

Sri-Vyasa Puja 2019

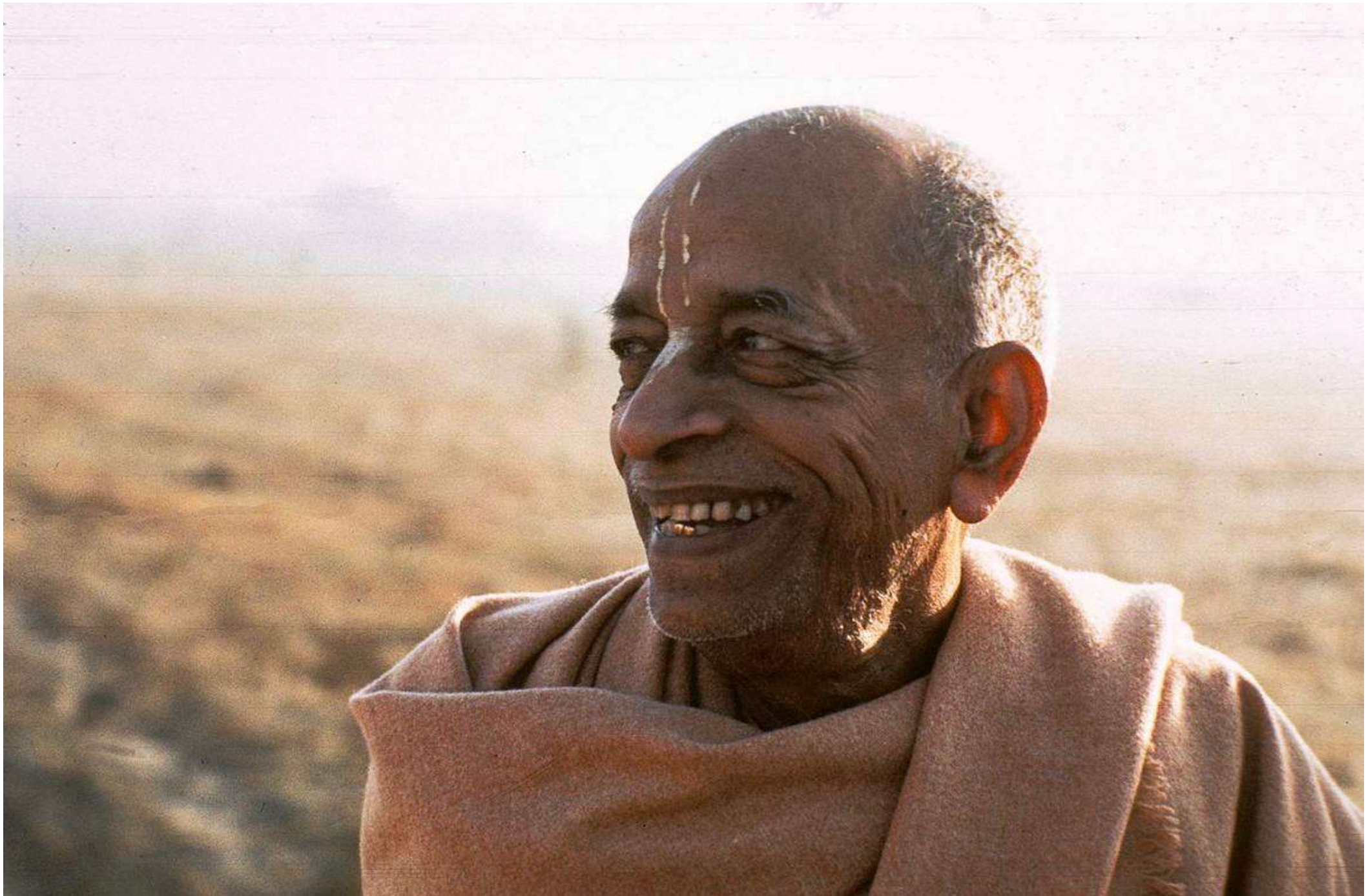
His Holiness Hridayananda Das Goswami



50th Anniversary
of dedicated service to ISKCON

1969
2019

Letters of appreciation from disciples, friends and well-wishers.



All glories to Srila Prabhupada



"Actually there is no difference between hearing directly from Krishna and hearing directly from Krishna via a bona fide spiritual master like Vyasa. The spiritual master is the representative of Vyasadeva also. Therefore, according to the Vedic system, on the birthday of the spiritual master the disciples conduct the ceremony called Vyasa-puja."

- Srila Prabhupada, Bhagavad-gita As It Is, 18.75, Purport

*nama om vishnu-padaya krishna-presthaya bhu-tale
srimate hridayanada-goswamin iti namine
namaste guruhamsaya paramananda medhase
prabhupada pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine*

I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Holiness Hridayananda dasa Goswami, who is very dear to Lord Krishna, having taken shelter at His lotus feet.

I offer my respectful obeisances to my spiritual teacher who transcendental intelligence is like a swan. With your transcendental and ecstatic intelligence, you give pleasure to Srila Prabhupada and destroy all corrupt philosophies.

Dear Srila Acharyadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances,
All glories to Srila Prabhupada

In this appearance day and everyday I wish you all the best. Thank you for your enthusiasm, dedication, kindness, compassion and all your good qualities. Is very inspiring to see you sharing Krishna consciousness with your disciples and everybody. I hope that you are going to be among us with health for long time. The world needs souls like you.

I'm on Kauai, Hawaii hopefully getting some Krishna West program happening.



I'm trying to be your servant and
share Krishna consciousness with
others.

*Your disciple,
Achintya das (Hawaii)*

ACHINTYA DAS

ADWAITA CHANDRA DAS

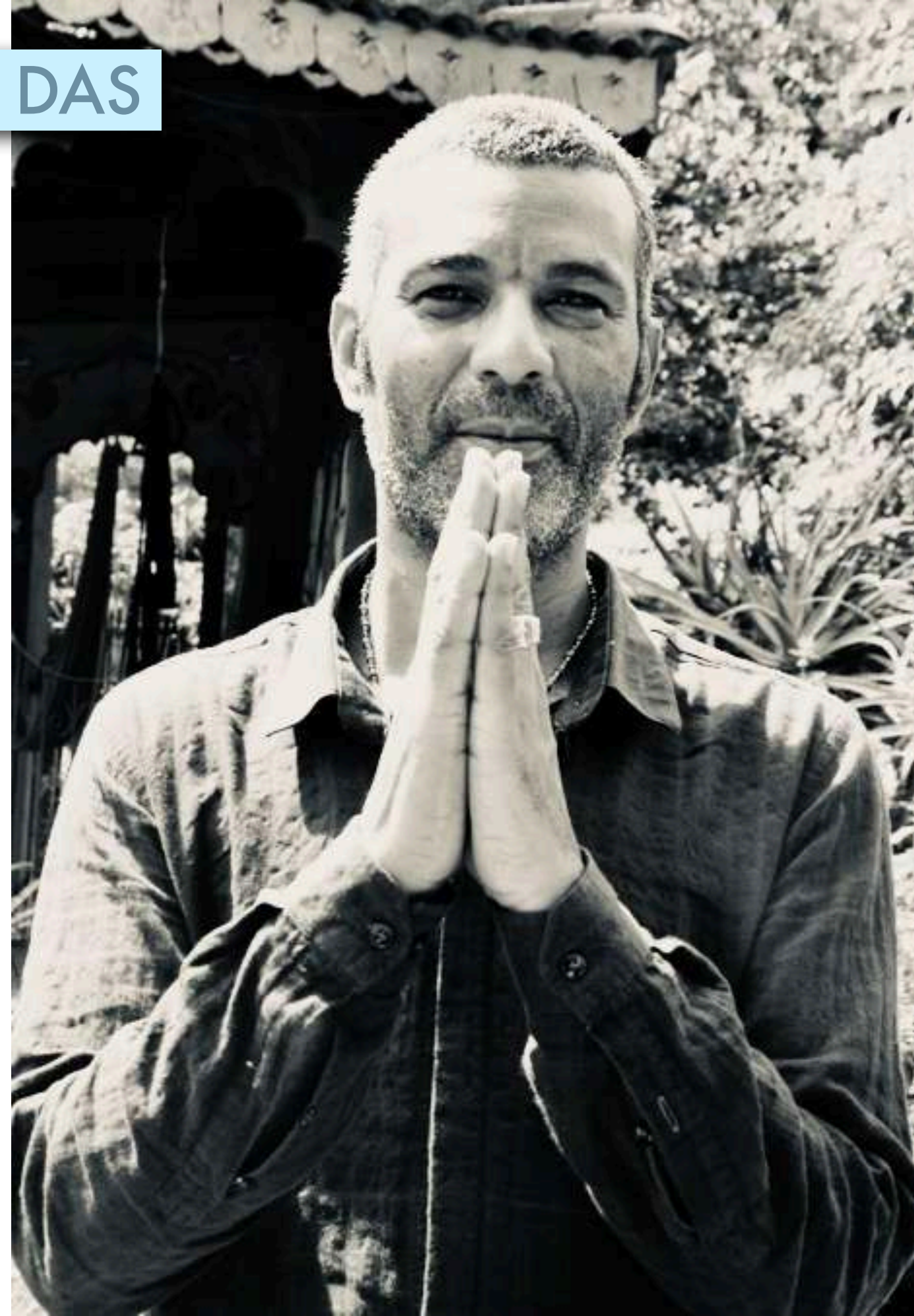
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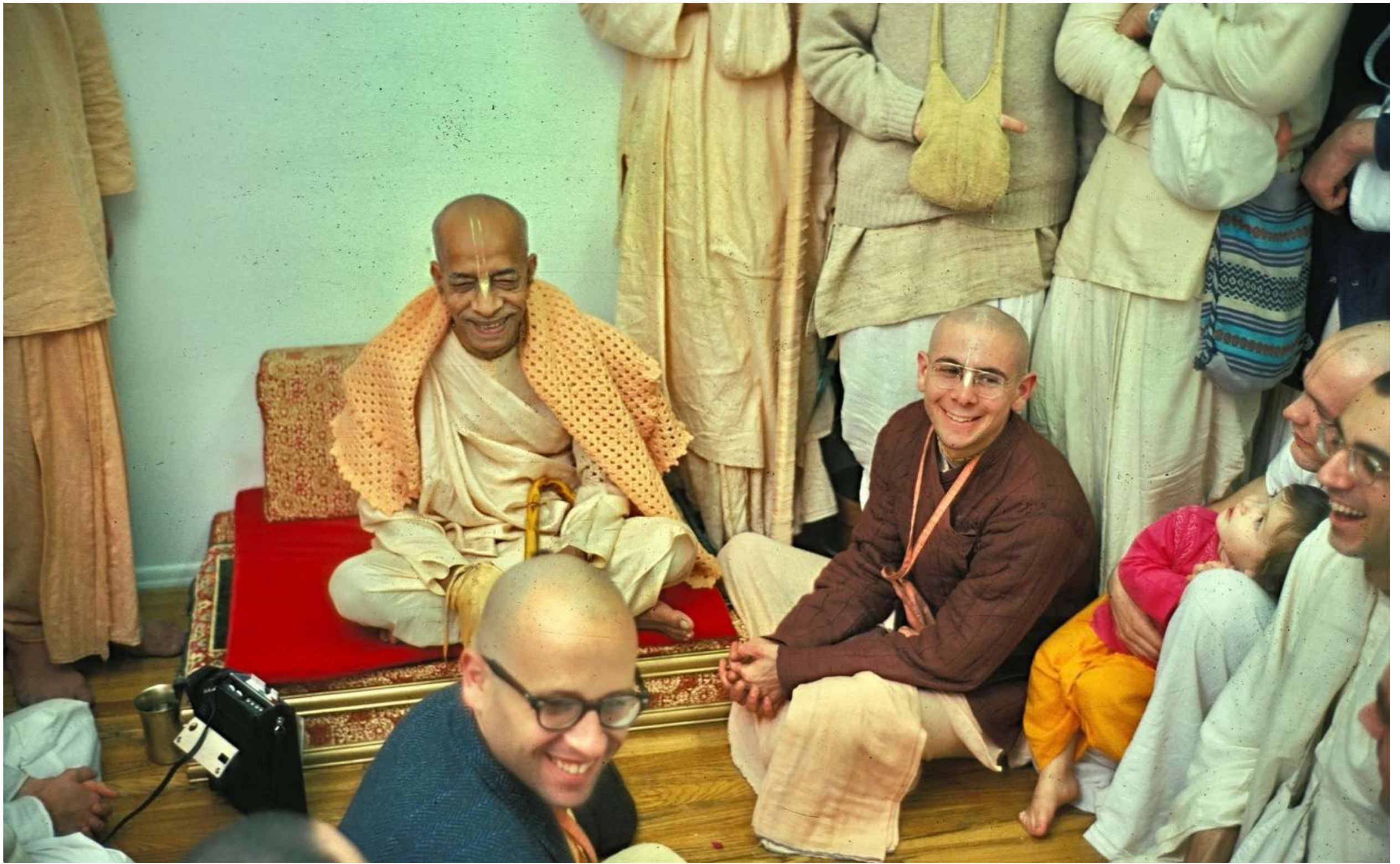
Por favor, aceite minhas humildes e respeitosas reverências. Todas as glórias a Srila Prabhupada que empoderou o senhor para solidificar as bases da consciência de Krishna no ocidente. Que o Senhor Krishna abençoe e proteja sempre o vosso serviço e faça do Krishna West o farol que possa iluminar a vida daqueles que buscam pela verdade última, amor puro pela suprema personalidade de Deus Krishna.

