. All glories unto your lotus feet.

In our last encounter before you departed to the spiritual world, I told you some of my plans after leaving Vrindavan. The plan was to do bhakti satri and get trained up in deity worship. When you heard my plan you chastised me quite heavily and said "A brahmachari is meant to preach and distribute books," This instruction of yours has stuck in my mind ever since. But I could not quite get a grip on it and found to be a struggle.

Later on, about six months after your departure. I managed to complete my bhakti satri and even managed to get an opportunity to travel to America for a few months to preach, which I thought was a perfect arrangement of the Lord because this is exactly what you instructed me



to do. But even then it was still a challenge because I am not really into distributing books and preaching. What to do? You have instructed me and it is the duty of the disciple to follow and fulfil.

Towards the end of the year, the time came to take part in the winter marathon, which to be honest, I was quite scared and not at all enthusiastic about it. So I thought to myself that I needed to change my mindset and somehow or other try to have a better outlook towards it, looking forward to it and not just dealing with it. Then just a few days before the marathon began, I took the time to listen to a lecture of yours and hopefully find something that could change my mind and perspective on the situation. That's when everything changed in my life. So I sat down and listened to a lecture that you gave in Vrindavan in the Balarama hall in September last year. There was one phrase you said that hit me like a thunderbolt was, "My desire for you is to connect deeply with Srila Prabhupada" This penetrated my heart to its core for some reason or another. Soon after, the marathon has begun and my emotions were in a disarray and anxiety, yet I still tried somehow to distribute books despite the emotions.

Then after a few days within the marathon, I recalled your instructions on connecting with Srila Prabhupada deeply. Subsequently, I started to listen to Srila Prabhupada's Bhagavatam Class as I do like to hear a class in the morning. Then few days went by and my mind was just glued to Srila Prabhupada and the amazing thing was books were going out and I started to liking to distribute books because whatever I learnt from Prabhupada, I started to share with people I meet on the streets. I knew then onwards that Srila Prabhupada is more than just a person who established the movement but also an acharya who melted hearts through his strong words of affection and thus being able to piece the tight knots of material bondage. So by hearing him very intensively, I felt like I have made more progress in spiritual life than I have made in my last twenty years in my Krsna consciousness, because for once I was actually getting to know you and your mood. I found that every time I would connect with Srila Prabhupada, you would be present by his side because you were a missionary for Srila Prabhupada and always wanted to assist Srila Prabhupada in his mission. Even at the last breath, you said the word 'mission' showed your level of dedication and commitment to Srila Prabhupada.

Therefore I feel like I'm never alone or missing your association because where Prabhupada and his work is you'll be there at hand always ready to serve Srila Prabhupada with whatever he needed then I realised this was your whole life, to give this one life to Krsna and that could be done only by giving oneself completely to the guru.

Yesterday, I was attending the guru disciple course because I didn't get a chance to do it because of circumstances, so I am currently doing it now. One point I liked was that the first class disciple already knows what to do because he knows the mind of his spiritual master and



does it even before the spiritual master asked the disciple to do it. Therefore, I pray and endeavour that one day I may be that kind of disciple.

Your insignificant servant,
Devarsi Dasa

Dhananjaya, Giridhari Puja Dasi & Nrsimha Caitanya Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate Kadamba Kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

gaura-kṛpāmṛtaṁ prāpto vraje mājāpure'pi yaḥ
prabhupāda-priyo lokam pāyaty anivāritam

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa Jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

Our dearest spiritual master – his holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami - once said that in one sense, the disappearance day of a spiritual master is more important than the Vyasa-puja day, because by the end of his life the spiritual master has revealed his pastimes and his mission.

Only now, after Maharaj's disappearance, we begin to understand his unique importance and contribution to the preaching mission of Lord Caitanya. Because he is our spiritual master and our dear friend and well-wisher, he has been very important to us. However, it is only now that we can really appreciate his importance in a bigger picture.

Now we see that he plays an essential role in Srila Prabhupada's movement, a role that is very important for its future. As Kṛṣṇa had spoken Bhagavad Gita and then came as Lord Caitanya to show how one is supposed to live his life according to Bhagavad Gita, similarly his holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami came to show how one can be a 100% Prabhupada man in the post modern times.

That's who he was - a Prabhupada man. He just followed what Prabhupada gave in his in-



structions. He was never far too left or far too right. He always walked the cutting edge as he used to say. He was not much into establishing Vedic culture and Varnashrama, because he realistically saw our limits in this regard. Yet, he encouraged sufficiency and once said: "We are still looking for heroes, who will go out and live off nature". On the other hand he was never into any kind of, "bridge preaching" dogma or diluting philosophy for the sake of appearance, and yet, he was expert at building bridges for ordinary people and devotees alike to cross over their prejudices and come closer to Krsna.

He was a Prabhupada man, although he never met him. He showed an important thing - you don't need Prabhupada's direct disciples to see miracles. The miracles didn't stop with Prabhupada leaving this world and the miracles will not stop when all Prabhupada's direct disciples will be gone. If one just follows Srila Prabhupada's teachings, he will become empowered, no matter what generation removed from him.

He was a Prabhupada man, because he always spoke about Krsna. He never wasted time with controversies, he never critized anyone or pointed finger at anyone. If there was a misconception, he pointed out the philosophical flaw, but always without attacking anyone. His classes were always uplifting and inspirational to us, and their aim was always to glorify Krsna and encourage everyone to take up devotional service.

He was a Prabhupada man, because he was always strict with himself and liberal with others. His determination in devotional service was unbreakable, yet he was always understanding and encouraging to other people. Once a devotee asked him about kirtan standards and he replied: "The kirtan standards are there for each of us to follow, not that we start beating others over head with them". When devotees were fighting each other over insubstantial matters, he encouraged introspection and kindness to others.

He was a Prabhupada man because no matter how many difficulties he faced, he never lost faith in Krsna. His first Guru fell down, he was shot, he fought cancer twice and none of these things had shaken his determination. What a relevant inspiration for Iskcon's present, when some Gurus had fallen down, some authorities have been misusing their power, some respectable devotees have been revealed to be long time abusers.. Kadamba Kanana Maharaj clearly showed that none of these things is worthy of letting go of devotional service and Krsna consciousness. None of these things are so serious compared to the vision of lifetime offered to Krsna.

He was a Prabhupada man because he was simple. He himself often quoted Srila Prabhupada saying: "Krsna consciousness is so simple, you might just miss it." He did not miss. With his simple determination and one-pointed focus he followed the path of devotional service as



given by Srila Prabhupada and at the end he gave the greatest lesson of them all - the lesson of death. And even there he was simple. He simply retired to Vrindavan just to spend his last moments remembering Krsna. What a glorious and inspiring departure it was.

He was a Prabhupada man because he was a well-wisher to all. Even after his last breath, he continued to give himself to all. He was a Prabhupada man because he lit up a spark of devotion in the hearts of so many people. With stubbornness and determination of a Dutchman and kindness and love of a Bengali mother, he guides us even after his physical departure and will continue to do so for eternity - he is forever present.

"He reasons ill who tells that Vaisnavas die
When thou art living still in sound!
The Vaisnavas die to live, and living try
To spread the holy name around!"
- Bhaktivinoda Thakura

Our beloved Guru Maharaj, please keep us in your prayers.

Your humble and trying servants,

Dhananjaya, Giridhari Puja Dasi, Nrsimha Caitanya Dasa

Dinanatha Dasa

Hare Krsna Dear Guru Maharaj,

Dandavat Pranam. Please accept my humble obeisances.

I truly miss your physical presence in this material world but your lectures, books and kirtans keep me steadfast in Krsna consciousness. When you were present in this material world, I didn't take enough opportunities to have more personal conversations with you. I was always overwhelmed, excited seeing you and I always found myself to be at loss of words.

In your last zoom session (before you left this material world), I lined up myself to ask you a question which was lingering in my mind since many days. The question I wanted to ask was about "Deities and devotional service at home". But before I could ask it live on zoom, you already answered as you spoke exactly about the importance of devotional service and worship-



ping Deities at home. This was actually unsurprising because as a Guru you knew exactly what was going in my mind and heart. Though I had very less personal conversations with you, in-fact, you were answering my queries and taking care of my worries all the time (indirectly).

It was only due to your causeless mercy and with the blessings of senior vaishnavas and our god family. I started deity service of his Lordships Sri Jagannath ji, Sri Baladev ji and Sri Subhadra Maharani at my home (since July 30th, 2023). Without your guidance, I could have never realized the importance of devotional service.

I always remember the message you wrote on the book "Kirtanya Sada Hari" (when I lined up in Vrindavan along with many devotees to get a message written by you on the book) "Find courage and strength in Srila Prabhupada's books and teachings" - (this was the message written by you) echoes every day in my mind thereby helping me to gather strength in tougher times so that I can move forward in the journey of Krsna consciousness.

Thank you dear Maharaj for accepting me as your disciple and making me realize the importance of spreading Krsna Prema in this chaotic Kali-yuga. Thank you for your causeless mercy and kindness that you bestowed upon me.

Your insignificant servant,
Dinanatha Dasa

Divya Gita Devi Dasi

Gurudeva I was nothing

You uplifted me and made me worth

How my talent was hidden

But you recognised me

And now I am in front of the world.

I am just frozen to this eternity.

I have no words

I am just frozen to see your kind and blessings

Showering. Upon me

Divya gita devi Dasi

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Divya Nama Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

My sacrifice this year, I had planned, would relate to my last sacrifice. The first sacrifice I wrote in my life, and the only one that will exist while you were still in the physical body. I was prepared for that. And as it happens, the sacrifice has disappeared. It can no longer be found in my files and on my laptop, nor in the emails or objects sent! So get rid of the idea of self-praise: I have achieved this and this far this year, this and that has changed for me compared to the last sacrifice and so on. No. This is what the truth looks like now; I'm super close, I'm sitting there at the last minute. If I'm not really quick, there will be a Vyasa-puja (online) book this year without my contribution. Always at the last minute, preferably three things on the agenda at the same time. That's how it went all last year. A life in the fast lane, a life in Krsna consciousness. Welcome to reality. Get out of the "selfish feel-good bubble" that has long been perceived as wrong. I'll get serious and say a deep truth: out of your immeasurable grace, you really and truly saved my life through the initiation in Vrindavan on December 6, 2022 as one of your last students. I have been under your care for over a year now and am only too keen to bring you no shame and more than fulfil my duties as your student.

I wish so much that you are satisfied with me. And you knew it, everything, from the beginning. Because when I look at myself like this, despite all of your grace, I see a beginner. Not even half a foot into the spiritual life. Constantly disturbed and very easily thrown off course by anything. With a lot of effort this year I established a sadhana as a basis. After almost 20 years, I left my old spiritual yoga tradition (I lived as a nun in an Advaita Vedanta Ashram for years), I moved to Abentheuer (to the Goloka Dhama temple), I am on the altar, I married my husband Vedicly, the Bhakti Shastri -Quick Course- completed, do seva in the temple here and there, have started teaching yoga locally again and pass on Hatha yoga directly to the temple devotees twice a week. Finally, it is also important for the devotees to keep the system fit. Then sitting chanting also works! Nevertheless: I still suffer. I guess I still haven't completely surrendered to Krsna.

The words I say to you, for example about your immeasurable grace, are probably nothing more than empty words. Of course I mean it, but it still doesn't go so deeply into my heart. And that's exactly what hurts and hurts. This paralyzing superficiality, this soulless darkness in my mind. Because I still suffer from my old attachments, habits and thoughts. My mind is still



in the process of transformation. Oh Maharaj, I hope so much that Krsna's name will dance on my tongue at some point and that the Krsna consciousness, which is slowly slowly awakening a new aliveness in me, will lead to a full awakening, so that nothing selfish will remain in my heart and I really become this humble servant of the devotees of Krsna, about whom I always write at the end in my WhatsApp and telegram and email messages to other devotees. Obviously, I am still dependent on your help and grace and I hope that I will be able to give something substantial back to others - and to you - as soon as possible of all the blessings I have received in the last year. Thank you, dear Guru Maharaj, for existing.

Your servant,

Divya Nama Devi Dasi

(who asks you to show her how to become truly humble).

Gargamuni Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
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nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrīmate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you.

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami.

All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

Hare Krsna Dear Guru Maharaj,

Over the past year, being a late beggar and initiate, through your words and those of your in-



timate disciples, my vision of your saintly personality has been maturing.
Just some examples:

Through Gopinath Acarya Prabhu, I learnt you saw yourself as a hermit who happened to be in the public, a self-named public hermit. Emphasising deep introspection to develop a rich inner life, to get serious now that your vapu is no longer with us and the need to internalise the voice of the Guru.

Through Vibhu Caitanya Prabhu, your non nonsense approach to cancer treatment and dealing with the material energy; how with increased vigour, you fully extended yourself to everyone. I along with many souls becoming the fortunate beneficiaries.

Through Radhika Ranjana Prabhu, your ability to connect, care and empower people; encouraging, guiding him as a mentor and siksa guru. Your extraordinary gift as a kirtaneer and instructing us to become lions at work, but lambs at home, supporting the community of devotees.

Through Kalindi Mataji, how protective you was of your female disciples, ensuring they were well situated as a caring spiritual father.

Through Toshani Mataji & Advaita Simha Prabhu, the deeply thoughtful grihastha instructions, for marriage to become a source of strength. To remain enthusiastic and eager to do something for Krsna. To work out differences, stay on the path of pure devotional service, open our homes and hearts, ensuring there is always kirtan, vaishnavas and prasadam – keeping Krsna in the centre and being kind to each other. Nourishing others in their Krsna consciousness journey, always taking shelter of Krsna, vaishnavas, sastra and temples and to remain close to you – so many great instructions.

Through Bhaktavatsala & Harivilasa Prabhu, your mood of surrender to our spiritual grand-sire, his holiness Jayadvaita Swami. Even though facing health issues and the desire to reduce management responsibilities, by his order, as with South Africa you took the “bull by the horns”, managing the Brooklyn Temple project. Tolerating many difficulties, such as no money, austere living conditions, inheriting a large neglected property and an unhappy community. In such circumstances, an already full preaching schedule and with strong determination, faith in Guru and Krsna, even at the cost of your own health; I heard how you expertly harnessed and pulled devotees together to develop this important project.

Through Sadbhujā Prabhu, an insight into your liberal and open attitude to devotional service, but firmness in application of the principles as given to us by Srila Prabhupada. Through Jananivasa Prabhu, removing philosophical doubts, and becoming his Jesus, the spiritual mas-



ter. Revealing ever deeper layers of the holy name - how Radha and Krsna are together, with Krsna being the centre of attraction, then separating and again together, but the roles being reversed. Radharaman, now Krsna is giving pleasure to Radharani; by this way we received direct perception of their transcendental dance, in different relationships, in union and separation, in ecstasy and crying – what realisations dear Guru Maharaj.

Through all these examples and many more, fresh inspiration is imbued within the heart, and it slowly dawns, that only through you, I can actually sustain my spiritual life.

Eternally indebted, your servant
Gargamuni Dasa

Gaura Bhagavan Dasa & Dvarakavasini Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept our humble obeisance. On this auspicious occasion of your appearance day, we are feeling very grateful and fortunate to have been accepted by you, although we are not at all qualified.

Initially, we didn't know about your life much and your arduous endeavors to spread Krsna consciousness in whole world. However, through senior godfamily and vaishnavas, gradually coming to know about your tireless efforts to spread Lord's glories leaving no stone unturned, our hearts get filled with enthusiasm and energy. Further, we truly relish hearing your kirtans and katha, which we always feel fresh and new. We heartily appreciate, every word spoken in your katha and instructions, which are deep and meaningful having the potency to lift the fallen soul to the highest perfection of life.