Muito obrigado por sua bondade, paciência, tolerância e compaixão. Uma maravilhosa comemoração de seu aniversário.

Seu humilde servo.

Adwaita Candra Das (Brasil)







Dear Srila Acharyadeva,
Please accept my humble ululations. All glories to Srila
Prabhupada!

In high school I was voted most likely to join a cult, but I took my time finding the right one. It soon became clear that I was a Hare Krishna and that you were my spiritual guide, numero uno, head honcho, Supreme Master Ching Hai (white male version). And all these years later, even though you continue to wear Crocs in public, there's no other cult leader with whom I'd give open access to my bank account.

Your goose-like charisma and otherworldly (alien) intelligence led me to the conviction that there exists no number greater than 108. And when I proposed a Festival of 108, you were the first (and only) donor on my GoFundMe page. You are truly my ever well-wisher, pitching transgender—I mean, transcendental—pennies into my abysmal oblivion.

Oh the glory, oh the ecstasy, the quivering, belching, and haripulation...my daughter experiences after eating an entire bag of Oreos while watching four hours of Little Krishna, so I can finish my rounds. If I hadn't met you, I would have been barefoot, pregnant, and Catholic for the rest of my life.

*Your indentured servant,
Ali Krishna devi dasi (Japan)*

ALI KRISHNA DASI

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a red baseball cap, a white long-sleeved shirt, a black vest, and red sneakers, is crouching on a sandy bank. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. Next to her is a light-colored dog with dark ears and a black collar. They are positioned in front of a river with a large, light-colored rock formation in the background.

ANANDA DASI

Mi Querido Srila Acaryadeva, Mis respetos a Ud.
Muy felices y jóvenes 71 años!

Extraordinariamente, continúa transitando la Misión de Srila Prabhupada, con su incansable servicio, bellamente inteligente, y compartiendo sus propósitos espirituales, en proyectos asertivos para el mundo de hoy, en donde todos podemos acceder y vivir la Conciencia de Krishna, de acuerdo a nuestras propias naturalezas. Ud., está siendo esa persona que vive intensamente su romance espiritual, logrando la meta suprema y trascendental. Nos dá su belleza espiritual, permitiendo que nosotros también vivamos nuestro romance espiritual, experimentando en este presente, nuestra relación eterna, en servicio amoroso, con el Señor Supremo. Siempre gracias, mi Querido Padre Espiritual, por ser un ejemplo de vida, alegre y feliz!!

Que el Señor Nrisimhadeva lo proteja y lo abrigue con su eterno amor, y siga bendiciendo la misión de Krishna West!!

Infinitas felicidades en su glorioso Vyasa-Puja!!

*Con el cariño de mi corazón,
Ananda Devi Dasi*

Jaya Srila Acharyadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and Sri Sri Radha and Krishna.

It's been 50 years since you walked through the front door of the Berkley temple for the very first time. When we look back at all of your history, it is difficult to comprehend the extent of your dedication, and impact on Srila Prabhupada's movement.

You, as they say, hit the ground running, and wasted no time on anything that was not related to expanding this Sankirtana movement, or learning our philosophy as much and whenever you could. I still remember listening in total fascination to Locana prabhu, proudly describing how he was the one who opened the door when you first visited the temple, or that he would often see you voraciously studying Prabhupada's books in the basement. He said, "I knew he was special."

You clearly took Prabhupada's instructions and urgency to spread Krishna consciousness very seriously. Your motivations are clear as well, because all you talk about is how we can spread Krishna consciousness in the most effective way, so you can fulfill your guru's wishes and honor his enormous endeavor. I have always loved Prabhupada and appreciated his efforts to bring Krishna to the Western world, but your behavior and dedication magnified it.



ANANDALILA DAS



H.D.Goswami (right) Boston, 1970

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You made so many sacrifices throughout your spiritual life, survived unimaginable stressful situations, but somehow you stayed put and showed us the path Prabhupada would have wanted us to follow.

I feel a profound privilege to have you as my spiritual teacher. You showed us in these past 50 years a lot of growth, strength, determination and dedication. Despite so many hurdles, you encourage us in a very personal, humorous and loving way to serve Srila Prabhupada's movement to the best of our abilities. Your instructions are always aimed at our true self-interest, and it is not a "one fit all" kind of guidance. I hope Krishna will allow us to do a little more than offer a polite gesture, and practically help Lord Caitanya's movement, honoring Srila Prabhupada's, and his hard working followers' lifetime of dedication.

*Your servant,
Ananda Lila dd (Chapel Hill, NC)*

ANANDA VISHNU DAS DAS

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

All glories to the ensemble devotees Please accept my humble obeisances.

Gurudeva,

I would first like to congratulate you on vyasa-puja, an important date to glorify your esteemed service to Srila Prabhupada by promoting such a valuable program for the benefit of all humanity - Krishna West. That is why I offer the most valuable service I can provide to help you build this project. Having become a member of the Krishna West alliance, I have been working to collaborate with devotees to maintain a spirit of encouragement and enthusiasm. With systematic online meetings on Saturdays for dialogues about Krishna West Brazil, we built a lot: we held several festivals and programs in different Brazilian cities, we had the publication of the book "Vida", we are concluding the episodes of Mahabharata, projecting a new edition of Bhagavad Gita and unpublished books are the fruits of your lectures, classes and exhibitions. We are walking with a careful quality in the possibility of creating a publisher Krishna West Brazil. We also had the Bhagavad Gita Journey every Thursday night and The Sri-mad Bhagavatam lessons online every Sunday morning.

I also want to offer you the site www.krishnawest.com.br as a result of the development of the project in Brazil. Thus we can generate the progress of the program.

On this particular day I would also like to offer the beautiful reward that building friendships in Krishna consciousness brings, and affirming that success for Krishna West Brazil is mainly due to teamwork, hands together, common goals in Srila Prabhupada's mission and focus on guru instruction. Therefore I could not fail to mention my spiritual brothers who were of the utmost importance so that today I could offer you in gratitude for this service: Caytania Gosai das, Adwaita Chandra das, Lalita Darshana devi dasi, Rama Lakshana das, Ishana das among others.

I would like to thank you with all my heart for the valuable opportunity to serve you as secretary of the Krishna West Brazil project and greatly thank the gift of engaging me in the significant mercy of Hari-nama Sankirtana,

*With my best wishes,
your server, Ananta Vishnu Das (Brazil)*

ARJUN DAS



All glories to Srila Acharyadeva 50th anniversary!

You are the most blessed disciples of Srila Prabhupada. Your constant chanting and preaching the message of the Bhagavad-Gita and Srimad-Bhagavatham have proven that the chanting of the holy name of Krishna is just as good as associating with Radhesyama.