In previous year, with your blessings, we could do following menial services.

Ramayana for kids weekly session conducted for children in and around Germany
Participating in temple services such as cooking and other
Introducing about Krsna consciousness to friends, family contacts
Participating in home programs, online lectures on Bhagavad-gita/ Srimad Bhagavatam
Prabhupada Lilamrta conducted by his grace Sudama Dasa (Duisburg, Germany)
In coming future, we plan to take more service at temple such as participating in Harinam,



reading and distributing books as well as learning music instruments to do bhajan.
As you have always said, we may not have taste for chanting and deep love for Lord Radha Krishna, but mercy of Guru and vaishnavas will definitely bring us to the lotus feet of Lord, hence we humbly seek your blessings. Please be merciful upon us.

Your servants,
Gaura Bhagavan Dasa & Dvarakavasini Dasi
(Hamburg, Germany)

Gita Mala Devi Dasi

Dearest Kadamba Kanana Swami Maharaj.

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Phrabhupada.
All glories to your divine Lotus feet.
My first association with maharaj was at Ratha Yatra in 2010.
As time passed I got closer to Maharaj and he advised me to continue chanting as I was aspiring to be His devotee.

I often joined Maharaj's programmes and pilgrimage when he was in South Africa as well as in India. Thank u Dear Maharaj for giving me this opportunity to take shelter at your lotus feet.

I was amongst the very fortunate devotees who took second initiation in August 2022 when Maharaj was experiencing difficulties healthwise. My final association with maharaj was in the year 2022, when we listened to Maharaj's class and also went on pilgrimage. The year 2022 will always be a special past time memory of Maharaj.
Thank you Maharaj for accepting me as your devotee.

Your eternal servant.
Gita Mala Devi Dasi
(South Africa)



Gokula Devi Dasi

'I was born in the darkest ignorance, and my spiritual master opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto him. When will Srila Rupa Goswami Prab-
hupada who has established within this material world the mission to fulfill the desire to Lord
Caitanya, give me shelter under his lotus feet? I offer my respectful obeisances unto the lotus
feet of my spiritual master and unto the feet of all Vaishnavas. I offer my respectful obeisances
unto the lotus feet of Srila Rupa Goswami along with his elder brother Sanatana Goswami,
as well as Raghunatha Das and Raghunatha Bhatta, Gopala Bhatta and Srila Jiva Goswami. I
offer my respectful obeisances to Lord Krsna Caitanya and Nityananda along with Advaita
Acarya, Gadadhra, Srivas and other associates. I offer my respectful obeisances to Srimati
Rhadharani and Sri Krsna along with Their associates Srila Lalita and Visakha. O my dear
Lord Krsna, You are the friend of the distressed and the source of creation. You are the master
of the gopis and the lover of Radharani. I offer my respectful obeisances unto you. I offer my
respectful to Radharani, whose bodily complexion is like molten gold and who is the Queen of
Vrindavana. You are the daughter of King Vrsabhanu, and You are very dear to Lord Krsna. I
offer my respectful obeisances unto all the Vaisnava devotees of the Lord. They can fulfill the
desires of everyone, just like desire trees, and they are full of compassion for the fallen souls.'
(Pranam Mantras, Introduction, Bhagavad-gita).

Dear Gurudeva, I am doing fine and always thinking about how you said we must never, 'Just
make it.' I meditate on this a lot because I never want to be in this position of, 'Just making it,'
in my spiritual life. I meditate always on your relaxed energy towards material distress and I
meditate on your solution finding approach to challenges and I meditate on your extraordi-
nary fearless preaching mindset. In all this meditation I want to be just like you.

After your departure, I believe that you made some arrangement for me here in Mexico to es-
tablish a preaching center on your behalf, called Kadamba Meditation center. The space is tru-
ly your style and highly accommodative to all kinds of, 'hippies,' here in Guadalajara. Always
with your extreme merciful mood in my mind I try to be patient, kind and humble towards
this establishment, it is often very difficult for me but I try to be not so attached to any success
that takes place but rather let all praise go towards others whom I have been preaching with.

When I was very frustrated with some situations in the center you came to me in voice, and
gently told me, if I am not having fun then I should stop preaching because preaching and
passing the Holy Name is blissful in spite of it all, it is then that I realized like you, I will have
many preaching projects that you will arrange for me and therefore I must remain humble
and calm at all times. I heard you, Gurudev. Personally I am steadfast in fighting Maya for dai-



ly chanting, it is not easy, but my fight is serious with Maya and I never let her completely win, only some days. I have been reading the Srimad Bhagavatam and I am on Canto 2, Chapter 6. How beautiful it is to read the Srimad Bhagavatam, Gurudeva. Sometimes I am very angry with myself for having restarted this journey so late, why didn't I meet the devotees sooner, I ask, but such is my karma. I wish you were here so I can ask you so many questions but I understand that your absence is teaching me patience and the reduction of instant gratification.

I miss you so much.

Your humble servant,
Gokula Devi Dasi

Gokularanjana Dasa

Dear Kadamba Kanana Swami,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada,
All glories to Jayadvaita Swami,
And all glories to you.

It's now almost one year since you disappeared from our physical eyes. Even though in this situation we cannot have the usual method of connection, I somehow feel an even stronger bound to you, remembering all the interactions we had. Growing up I saw you many times in Simhachalam, blinded with familiarity I could not understand your divine position. Only at 2019 my wish to take shelter under you manifested. I pray that this mystical relationship with you will be ever fresh and even increase over the years.

After returning from your disappearance I had a very nice conversation with Krishna Premarupa Prabhu from Zürich. He explained me how it is crucial to make deep relationship with devotees, especially with the spiritual master. Because, wherever our friends are, naturally we develop the desire to join them. Knowing that you are awaiting us in the spiritual world, as you said, lets continue the party on the other side, it boosts my determination to sincerely follow the process.

It is amazing to see how much you planned ahead. The last book, "Forever Present." this book really does its job, I can find so many of your desires, point of views and practical tips there, its



a handbook how to align ourself to follow your footstep. I am really grateful to be under your protective care. I am convinced that you will find ways how to guide us in whatever mystical form you desire to manifest.

Your aspiring servant,
Gokularanjana Dasa

Gopi-jana Vallabha Dasa

My dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

It will be a year since we lost your vapuh and we cannot, which is very painful, enjoy your personal company and experience so much enthusiasm and inspiration from your wonderful and dynamic kirtan as well as from your profound lessons explaining Srila Prabhupada's books and elucidated the profound teachings of Bhagavad-gita, Srimad Bhagavatam and Caitanya Caritamrta. These were beacons for us in the turbulent waters of material existence.

Fortunately, we have recordings of your lessons, from which we can constantly draw inspiration. For the last months, I have been listening to your lessons from Caitanya caritamrita, which you gave at a time when the whole world was closed due to covid, and I admire the depth of your knowledge, not only philosophical, but also historical, which you clarify in individual lectures on various topics.

Please bless me with the dust of your lotus feet so that I can be useful in any way in Prabhupada's ISKCON and act in a way that pleases you.

Thank You for Your grace.

Your servant,
Gopi-jana Vallabha Dasa

Gurudasa

Dearest Kadamba Kanana Swami,

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada
All Glories to His Holiness Jayadvaita Swami
All Glories to You



It has been a year without your physical presence.

I miss you so much.

I have had ups and downs, enthusiastic moments and also a lot of waning of enthusiasm.

It has been such a challenge.

When you were physically present there was such a protection and empowerment that I misunderstood as my own advancement.

Without you physically present I rely on myself to take shelter of the vani and I can see my receptive power and sincerity is low.

Looking forward as I come to the age of 43 I see that I have 7 more years for the special age of 50. I love the idea of full commitment at that vanaprastha age as I had shared with you a year or so ago. Till then I have 7 years where I want to be a part of the sankirtan movement and at the same time I have stream of material desires that are becoming more and more apparent.

This last year you have been kind to me by entering into my dreams. I am so touched and enlivened when you enter into my dreams. Please keep giving your association in my dreams.

But yes Vani is the main thing as you have explained many times. I have tried this last year to do things my way, my ideas and haha what a joke. It is becoming very very apparent that the Vani you gave to me through personal association, Q and A in classes and zoom and personal instructions were not some general generic points but were and specific instructions for me.

Your words given to me are the saving grace and the real empowerment. It is becoming more obvious you knew me and know me inside out and also predicted my future strengths, weaknesses and ways to go forward.

You chastised me strongly a year or so ago over the phone. You then gave me the most inspiring Vani shouting at me “ You belong to me and you belong to Prabhupada, you are a sankirtan Devotee and I have invested in you! “

I had counted 50 personal instructions you have given to me. What mercy! Please bless me to strictly adhere to them.

Oh Gurudeva, I do not have anything to really offer you this year apart to say “Dear Spiritual Master you are the pure representative of Srila Prabhupada and it is becoming clear your instructions to me are the direct specific instructions to me from the Supreme Personality of Godhead”

Hope to offer more next year.

Hope to see you in my attempts to carry out your transcendental instructions and hope to regularly be with you in my dreams. Please Bless me. Happy Appearance Day Gurumaharaja

Your servant Gurudasa



Harikanta Devi Dasi

Dear Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances and respects at your lotus feet.
All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmlītaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Dear Gurudeva,

Somehow or another I am reaching out to you.

Dearest Gurudeva you once told us in Vrindavan that when someone writes you a letter “That they are going out on books,” those are the letters you like to read, so with this spirit of books and keeping to heart your instructions I am reaching out to You and writing you a letter on going out on books in Kenya, from Nairobi to Nakuru to airports wherever I go and wherever Krsna takes me, I am sending you this be positive report.

Guru Maharaj today we distributed eight Bhagavad-gita’s in Nakuru on Advaita Acaryas appearance day, I went for eight as these are the prime gopis, and it takes me to Mayapur dham where I can imagine you taking darshan of the beautiful Sri Sri Radha Madhava and Gopis. Eight is not a very big number however I am trying. Please keep smiling, please keep sending me the magical messages, please keep guiding us from within the heart, as they help me keep going, as you know when someone asks me how I am I only have one answer, still alive. I am still alive.

As we do it for your pleasure, give me strength to distribute more Gitas and more books for your divine mission. A small drop in the ocean.

Somehow or another I got the chance to get 100 Gitas sponsored with the help of good friends, I hope this pleases you.

Dearest Guru Maharaj you told me to go outside the universities and distribute books, I managed to distribute a few book outside KMTC Kenya Medical University and there I ran into Google employees, one of them came to me and said “I want this book.” That was an easy sell,



all I had to do was appear and the books disappeared.

Now I am sitting at an airport again, as the cooling wind blows into my hair, I see many potential souls to attack, so I am getting the gears ready, all my sastras and Brahmastras in check, we are always on the battlefield, anywhere and everywhere these books carry the holy name, once in zone catch me if you can, the vision is to pierce the heart.

I pray to always remain humble and gain strength to do this loving service of distributing transcendental books for you, let me aim for more than eight this time, however small something is better than nothing, and that is something big. Give me strength Gurudeva give me beauty Gurudeva and give me the glory of your heart, to see you to meet you to find you in these books, I know these are the letters you love to read, and these are the letters I love to write, ones written to you dearest Gurudeva on, books.

Aye Aye Capitan.

Reporting from port Kenya
on mission to port Vrindavan
I am going out on books
The adventure is about to begin.

Your soldier,
Harikanta Devi Dasi
Begging for your strength and love.
Diya Yeh pada chaya sodo he Amaya
Tumari Charan dhuli

Dear Gurudeva somehow or another we are always reaching out to you.

Indukanta Rai Dasi

Dear Gurudeva,

In moments of silence, when the world is asleep, I feel your presence strongly.
I see your strength, as you walked like a true spiritual warrior through this world. As you carried so much on your shoulders, although not feeling the weight because Krsna was supporting you by sending you right people to help.
I see your determination, as you rise up again and again, because your material body was



never such an obstacle for you.

I see your focus, as you give classes, lead kirtans, chant Hare Krsna to spread the mission and be an example, even on your last days.

I see your great personality, and I think how lucky I am that I've had an opportunity to meet you, to take shelter of you and to serve you.

You left this world, but not our minds and our hearts. I still think "Oh how incredibly blessed we are to have a guru who left us so many instructions and as a cherry on top he left us his last message."

Those words I could listen to every day. Because it's not just about the words. It's your whole spirit, it's you Gurudeva giving every bit of yourself. Last parts of your energy you share with the world.

How can anyone be so generous, so compassionate, so kind. Still thinking how to give, how to inspire and encourage us, how to support us.

I know I am a rascal. But I also know you accept me the way I am, the way I was, the way I will be. Thank you for everything.

Always your servant,

Indukanti Rai Dasi

Induprabha Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dearest Guru Maharaj,

My heartfelt obeisances to you,

All glories to you and our illustrious parampara.

I cannot say I miss you Guru Maharaj and I cannot say I am sad that you are not physically here. I guess our relationship on the material level was short enough to avoid attachment to your vapu but long enough for me to receive your priceless vani, through your mercy.

When I think of you, it's a combination of tears of joy and laughter. I remember your smile, your pragmatism, your wit and your crystal-clear logic which makes for deep insights and sweet realizations. I feel so fortunate to have received the shelter of your lotus feet and am grateful for your timeless instructions. I live to serve you through these instructions Guru



Maharaj and they have brought me immense joy already. In return for your love through your instructions Guru Maharaj, I offer you my sincerity.

I thank you and love you always my dearest, sweet Guru Maharaj.

Your servant,

Induprabha Devi Dasi

Jagannatha Suta Dasa

Hare Krsna Maharaj,

please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

"Yes, this preaching work is our mission. It is Caitanya Mahaprabhu's mission, my Guru Maharaja's mission, and my mission. It is through the parampara. As I am trying to discharge my Guru Maharaja's mission, you also try and things will go on nicely."

Srila Prabhupada, letter to Pusta Krsna,

August 14th, 1976, Bombay

Kindly engage me in your service, every day we pray. Engagements are there, waiting. Days, weeks and months are passing by, the layer of dust on the books is getting thicker and thicker. The rounds are getting longer. Temple program is boring. A house program is too laborious of a task.

Harmonium is anyway out of tune. When was the last time we had quality devotee association? Offering food properly? Don't get us wrong, we would love to do all these if only there would be more time. Just thinking about all this is overwhelming.

What are we gonna do? People are dying left and right, yet still, we remain the same, unfazed. Sometimes we look at the pictures. Ahh, the good old days...

Is this, now, what you want us to slide back to?

You are talking about Gopa Kumara, how he didn't even hear the whole instruction, still, he tried to strictly follow what he understood, achieving perfection in this way. We heard so many instructions from you and we can still hear them, all day, every day, if only we would like to do so.



If we would just apply ourselves, every single day, one task, one moment at the time. Then it is not so difficult. Then it's something very much within reach. When Prabhupada got the famous instruction to go and preach in English speaking countries, it wasn't just for him. There was a small group of young students, Abhay Caran amongst them. But only he took it seriously, trying to follow it cent percent.

We are not great, we are not special. Only thing is we can believe cent percent in your instruction.

You always say: "if I don't do it, if I don't go all out, I don't feel good with myself. I don't feel the ecstasy." That's why you always go all out.

So let us step out of the ordinary, boring lives within the golden bars of our comfort zone. Let us be bold and go for an adventure.

Because, anyway, next time we meet, you will be inviting us for an adventure, once again.

Will we be ready?

Begging to grow in your transcendental service,

Jagannatha Suta Dasa

Jagannatha Vallabha Dasa

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya

jñānāñjana-śalākayā

cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena

tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Hare Krsna dearest Gurudeva,

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

It has nearly been a year since you departed from this world, and although the year was very rocky your instructions, books, and memories were the guiding lights through the ups and downs.

They helped me to connect with you on a deeper level and gave me strength to keep on going with serving both yours and Srila Prabhupada's legacy and wishes.

I am praying every day that I can remain your servant and that our family can unite to be



strong for taking your mission forward.

I am eternally humbled that we could have met in this life and could have spent time together singing, dancing, laughing and being serious about serious things.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything you did for us while you were here and for everything that you left for us to cherish.

With unlimited love, affection, and gratitude.

Forever your humble servant,

Jagannatha Vallabha Dasa

Jaya Gopinatha Devi Dasi

Our dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept our humble obeisances to your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada

Thank you for saving us from our complete ignorance and giving us relieve in the form of Holy Names of Krsna. We will always be unimaginably indebted to you for being so kind and caring. Your love and compassion to all living beings is overflowing your soft heart to an extent I can hardly understand.

You still care and guide us in the present days. Everything is there - your kirtans, books, lectures, instructions. You're coming in dreams as you promised. And we can feel your presence in our everyday life. We cherish all our memories as our biggest treasure. Those memories keep to pop-up in our mind and make our days brighter and blissful. We are the most fortunate people to have you always and forever. It's unbelievable and too far from my capacity to appreciate this mercy adequately.

Dear Guru Maharaj, please forgive me my never ending stupidity. You have the best sense of humour so please just try to laugh at it or just ignore it. It's due to my huge pride I behave so silly and am constantly making offences. Please make some arrangement and make me to be more worthy to get your mercy and the mercy of vaishnavas. I wish I would be able to please you and to be useful in serving the mission. I'm not capable to get fixed by myself and so am completely dependent on your mercy only.

Your useless servant,

Jaya Gopinatha Devi Dasi & family



Jayadeva Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj,

please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you. All glories to Jayadvaita Maharaja All glories to Srila Prabhupada

We settled in again. That is not exactly what your life was about.

We're having a new home, creating some income, developing a new environment. These were not the things that were exciting you. "Do something," You encouraged us: "Be a sankirtan devotee." Because this is the only way in this world to become free from the disturbances of the material ocean. And we need this freedom, this peace. We're suffering since time immemorial from this illusory existence and the so called pleasures and pain, we're forced to accept. You used your life for the sankirtan mission of Mahaprabhu, in the service of Srila Prabhupada and Jayadvaita Maharaj. I bow down to your lotus feet.

I'm different. I'm not Srila Prabhupada. When I'm reading Lilamrta, I can see, that I'm not Srila Prabhupada and that I will not become him. And I'm also not you. I write this comparison, because these are the feelings inside me. I can't copy what you did, because I'm just me. You're the blazing forest fire of energy, determination and dedication. I'm not.

Of course in your position and with your expertise you know these things. For me it's time to become aware, to become conscious.

I'm me, that's what I have to offer. Limitations, shortcomings, lack of qualification.

"That's a good start", you said. Yes, it's a good start, but it's just the beginning. I'm the slow and steady type of guy, we're different. But I offer you whatever I have. You saved me from the greatest danger. You came personally to do so. You took responsibility for me, out of your causeless mercy.

I'm shaken by the loss of your personal association. It's a catastrophe.

But I will go on and follow in your footsteps, which are way too big for me. But I know that you are taking care. "It's the back to godhead movement." You said. Yes Guru Maharaj, let's go. I'm willing to do whatever is necessary. And I'll bring as many souls as possible for the eternal festival back home.

Thank you for your support, not only for myself, but for so many people far and wide.

Thank you for accepting me. You gave me the perfect example of Krsna's unconditional love.



You are the vaishnava Srila Prabhupada wants us to become.
I'm following, I'll be there.
Hare Krsna for life.

Your servant,
Jayadeva Dasa
(Germany)

Kamala Sundari Devi Dasi

Dear Maharaj,

On this most auspicious day of your Vyasa-puja, I cannot but keep nostalgically remembering the blissful moments spent in your association. Oh how I wish they never ceased.

Your vivid presence,
Your words of wisdom,
Your gentle kindness,
Your tremendous love,
Your fatherly care,
Your rocking kirtans
And jolly lectures,
Your vibrant character
And compassionate nature

We hold tide to the precious memories of those moments
Spent in your sweet association
And seek for your mercy and blessings
To follow in your footsteps
To never give up
But enthusiastically serve the mission of your beloved Srila Prabhupada

Your aspiring servant,
Kamala Sundari Devi Dasi



Kasturi Manjari Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

All glories to you,

All glories to Srila Jayadvaita Maharaj,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

How am I doing in your physical absence? Yes, it should be as if you were just travelling somewhere on another continent, so now maybe in another universe preaching to the suffering conditioned souls. Or yet you are in the spiritual universe, relishing your eternal relationship with Krishna, being immersed in His pastimes. And still remembering us all - our hopes, our failures, our sincere efforts to please you and please the Lord.

Indeed, you are still helping us so much, praying for us so much, watching behind our shoulders. You are definitely never absent from our hearts, you are still alive, maybe even more than ever before.

For now we need to mature. Now we must face the challenge of an orphan, we are no longer the childish little pet dogs hiding in your shade, waiting for you to stroke our head.

We must grow and do what you wanted us to do, we must become what you wanted us to be. It is a challenge for sure. Material world is not an amusement park - there is little amusement and a lot of hard work. Material life really is impossible, so we must go for the spiritual life, the real one, with full sincerity and dedication.

My dear Gurudeva, thank you for being our ever well-wisher, for giving us guidance deep in our hearts. I pray that I may please you. I hope that I can be of some use in your mission, which is non-different from Srila Prabhupada's mission, non-different from Sri Krsna's innermost desire.

Your eternally indebted servant,

Kasturi Manjari Dasi



Krishna Kirtan Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada,
All glories to Srila Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to your divine grace.

Once around the sun.

In the quiet of night, your memory does reside,
A beacon of love, in my heart, it abides.
Though you've journeyed beyond this earthly shore,
Your spirit lives on, present forevermore.

In every chant of the holy names, I see your face,
In every endeavour to spread Krsna consciousness, I feel your grace.
Though you're gone from sight, you're never far away,
In the tapestry of my soul, you forever stay.

Though tears may fall like raindrops in the night,
Your love guides me through darkness, a guiding light.
In the garden of my heart, your presence blooms,
A cherished memory that forever looms.

Though words may fail to express the depth of my pain,
In the symphony of our love, you'll always remain.
Until we meet again, beyond the stars above,
You'll dwell in my heart, my eternal love.

One year around the Sun since your departure,
I would be lost if it was not for your compassionate nature.

Thank you dear Gurudeva.

Your servant,
Krishna Kirtan Dasa



Krsnarupa Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namaste sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine
nirviseśa-sunyavadai-pascatyā-deśa-tarine

On this holy and auspicious appearance day - Vyasa-puja of my spiritual master his holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami Maharaj, I am keeping you at the centre of my life. Each day I can feel how your causeless mercy flows unconditionally in the up keep of my devotional service. Guru Maharaj you have made all arrangements not only for your disciples but for humanity at large through your many innovative ways of getting your association through your lectures.

Guru Maharaj I must admit today that for couples of months I have not been doing much service as my sister Suresvari Devi Dasi was very ill and still no get better so I'm looking after her. By writing this offerings I am getting renewed energy to do more service. I can feel being purified while writing this offering. I have read somewhere that writing for the pleasure of guru and Krsna one gets personal purification.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to write on your Vyasa-puja. Just as Sri Krsna's glories are unlimited so are you divine glories. For dull minded person I am, it would take all my life time for me to properly glorify you. On this auspicious day I pray to remain a speck of dust at your lotus feet.

Your humble servant,
Krsnarupa Devi Dasi

Laura

Dear Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisance.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,



All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada and to all devotees.

I am no one but a miserable fallen soul that for Krsna's mercy came in touch with your extraordinary personality when you announced your bad state of health, some years ago; the way you faced the situation made me aware of how much special you are and how much I desired to be your disciple. The past year has been a year of loss, loss of a light that was showing me a path already started some time ago but not so clearly revealed.

My sadhana was flat and no more enthusiastic; I could not find the right boost, until I met your kirtans, your lessons and your smile. You touched my heart like no other. I understood that associating with this Hare Krishna movement is not enough to automatically progress, but we have to realize it deeply in our heart. So I took shelter at your lotus feet.

You are an amazing example of how to live and how to die, no one like you arrived so alive at the moment of death. You left us the most important instructions to make our life a precious jewel. "This material world, is only broken pieces of glass, while God gave us jewels!" You told in your last message. You are the greatest gift of my life.

Only your ocean of mercy, through Krsna and Srila Prabhupada, can carry us in this world of material sufferings towards the spiritual realization. It was a great blessing to come in touch with your god family: your disciples are kind and full of love as you desired them to be, a community based on authenticity and love. Love for Krsna and all the conditioned souls. Bringing you alive in the heart is not only a way of saying, but it means really trying to be what you wanted us to be. Your desires are my desires.

Also if you are no more physically present among us, your biggest heritage are your words, your memories, your examples and your mission together with Srila Prabhupada: bring more people possible to Krsna consciousness. At the end of our life journey, our devotional service will never be enough, we will need the blessings of the vaishnavas, because vaishnavas have credit with Krsna. And I need your blessings as the desert needs the water, because alone I can go nowhere.

Dear Maharaj, I miss you every day more, I desired to meet you again to ask you a lot of questions but today you are asking us to carry on your unconditional service to Krishna through a lot of projects: there is no bigger mercy than can be an instrument of your compassion.

I hope that my insignificant service to you and Krsna can make the miracle to meet



you again in person, because as you always told us, for a devotee death is only a change of service, and my desire is no other than to humble serve you, life after life.

Your eternal servant,
Laura Messina

Locanananda Dasa

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj.

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami and All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

As every year when I'm writing to you I would first like to thank you for what you've given me over these years and tell you that I'm wholeheartedly grateful to be your disciple. I don't have much to offer to you, a few broken names chanted out of duty and a poor attempt to somehow follow four regulative principles. I'm still a beginner and I'm falling behind. But Maharaja, you always stressed power of devotional service and that by performing devotional service to the Supreme Lord everything is made possible. So with this faith I am continuing the path.

Self-made worldly duties and inattentiveness take much of my time and tear out from my mind remembrance of the Supreme Lord and occupy it with materialistic egocentric desires. I have no courage and power to surrender more, but still somewhere in my heart I have longing to give more to Krsna.

You always remind me of what real blissful Krsna consciousness means. I'm not forgetting how you with your chanting brought glimpses of spiritual world right before our eyes.

Please keep me under your shelter and guide me towards eternal engagement in spiritual energy.

Your servant,
Locananada Dasa



Madhukanta Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,

All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

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nagariyā loke prabhu yabe ājñā dilā
ghare ghare saṅkīrtana karite lāgilā

The Lord ordered all the citizens of Navadvīpa to chant the Hare Kṛṣṇa mantra, and in each and every home they began performing saṅkīrtana regularly.

" REVOLUTIONARY "

Sri Caitanya Mahāprabhu ordered all the residents of Navadvīpa to chant the Hare Kṛṣṇa maha mantra and thus the entire region of Nadia was transformed into one big harinama



party. Due to complaints, the local government commissioner Chand Kazi banned the performance of harinama sankirtan. People were worried about a punishment and doubted to continue as the Supreme Lord commanded them. When Caitanya Mahaprabhu heard this He gave everyone the courage to continue and organized a big harinama sankirtan in all the nine islands of Navadvipa, despite the prohibition of the government notice.

In this story we can see the revolutionary nature of Caitanya Mahaprabhu who took the lead in the civil disobedience movement and followed by his followers got Chand Kazi to lift the ban on sankirtana and even made a promise to protect this movement which continues as a tradition to his descendants to this day.

FOREVER PRESENT

This book is not only a very practical guide on how to practice the process of Krsna consciousness, it is amrita keli. Carefully boiled compact creamy sweet rice, not just hastily boiled rice in milk. It is you who condensed this nectar and gave us a taste of it so that we too could experience a higher taste.

"Let us be bold" - in this chapter you give us courage, let's not be consumed by fear arising from the fear of losing our certainties. Let's do something that exceeds our limited vision or scares us. As in the story of Chand Kazi, the residents of Navadvīpa were full of fear of punishment if they continued with harinam sankirtan.

"Revolutionary" - by this term dear Guru Maharaj you refer to a Swami (a preacher of Krsna consciousness) and this characteristic is what Kadamba Kanana Swami is known for. I am now in my 4th month in Mayapur dham and I am getting to know many devotees "What is your name? Who is your spiritual master? "Ah Kadamba Kanana Swami," the devotee's face lights up, "Such kirtan, harinam, festival that I have seen with Maharaj oh my God I will never forget it."

Our contact with you Dear Guru Maharaj is the cause of a revolution in our hearts (Wikipedia revolution: latin=revolution turn around), a change in the flow of our desires.

"Let us forget our little selfish selves and give something to the mission of Caitanya Mahaprabhu, Srila Prabhupad, the spiritual master," Is your favorite and often quoted phrase. It sounds too revolutionary for a conditioned soul like me and I hold back. "Never mind you give us courage, let's do it, it will be an ecstatic transcendental adventure and it is the way to conquering Krishna."

Your humble servant and admirer,
Madhukanta Dasa



Madhurangi Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

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śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

śrī-kṛṣṇa-caitanya prabhu-nityānanda
śrī-advaita gadādhara śrīvāsādi-gaura-bhakta-vṛnda

Sri sri Pancha Tattva ki Jay
Srila Prabhupada ki jay
Jayadvaita Maharaj ki Jay
Kadamba Kanana Maharaj ki Jay

Dear Guru Maharaj,

On this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa-puja, I am at a loss as to how to glorify you, words are not enough to do justice to your contribution to Srila Prabhupada's movement.

You have worked so hard, taken risks, and you persevered in strengthening the house which Srila Prabhupada built. You are a stalwart soldier of Iskcon and we are all so fortunate to have you as our spiritual master.

I did not have much association with you Maharaj, except when you were in Vrindavan. So I will always cherish our parikramas together and all the kirtan and lectures. Even in your last days, you were so energetic during kirtan.

Thank you Guru for accepting me and giving me such a wonderful god family.

All glories to you Gurudeva.

Your fallen servant

Madhurangi Devi Dasi

(Mauritius)



Madhurika

Dear Gurudeva,

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet. All glories to Jayadvaita Swami. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Some time ago a devotee said to me, “I can see why your spiritual master gave you Brahmin.” To me this felt like a comment that had nothing to do with me and everything to do with you. A reflection of your magnanimous nature. Living proof that the spiritual master really is an ocean of mercy. Reconfirming that without the mercy of the spiritual master one cannot make any advancement.

You once said ‘I’m conditioned to be kind.’ Gurudeva, your whole life reflects that. Your disciples, a little weird and wonderful, all found that you made space for them. With compassion and a vision for us all you led the way. You showed us how loving Kṛṣṇa in all circumstances of life is to be done. Personally for me (and I have faith the same holds true for my godsiblings) you have moved mountains. You’ve truly given us a vision greater than what we could have come up with ourselves.

You teach us how to love Kṛṣṇa. You teach us that to love Him means to go out of our way. An extraordinary relationship requires extraordinary effort. It’s not good enough to casually keep saying ‘I’m trying’. I must now make a serious endeavour.

kṛṣṇa se tomāra, kṛṣṇa dīte pāro, tomāra śakati āche
āmi to' kāṅgāla, 'kṛṣṇa' 'kṛṣṇa' boli', dhāi tava pāche pāche

Kṛṣṇa is yours. You have the power to give Him to me. I am simply your servant running behind you shouting, “Kṛṣṇa! Kṛṣṇa!”

My head and heart at your feet.