Srila Acharyadeva you have taken the role of the bonafide guru, what a difficult task! Those who didn't understand SP mission are more or less under the spell of Maya ready to sell their soul to the Kali worshipers for the sake of money and lazy life. How wonderful it would be if the leaders of SP ISKCON movement instead of keeping Sunday church, take up political government activities and become royal kings in all towns and villages and save mother earth and its inhabitants from hellish life. The royal Vaishnava's kings are addressed as Maharishi (great king wise in Vedic wisdom) of course those types of kings are to be considered Sikshaguru and should be honored as the expansion of Paramatma as stated by Lord Chaitanya Mahaprabhu in Chaitanya Caritamrita Adi-lila chapter 1. If one finds fault or reject the bonafide guru indeed such foolish person hates God and also hates his or her life. So sad Lord Nityananda and Lord Shiva cries out loud of their cause less mercy since they are patita pavanas, saviors of the most fallen. What more to say, your life example is the proof that you are fit and qualified as a Mahabhagavata. Therefore I pray that one day SP empower you more and more to represent his mission and take lead of his original official GBC, so the world could chant and dance with a blissful heart.

Long life and good health to your holiness is my desire,

*your humble servant,
Arjun Das (Nicaragua)*

A black and white portrait of a woman with dark hair, wearing glasses and a patterned top. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. The portrait is positioned on the left side of the page, partially overlapping the text area.

ARUNDHATI DASİ

Querido Mestre Espiritual,

Por favor aceite minhas respeitosas reverências.

No dia de Sri Vyasa Puja, quero agradecer, deixando público minha eterna gratidão, o senhor sempre me encorajou nas minhas decisões, Sempre estive ao meu lado, suas aulas são um néctar para quem procura a verdade, e ânimo, neste Mundo material, quero que saiba que o senhor também vivi no meu coração, como é Bom se sentir abençoada, e seguindo um mestre Espiritual fidedigno.

*Sua discípula,
Arundhati Devi Dasi (Brasil)*

Bhakta Bar



Hare Krishna Maharaj,

Please accept my humble obeisances, all glories to Srila Prabhupada!

My name is Bhakta Bar. I'm from the Israeli yatra, following Gunavata Das and Varshabhanavi Devi.

Previously I wrote to you an email, dated 7th of August. I am very much excited to write to you on this auspicious time of your 50th anniversary of joining the Krishna consciousness movement and your joined Vyasa Puja day. I'm not qualified to write any of your glories or the glories of this movement, and so I seek your blessings in trying to please you with this small offering.

Dear Maharaj (can I call you Acharyadev?), the way you practice and teach Krishna consciousness is very attractively inspiring and connecting to Krishna. By your words and actions it is clear that your mission in life is to serve and complete the mission of Krishna and his representative, Srila Prabhupada. Because of that, I feel so fortunate being able to listen to you, read your posts and trying to get closer to you, if you will allow me, and be merciful to me.

Prabhupada says: "first deserve then desire". And so, I hope I will soon come to the platform of being worthy of serving you and

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and your disciples. The way you speak satisfies the mind and the heart. You speak Krishna consciousness so eloquently, simple and with passion that it brings joy listening to you again and again. In your worldwide preaching you are like a lion, defeating all the arguments of ISKCON leaders and devotees caught up with the rusty like conceptions of the past regarding spreading this movement and ritualistic ceremonies. The only way to bring about a change in the world (and in ISKCON) is to try to keep pure Bhakti as our goal (according to time and place). We should not emphasize the outer dressing of Krishna consciousness (both externally by the way we dress and internally with our consciousness) as is seen in the world today.

I read this verse recently and immediately I thought of you (S.B. 6.10.30): “Seeing his army broken and all the asuras, even those known as great heroes, fleeing the battlefield out of intense fear, Vṛtrāsura, who was truly a great-minded hero, smiled and spoke the following words.” This scene, where Vṛtrāsura is glorified in the words “great minded hero”, because of his clear thinking amongst all the troubling conditions, reminded me of the immense equilibrium you displayed on revealing Krishna West to the world while some ISKCON devotees have disapproved it and have been a stumbling block in the presentation of it, to say the least.

Although Vṛtrāsura was a demon, Krishna says that he is a devotee (S.B 6.9.55). “According to his position and the time and circumstances, Vṛtrāsura, the hero among heroes, spoke words that were much to be appreciated by thoughtful men.”

Although Indra, the king of heaven and the demigods wanted to kill Vṛtrāsura, still the Bhagavatam praises him.

All of this reminded me of you in your great struggle to present Krishna West. Surely Krishna had arranged for this situation, among other things, in order to show the ample virtues and unflinching faith of a pure devotee.

Thank you so much Maharaj for your life long serving of Srila Prabhupada, the devotees and the living entities in total. I hope I can help you by acting as your instrument in my field of life.

You are bringing so much compassion and mercy to this world in your preaching.

Your humble servant,

Bhakta Bar (Israel)

BHAKTA DAN

Dear Srila Acharyadev,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to your ecstatic, dynamic service to the mission of Lord Caitanya.

Without your mercy I would still be wandering around in material life looking for something of substance. You came into my life almost a year and a half ago in the form of your lectures. My hard heart was knotted with spiritual anguish due to philosophical confusion. You immediately cut away that knot of suffering with the sword of your transcendental intelligence. It was your brilliant, broad approach to explaining the philosophical principles of Krishna consciousness that convinced me to dedicate my life to this movement. Your profoundly rational, simple, and thorough way of explaining theology opened my eyes from the spiritual blindness which had crippled me throughout life. Your holistic implementation of history, sociology, and psychology in your classes sharpened my newly found vision. Your wonderful sense of humor and sarcasm captured my heart, and it still has not been released.



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I so much admire your fearlessness in preaching and doing what you feel is best to spread the movement and reach as many people as possible. You truly imbibe the principle of taking the greatest risk for Krishna. In your character I so clearly see someone who is truly “full of compassion for the fallen and conditioned souls.” Your weekly Srimad Bhagavatam classes have been a staple in my life, and have provided tremendous spiritual nourishment. I even love all of the breakdowns and explanations of the Sanskrit grammar.

Recently, I have been greatly impacted by your assertion that ajnata-sukrti is not enough; rather, it is a bonus, not the main show. Your firm declaration that we must not simply be satisfied with exposing people to the Holy Names and Krishna prasadam, but we must also truly care about people on a personal level and cultivate relationships has served to strengthen my sankirtan spirit. By the empowerment of your words, I am striving to be more conscious about the purity of my intention for preaching and distributing books, and this has made a world of difference.

Acharyadev, you are constantly inspiring me to improve my sadhana and to sincerely take Srila Prabhupada’s mood, mission, and instructions as my life and soul. I pray that Krishna blesses you with sound health, all success in your service endeavors, and efficiency in your writing projects. I humbly beg your blessings that I may purify my polluted heart, thus allowing the current of mercy from the parampara to flow through me to other conditioned souls.

Your eternal debtor,

Bhakta Dan

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namaste guruhsaya paramananda medhase prabhupada pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine*

Hare Krsna Gurudeva!

Todas las Glorias sean para Srila Acharyadeva y para Srila Prabhupada!

Quiero acercarle Maharaja mis saludos afectuosos en este nuevo onomástico suyo, acaba de cumplir 5 décadas de exhaustivo servicio a la misión de Prabhupada.



BHAKTA JUAN MANUEL

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Quiero manifestar en esta ocasión mi más profundo agradecimiento al permitir honrarlo en este primer Vyasa puja que participo como aspirante suyo.

No es posible enumerar sus cualidades, son demasiadas; pero la que más trae aquí ahora en su cumpleaños es la de su honradez. En reiteradísimas oportunidades Usted ha dado sobradas muestras de estar empoderado por una honradez a toda prueba, rechazando, por tantas décadas tantísimos ataques a la misión de servir a su Gurudeva, ataques provenientes de las más variadas vertientes y siempre se ha erigido incólume derrotando todas la difamaciones pensables. No solo venciendo impoluto, sino que además dotado de renovadas fuerzas de predicar el canto puro de amor al Señor Harí y a Gurudeva.

Docente, predicador, devoto, músico, interprete, administrador, filósofo; que servicio le falta cubrir Maharaja?

Por favor, acepte Su Santidad mis saludos en su Vyasa-puja, por muchísimo más servicio:

*Su aspirante a sirviente, Bhakta Juan Manuel.
(Buenos Aires, Argentina)*



Hare Krishna Acaryadeva!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada! Please accept my deepest respects and most trusting surrender.

I hope you have a wonderful Vyasa-Puja. Although I've only known you in this body for a short while, I feel as if have you always been present in my heart. Thank you for taking the time to get to know me personally, for teaching me the true meaning of Dharma, and for being a living example of one who utilizes all of who they are in service Krishna. Thank you for your grace in sharing your wisdom, not only with me, but with my family as well.

I am forever grateful for your understanding, availability, concern, time, and effort. It is with my greatest effort in opening my heart that I offer these words of appreciation.

Your Servant
Bhakta Lee (USA)

BHAKTA LEE MCCIUSKEY

Carissimo Maestro SPIRITUALE, accetta per favore i miei Umili rispettosi, omaggi.

Namah om Visnu padaya krsna prestaya,, bhutale Srimate Hridayananda Gosvami iti namine.

La Diffusione della Coscienza di Krishna, è sempre la cosa più importante che soddisfa Srila Prabhupada, e Tu Acarya Deva, con Krishna west, Lo stai facendo in un modo così attraente che tutti anche da casa possono praticare la Coscienza di Krishna, , è questo è sicuramente il futuro ogni casa un Tempio, dove riunirsi, è parlare di Sri Krishna, ki. Jay HARE Krishna.

Così anch' io nel piccolo Sto cercando di fare la stessa cosa con il Centro Culturale Nitay Gauranga, parlare di Krishna alle anime, che vogliono, praticare il bhakti-yoga. In questo giorno speciale del Tuo Vyasa puja, Ti prego di darmi la Tua speciale misericordia affinché anch' io sia uno strumento perfetto nelle mani di Sri Krishna, nel diffondere la coscienza di Krishna, ki Jay!

Boston, sankirtan van, 1970

Hare Krishna, buon compleanno.