Your daughter,

Madhurika



Mantrini Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna my dear Gurudeva,

Grateful for all your opportunities that you gave and give me to grow towards my own potential. I feel your strength and simplicity in all the steps I make and I feel how our brains measure things in the same way. We took birth only 60 km from each other what makes our way of living and thinking more similar in the way we were raised and cultured.

Sometimes when I do something or say something I hear you. I can also learn to be more quiet but I feel your inner strength and fighting spirits to be there also for the people. Naturally I treasure all the moments I spend with you and I learned through that moments how I want to be as a devotee in this beautiful movement. I hope you can be proud that we try to make things happen in the Netherlands. It's a pity you needed to leave already so we could not organize these event for you. I still feel we are organising trough the energy of your dear devotees.

For always in my heart, with love
Mantrini Devi Dasi

Matanga Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj,

It's been almost a year since you left this mortal world and you left us with many beautiful memories. Often I think about the times spent together in the mornings or the peaceful afternoons where I got so much shelter and inspiration. The more time passes and the more I realize how you are the personification of Nityananda Prabhu's mercy. I even discovered recently that you left us one last album and the title says, "So much mercy carries me." Indeed you are made of the mercy of all the devotees that you were able to touch and inspire and especially all the spiritual giants that carried you across the ocean of nescience.

Keshava swami was explaining recently in one of his talks the difference between a good leader and a great leader. When one hears from a good leader, after he leaves the room he says to himself: "Wow. That person is a genius." But when one hears from a great leader then he says to himself: "Wow that person is a genius and maybe I can become one as well." This is one beautiful memory I have from you: Great leader who inspired me and many others to thrive in devotional service.



Thank you so much dear Guru Maharaj. I know you are always watching and you are seeing all my mistakes and rascaldom, please forgive me. I'll keep pushing forward and diligently applying the hammering technique. Hare Krsna.

Your humble servant,
Matanga Dasa

Mohini Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna Guru Maharaj,

Aanvaard mijn eerbetuigingen, alle eer aan Srila Prabhupada.

Alweer bijna een jaar geleden dat U Uw lichaam verliet. Het besef is er bij mij soms nog niet helemaal dat u er lichamelijk niet meer bent, als ik naar uw kirtans luister of een lezing dan blijft U voor mij forever fresh Guru Maharaj.

Ik ben heel dankbaar dat ik in Vrindavan mocht zijn tijdens Uw afscheid. Ik vraag me wel af waar bent U nu en wat Uw taken nu zijn Guru Maharaja.

Bedankt dat ik Uw leerling mag zijn.

Bedankt dat U mij af en toe een seintje geeft en dat ik Uw aanwezigheid mag voelen en soms weerspiegeld mag zien in gelaatsuitdrukkingen van andere leerlingen van U.

Ik mis U Guru Maharaj, en zoals U zegt wat is een leven zonder Krsna,

Liefs ys
Mohini Devi Dasi

Nadia Mani Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine



namaste sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine
nirviseśa-sunyavadai-pascatya-deśa-tarine

śrī-kṛṣṇa-caitanya prabhu-nityānanda
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Please accept my humble obeisances on to your divine lotusfeet dear Guru Maharaj

Hare Kṛṣṇa Dear Guru Maharaj,

As you said many times, in your book Forever Present, yes you are indeed Forever Present, your children/ disciples will keep you alive.

Your kirtan, lectures and books are filled with so much nectar.

When performing the puja's in the temple, I feel your present and blessings Gurudeva.

Your face is always present on the picture of Srila Prabhupada's, I am here. Especially performing the Guru Puja Arati. You are our spiritual father, whom looks out for his children.

Want do to something special in honour of you dear Gurudeva. In of the Zooms meeting I mentioned that I found out your pesonal japa app. And you called me a rascal. I was, remembering Srila Prabhupada.

Hare Kṛṣṇa Dear Maharaj,

Your servant,

Nadia Mani Devi Dasi/ daughter of Kks

Navadvip Candra Dasa

nama om visnu-pādāya kṛṣṇa presthāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kānana svāmin iti nāmine

nama om visnu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-presthāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita svāmin iti nāmine



nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
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nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Although I know deep inside, that you are always with me, I will try to express myself in those written words to facilitate our eternal relationship in a more grounded way. After all I have this great experience how purifying actually is writing our emotions, especially if they are addressing vaishnava saints like you are.

Yes, you are always with me - in my bright and my nonsense moments. As far as I understood your teachings and the conclusions of acaryas one of the main and most important seva of a disciple to guru parampara is to chant minimum of 16 offense less rounds of Hare Kṛṣṇa maha mantra. I like so much your, "Back to the basics" stand point. You expressed it very nicely also in "Last message" video...so powerful and encouraging. Chanting, reading, hearing, following principles and then preaching. You know that my chanting at the moment is quite bad and I'm sad about it. As I'm writing this it could be my offering or at least attempt to offer you my resolution that I will try my best to improve my chanting till next Vyasa-puja. You make it clear that first we should become devotees in a real sense, chanting purely, then our preaching will be actually successful.

On Harinama initiation day you gave us also great instruction to seriously study Srimad Bhagavatam, but it turns out that my reading of this outstanding scripture is too slow, probably because of lack of deep spiritual realizations and laziness. Lust and anger are also my constant companions. But sometimes I have also some bright moments and make a good decision like to set a goal of listening to all recorded Prabhupada's morning Srimad Bhagavatam lectures. Because you are such a "Prabhupada's man" I hope it makes you happy by your mercy I have somehow a little taste for hearing and that make me feel very happy and encouraged.

Your last words in this physical world were "mission". As you know I'm trying my best to spend as much as possible of my free time to engage myself in harinam-sankirtan mission. That's the reason why we started with another preaching project called "Yuga-dharma team". We want to reunite yatras in Slovenia in neighbour counties by engaging devotees in harinams, no matter of their "political" beliefs, and so on.

When I was writing this offering a few tears were shed. Really do not want sound too sentimental, but those tears actually give me a great hope that maybe deep inside I embraced your



great instructions and expectations from all of us what should we become one day for yours and Srila Prabhupada's pleasure.

Your servant,
Navadvip Candra Dasa

Niskincana Dasa

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Hare Kṛṣṇa Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances and All glories to Srila Prabhupada

It's been a year since you've come out of our material purview. Naturally I'm very much missing our times together. At certain times of the year, when you would come to London, the separation is even more acute. Knowing that you would be here and I could drive you to your various events and speak to you on everything under the sun. Or be in the kirtans with you or listening to you having humorous interactions with all of us. These are the most wonderful experiences in my life and the memories are etched in my consciousness eternally. But it doesn't just end there. You are so incredibly merciful and personal and I remember in one of your last zoom sessions you mentioned that once you leave, you'll be able to watch us and guide us even more. I'm seeing that in a very obvious way in my current lifestyle and in my sadhana and services.

Bhaktivinoda Thakur stated,

“He reasons ill who tells that Vaisnavas die when thou art living still in sound! The Vaisnavas die to live, and living try to spread the holy name around!”



Maharaj, you are exemplifying this maxim in a very real way. You are present in my life every day, I think about your advice all the time especially as I go about my daily services and practices. Your instructions have taken on another level of resonance in my daily activities and your vision for the Manor to become a centre for Spiritual education is becoming ever more pertinent. You mentioned in your last class at the Manor that it is a big place and the bigger the entity the more time it'll take for it to change and evolve. I can see that. For the Manor to develop in a certain way, we really need to be in it for the long haul but slowly things are shifting. There's more of an awareness to make something fresh with the Manor and take it in a certain direction. I feel the Manor is in the process of reinventing itself. Hopefully it'll still retain some of its key virtues.

You have strategically positioned many of your disciples in key areas to drive forward the movement. I'm very fortunate that I'm now regularly serving with many of your disciples. I have more interaction with them now than ever before. Through each of them, I feel you speaking. Its awe inspiring to be seeing the power and determination that so many of your disciples have. This is due to your guidance and magic. Most of them mention that it's due to your inspiration and instruction that they're really diving in and committing themselves to various projects.

The more I'm in ISKCON, the more I see it as an organism not just an organisation in the corporate sense. It's Krishna's energy to help us connect with him and thus it's a living thing with its own force and will which needs to be harnessed and channelled. How to balance the unbri-dled spirituality of this movement whilst keeping it organised with systems and organisation is a challenge. The challenge is compounded by many devotees like myself who are struggling with their own internal issues, imperfections and can be lackadaisical in our own sadhana and thus are somewhat unqualified to even be in the movement. It's your inspiration and words that keep me going.

You often said the movement can't be managed like a well-tended English garden but we have to see it like a free flowing Amazonian rainforest that grows in different directions in different ways. That's exactly what's happening with developments around the Manor. It's exciting, progressive but also a bit disorientating. The Manor itself is having to reckon with a lot of these developments internally and externally. Then you have certain devotees who embrace and endorse the anarchy of it all and some who feel the need to tighten the reins and bring the whole thing under more systematisation. How to meld the two and hit that sweet spot is something we're searching for and no doubt that sweet spot won't be static but will regularly need to be revived as the goal posts constantly change. It's at times like this I turn to you. You successfully integrated both ends of the spectrum in our own practice of Krishna consciousness and the way you handled devotees and various projects. And you did this all with bound-



less enthusiasm, grace and humour.

And you did it whilst developing such incredible understanding of the scriptures. I wish I could emulate you. Excel in my services and also start developing deep realisations of the scriptures and experience the magic of Krishna consciousness. Whilst I value the reciprocations I get through the process I want to feel and experience more and more now. Not just on a knowledge level, although that needs to seriously strengthened. Maybe I need to apply myself more, be more determined or more surrendered. Maybe I need to be more patient and realign my motivations. Maybe I have a weakness for the mystical aspects of spirituality. There must be a way of melding all of it together? You seem to have done it so beautifully.

I'm so happy that you are very much in my life and thanks to technology it's beautiful to have access to your books and lectures. My apologies, I don't listen to your lectures so much but I do read your books, albeit a little slowly. But as soon as I read, it's like your there sitting right in front of me on a sofa expressing yourself with your unique mannerisms and eloquence. I love it. One of your last instructions to us was that we all need to be kind. The more I reflect on it, it seems to take on so many meanings. There is meaning in this statement in how we conduct ourselves with others. Are we dealing with others in a compassionate manner, being sensitive to their situation? There's also kindness in how we are helping people that we deal with come closer to Krishna. Then there's kindness in being compassionate to someone, as well as bringing someone closer to Krishna but also in a way which suits their nature and sensibilities and so on. The more I think about it, this instruction has unlimited depths to it and the more I recall so many of the statements you have made over the years, they now ring true on various levels. I'm a little slow at times in reaching conclusions (possibly my kapha nature?) but by your grace, the realisations are coming.

I pray that one day I can please you and bring your vision and aspirations for the movements a bit closer to fruition in whatever way I can, whilst at the same time fulfilling your personal instructions for me. Some of them are in motion and some of them I'm still formulating how to broach. Thank you for everything. I'm looking forward to seeing you again whenever that maybe. But till then, I'm extremely glad you're very much present and taking an active role in my life in this material realm. You're helping me in ways I cannot imagine. If you weren't there, I would really be off on a tangent in Lord knows what direction! I hope you continue to guide me despite my weaknesses and mistakes and also guide the various projects that I and many others seem to be involved in and which Srila Prabhupada had blessed and mandated.

Your insignificant servant,
Niskincana Caitanya Dasa
3rd March 2024



Niti Laksana Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna Dearest Guru Maharaj (Kadamba Kanana Swami)

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Guru Dasa Jayadvaita Maharaj.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Dearest Guru Maharaj,

I am writing this Vyasa-puja of your first anniversary since you left material world. But not a day goes by Guru Maharaj that I don't miss you and will cherish a short time I had your association able to have your darshan while you were in London for at least a month made sure I was there in every event you kept. I thoroughly enjoyed your kirtan, classes you gave those are my great memories. I could look back to, but I felt very cheated after you came back from South Africa and told us all your disciples about your health at the same time while you were in South Africa I was going through my own difficult and upset time but felt I should let you know so I messaged you while you were still in South Africa and at the time I wasn't aware of your reasons going to South Africa and your health circumstances, and you did message me back that we will talk but that talk never happened because of internet issue in South Africa. But you came back to London you told us about your health issue so I felt my problem is not important and I never approached you again either by message or in person because I was again in London when you stayed 15 days before you left for Vrindavan.

In December 2022 I came to Vrindavan especially to see you dearest Gurudeva and even it was a few minutes I managed to have your darshan even then I was told by Sruti Rupa Mataji to talk to you but I felt my situation is not very important and that your health was very important. Yes even now I feel I should have spoken to you about my problem with my services at the temple because to know what you thought about it and what instructions you would give to me that's is all my guilt but I pray to you everyday and ask you forgiveness as you accepted me your disciple without any hesitation and question and Gurudeva you only know a short time you gave me both my initiation first and second I will be always grateful for accepting this foolish soul and saved me from this horrible material world.

Gurudeva you gave a gold without your mercy I wouldn't have got this I will always bend my head at your sweet lotus feet always. I am very Thank full to Jayadvaita Maharaj, Srila Prabhupada. But forgive me mostly to Radharani, Krsna and Narashima Deva who send a greatest



acaryas like you all to save foolish souls like mine.

Thank you my sweetest God Father.

Your ever servant,

Niti Laksana Devi Dasi

Padmanabha Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
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‘no one does Kirtan like you anymore’

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Sitting in a Buddhist café in Sydney writing my Vyasa-puja homage to you. Maybe it shows my watered down broadmindedness while you are so good at meeting people where they are at naturally, while bringing them to Kṛṣṇa still. Just by the way you are you bring people to Kṛṣṇa consciousness.

You expect us to do the same. Then we run into our walls. Our wall of ego, our wall of ignorance, our wall of carelessness; so many walls it could build quite a fort. Impenetrable. You gave every inch and every ounce of your time and energy to allow us into a space where we can let our guards down and break down our internal walls. Still we protect them as if it's the Berlin wall. Wait, at least that one came down.

Now you are physically not here anymore, we have to do it ourselves. Of course it's not over in the least. Devotional service is never over, not here nor in the spiritual world. It's the only



game in town. Hearing that might make us think ‘oh great, I thought if I just put some effort in now I’ll be sweet forever after’ No. It doesn’t stop. You never stopped, also when you left your body you just had a ‘change of service.’

How to match your energy, your enthusiasm or even come close is a mystery to most of us, we simply fall short. Your care for us and all the conditioned souls is unmatched. And then your kirtans. No one plays like you anymore. And if they do they don’t have the stick behind the door to play those karatalas, keep up the drums, faster. Keep those karatalas going you could regularly be heard. Your servant Nitai Pada Kamala rocked us recently with a medley of your tunes when he was in Sydney with Harinamananda. It was wonderful, such a feast of recognition! It felt you were personally present. During the Samadhi opening festival we will try to play as many of your tunes as we can. Rock the Samadhi.

One thing I still do regularly, Guru Maharaj is that I fall asleep. Now in the Buddhist café I’m falling asleep. Must be the peacefulness but who cares for peace when they can rock to your kirtan. No one plays kirtan like you anymore. I miss you.

Your servant in Sydney,
Padmanabha Dasa

Panca Tattva Dasa

Hare Krsna Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Prabhupada writes in a purport in the third canto:

“As a man cannot separate his life from his body, a disciple cannot separate the order of his spiritual master from his life” (SB.3.24.13).

You gave a practical demonstration of this in your own life by being completely aligned with the mood and mission of his holiness Jayadvaita Swami and Srila Prabhupada. As an ambassador of the parampara you are able to give mercy and touch the hearts of so many individuals.



Everything in the spiritual world is completely alive and conscious, as a Gauranga man you are also completely alive and personal. In this way you conquered my heart and somehow or other I am now engaged in devotional service.