Maestro, SPIRITUALE,
Jay Srila Acaryadeva.

il tuo insignificante eterno
servitore,

Bhaktasanga das,
Hare Krishna! Haribol!!!
(Italy)



BHAKTASANGA DAS

BHAKTI DAS AND BHAKTA DAS

Dearest Srila Acharyadeva,

Please accept our respectful obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

On this special day, we would like to thank you again for all that you have done for us. It was exceptionally wonderful to be able to serve you when you came to Australia.

Bhakti and I again and again pledge to do our best to assist you in your service to Srila Prabhupada and present Krishna Consciousness to one and all.

With your blessings we will continue to deliver this vital message of love of Godhead through our programs here at Meditation House.

Programs such as maintaining our Deity worship of Sri Sri Radha Karuna Sindhu, my communications service for ISKCON Australia, teaching meditation to people not quite ready for the full on Hare Krishna experience, providing a compassionate healing modality for those in need, working to develop various preaching facilities in the Western Suburbs of Melbourne Australia and finally through my contemporary painting exhibitions depicting the eighteen chapters of the Bhagavad Gita which we hope to have up and running in 18 months' time.

While on your visit to Australia, as usual, you were an example of someone who positively connects with every individual you meet and the response from our guests were that they felt overwhelmingly uplifted Krishna Consciously and intellectually stimulated by your lectures and discussions.

Bhakti and I sincerely hope to again welcome you to Australia in the near future Srila Acaryadeva.

Your servants and disciples, Bhakti Devi Dasi and Bhakta Dasa

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namaste guru-hamsaya paramananda-medhase prabhupada-pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine

Querido Srila Acaryadeva,
Por favor acepte mis mas humildes y respetuosas reverencias.

Gracias por ser el ejemplo perfecto para todos los ámbitos de mi vida, sobre todo porque con su entrega y dedicación a ISKCON me inspira y entusiasma.

Oro para que por su misericordia pueda entender correctamente la filosofía y no confundir los principios con detalles. Gracias por ser un buen padre, siempre presentado al mundo la conciencia de Krishna con su humor tan extático y trascendental.

*Su sirviente e hija,
Bhakti Devi dasi (Italy)*

VANESSA REYES CASTILLO

Querido Maharaja,

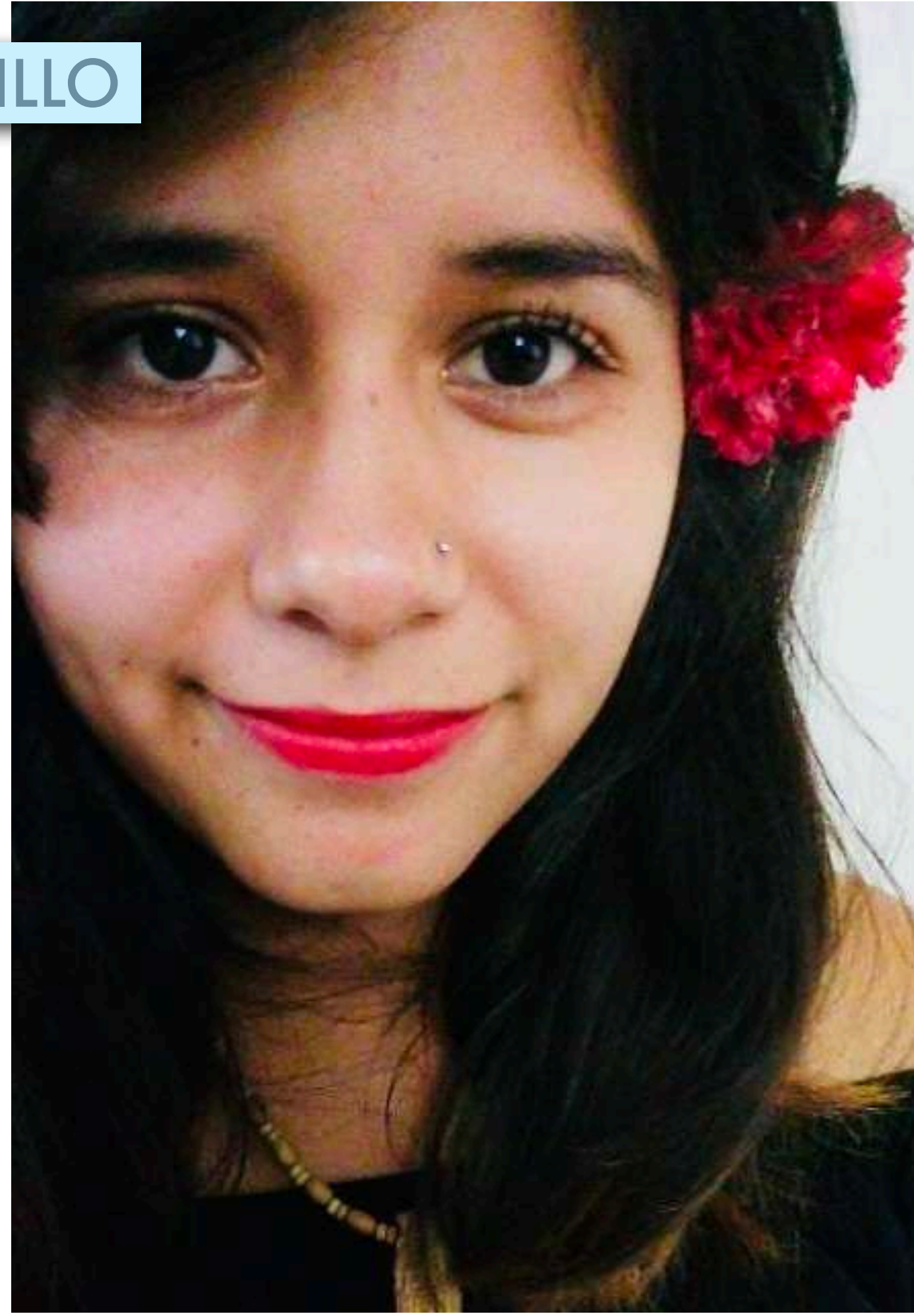
Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada,

¡todas las glorias a usted Srila Acaryadeva! ¡

Muchas gracias por su servicio! Que Sri Krishna le otorgue muchos años más de salud para poder seguir predicando en este proyecto del occidente. Sus palabras me llenan de ánimo y esperanza pues a pesar de las batallas, la meta de llegar a Krishna parece alcanzable. Por favor acepte esta flor y mándeme su bendición para poder aspirar a servirlo y tomar refugio.

Hare Krishna mis mejores deseos,

Bhaktin Vanessa Reyes Castillo (Mexico)



Hare Krishna!

It's always nice to listen to your classes, now there's thousands of people listening to your classes. Before the internet only people in the temple heard your classes so that is a big improvement.

We were listening to your singing a few days ago while cooking, it was very nice to listen, you sounded as if you were absorbed in the holy names.

Even though you are faraway, we still feel the benefit of your association by listening and following your guidance.

We are praying to Krishna that you will visit Scotland again. Even if you're not here, we'll glorify you by serving you.

Your servants,

Bhaktivinode Dasa and Palika Devi Dasi (United Kingdom)



Dear Hrdayananda Maharaj,

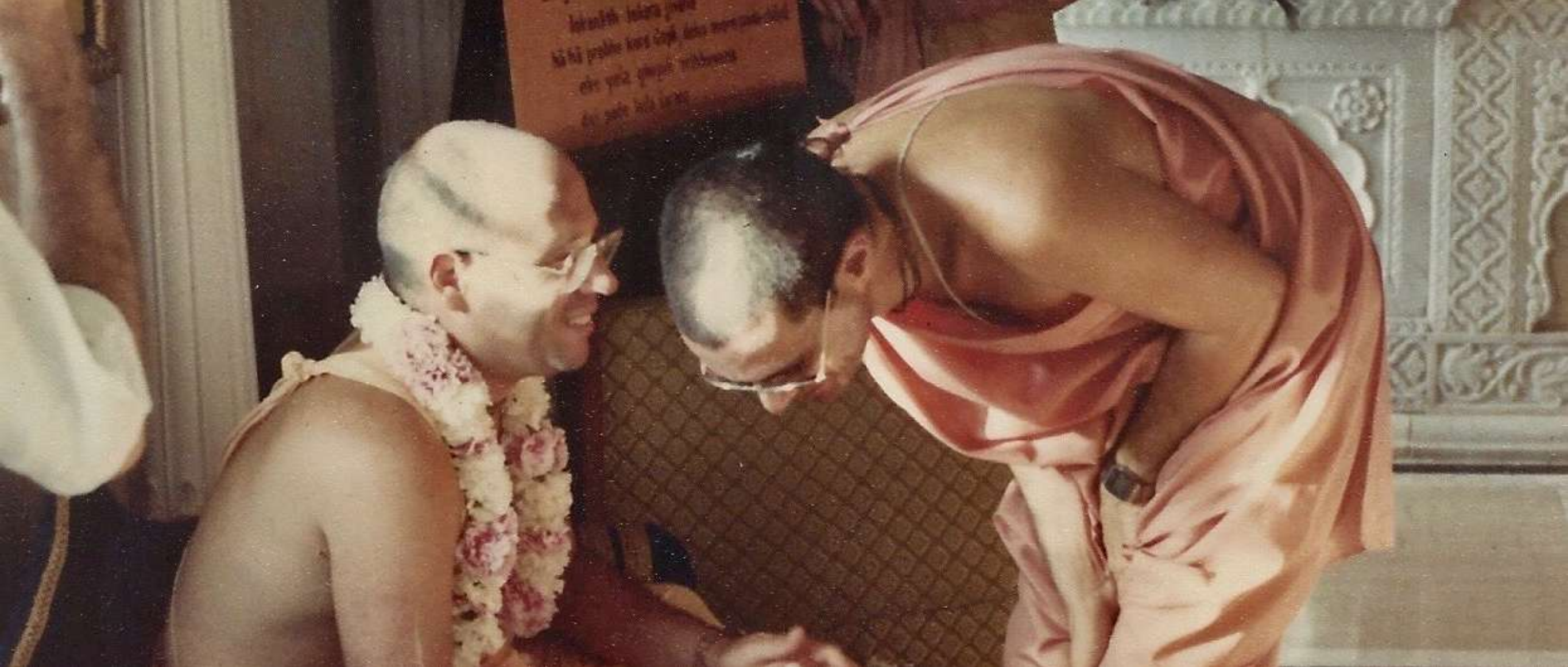
Please accept my obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. On this occasion of your Vyasa Puja, I would like to thank you for serving Srila Prabhupada so selflessly throughout your life.