As your disciple you also desire that I make my life perfect. One devotee recently shared with me that as one goes deep into the Bhagavatam there is no difference between rasa and tattva. Similarly your entire life serves as an instruction for how one should perfect their life. You do not want 'cat-copy' disciples but you demonstrated one thing very clearly - we have to give everything for the pleasure of Guru and Gauranga. Sloppy Krishna Consciousness will not work. In our first meeting you gave a very clear instruction: "get a taste for this Krishna Consciousness and share it with others". I think this encapsulates your life: a real taste for chanting, sastra, devotee association, real humility and real sincerity in giving the taste to others.

I can lament that I did not get very much opportunity to spend time with you personally and develop a relationship, but really I have to see how you have now put me in a situation whereby I am surrounded by senior God siblings who have really taken your mood to heart. Just as Raghunatha Das Goswami developed his relationship with Lord Caitanya by serving and associating with Svarup Damodara, similarly I am getting to understand you through your followers. Ultimately the only thing holding me back in spiritual life is myself. After you left your body last year I got a very strong feeling that you have given me everything I need for success in spiritual life. Often I forget this feeling and somehow wish that the circumstances would be different, however I can clearly see that the only reason I am not flourishing in spiritual life is because I am not properly following your instruction. It is easy to take an instruction cheaply and tick a box but you demonstrated that the desire of the spiritual master is no ordinary desire. If one can take that desire to heart and make it their life and soul then spiritual life really gets exciting. Birds fly at different levels in the limitless sky according to their ability, similarly your instructions are limitless but how willing am I to dive deep into them?

Somehow or other your mercy has fallen on me. I am not worthy of this kindness but I pray that my desire to know you, connect with you and lovingly serve you continue to grow. You make Krsna consciousness exciting. Please can I also join in the adventure.

Hare Krsna.

Your insignificant servant,

Panca Tattva Dasa



Pandava Arjuna Dasa

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
chakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Dear father,

This past year was marked with separation and deep regret that I didn't have an opportunity to build a deeper relationship with you in person or to directly serve you, which was my heart's desire. But I realised that the best way I can serve you is by serving your trusted servants, your wonderful and empowered disciples. In this way I will be able to please you, connect with you on a deeper level and find complete shelter at your lotus feet. I have no other shelter than your divine grace.

Dear Gurudeva please guide me to become the devotee you want me to be. You loved quoting his holiness Tamal Krishna Goswami, that "A Guru is someone who gives disciples a greater vision than they could come up with by themselves," And you gave this vision to us. The instruction you most mercifully gave me just after initiation was, "Give Kṛṣṇa consciousness to others." How can I do that? Srila Prabhupada's words spring in my mind "What two minutes of your preaching accomplish?" But if I can relay your messages and serve your servants, it will spark Kṛṣṇa consciousness in others, and soon this will become a blazing forest fire. We can only give what we have, I have nothing but you have everything! Pure love of Kṛṣṇa and even Kṛṣṇa Himself, and you give everything you have to others freely, with no consideration who is worthy and who is not. Your kindness and compassion to fallen souls very much reminds me of Lord Nityananda, who was giving love of Krishna to everyone and anyone, and you followed in His footsteps. It's our turn now to follow your divine footsteps.

That's why I want to serve your servants more and more, assisting them in their loving service to you and to give Kṛṣṇa prema to others by your videos, books, and kirtans. You can give them Kṛṣṇa directly, and the power of your transcendental message is as powerful as it was when you were doing incredible rock kirtans everywhere around the world, rocking the world of bystanders and changing their lives forever. Giving absolutely brilliant classes to anyone who was willing to hear. Thank you for allowing me to serve you by relaying your messages, and seeing how you change their lives.

Your most insignificant servant of the servant,
Pandava Arjuna Dasa



Pavitra Devi Dasi

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namaste sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine
nirvisesa-sunyavadai-pascatya-desatarine

Dear Gurudeva

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you, Guru Maharaj.

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami.

All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

On this auspicious day of your appearance, I am fortunate to express my heartfelt gratitude to you.

Thanks to your causeless mercy, you accepted me as your disciple and offered me a place in your family - even though I didn't dare ask you for shelter. You could sense my desire, and even though I wasn't ready, you accepted me. You took each person as they are and gave us all so much.

I am so grateful that I can do a small service for you by helping to translate your books into German. Of course I can never give you back everything you gave us, but I hope that I can please you – also if just a little bit.

By hearing your lectures (also the ones from 10 years ago or even more) I get the feeling of getting to know you even better. Often while listening to your speakings I have to smile and even laugh, because you brought out the message of Kṛṣṇa consciousness in your individual, funny, wonderful but also strict and certain way. Thank you for everything you left for all of us.



You are always with us, even if not in this material body. Every now and then you appear in my dreams, and although if it is for very short moments - I am grateful for that with all my heart. The connection between Guru and disciple is eternal. We always have to remember this and in some moments I can really feel that you are there and watching everything we are doing.

Thank you for everything dear Gurudeva. I hope that one day I can serve and satisfy you in some or other way. My prayers are with you every day and wherever you are right now, with all my heart I wish you just the best.

Your insignificant servant,
Pavitra Devi Dasi
(Switzerland)

Priyavrata Dasa

Dearest Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories unto you to Jayadvaita Maharaj and to Srila Prabhupada.

On last year's offering I mentioned how I wanted to get more involved in the mission to please you. Since then I got involved in university preaching and some prison preaching. It's been stop start. Some internal and external challenges. Right now not much is going on with these activities but I'm trying to move things forward.

One quality that really touched me about you was your determination. I was speaking to you once about book distribution and saying how I find it tough and so on. And I was asking you how you found it. You said to me, "We're different. You have the good karma of being a Gururati and I have that Dutch determination." I'm meditating on this quality of yours to push forward the preaching and further connect with you.

Your servant,
Priyavrata Dasa



Punya Palika Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Maharaj,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

I would like to start offering by offering my gratitude, by saying thank you. Thank you for your kindness, thank you for your compassion, thank you for all your mercy, thank you for preparing us for your glorious departure. It would have been so difficult otherwise.

From last quiet a few months I have been meditating on your vaishnava qualities as well as admire all those you have inspired. I can feel the compassion you have for all the conditioned souls. The amount of pain and discomfort you been through since the time you announced your health issues and despite of that you continue with your preaching activities, kirtans, lectures and your unforgettable regular zoom meetings with us make me reflect on all the sacrifices you made in your life for guru and Krsna. The most amazing qualities that I have meditating on is how you inspire 100s and 1000s of people and get them connected to Krsna through your mesmerising Kirtans and friendly conversations.

You dedicated your whole life to Srila Prabhupada's movement. You have surrendered your body, mind, intelligence and words to service to your Guru. Moreover you inspire others to engage in the devotional service to chant the holy names

Thank you Guru Maharaj, for instilling the holy name into my life, my mind, my heart. Please bless me that one day I'll be able to relish the real taste of the Holy Name and that I may develop a sincere desire to serve you and the holy name. That one day I can sincerely serve the devotees

I was listening the other day to a lecture in which you asked, "How many acts of love are we bringing to Krsna?" The answer in my case would be, "None." But fortunately I have you as the intermediary. Thank you for providing the connection with Krsna, for crystallising it with your own mercy and the mercy of the acaryas, without which I would only go before Krsna with hollow offerings.



When I look back on my life, there are some choices I made and actions I took which I would have done differently if I could. But one thing I am sure of, one thing I would never change, I have no doubts about, is the service I was allowed to do for you. Every moment of it was a well-spent moment and I carry these jewel-like moments in my heart. If there is anything meaningful in life, then for me, it is service to you. I pray for the blessings to be constantly immersed in my service to you

I pray that I always remain attached to the shelter of your divine feet. Please keep showering your mercy onto me. Please forgive me for any offence I might have committed in my attempt to glorify your pure personality. I am sure you must be watching all of us from while being in Prabhupada Lila, or Caitanya Lila or in Krsna Lila.

Thank you that you showed us by your example on how to surrender to Krsna, how to practice spiritual life and how to detach from material things. You visit holy places and holy places are everywhere you go because Sri Krsna is still with you.

I pray and beg for your blessings that I never forget Krsna, never forget the taste of serving your lotus feet and to be able to ceaselessly engaged in this nectarean service and that I find the determination to serve this movement.

Your insignificant naïve servant,
Punya Palika Devi Dasi

Purna Tattva Dasa

Dear beloved Guru Maharaj,

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

It's already almost 1 year since you left us to spiritual world, to Goloka Vrindavan. Unfortunately, I was late last year and I could come to Vrindavan till 19 March 2023. Every day I visit your samadhi and was remembering all the time, I could spent with you personally, even by our writings or by media online.

Life is running more fast. Last year I already was 50. What to do? Your words. Even my personal life was very busy last 3 years, I still miss you and can feel your presence. I tried to live



family life after divorce in 2019, but it doesn't work with other wife anymore. My children are 14 and 17 years old, so they slowly going to adult time. I hope and pray, I could finally begin to spend the rest of my life as I ever wanted – kirtan and visiting holy places. You know that visiting holy places and be in kirtan hours and hours, was really fulfillment of my spiritual path. I hope I will do also something more for you and for Srila Prabhupada, before my departure from this world.

Your eternal servant,
Purna Tattva Dasa

Puspanjali Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Now that we are in the year 2024, it will be 2 years since initiation in June and one year the anniversary of your departure. Guru Maharaj, Every day has been an opportunity to follow your instructions. It is clear what your instructions are, as you have left them in many ways and forms. Thank you Guru Maharaj. I am truly grateful.



Presently, I'm chanting the prescribed rounds, reading some (need to read more). When unable to read, I listen to lectures and audio recording whether it be the Bhagavad-gita, Srimad Bhagavatam, lectures by Srila Prabhupada and the Caitanya-Caritamrta.

Life brings challenges. I find at times for example, getting up early in the morning to be a challenge of the mind. The earlier time to chant is truly the best time to be able to at least chant and complete 16 rounds and then at other opportune time to chant some more.

Krsna is amazing. I've had experiences where I feel His intervention and arrangement in things that have happened. Guru Maharaj every morning my alarm is set to go off with your beautiful voice singing curtains in various moods. This helps me to stay connected to you and continue to be inspired by you in your physical absence.

Thank you for your inspirational messages that have been posted in short videos on line by your disciples that amazingly have been keeping the spirit of what you desire for us to be doing. Guru Maharaj as you stated in your last recorded message, we are so fortunate, and it is with gratitude in which this letter to you is written. You said also in that last message that you are waiting for us.

Looking forward to that meeting day, Guru Maharaj.

Submitted with humility.

Your humble servant,

Puspanjali Dasi

Radha Kirti Rani Devi Dasi

Humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

My dear Guru Maharaj when I ponder upon reflection

I am grateful for the divine transcendental connection..

In searching for the Ultimate Truth I have traversed many a floor

His Holiness has opened that ultimate door.

Doorway to the ultimate destination

Back to the Supreme Personality of God head.

Your humble servant,

Radha Kirti Rani Devi Dasi

(South Africa)



Radha Raman Dasa & Radha Priya Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate Kadamba Kanana Swamin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate GuruDas Jai AdvaitaSwamin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

Hare Kṛṣṇa Guru Maharaj,

Please accept our humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

We wish you a very happy Vyasa-pua.

Your Vyasa-puja this year is going to be very different than previous years because your vani is with us in form of your books, various lectures and melodious kirtan but you (vapu) are not present with us. The zoom session which you started during covid, are still going on. We are getting opportunity to hear from many senior members of our god families and your well-wishing friends.

We had one get together with our god family last year and another this year recently with Harinamnanda and Nitai Padakamala prabhus. They shared some of your amazing pastimes.

While recently reading your book “Forever present” where you have said “So please, let us do something. We have to take it that our mission is successful and that it does not depend on material calculations. We remember the ancient story of the sparrow who had lost her eggs in the ocean. The sparrow had threatened the ocean: “If you do not return my eggs, I will drink your water!” The ocean did not care but Garuḍa cared! Garuḍa was attracted by the sincerity of that sparrow, and when Garuḍa threatened to drink the water of the ocean, the eggs were returned. So this ‘Garuḍa principle’ is there. If we endeavour to spread Kṛṣṇa consciousness, that attracts the causeless mercy of Kṛṣṇa and then Kṛṣṇa will do it. When the Lord is attracted by the service of the devotees, the Lord intervenes and then it starts happening!” (Forever Present, page 193).



Please be merciful on us so that we may try to endeavour to be determined in our devotional service like the sparrow was determined to drink the ocean.

We were very fortunate to see you in Vrindavan yatra in 2022. Thanks for giving us your valuable time and association. We are trying to engage ourselves in various devotional service in Sydney congregation. After receiving Brahminic initiation from you, we got training to serve Sri Radha Gopinath and also to perform Yagya. We are also very fortunate to get some service for you through becoming part of the team that is translating your books in Hindi.

Last year during Kartik month we got an opportunity to visit Jagannath Puri and Mayapur with some devotees which reminded us of your yatra when you used to take your disciples and other devotees on various pilgrimages.

Please bless us so that we can be steady in your service and in service, Gauranga and the devotees.

Hare Krsna

His Holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami Vyasa-puja Mahamahotsva Ki Jai.

Your humble servants,

Radha Raman Dasa & Radha Priya Devi Dasi

Rasapurnima Devi Dasi

Namo om Vishnupadaya krishna Prishthaya Bhutale.

Srimate Kadamba Kanana Swami maharaj eti namine

Gaur kripa Amritam prapto vraje mayapuri api yah

Prabhupada priya lokam paye yati Ani varitam.

Jaya Srila Jayadvaita Maharaj

Jaya Srila Prabhupada

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Hare Krsna. Please accept my humble obeisances unto your lotus feet.

O Guru Maharaj,



Today I sat down to write you as an offering for your Vyasa-puja, I was wondering what to write, though since you started your journey to the divine world, I missed you a lot and was lamenting on the thought that how since 2018 I came in contact with Iskcon and then my first Vrindavan parikrama under your divine association, everything was happening just so fast, got initiated soon and then your disappearance. I ask Krsna, how merciful are you that though I was, not worth a devotee still You accepted me as your Disciple Maharaj.

Guru Maharaj last year on 6th February in Kusum Sarovar you instructed me to do just bhakti. You said you only want bhakti from me when I requested you to let me make soup for you. Then I also remember you instructed me to become a merciful rain cloud and bring people to temple and tell them about Krsna bhakti.

Guru Maharaj I confess that I am not up to the mark but I am trying to follow your instructions. I know you are watching me from there and also feel that you have kept me in your prayers continuously. That's why though I am not perfectly doing bhakti and some times trapped by maya still I am not away from vaishnava association and get opportunities to do sevas and attend parikramas.

Guru Maharaj I pray Krsna I make you proud one day as your sincere disciple. Maharaj please help me. I never let u down and get Krsna prem this life and join You there doing kirtan in the divine world. I am so thankful for your mercy on me so many times – it's unaccountable. That gives me strength to stay in Krsna consciousness and practice bhakti.

Miss you Maharaj so much. Please be with me always at each moment. I pray that I follow your instructions and become your proud disciple.

Your insignificant disciple,
Rasapurnima Devi Dasi

Ravindra svarupa and Sri ji

Our dear Guru Maharaj,
Please accept our humble obeisance's at your lotus feet.
All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

nama om̐ viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
srimati Kadamba Kanan swami iti namine



Although you are no longer physically present on this earth, we feel your presence daily by listening to your kirtans, lectures, looking at your photos, thinking about our encounters and so on. We are very happy that you have come into our lives as our Guru Maharaj and that you will always guide us on our way home.

Our inner hope is that one day we will be able to meet you in person again.

Thank you for being our very special father.