I first met you in 1971 and was so impressed by your enthusiasm that I became infected by a desire to please His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada. I remember when you were running from one program to another, convincing the conditioned souls to understand the real purpose of human life.

When Srila Prabhupada arrived in Gainesville in 1971 and gave a lecture at the University of Florida I remember you attentively holding an umbrella over His Divine Grace's head, carefully making sure that not a drop of water would fall on his head.

When you took sannyasa in 1972 I became your first assistant, traveling with you in a Volkswagen "bug." We would also sleep at night in this vehicle. You slept in the back, and I slept in the front. Still, in spite of having little facility you were undeterred in your preaching spirit. Later last vestiges of false ego which we possessed were driven away like a ghost buster gets rid of ghosts.

H.H. BIR KRISHNA DAS GOSWAMI

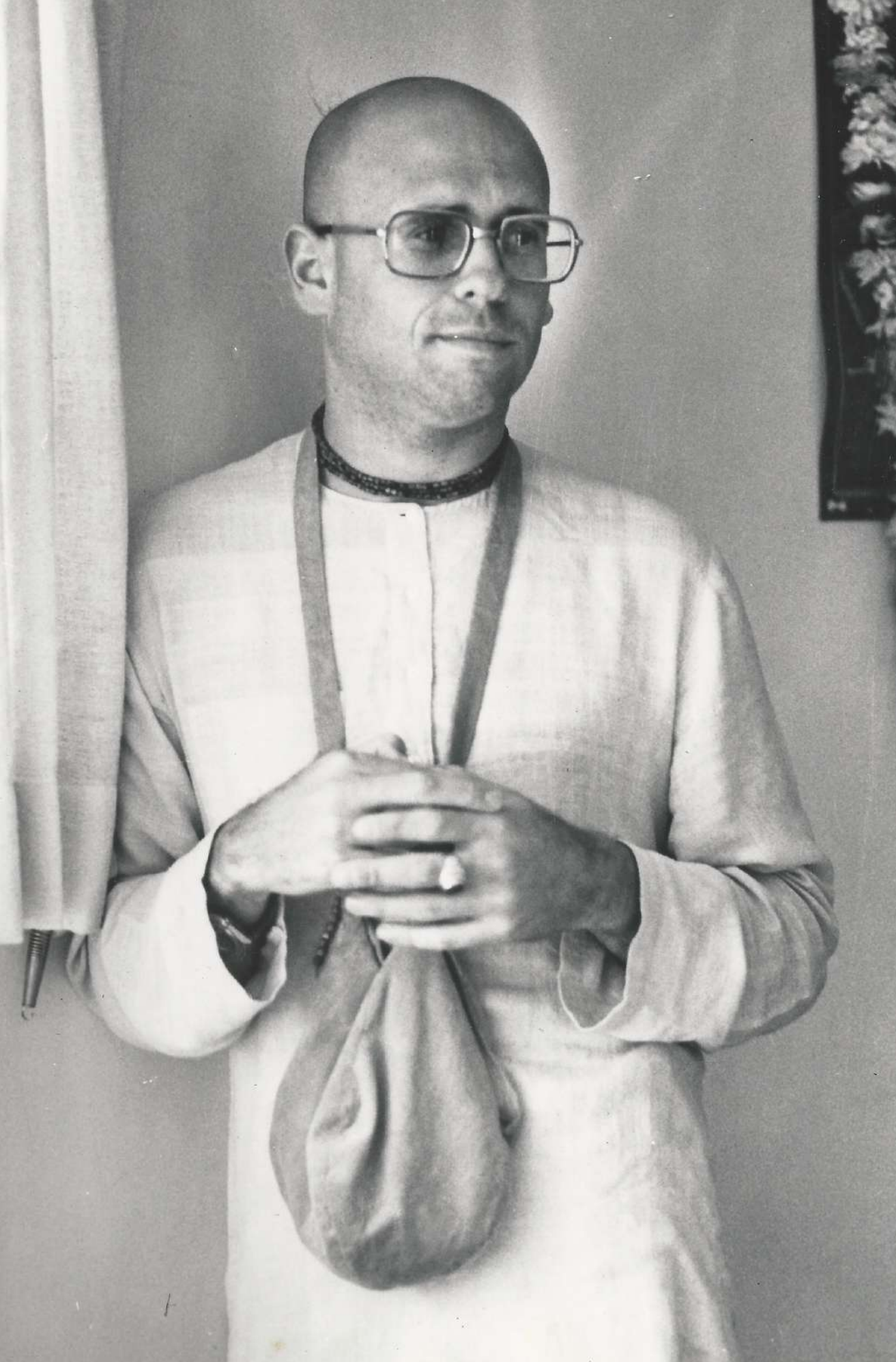


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When you were assigned by Srila Prabhupada to open up the South American and Central American countries to Krishna consciousness, you invited me to join you, and under your direction we were able to defeat the great Radha Damodara Party in book distribution. You also masterminded the production and distribution of Srila Prabhupada's books in Latin America opening up an entire continent to Krishna consciousness.

You gave me sannyasa with the mission to protect Srila Prabhupada's movement in Latin America from those who were attempting to divide us.

You sent me out of Latin America to reinvigorate the university preaching in America, being concerned that the focus of our society in North America had shifted.



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You inspired the entire Krishna Conscious society by continuing Srila Prabhupada's mission of translating the Srimad Bhagavatam and coordinating the finishing of this epic work

You continue to serve Srila Prabhupada in numerous ways, using your razor sharp insight to show the other leaders where adjustments need to be made in the management of our society, always keeping in mind the ultimate purpose of Srila Prabhupada's mission: to create a spiritual revolution in Society.

You do not get confused by externals, rather you hone in on the essence of Krishna consciousness and the mission of Srila Prabhupada.

For this and numerous other reasons, I am extremely grateful to you. May you live for another 71 years!

Your servant,

Bir Krishna das Goswami (New Goloka Dhama, NC, USA)



BRAHMATIRTHA DAS

Dear Acharyadeva,

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prabhupada pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine*

“I offer my respectful obeisances to my spiritual teacher whose transcendental intelligence is like a swan. With your transcendental and ecstatic intelligence, you give pleasure to Srila Prabhupada and destroy all corrupt philosophies.” This prayer is quite significant in describing your qualities. Your transcendental intelligence is truly that: both transcendental and intelligent! Intelligence is: ‘the ability to acquire and apply knowledge’ and skills’ and transcendental is: ‘relating to a spiritual or nonphysical realm’. You have the uncanny ability to absorb varieties of knowledge, analyze, recombine and produce a synthesis which leads to transcendence. I shall give an example.

For me India has always been a confusing collage. From my first days in India as a Peace Corps teacher I tried to make sense of the culture, religion, literature yet to no avail. In 2008-2009 you taught for one year at the University of Florida the course “The Religions of India” <https://www.hdgoswami.com/religions-of-india/>. I attended both semesters (the course was repeated) and then listened many times to the recordings. With erudite scholarship you studied the several religions of India and placed them in an historical context culminating in Krishna bhakti. Jainism, Islam, Hinduism, etc. were all positioned in a fascinating tale highlighting common themes, contrasting philosophical differences and weaving shastra in and out of the story as appropriate. My understanding of the cultural context of the Bhagavad-Gita and the Chaitanya Charitamrita increased 1000 fold. I began to understand beyond superficial declarations the relations between the ancient Vedic times, Buddhism, Jainism,

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the neo Hindu movements and modernity. The collage of confusing factions now fit into a theme in which the yearning for high consciousness survived its many challenges.

This course in 2008 exemplifies your unique intelligence. You are at home equally with the great Vaishnava commentators of our time as with Socrates. My own mind craves to integrate the Vaishnava tradition with its place in western theology and philosophy. I have a western body and mind and find this understanding essential for me to share Krishna Consciousness with others. It is your transcendental brain which provides me the solace and inspiration which I must have.

Now I am the Director of the Bhaktivedanta Institute for Higher Studies. Without your guidance, insight, brilliance and willingness to advise, I would have no chance of pleasing Srila Prabhupada. I am forever grateful for your constant association.
Jaya Acharyadeva.

*Yours in service,
Brahmatirtha das (FL, USA)*



CHANDRABHANU DAS

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

On the auspicious occasion of your appearance day, we glorify your half century of unparalleled service to Srila Prabhupada! I first saw Srila Acaryadeva in the summer of 1969 when my friend and I came out West to witness the counter culture in its prime. One Sunday, having discovered the Berkley temple near Telegraph Avenue and arriving to a standing room only Love Feast, we relished prasadam and were impressed with the lecture, although most of it flew far over our heads. I'll admit I had gone for the feast, but something of Srila Acaryadeva's presentation that day sunk in a bit and probably set me on the path that would ultimately unite me with Srila Prabhupada. And from those early days on until now, that is all that Srila Acaryadeva has ever done or tried to do...to unite us all with the will, the direction,

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with the personality and with the truth of Srila Prabhupada.

I'm thinking of hallmarks in my life where I witnessed Srila Acaryadeva coming to the rescue of Prabhupada in critical times. During the so called Zonal Acarya crisis, where confusion reigned after His Divine Grace had left our presence, where devotees were facing existential dilemmas about their future in ISKCON, Srila Acaryadeva personally saved me and certainly many others with practical and scriptural counseling to keep the ship on keel after the loss of our Captain. I witnessed then his profound strength and loyalty to Prabhupada's ISKCON, holding together the very fabric where dissension and fear were threatening to tear our movement apart.

Another significant threat to our movement came with the ritvik heresy attack that saw a certain faction assaulting fundamental pillars of Gaudiya Vaishnavism, and at that time I saw in Srila Acaryadeva a powerful intellect, that through brilliant written and oral exposees, scattered those false arguments to the four corners of the Earth, again defending the foundations of Prabhupada's ISKCON.

Once again, when called upon, he convincingly and prolifically defeated critics and defended Prabhupada and ISKCON by publishing the wonderful treatise establishing our original position with Krishna in the spiritual world despite those who claimed we never fell.

As the Bhuddidts surrendered to Lord Caitanya, vast fields of faulty ideas have been mowed down over and over by the transcendental brain and heart of Srila Acaryadeva.

For decades, therefore, it has been evident to everyone that whenever and wherever a meaningful threat to our society, to our philosophy, to ISKCON, to Srila Prabhupada, to logic and to reason have arisen, ISKCON's first line of defense has been Srila Acaryadeva.

So how is it that our first defender, whose heroic feats of intellectual and personal courage, so well documented, should meet with anything other than complete confidence when he sounds the alarm of an even more insidious threat to Lord Chaitanya's and Srila Prabhupada's mission? Something does not compute! This threat is more concerning than mere philosophical deviations and rules of succession. This threat aims at the heart of Srila Prabhupada's prime directive, the establishment of his Western mission in general and that of America in particular. Major losses on this front over many years have resulted in what might be seen as a desperate situation to which there have been no adequate responses from the majority of ISKCON's generals. Taking up the challenge, Srila Acaryadeva has devised an innovative response to the threat and has fearlessly thrown himself into the fray creating a modified style of outreach he named Krishna West as a new style of preaching that puts the old wine—and then some—into new bottles. When I say “then some” I mean the scholarly inclusion of universal philosophy, science, sociology, history, art, etc. all in the service of Krishna Consciousness.

Strangely but perhaps not surprisingly, there has arisen in some quarters a noisy resistance to the modification of certain conservative, external details regardless of their failed efficacy in

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today's jaded Western society. But with his heart and soul so dedicated to defend and promote Srila Prabhupada's mission, there was no question of Srila Acaryadeva abandoning principle for the sake of gratuitous conformity, of retreating into the shadow of traditionalism when tactical change was the obvious necessity for success. Some suggested Srila Acaryadeva take his newly forged ideas outside of ISKCON; those critics have not understood that, like Srila Prabhupada, Srila Acaryadeva and ISKCON have become synonymous.

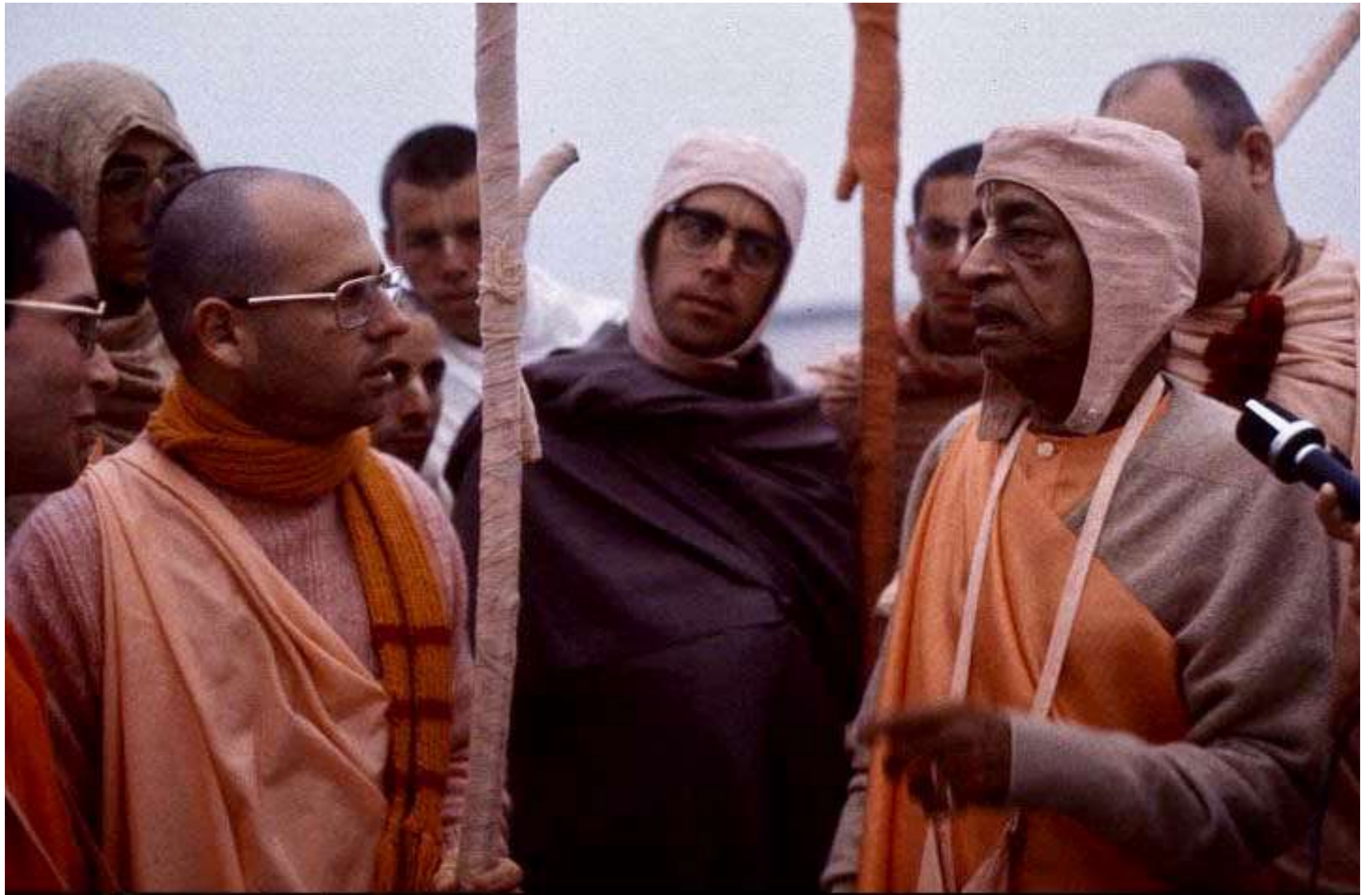
Srila Acaryadeva then wrote one of his most amazing essays to date in defense of our society, an extensive exposition on the state of ISKCON leadership, the need for a post charismatic style of governance, a ratifiable constitution and a viable justice system among other important matters. Everyone should read this historic essay that outlines the imperatives for the future of ISKCON's leadership. If such a system were instituted, justice would certainly be upheld for those who with their own individual vision and industry and acting within the parameters of Srila Prabhupada's instructions, devise relevant programs to bring Krishna Consciousness to every town and village.

Thank you Srila Acaryadeva for cleaving so tightly to Srila Prabhupada that nothing dissuades you from his mission, for showing us how we must defend our society from all kinds of gross and subtle dangers both from within and without, for leading us in striking out courageously to bring Krishna to our fellow citizens with whatever means necessary, and for being an uncompromising voice for reason while showing us by example how to cooperate even under duress to promote the unity in ISKCON that Srila Prabhupada so deeply desired.

We pray for your robust health in the many years to come and for the strength and courage to assist you in your bold efforts.

Happy appearance day!

*Your servant,
Candrabhanu das - ACBSP (USA)*





Querido Srila Acharyadeva,

Por favor aceite minhas humildes reverências à seus pés de lotus.

Nesse dia de seu vyasapuja eu venho com toda a humildade possível rogar ao senhor forças para superar minhas deficiências e Inteligência ser um instrumento útil nessa sua gloriosa missão Krishna West. Aproveito para orar a Krishna para que mantenha o senhor entre nós por muito tempo, para que a ISKCON de Srila Prabhupada se estabeleça de maneira cada vez mais sólida no mundo moderno de hoje.

Muito obrigado por tudo. O senhor é o nosso herói. Somos seus filhos orgulhosos. Hare Krishna!

Seu servo eterno,

Chaitanya Gosai Dasa Vanachary (Brasil)

CHAITANYA GOSAI DAS

CHANDRASHEKARA ACHARYA DAS



Dear Acharyadeva,

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

In Italy, you once you told me, “maya is boring to me.” And we observe your lifestyle: in spite of living relatively alone, you possess total control of your senses and you know exactly what you are doing. The fact that you are able to live in such relative isolation and yet maintain complete steadiness in your sadhana and exhibit such vivid joie de vivre proves to me that you operate on a rare level of Krishna consciousness - a level of Krishna consciousness that is difficult to imitate and not cheap to attain.

In one of his famous songs, Vasudeva Ghosh writes, “If Lord Gaura had not appeared in this age of Kali, then how could we remain alive?” In a similar way, I think that if I had not come in contact with you, how could I have conceived the importance of ISKCON’s Western mission? Who would have put preaching in the West into clear perspective for me? Who would have inspired us to go against the path of least resistance and “tax our brains,” as Prabhupada said, about how to spread Krishna consciousness most effectively in the first-world countries on this planet? Who would have encouraged me to continue taking shelter of Srila Prabhupada?