Your eternal servants,

Ravindra svarupa and Sri ji

Remuna Lila Dasi

Hare Krsna Gurudeva,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada, his holiness Jayadvaita Swami and yourself. Please accept my humble obeisances unto your lotus feet.

Dearest Guru Maharaj, I'm eternally indebted to you. I, for one, don't know what you saw in a 14 year old girl to shower so much mercy on me, but I am forever grateful. During the meeting at Krsna Kirtan Prabhu's home where I asked you formally for shelter. I was so shy, I couldn't even look you in the eyes. And you just laughed, so mercifully. I remember, upon reading my letter, you told me 'It's one thing for the disciple to have faith in the guru, and another for the guru to have faith in the disciple and I have that faith in you'. These words deeply penetrated my heart. They have stuck with me ever since. Every endeavour I make, I remember these words and use it as constant motivation to aspire to become a better devotee.

At times, I feel as though I'm letting you down, may it be materially or spiritually that I would like to request forgiveness if I may have done so. I am currently going through a bit of a rough patch trying to cope with A-levels and simultaneously manage my sadhana. But I remembered, during our last encounter in Vraja dham before your departure, you told me, 'Remuna Lila, just try your best and forget the rest, it's all in Krsna's control' and although I tend to find this difficult to put into practice, I turn to these words for comfort and try my best to do just as you said. One time you also mentioned in a class in KBM that when it feels impractical to do your rounds in one go, you can stagger them 4 times throughout the day, so I have been implementing that too.

Your departure has been quite interesting to deal with to say the least, I know you're not physi-



cally here anymore. I can no longer drive with my mother to drop you croissants at 7.00 in the morning or run to the flat you were staying in Vraja to give you flowers for Giriraj but simultaneously I feel that no matter what you have still provided us with some many ways of staying connected to you and continue serving you. I remember you telling me 'Never stop baking, become the best baker/cook and keep baking me goodies, even when I'm not here anymore. Offer them to me and from wherever I am I will eat them with a big smiling face, happily.'

No matter what you have constantly showered me with unconditional love. You would give me all sorts of gifts and maha whenever I'd visit your room in Vraja and give me constant opportunities to ask you questions so I could clear my doubts. You told me and Adi Hetu Devi Dasi, that we had so many questions, we should create a book. Maybe that may someday, by your mercy, become possible.

Thank you dear Gurudeva, for being the brightest ray of sunshine in my life, for your constant guidance, may it be when you were sharing the Lord's mercy in this world or through your vani. Thank you for providing me with the most wonderful God family of loving vaishnavas and vaishnavis, who constantly help guide me in my bhakti. Thank you for everything. I don't know what I could ever do to show my gratitude.

Your Humble little Servant (and 'croissant girl'),
Remuna Lila Dasi

Revati Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna my dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Jayadvaita Maharaj and Srila Prabhupada.

"The future is bright." That's what you once told me, when I was in a really difficult situation with my seva. You knew, it was really difficult, but your message was clear: "Don't let external difficulties get you down. Instead concentrate on your goal, your bright future."

These were not just some encouraging words you found to pacify my somehow agitated mind. No, it was rather the way you lived your life. And gave all of us such a great example during your last months here in Vrindavan.

From a material point of view, nobody would be able to understand how you continued despite the increasing trouble your body gave to you,

But for devotees it's crystal clear, you were empowered by Krsna and never lost sight of your



goal, your bright future.

I can't find words to explain how much I am missing you. But instead of lamenting over what I lost, I should concentrate on and be grateful and happy for all the years you were patiently guiding me through the dense dschungel of my own ignorance and passion, towards my bright future.

Now I really have to fly my own airplane by myself. That's an allegory you used quite often. The "ground crew" consists of all the good advice you gave. In one sense nothing really changed. I just continue to do what I did before. And adopting your mood, as far as I am able to do so, I do my best to concentrate more and more on the bright future.

To do my best and to continue to try, that's all I can do. Once, when I apologized to you for the far too soft sandesh and explaining that I am trying again and again to understand how to deal with the too greasy milk here in Vrindavan, you just said "it's okay, as long as you try.'

Whatever the situation, the problem might be, looking forward to the bright future and continuing to try again and again - in my current situation I consider these to be the most important pieces of advice you gave to me.

Therefore I will look back only to remember all the good times I had with you, try again and again to improve and look forward to a bright future, when I will meet you again after finally returning home. I have full faith that you will keep your word and somehow or other convince Krsna to allow me to enter Goloka Vrindavan again.

Even if I am not perfect - I will not give up trying.

Eternally your servant,
in the hope to somehow serve you again.
Your servant,
Revati Devi Dasi

S.B. Keshava Swami

Dear Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances
All glories to Srila Prabhupada



Today I was at your samadhi. I prayed to hear your resounding and deep voice in the depths of my heart. You had the vision all along, knew the answers, and gave the most incredible instructions. The spiritual master creates a divine flow, perfectly designed to push on the progress to perfection. The disciple has to find that flow, to go with that flow. Today I prayed at the Yamuna that instead of just going through life, I should find myself flowing through life.

You didn't just give instructions; you also gave instructions about instructions:

Instructions are not always understandable and intelligible. We don't know why they are there, where they are leading and how they will help. Yet we walk the path with deep faith, even when the entire journey is unclear.

Instructions may be delayed but never denied. Sometimes we are not in a position to fulfil a certain instruction. The time is not right. Yet the disciple is constantly meditating on and investing towards the fulfilment of an instruction.

Instructions are unlimited. In one sense, you can never really fulfil the instructions of the spiritual master since they are unlimited and can always be followed in bigger, better and more powerful ways. We have to go above and beyond.

Instructions should be understood in essence. The detail of an instruction may be adjusted, provided the disciple has deeply (and chastely) understood and implanted the essence of the instruction in their heart.

Instructions are live. We can receive more instructions, new instructions, live instructions, by hearing from the spiritual master with rapt attention. Srila Prabhupada said he instructed his disciples privately, in public forums.

I'm trying to make your instructions my obsession. May I align myself completely with the divine flow you have created. Hoping to meet you along that transcendental stream so I can serve you again the electrifying movement of Caitanyadeva.

Your servant,
S.B. Keshava Swami



Sachi Mata Devi Dasi

My dear Kadamba Kanana Swami,

Please accept my most humble obeisances.

All glories to you Gurudeva, and all glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

I can hardly believe it's been almost a whole year that you've been gone from the material plane. Of course, we know that you are always present in your words, your teachings, your kirtans, and your love for all of us.

Although, I am very grateful to have taken shelter of you before your physical departure; I am also very saddened that I did not take shelter a lot sooner. When I first met you around 2010, I was instantly attracted to your charismatic personality. I instantly loved your deep knowledge of the scriptures, yet when you gave lectures, there was always a playful, and humorous way you delivered the message. You were also so easy to talk to; I revealed so much about my spiritual history the first time we engaged in a deeper type conversation. You were easy to both confide in and take instruction from, as well as be inspired by. I guess that because of our similar "hippie" type backgrounds, I kind of leaned towards a spiritual friendship instead of relating to you as a spiritual father. Thank goodness I finally woke up, and took the opportunity to take shelter of you as a spiritual daughter before it was too late.

I want to thank you, Gurudev, from the bottom of my heart for giving me a refreshed spiritual spark to my 40+ years of being a devotee. You gave me renewed determination to really get to know and love Krsna and to be more serious in my Krsna consciousness. I want to know and love Krsna, the way that you do. I want to serve Krsna with renewed energy and eagerness, and this is all because of your example.

Thank you for accepting me and being my "siksha" guru, renewing my brahminical vows and giving me the shelter of your lotus feet. I am truly eternally indebted to you. My only wish is to please you and Srila Prabhupada.

I remain, your daughter,
Sachimata Devi Dasi



Saci Indira Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

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

It has been almost a year since you left your body behind and travelled back to Radha-Krsna's beautiful world. Since then, there have been no days gone without thinking about how magnificent and wonderful you are, my dear Gurudeva. Your physical self is not here, yet you are still intensively giving us guidance and love. Every time I have doubts about myself or feel a bit lost in this fast-paced world, your instructions, kindness, and compassion give me strength all over again. You are still shining in this material world and manifesting within your disciples.

Thank you ever so much again for giving me a chance in this lifetime by showing me the light. Praying that as a family we can serve your legacy to the eternity, and we can stay united to serve you and Srila Prabhupada.

With unlimited love and prayers at your lotus feet.

I beg to remain your humble servant,
Saci Indira Devi Dasi

Sadbhuja Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada, Jayadvaita Swami and you

A year has passed again. A year where I noticed that some moments I wished you so much to be there. Because you put things in order, limit the nonsense and support the things that are coming from the right motivation. A year where again I appreciate that even you could have taken a position of guru as someone very elevated, someone easy to project all your positive ideas upon and in this way life an easy life. But no, this makes one isolated and lonely. You choose to be with the people, get involved and be part of our life's. That makes you so special and genuine.



In this way you attracted disciples who value these qualities themselves, who are emphatic genuine and individual. I'm honoured to be part of such a good family.

As for my offering I tried my best to bring Krishna to the people on Germany in the summer. More and more I'm involved in the yoga and festivals and reaching many people by this. Also on Koh Phangan, Thailand we reach a lot of international crowds by kirtans and workshops. But I have to say that by my wife's arrangements we got even more exciting things coming in our life. This winter we went to China had an official marriage with 500 people which was very unique and eye-opening. By this we got a lot of good contacts. We joined a festival in China, had our own just kirtan, workshops and all and one influencer made a video about my wife and our life style and within 3 days 8 Million people saw it. By this now many doors open for us to bring Krsna to china . Of course it's not so easy to do things directly but as Krsna is a crooked fellow so Also for us it's easy to bend and just package it nicely what can create a revolution in society. A revolution of conciseness. Im begging for your blessings and well-wishing so our endeavour will bear dome fruits.

Thank you for all your trust, care and encouragement on my way.

Yours

Sadbhuja Dasa

Sama Darsini Devi Dasi

You made life simpler for fallen souls like me by accepting me as your disciple .

Whenever I recite your Pranam mantra, I realise what a big difference you made in my life. I'm very poor reader but I'm trying to read Srila Prabhupada's books every day as per your instruction.

I'm still struggling to make this journey as priority and without you I'm like orphan under the clutches of maya.

Forever grateful to you Guru Maharaj. Hare Krsna

Your eternal servant,

Sama Darsini Devi Dasi



Sattvatanu Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

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namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

My dearest Guru Maharaj,

In the life of the spiritual master and disciple there are invaluable lessons being taught.

This year's offering is an offering of love in separation. Even though I may not fully comprehend our eternal relationship, I am grateful that you've saved me and allowed me residence at your lotus feet.

By your mercy have increased my responsibility at the temple and I offer my service to you. Please bless me to follow in your footsteps and serve Srila Prabhupada as expertly as you have over the many years.

Happy Vyasa-puja.

With love.
Your lowly servant .
Sattvatanu Dasa



Seshasayi Dasa and Hema Gauri Devi Dasi

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
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namas te sārāsvate deve gaura-vāṇī-pracāriṇe
nirviśeṣa-śūnyavādi-pāścātya-deśa-tāriṇe

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami,
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

We wish you a happy Kṛṣṇa conscious appearance Day dear Guru Maharaj.

I would like to thank you dear Guru Maharaj for accepting us as your disciples.
Mercy - You are so merciful and with your blessings we are serving the Lord and able to participate in Srila Prabhupada's mission. You are driving us in every step and able to proceed our journey though some hiccups and twists are there.

With your blessings, we are able to make new connections and introduce them to Krishna consciousness. We have started organising home programs and invite new people and distribute Kṛṣṇa consciousness. Please bless us to continue to do this and drive the new devotees in proper direction and make them Kṛṣṇa consciousness.

Please bless us and kids to be part of the mission and serve.
Hare Kṛṣṇa

Your servants,
Seshasayi Dasa and Hema Gauri Devi Dasi



Sri Hari Dasa

Dearest Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances at the dust of your divine lotus feet.
All glories unto you on this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa-puja.
All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami Maharaj.
All glories to his divine grace Srila Prabhupada.

Gurudeva, although you are not physically present here in this material world.
I think of you everyday
I think of all the words you have spoken
I reflect of your sacrifices
I reflect on your demeanor
I admire your vaishnava qualities
I admire all those that you inspire
I admire your resolve, passion and love for Srila Prabhupada's mission
I remember your gracefulness
I feel your compassion
I am humbled by your intelligence
I bask in your radiance
I savour your mercy

If only I can become even one spec of all the things that you are and represent, I might be saved.

I am such a fallen and conditioned soul that I do not qualify to sing your glories. I thank Lord Sri Krsna, our Param-guru his holiness Jayadvaita swami and his divine grace Srila Prabhupada for delivering me unto your lotus feet.

Thank you for giving this insignificant soul shelter at the dust of your lotus feet and I thank you for all the mercy that you have showered upon me although I am unqualified.

I pray that I always remain attached to the shelter of your lotus feet.
Please forgive me for any offense I might have committed in my attempt to glorify your divine personality.

Your insignificant servant
Sri Hari Dasa



Sriji Kisor Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisance.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Thank you for initiating me and giving such a beautiful name Sriji Kisor Devi Dasi. I'll treasure this name. Thank you also for being my Guru Maharaj and accepting me and my son as your Disciples. Please bless us Maharaj to progress in our bhakti to reach Lord Krsna's lotus feet.

Hare Krsna.

Your humble servant,

Sriji Kisor Dasi

Savita Devi Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj

With you no longer present in this material world, your absence resonates however, your spirit in Krsna consciousness captured in your videos and recordings continues to inspire me. I still laugh at your jokes whilst listening to your lectures and it makes me miss you even more.

You made Krsna consciousness practical and that's what I appreciated the most. Whenever I feel lost or confused, your vani miraculously comes to me from your lectures to resolve my dilemma at that point in time. Thank you Guru Maharaj for accepting me as your disciple. You have given me the strength to persevere...

Your servant

Savita Devi Dasi

Sruti Rupa Devi Dasi

Dear Gurumaharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.



I wish you would be here.
Physically. I wish.

You were the coolest, wisest and friendliest. I've seen how much you love every each of your disciple and people who take shelter. You are our spiritual master yet you were one of us. Sitting, taking, laughing, teaching.

All moments and exchanges which I've had with you were organic, yet obviously respectful, no mechanical dealing. Like with loving friendly father.
You've connected with people from so many backgrounds because your agenda was pure, and your heart was pure.

Give, live and spread pure love for wonderful Krishna.
You truly appreciated gift of Srila Prabhupada and gave your life and soul.
You were so empowered, talented and worked so hard for Krishna and others. Fruits are still growing bigger.

You were part of institution, at some point officially very much on top of management of it until 1995. Then Krishna removed you from being effective in preaching and managing in India so you can expand your services to whole world.

I adore you stayed so authentic, but still respectful to certain rules of institution and giving good example of someone who gives space to devotees from all backgrounds.
I like how you challenged easy, ordinary way of life of devotee. Adventure was definitely in your blood and it meant adventure in spreading Krishna consciousness.

You've done big things and you carry on doing them somewhere else.
Maharaja thank you for your albums. I've been always listening them a lot before but now I can't imagine day without them. You are here when I'm listing them.

I hope there would be one day I'll be bringing offering for your Deities again. And then again and again.

With love and devotion,

Your daughter,
Sruti rupa devi dasi



Sudama dasa, Rupa Manjari devi dasi, Vrajendra Nandana dasa & Sri Vibhav Krsna

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept our humble obeisance

All glories to Srila Prabhupada

All glories to HH Jaidvaita Swami Maharaj

I hope you are doing quite well in the eternal association of your beloved Lord Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, Lord Nityananda Prabhu and Their entourage.

When you were personally present in this world every Vyasa puja was a festival of jubilation, a festival of re-union, a festival of assurance, a festival full of great anticipation, a festival packed with celebrations, a festival of nourishment, a festival of reaffirmation of commitments, a festival to take home heartfelt contentment, a festival of new aspirations, inspirations & instructions, a festival of aligning ourselves to your vision & mission.

2023 Vyasa Puja Day was quite different to all previous ones. Our questions took different form. Questions like “where are you Gurumaharaj?”, “Why did you leave us?”, “How can we serve you from now onwards?”, “Whom shall we seek guidance from here onwards?”, “How can we see you again from now onwards?”, “What are we supposed to do from now onwards?” “How can we survive in this material world from now onwards?”

Onward journey/Back-to-Godhead journey without your hand-holding care is unimaginable. Though you gave everything before you disappeared from this world, still its unimaginable how to live. Though you left treasure house in the form of your classes, kirtans, instructions, yatras, blessings, gifts, and many moments cherished for our lifetime, still its unimaginable how to survive in your physical absence. It feels terrible and hard to survive. We miss you allot Maharaj! What to do..

We are missing you more than ever since we know that we cannot have your darshans like it were in the past.

We are missing you more than ever since we know that we cannot seek direct instructions anymore like we were doing in the past.

We are missing you more than ever since we know that we got to become more matured and take shelter of your vani and not vapu... what to do..



We didn't feel sad for not present during Srila Prabhupada's times. Its not because he left behind a legacy for future generations, but we could see him through you. But after you have winded up your divine play, we felt pushed into utter darkness. We realised what a difference your presence made in our lives. We miss you allot Maharaj!... What to do...

Thank you so much for not only giving your valuable time but also timeless instructions following which we can be with you forever.

Thank you so much for not leaving us alone but securing us under the shelter of our Parama Guru HH Jayadvaita Maharaj, HH Svayam Bhagavan Kesava Maharaj and other senior devotees

Thank you very much for giving personal instructions to spread Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu's movement as our life and goal.

Thank you very much for appearing in our dreams and continue to give instructions and inspiration.

Thanks allot for bringing us in contact with many wonderful devotees who are full of devotional qualities. Serving them is a great blessing.

Rupa Manjari dd feels extremely fortunate to be able to render menial services by taking devotee care at different levels and serve devotees in our congregation at large. She is ever ready to join me and strongly support in carrying "your=our" preaching service.

Vrajendra Nandana das does kirtans and mrdanga service in our temple, in line with your instructions to serve the temple. He is a big support with his kirtan and mrdanga services in all our programs (both temple as well as outreach programs). Sri Vibhav Krsna is following Vrajendra nandana das and taking part in temple, home programs. Request you to always have an eye on them and inspire them from within to engage in your services.

With your blessings we are able to continue & conduct online programs, regular monthly programs, festival celebrations, yatras in Germany & Vrindavan. Please do not stop showering your mercy Gurumaharaj as everything is happening only and only because of your mercy.

We know that our sadhana quality is very poor and not at all satisfactory.

We know that we are offering broken names of the Lord and pretty pathetic.

We know that you want us to be your good disciples.

We know that we are really lazy and not seriously taking to devotional service.

We know that this life is rare but still are not making best of this golden opportunity.

We know that we are committing loads of offenses, mistakes unto you, to the holynome, to the vaishnavas, to the holy dhama.

PLEASE FORGIVE once again. Still, like last time, we would like to improve on keeping our



commitment to you. This way we want to stay connected with you and not feel embarrassed once again.

Guru Maharaj, last time we said you carry the mood and grace of six Goswami. Your glories are unlimited and this time I would like to appreciate your greatness as a true rājarṣi: How?

You were born rich but you were detached from material entanglement

You worked in many managerial roles but were always detached from the name and fame afflictions

You took care of many devotees like your own self but you were detached and walked the path of renunciation as Sannyas

You were bestowed with great power but remained detached to engage everything in Srila Prabhupada's service and not for yourself

You were given royal services by your disciples and others, but you were always detached to honours and dishonours and stayed humble servant

You were shot from behind but you, like king, didn't take back step or ran away from the challenges. Rather faced them like a king, detached from fears of this world.

You knew, like Parikshit Maharaj, that your end phase is near and still you were detached from the fear of death and dedicated rest of your life in serving the Lord and His devotees in mass.

You, like Ambarish Maharaj, engaged your hands, feet, eyes, ears, nose, mouth in the service of the Lord even to the last moment.

You, like Prthu Maharaj, were expert in performing Yajnas, Yajnas of Kali Yuga (Sankirtan Yajna)

You, like Yudhistira Maharaj, were living noble & principled life till the last breath.

You, like Janaka Maharaj(one of the 12 mahajans), were expert in resolving most tricky & problematic issues in ISKCON as well as in many devotees lives

You, like Bharat Maharaj, gave up household life and cent percent engaged in devotional services

You are our Goswami, You are our Rajarsi, You are our Spiritual Master, You are our Lord. Please save us all!

Please bless Vrajendra Nandana Das, Sri Vibhav Krsna that they become your instruments in the service of Sri Sri Radha Shyama Sundarji, Sri Sri Krsna Balaram Ji, Sri Sri Gaur Nitai and all Vaisnavas. Right now they are performing kirtans in the home programs and temple. Please bless them further Guru Maharaj.

Maya is greatly frightening us



But Maharaj! continue enlightening us
 Your presence is brightening us
 Your instructions are tightening us
 Your inspiration is strengthening us
 Your expectations are heightening us
 Your grace is enlivening us
 Guru Maharaj!! So Always Be with us

Kindly engage us in your service ignoring our shortfalls, mistakes, offenses considering us your fallen disciples.

Your servants
 Sudama dasa, Rupa Manjari devi dasi,
 Vrajendra Nandana dasa,
 Sri Vibhav Krsna

Location: Duisburg, Germany

Sukhayanti Devi Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to to you,
 All glories to Jayadvaita Swami,
 All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

When you left, after the first few days of complete shock, a wave of inspiration and bliss washed over me with such force that I was completely drenched. I was as though possessed, perhaps one might say, by you. I felt your energy and I wanted to live it. I have decided I am going to do big things, no, not big, huge. I was going to preach like never before, I was going to take over the world, and I was going to do it all for you.

In Bhakti-rasāmṛta-sindhu 1.1.74 it is said: ādau gurv-āśrayam sad-dharma-ṛcchā: "In the beginning one should accept the shelter of a bona fide spiritual master and inquire submissively about religious principles. He should then desire to follow in the footsteps of the great devotees of the Lord." Following in your footsteps, inspired by your example, I was going to be



a true deserving disciple of His Holiness Kadamba Kanana Swami. Because who in this world is a greater devotee than you? Whose footsteps are greater to follow than yours?

This determination and drive lasted for a few good months before the reality of my shortcomings and my disabling circumstances took the better hand. Being under that grace, the grace I feel you bestowed on all of your disciples when you left this material world was a special experience. I wish it would have lasted and I wish I was qualified to maintain it.

That great force, that great love, that great desire to do big was who you were. Nothing could stop you, nothing could come in your way. Not physical disabilities, not challenging managements, not inner politics, not fall downs of other seniors around you, nothing. You were stubborn and you were determined and that determination had only one goal, Lord Caitanya's mercy. You would stop at nothing to get it by doing what He loved best, bringing more and more souls back to His loving shelter.

You did big things, you sacrificed yourself over and over again, even when your body couldn't contain anymore your greatness you still continued with all the force that you could collect and you preached until your last breath. Your whole being has become the greatest source of inspiration for us, your disciples. You have sacrificed your whole being for our benefit and until the last moment your blessings, concern and well wishes were with us.

You were great when you lived and you were great when you passed away. And you left within each one of us that greatness. But how can we contain it? How can we manifest it? How can I?

Standing before your greatness I can only see my shortcomings, and we both know just how many they are. How can I do anything of meaning at all?

I therefore pray to you to please help me. Without your mercy I wouldn't have taken up devotional service and without your mercy I will not be able to surpass my limitation to do something of value for you. I would like to chant with taste until one day the Holy Name will dance on my tongue. I would like to feel like I can't wait to open one of Srila Prabhupada's books every single day. I would like to be able to glance over at my material desires with complete disinterest. I would like to immerse myself in the ocean of Lord Caitanya's love and do something big in spreading his mercy for your pleasure. I would like to one day become your true, deserving disciple.

Your servant,
Sukhayanti Devi Dasi



Surabhi Devi Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to Jayadvaita Swami,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Now it's almost one year since you left.

But you are still present in my life and heart.

Carrying all the experiences with you like treasure.

I thank You for all what You gave to me and beg for mercy and strenght to continiue .

Your servant,

Surabhi Devi Dasi

Tanumadhya Dasi

Dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to Jayadvaita Swami Maharaj,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

On the 1st of June 2021 so many people around the world received a letter with the news about your health issue and how you planned to deal with it. Many joined you on the journey to Vrindavan, and others in the best way possible for them. For everyone it was a journey that would touch and change their lives forever. This was most certainly true for me.

The last personal conversation I had with you was when you visited Cape Town for the last time. That conversation prepared me for the information you largely outlined in that letter. If ever I doubted that you had a specific place in your heart for even the most insignificant of your disciples, you removed that doubt by your willingness to share with me the available, sensitive information about your situation, even without me asking. You trusted me enough and this is one of the treasures I will hold close to my heart.



It was not possible for me to be in Vrindavan with you, but I am very grateful for all the zoom meetings and YouTube interviews with different disciples. It kept those that were not there updated and part of the journey. But it was only recently that I felt the need for a word or something that would capture the essence of who you were in being, what you taught by example and how you showed us why we needed it. I became aware of a very prominent aspect of your personality that underlined everything you did and formed the basis of who you were and how you lived your life.

Everything can be captured in one word, namely intenseness. This quality really enhanced all your other wonderful qualities. Two meanings of the adjective “intensive,” are listed in the dictionary as follows:

1. of extreme force, degree, or strength.
2. having or showing strong feelings or opinions; extremely earnest or serious.

It is also stated elsewhere: “That many people with intense personalities have undergone awakenings where they begin to question their choices, seek a higher purpose, and try to find their destiny. Being intense means that, most likely, one won’t stay on the surface of life like most other people.” It is my humble opinion that you have accomplished all of this and more, to perfection.

The extreme force by which you engaged in kirtan and the extreme degree to which you could engage others in kirtan is one way of how you exhibited your intense nature. Kirtan is probably your most famous legacy. Every one of your leading disciples, and many others, encountered your intenseness when receiving guidance or instructions. The powerful way in which you did things came from your extreme inner strength and was an example to them all. The heights they achieved were made possible by empowerment through your intense strength during the guidance process. Your inner strength did not dwindle during your last days, but it was magnified by what was accomplished right up to the end.

You have many times mentioned that the duty of a spiritual master is to give his disciple a vision for his life greater than what he could think possible. When engaging with others this was the purpose of your instructions and guidance. You were always seeking to build relationships with everyone you met. Your kindness and your extraordinary show of mercy and compassion was felt by all. You inspired all your disciples by embracing your own and our humanness. You wanted us to give more, to do more, to be more, and to achieve extraordinary things. When you took to the order of Sanyasin the nineties you did it by being extremely earnest and serious in dedicating your whole self to the mission of Lord Caitanya and Srila Prabhupada. You were willing to be consumed by the movement and did it with complete faith and full conviction. It was this intense giving of yourself that inspired so many others to also dedicate this life to the mission.



You have the most diverse group of disciples in the movement and to me that indicates your intense ability to show mercy to a degree that is difficult to comprehend. You dealt with every disciple in a unique but appropriate way on exactly the level they needed. You knew who to push, who to encourage, who to challenge, who to console and how to do it. You had none or very little material expectations of anyone, but you inspired us to aim for extraordinary spiritual goals. And, if someone needed advice on material matters, you were a master at guiding and instructing, but all the while also supporting them in achieving their spiritual goals.

Looking back over the years since I have met you, you have exhibited your extreme power and strength very extrovertedly in pushing forward the mission. Nothing was left untouched by your actions, words, and presence. The first time you directed your intenseness introvertedly in public, while still engaging those around you, was in the kirtan in the SB class on the 20th of February 2016, the day after you first announced your diagnosis of cancer. It was a very emotional time for all your disciples and this kirtan allowed us to experience your connection with Kṛṣṇa directly. You continued to do so up to the end.

Because of your unwavering conviction and dedication, and your personal example of how to live and end one's life to achieve the highest goal, I can only pray and seek your mercy and grace to do so too. May I, by your grace, be able to be worthy of the spiritual meaning of my name. May I be able to please you by becoming what you wanted me to be.

May you continue, wherever you are now, to inspire and direct others for the pleasure of Lord Caitanya and Lord Kṛṣṇa. I think that is what you would like to continue doing.

Your forever servant,
Tanumadhya

Tulasi-Tosani Devi Dasi

My dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my most humble obeisances.

All glories to your lotus feet, to Srila Prabhupada and to Sri Gauranga.

I am happy to finally sit down to try to write to you something from my heart. I find it somewhat introspective. Since you have left, things have gone fast, but I always keep a place for you in my core. Although life can be tough at times, having my meditation towards you has helped



me tremendously going through the ups and downs. Also, we are so fortunate for the vast list of classes that you have gave and that are precious kept for us. We have hours of your teachings available to listen. That's amazing! And the colourful family that you have created around the globe is one of unity and collaboration, although always respecting its diversity. I also relish listening to the classes of his holiness Svayam Bhagavan Keshava Swami. It seems that you have transmitted to him all your sakti, before leaving this world, empowering him so gracefully.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart, for having done so much for us all, by serving Srila Prabhupada's mission so faithfully. Showing us how to be compassionate and merciful, by being so accessible and present, as a spiritual master. Always giving us the example on how to appreciate the other devotees, by naming their qualities, thus avoiding envy and fault finding. Being so patient by taking great time to explain complex concepts to us. So, for your appearance day, I want to acknowledge all your numerous qualities. Inspiring myself to try to get out of my comfort zone, to try to be an instrument in your hands, for Srila Prabhupada's mission. Please, continue to push me, to go beyond my limits. Thus, maybe one day I will be worth your mercy.

Your insignificant servant,
Tulasi-Tosani Devi Dasi

Tulsi Dasa

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Dear Kadamba Kanana Swami Maharaj,

On this most auspicious day of your appearance, I would like to thank you for everything that you are doing for me.



The more I think of you the more I understand how great personality you are. The amount of service you managed to offer to Jayadvaita Maharaj and Srila Prabhupada is amazing. Your whole life you were living in temples although you were family person, giving everything for the mission. In your days in Amsterdam you were training a new devotee, Bhakta Duncan, on the principles of Bhakti and you were repeating same thing over and over again:

“Everything for Krishna, nothing for Duncan”. This is the real standard of devotional service and you show it in your personal life.

You were very strict in your sadhana and hardly missed morning program. One time you said: “I will drag my skeleton on Mangala Arati and it will dance, yes it will dance.” You were very regulated in your eating and sleeping habits.

You quoted “never trust a guru that never dances”. You were definitely a dancer who danced on many occasions in many of the main cities in Europe, North America, South Africa, India especially during Ratha Yatras.

You gave shelter to so many bewildered souls like me. You took care of us spiritually, but also practically (how to survive in the material world). You were so expert in that. You gave shelter to 1000 initiated disciples and many more who got inspiration from your association, classes or kirtans.

Your kirtans were very special very sweet and very energetic. Once you said: “They are asking me how I make such kirtans. It is very simple. I don’t play the harmonium, I play the people. Then kirtana becomes special”. You were taking us during your kirtans in the spiritual dimension.