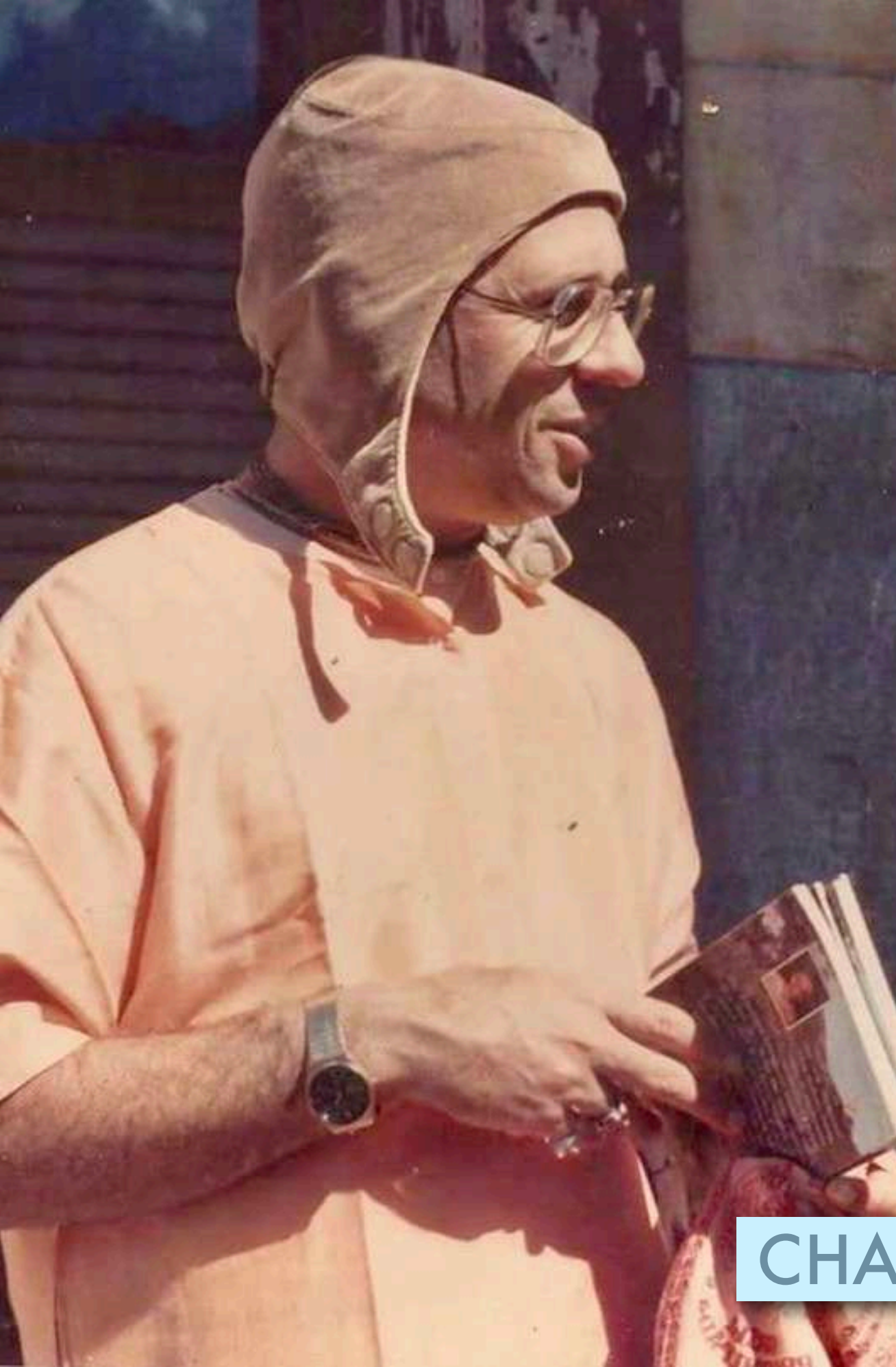


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On this auspicious day, I ask you to please continue to speak about Krishna so that I and others can continue hearing about Krishna from you and thus remain fixed in the service of Radha Krishna.

Thank you.

*Your servant,
Chandrashekhara acharya dasa (USA)*



Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept the humble obeisances of this foolish fallen soul at your lotus feet.

Srila Prabhupada gave us Lord Krishna, and Sri Radha, and Vrindavan. But you have given us the hope to somehow, someday, to be able to please Srila Prabhupada. With your dedication to him, with the guidance you have given us, with the walks in the park with you. When and how can I say and realize? , the blessings that you have given us. How can we thank Srila Prabhupada for leaving you with us? Your service to Srila Prabhupada has blessed this world forever. I and so many others, we can only hope to humbly assist in what ever we can, for Lord Krishna's pleasure.

Jay!!!!!! Srila Prabhupada!!!!!! All!!!!!! Glories!!!!!! to Srila Prabhupada!!!!!! Jay!!! Srila Acaryadeva!!!!!!

*From your foolish, fallen disciple,
Chandrashekhara dasa (USA)*

CHANDRASHEKHARA DAS



¡¡¡Jay Srila Acaryadeva!!!

En este mundo lleno de ignorancia, usted es mi único refugio y fuente de luz Divina.

Mis reverencias una y otra vez a sus divinos pies de loto. Usted que posee una inteligencia transcendental y satisface todos los deseos de sus devotos rendidos. Usted nos revela la conclusión del conocimiento transcendental concebible e inconcebible (achintya bedha-abedha tattva) Por su misericordia podemos ocuparnos en servicio a Srila Prabhupada ya que usted hábilmente extrae el néctar de sus enseñanzas y las enseñanzas de los grandes Acaryas en la cadena de sucesión discipular comenzando con Brahma.

¡JAY KRISHNA WEST!
¡JAY SRILA PRABHUPADA!
¡JAY SRILA ACARYADEVA!

NAMO SRI ACARYADEVAYA
VILASA-BUDDHE PRAPANNA PARIJATAYA
ACHINTYA-BEDHABHEDA-SIDDHANTA PRADAYA
PRABHUPADA-VAKHYAMRITA-DUHE NAMAH

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NAMA OM VISHNU PADAYA KRISHNA PRESHTAYA BHUTALE SRIMATE HRIDAYANANDA GOSWAMIN ITINAMINE
NAMASTE GURU HANSAYA PARAMANANDA MEDHASE PRABHUPADA PRAMODAYA DUSHTASIDDHANTA NASINE

Todas las glorias a este día tan auspicioso de su aparición.

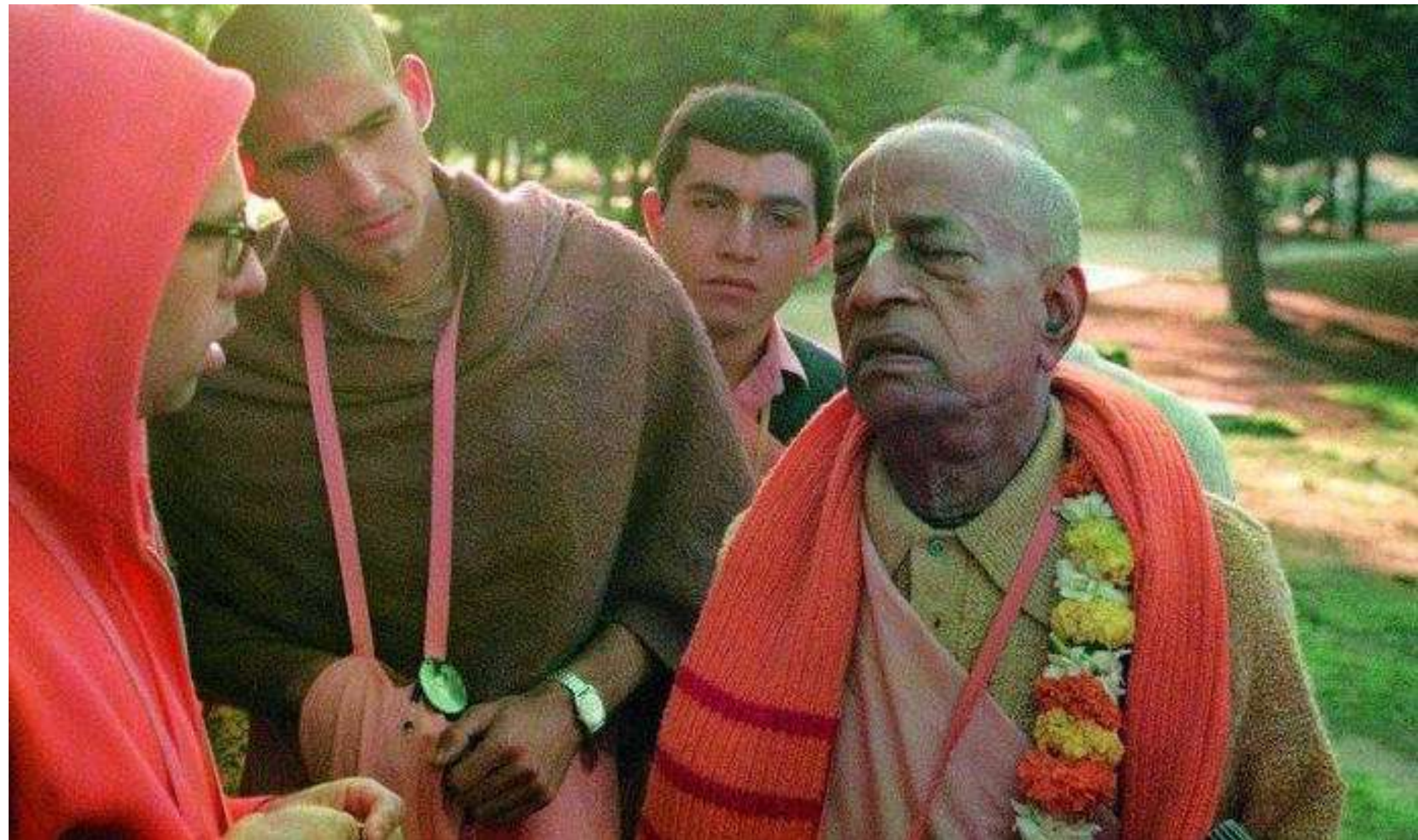
Gracias por sus enseñanzas, simplemente aspiro a permanecer siempre bajo el refugio de ellas.

¡Jay fundador de ISKCON Srila Prabhupada!

¡Jay Sankirtan yajña!

¡Jay Srila Acaryadeva!

Cristian Castillo (Peru)





Dear Ācāryadeva:

Some years ago while walking at Querétaro colonial streets, looking for a second hand bookstore I found one of my favorite books ever. I couldn't believe what it said on the spine because during the whole trip to Querétaro I'd been seriously thinking to commit myself for getting initiated but could not decide who inspired me the most.

The book spine said: Śrī Vyāsa-pūjā, November 6, 1986. Immediately Prabhupāda came to my mind because the book had the BBT logo but when I took it, I was completely surprised to see your photo on the cover and because I felt in my heart that you were the guru I was looking for. It was even more special because 1986 is the year of my bodily birth, so I felt more connected with you through this little piece of history.

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My favorite homages so far are the one from Śrīman Gopīparāṇadhana prabhu and from two little girls from the Gurukula. As a sanskrit scholar and first class thinker he wrote a really nice letter but i loved this phrase the most: “you have always refused to compromise on the basic principles of Prabhupāda's preaching programs” as you still do today after 50 years of serving him, kindly presenting us the real Prabhupāda.

I completely loved the sincere and simple homage of Sundarī dāstī (age 7): “I like your cookies and your classes and how you smile”. The other one by Jaya Vṛndāvana (age 5): [...] I like the way you tell funny stories and make people laugh. Please let me serve you”. May I request the very same thing to you?