You were very deep in your study of sastra. I remember the big trunk we had to bring to your room in Mayapur every year from the place of Saci mata. So many books full with notes. You were studying them scrutinizingly and then sharing this knowledge during the whole year. Not just theoretical knowledge, you expertly made it very practical and relatable for us.

You had amazing dedication to your spiritual master and his desires. On many occasions I witnessed how just by hearing some desire of his holiness Jayadvaita Maharaj you would immediately start making plans how to fulfill it. Such was the case with New York where you promised you will spend four months each year there for number of years just to satisfy him. You used all your knowledge, managerial skills and even the money you had to fulfill his desire.



Not long ago I had a dream with you. We were in the Radha Govinda temple in Brooklyn and we had to urgently leave to go somewhere. However I notice that there is no one to clean the arati sets after Mangala arati I started cleaning them and just thought to myself: “looks like I am not going anywhere and I will miss the party, but what to do someone have to do the service.” Then suddenly you appeared and said:

“You are so slow. You have to do it faster. Come on hurry up. If you continue like that you will not be able to make it.”

Doesn’t sound as something so special but I felt that you meant something much more deeper - My whole spiritual life in general. That if I don’t hurry up I will not be able to manage to do all the things I will have to do in this life. It was very real.

You were pushing me before dear Guru Maharaj and now you continue doing it. Please don’t stop doing it.

Please stay present in my life despite all my disqualifications.
Please give me your shelter.

Your eternal servant,
Tulsi Dasa

Urjesvari Devi Dasi

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Hare Kṛṣṇa Dear Guru Maharaj,
Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.



I have recently been meditating on the prayer from the Caitanya-caritamrta where Srila Krsnadasa Kaviraj Goswami says:

“My path is very difficult, I am blind, and my feet are slipping again and again. Therefore, may the saints help me by granting me the stick of their mercy as my support”.

This prayer is bringing me a lot of comfort lately as I go through the different challenges on my path towards connecting with Krsna.

There are many difficulties on my path, firstly, there are the external challenges - as I take up more responsibility in services, the more challenges I face! Ranging from dealings with others, balancing time, health issues to maintaining material needs. And as tempting as it may be during challenging times, to give up responsibility and to retreat within, life is not possible without devotional service.

Srila Prabhupada is a transcendental genius, he has created this beautiful movement, not only to provide an oasis in the dry desert of the material world, but to occupy us in devotional service. Being engaged in devotional occupation is life, like you used to say, service itself is what we are after, not that we perform service to then ask for something else. So, by Srila Prabhupada's arrangement and by your guidance I am able to carry on. Without your teachings, personal guidance, and support, I would be too bewildered. You help me with staying focused.

The second and most serious types of challenges I face are internal, as you used to say, “Be honest with yourself”, and so when I am being honest with myself and when I take a look within, I see the barriers of lust, greed and anger. This is what truly makes my path very difficult, it is due to this that I slip again and again. We know that in this world material enjoyment is like a few drops of honey - so insignificant yet so powerful. I can't seem to give up the attachment to these few drops of honey. This is where I desperately need the stick of your mercy as my support.

The prayer by Srila Krsnadasa Kaviraj Goswami not only brings me comfort but it also makes me feel immensely grateful, for this movement is full of merciful saints who are so ready to help and my heart swells at that thought. In the midst of all these merciful saints, you are the most merciful as you have taken on the personal responsibility to keep picking up someone so fallen as me!

I hope and pray that I can please you and be able to reciprocate the love you give me.

Your insignificant servant,
Urjesvari Devi Dasi
(UK)



Varsana Lila Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna Dear Maharaj,

My sincere and humble obeisances unto your lotus feet.

As I begin to write this offering, I can only imagine you having a great time doing Kirtans, busy serving and associating with Srila Prabhupada, Mahaprabhu and the divine couple Sri Sri Radha Shyamasunder.

The Past year was a roller coaster ride but by the end of it, I could see it had so much to offer in return. However, nothing could have made sense if you would not have been there. Your lecture, short videos, quotes and books have kept me from not losing my grounds. For this, I have huge respect and gratitude towards the God family who are actively engaged in spreading your message.

Although we have not had many personal conversations Maharaj, but whatever little we had, have been my constant companion. With time, I have realized that those were so essential and important for me . Your words have been a pillar of constant strength and a reflection of your mercy, love, care and concern towards me.

Since last year, I have learnt and known more about you through the experiences shared by senior vaishnavas, god-brothers and sisters which have grown my fondness and admiration towards you manifold. Somehow I feel you now more closer than the day I took initiation.

I know Maharaj that I have many miles to go to become the devotee you would like me to be and on my part a lot is left to be done towards the mission you have given us all. I'm taking small steps on that course in the association of devotees and with the help of senior Vaishnavas. However, I will always need your support and guidance. I sincerely wish that someday I finally become the disciple that you have wished for.

Thank you dear Maharaj for being my Guru and accepting me, for being forever present in my life in all the wonderful ways, for being a constant source of inspiration and for your causeless mercy and kindness.

Your insignificant servant and loving daughter,
Varsana Lila Devi Dasi



Vasant Pancami Dasa

Dear Guru Maharaj.

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to you,

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Swami Maharaj,

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

om ajñāna-timirāndhasya
jñānāñjana-śalākayā
cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena
tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ

śrī-caitanya-mano-'bhīṣṭaṁ
sthāpitaṁ yena bhū-tale
svayaṁ rūpaḥ kadā mahyaṁ
dadāti sva-padāntikam

I was born in the darkest ignorance, and my spiritual master opened my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto him. When will Śrīla Rūpa Gosvāmī Prabhupāda, who has established within this material world the mission to fulfill the desire of Lord Caitanya, give me shelter under his lotus feet

“So that light is given by guru. Ajñāna-timirāndhasya jñānāñjana-śalākayā. That light is given not by bringing one torchlight, but jñānāñjana-śalākayā, the light of knowledge. The light of Jñānāñjana-śalākayā. Cakṣur unmīlitaṁ yena tasmai śrī-gurave namaḥ. Guru's business is to give you light by knowledge. Then you understand. Tasmād guruṁ prapadyeta jijñāsuḥ śreya uttamam (SB 11.3.21).

How the jñāna, knowledge, light is given? Śābde pare ca niṣṇātaṁ brahmaṇy upaśamāśrayam. This is the guru's system, guru's symptom, what is guru. Śābde pare ca niṣṇātam. He has completely assimilated the Vedic essence of life. That is called guru.” (Lecture by Srila Prabhupada on SB 3.25.19 -- Bombay, November 19, 1974).

Thursday 9th March 2023 you left this world.

Stage 4 cancer, you refused doctors, painkillers, or medication. A change of service, you matter-of-factly said to us, “I like to tell people that I have 108 tumours in my lungs” and “I feel



more sorry for you” you said about others who were lamenting, knowing that you will soon leave. “Why the funeral faces?” A sense of humour it seems, but in reality conviction, faith, and strength – Teaching us, we are not this body. Guru teaches by example.

A little while before you left, you were meeting us your disciples with kirtan and lectures, making sure the legacy continues. Selflessly, more worried about others than yourself, just a continuation of what you did throughout your presence with us.
You gave our community a book – Forever present, telling us you left, but never will leave.

I listen to your lectures from 20-odd years ago, I hear that younger-sounding voice, with the same message, forever present. All you wanted to do is make us all understand the importance of Krishna consciousness, you have given the instructions for us to follow.

“A bona fide spiritual master is one who is expert in all of these subject matters, not by his personal imagination or speculation but by mature understanding of the authorized Vedic literatures, which are the literary manifestation of the causeless mercy of God.” SB 11.3.21 (Purport)

You shared that conviction with us, you shared your determined faith, letting us know that the process of Kṛṣṇa consciousness is bonafide and gave the community worldwide strength in complete knowledge.

aśraddadhānāḥ puruṣā
dharmasyāśya parantapa
aprāpya māṁ nivartante
mṛtyu-saṁsāra-vartmani

Guru's business is to give you light by knowledge. Then you understand. We thank you for lighting the way. “How the jñāna, knowledge, light is given? Śābde pare ca niṣṇātaṁ brahmaṇy upaśamāśrayam. This is the guru's system, guru's symptom, what is guru. Śābde pare ca niṣṇātaṁ. He has completely assimilated the Vedic essence of life. That is called guru.” He has completely assimilated the Vedic essence of life. That is called guru.”
Thank you Guru Maharaj.

Your servant,
Vasant Pancami Dasa



Venuya Devi Dasi

Hare Krsna dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

All glories to his holiness Jayadvaita Maharaj.

All glories to you.

In your book "Forever present," you wrote that His Holiness Bhakti Tirtha Maharaja replied to the question of how he keeps the balance: "I just try to touch as many hearts as possible and Krishna takes care of the rest." This sentence has been very meaningful to you in your spiritual life.

Krsna is a butter thief. And to me you are a thief of hearts in Krsna's, Lord Caitanya's, Srila Prabhupada's and his holiness Jayadvaita Maharaja's service.

I cannot imagine how much love dwells in your heart that has enabled you to do so much service, to overcome so many difficulties, and to give shelter to so many people.

You said that when we are in Vrindavan, we are confronted with our lack of love.

I hope and wish very much that the visit to Vrindavan on the occasion of the opening of your Samadhi memorial will bring me closer to this love and make my relationship with you so stable that I can continue my services to you with determination and enthusiasm.

I humbly request you for your blessings for this, for without them not the slightest progress is possible for me.

Dear Guru Maharaj,

I really don't have the slightest thing I can give you for all the good that I have experienced and continue to experience through your mercy and tireless service.

Please accept the following poem as an attempt to please you.

Your grateful, insignificant servant of the servant,
Venuya Devi Dasi

THE THIEF OF HEARTS

To take your instructions into my heart



eliminate the pain of separation.
This is how we are connected every day
even when chanting my rounds.
You gave me the holy name
and awakened the longing of the soul to life.
You stole my heart for Krishna
And you'll take me back home to Him.

If you didn't know me so well
I'd get lost every day.
Your guidance is present and there,
even more so than it was in your physical association.
I have to endeavour more now
because you will no longer travel through the countries.
To keep our relationship alive,
I must surrender entirely to your instructions.
You are the key to the gate of the highest spiritual abode,
where many have already stood in front of it, in vain.
You conquered the heart of the Supreme
and risked your life and you had much pain.

Your shelter puts me in a position
which is rarer than one in a million.
Serving you is the real happiness
and I never want to go back to material existence.

Krsna consciousness is not a faith.
Krsna consciousness is not a religion.
You're allowed to steal hearts,
because you have the sanction of the Supreme.

Locked-heart surgery.
The knife is the sacred sound.
It causes pain to the false ego.
So powerful the mantra through your singing.

The longing for the simple life
in deep meditation.
What can this world give me,



if I wouldn't have a higher vision through you.

Your servant

Venuya Devi Dasi

Visnurata Dasa

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate kadamba kanana-svāmin iti nāmine

gauru-krpamrtam prapto vraje mayapure'pi yah
prabhupada-priyo lokam payaty anivaritam

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
guru dasa jayadvaita-svāmin iti nāmine

nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhū-tale
śrimate bhaktivedānta-svāmin iti nāmine

namaste sarasvate deve gaura-vani-pracarine
nirviseṣa-sunyavadai-pascatyā-deśa-tarine

Hare Kṛṣṇa dear Guru Maharaj,

Please accept my respectful obeisances at your lotus feet.

All glories to you,

All glories to his holiness Srila Jayadvaita Swami,

All glories to his divine grace Srila A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada,

All glories to ISKCON and all the vaiṣṇavas.

On the most auspicious day of your Vyasa-puja, it is my great fortune to be able to glorify your service in the mission of Srila Prabhupada and Lord Caitanya.

Mission was your last word in this world, since you've dedicated your life completely to the mission of Srila Prabhupada.



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Bhagavad-gītā As It Is 11.55

“My dear Arjuna, he who engages in My pure devotional service, free from the contaminations of fruitive activities and mental speculation, he who works for Me, who makes Me the supreme goal of his life, and who is friendly to every living being – he certainly comes to Me.” Srila Prabhupada writes in the purport that “this verse is considered to be the essence of Bhagavad-gītā”.

Therefore you are certainly back to Kṛṣṇa, since you had only one goal: conquering Kṛṣṇa by executing his orders and mission in a spirit of pure devotional service (sri-kṛṣṇa-karsini), which you emphasized in almost all of your lectures (anya-abhilāṣitā-sūnyam), while your kind smile was showing that you see everyone as your friend.
paṇḍitāḥ sama-darśinaḥ (BG 5.18)

The humble sages, by virtue of true knowledge, see with equal vision a learned and gentle brāhmaṇa, a cow, an elephant, a dog and a dog-eater [outcaste].

akartuḥ sama-darśanāt (ŚB 3.29.33)

Therefore I do not find a greater person than he who has no interest outside of Mine and who therefore engages and dedicates all his activities and all his life — everything — unto Me without cessation.

Purport

In this verse the word sama-darśanāt means that he no longer has any separate interest; the devotee's interest and the Supreme Personality of Godhead's interest are one. For example, Lord Caitanya, in the role of a devotee, also preached the same philosophy. He preached that Kṛṣṇa is the worshipful Lord, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, and that the interest of His pure devotees is the same as His own.

The mission of Srila Prabhupada is your only interest and vision: wider vision for devotee care, management and preaching the cult of Sri Caitanya Mahāprabhu, while educating by both teaching and exemplary saintly behavior (ācar-prachar), aiming real peace and unity in the world.



Your preaching of Kṛṣṇa consciousness is based on the essence of Bhagavad-gītā and Śrīmad Bhagavatam: the unflinching pure devotional service.

etāvad eva jijñāsyām
tattva-jijñāsunā tmaṇ
anvaya-vyatirekābhyām

yat syāt sarvatra sarvadā

‘A person who is searching after the Supreme Absolute Truth, the Personality of Godhead, must certainly search for it up to this, in all circumstances, in all space and time, and both directly and indirectly.’ (Essence of Śrīmad-Bhāgavatam: catuḥ-śloki)

You had the strong power to attract and gather everyone around Kṛṣṇa and yourself as you being a representative of Kṛṣṇa - making Kṛṣṇa consciousness much easier as it is in reality... What a better example of encouraging the Congregational Chanting than you leading the harinama – both with few devotees and with hundreds or thousands like during your favorite “King’s Day” or during Ratha-yatras

You managed the construction of Śrīla Prabhupada’s Pūṣpa Samadhi in Mayapur: one of the greatest holy places in the universe.

You showed your example for simple and natural life style in your life both as grihastha and sannyasi, both in the skyscraper cities like New York and in villages like the ISKCON farms and the transcendental Vrindavan

Your books are so inspiring, powerful and sincere, since you are always residing in the golden temple of Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu and chanting the Holy Names of the Lord kīrtanīyaḥ sadā hariḥ

Therefore you executed perfectly the 7 purposes of ISKCON mission

“Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu danced down the main road in great ecstasy before Lord Jagannātha, the master of Nīlācala, who was sitting on His car. Overwhelmed by the transcendental bliss of dancing and surrounded by Vaiṣṇavas who sang the holy names, He manifested waves of ecstatic love of Godhead. When will Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu again be visible to my vision?” (CC Madhya 13.207)

Like Śrīla Rupa Goswami is praying to see Lord Caitanya, I believe all the vaiṣṇavas, what to speak of your disciples and everyone, who was close to you, are praying to see you again lead-



ing the kirtan during Ratha-yatra and dancing in ecstasy for the pleasure of Lord Jagannatha. I really miss you and pray to see one day your vision in the chamber in my heart.

Sincerely praying for your blessings to be able to make a small contribution to the mission of Srila Prabhupada, while maintaining properly my family, sadhana and health and trying to be a good example.

Your indebted and insignificant servant,
Visnurata Dasa