Sanskrit classes are going really nice, i love them so much and I can relate to Gopīparāṇadhana prabhu being him a great sanskrit scholar. By the way, please pray to Prabhupāda and Śrī Kṛṣṇa on behalf of our sanskrit professor, he is a brilliant student of the recently departed Prof. Rasik Vihari Joshi, perhaps you met him because he used to teach at Colegio de México in Centro de Estudios de Asia y África. Our professor is such an intelligent being but he's trapped by atheistic Academia and their not so polished impersonalism. Suddenly I'm becoming the father of an intelligent teenager vrajavāstī, please help me getting back the simple heart I used to have when I was a kid instead of being a “very much puffed up” neurotic-narcissistic “devotee”. I can relate with the two little girls for their simplicity, that I really love your classes, how you smile and make people laugh so brilliantly and that I hope you still give cookies, for sure they'll be vegan and yummy.

Yesterday it was an amazing day, because you retired from GBC service, for sure it is a great loss for the GBC meetings not having you around but it's a complete benefit for you and all of us who admire you and love you, and as you wrote in your short letter: “I am very happy and enthusiastic to dedicate myself to those duties that Lord Kṛṣṇa has kindly given me. I pray that he empower all of us to act as His instruments to reveal His glory, and the glory of His pure devotee Prabhupāda, to a suffering world”. I'm so eager to read your historic novel on Mahābhāratha (I heard you just finished it) and all the books to come. Do you think you can translate and comment Vedānta Sūtra? I read on a letter that Prabhupāda was doing it but I think there isn't any record of the verses he did translate. It would be really amazing to have a literal translation of Vedānta with a modern commentary, maybe with a bridge to western ontology and metaphysics. Please kindly consider this proposal.



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Please give me your blessings so I can do that very same thing, not no renounce the world but to give my self to it, first to give my self to my loving future wife, all of my dear friends, family and the society we live in.

According to my bodily birth I'm a 33 grown up man, with a masters degree on psychoanalysis, by spiritual birth I'm one year old, learning what it truly means to be alive, to be truly born.

*Your sincere and new born disciple,
Deva-krpā dāsa (Mexico)*



Hare Krsna Srila Acharyadeva.

All Glories To Srila Prabhupada and To You. Please kindly accept my most humble obeisances.

*nama om vishnu padaya krsna presthaya bhutale
srimate hridayananda goswamin iti namine
namaste guru-hamsaya paramananda-medhase
prabhupada-pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine*

(I offer my respectful obeisances unto His Holiness Hridayananda Dasa Goswami, who is very dear to Lord Krsna, having taken shelter at His Lotus Feet. I offer my respectful obeisances to my spiritual teacher who's transcendental intelligence is like a swan. With your transcendental and ecstatic intelligence, you give pleasure to Srila Prabhupada and destroy all corrupt philosophies.)

I have been so fortunate in having accepted initiation from you. You have saved me from the darkest illusion and given me hope beyond my greatest expectations. For this, you have my deepest appreciation and respect, thank you kind Sir.

I find it quite difficult to honor you in mere words, but I shall try: Guru Maharaja, you are without a doubt a true liberated soul of which the Puranas speak.

DEVADARANA DASI



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Guru Maharaja, you are without a doubt a true liberated soul of which the puranas speak. I therefore surrender unto you as your humble servant.

I, an ignorant soul, cannot fully grasp your amazing qualities as you work to enlighten the western world about the glories of bhakti-yoga---Krsna consciousness. I can only praise you and pray that Lord Krsna will always be with you, and you with Him. I am no poet, but I quote this verse from the Sri Isopanisad which describes the
uttama adhikari:

*yas tu sarvani bhutany atmany evanupasyati sarva-bhutesu cat-
manam tato na vijugupsate*

"A person who sees everything in relation to the Supreme Lord, and sees all living entities as His parts and parcels, and who sees the Supreme Lord within everything, never hates anything nor any being."

This wonderful verse makes me think of you. Thank you for your kindness Srila Acharyadeva.

*Devadarana devi dasi,
your humble servant (Albany, New York)*



Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept our most humble obeisances. All glories to Your Divine Grace. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Srila Acaryadeva, as a leading commander of Lord Caitanya's Sankirtan army, your deep rooted desire is to help Srila Prabhupada deliver this material world from the depths of ignorance. It has western front, so you are boldly stepping forward, leading the charge, with new ideas and strategies to spread Krishna consciousness.

We offer our lives to you in an attempt to help relieve you of your only real anxiety, which is to help those less fortunate than ourselves to return to their rightful positions as servants of the Lord.

We offer our service to you, ever enthused and determined to share this wonderful and beautiful knowledge with the residents of south Louisiana.

We offer you our hearts, that they may become purified sufficiently for us to act as your true representatives, for your pleasure, and for the pleasure of Srila Prabhupada.

*Always aspiring to serve you fully,
Devala Rsi das and Sri Pati dd*

DEVALA RSI DAS & SRI PATI DAS

DRAUPADI DAS

Respected Srila Acharyadeva,

I offer my most respectful and humble dandavat pranams at your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all glories to you loving divine grace.

I wish you a very happy Vyasa Puja and pray to Srimati Radharani for your best health. Srila Acharyadeva, this year with the association of Madri and Raja vidya Das has been full of bhakti visiting Mayapur and Jagannath Puri. Since the time I have come to Brisbane I listen to all your loving pastimes in Australia it is really a new spiritual experience by your blessings. Keeping you at the center of my life, each day I can feel how your causeless mercy flows unconditionally in the upkeep of my devotional service.

Your internet class inspires me a lot and gives me in depth understanding of scriptures. When I hear your literal translations, it electrifies me and inspires me to perform bhakti fearlessly in any circumstances and never leaving the side of truth.

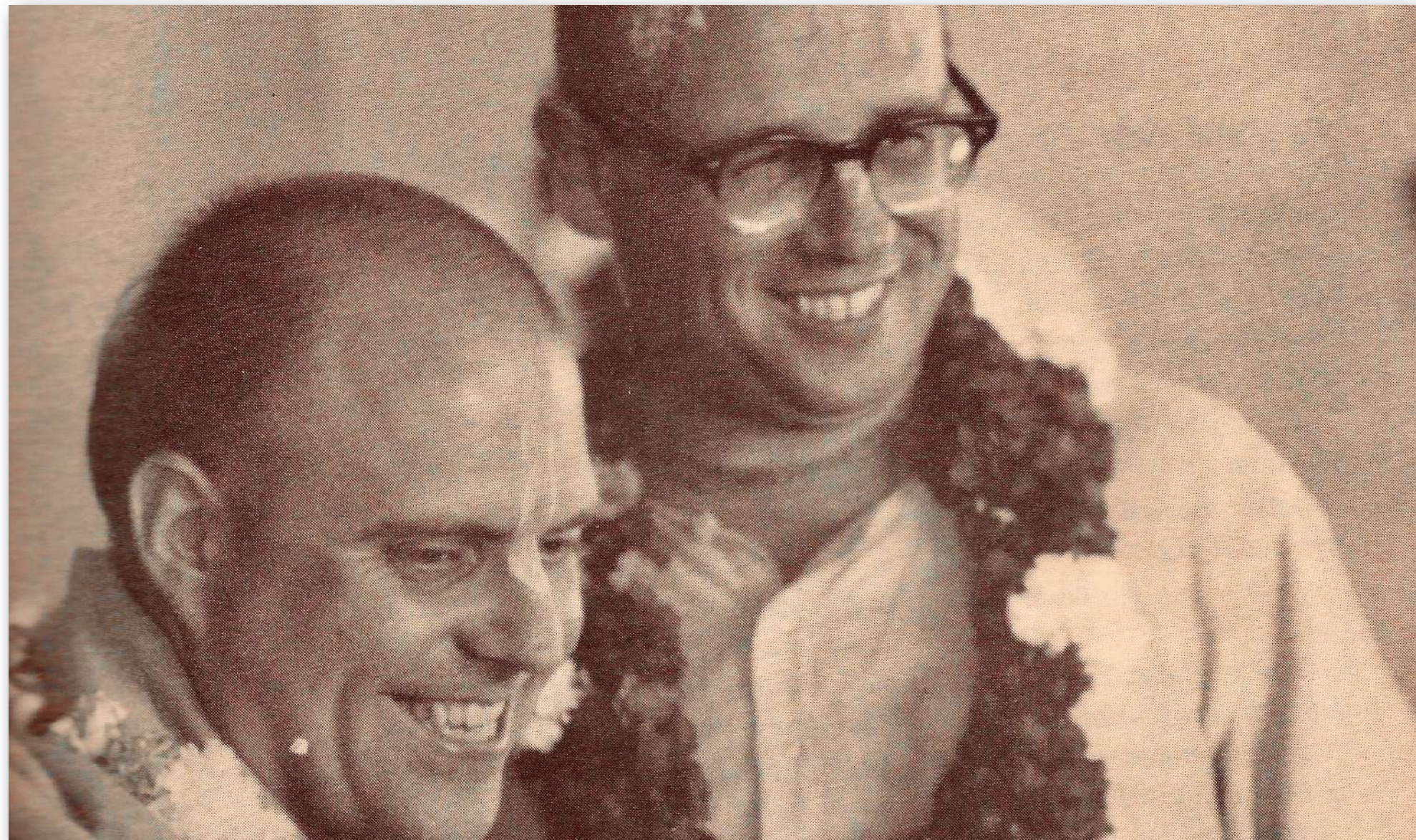


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On this auspicious day, 50 years of propagating Srila Prabhupada's mission I pray to remain a speck of dust at your lotus feet. Wishing you the most wonderful Vyasa Puja celebration again and again and hope that someday, I will be in your personal association to celebrate this day and directly get the nectar of your association.

Hare Krishna!

*Your eternal servant,
Draupadi Devi Dasi (India)*





DUHSALA DASI

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhu-pada!

Whoever comes into contact with you is very fortunate because you show by example how to be a faithful servant of Srila Prabhu-pada. You are always making and carrying out thoughtful plans to encourage rational people to hear about Krishna and turn to Him. You enliven the devotees and shine as a pioneer in spreading Krishna consciousness.

You created Krishna West as a down-to-earth answer to the question, "How can we help Westerners feel comfortable to hear about Krishna and want to serve Him?" Because of you and by the efforts of Krishna West devotees, people all around the world who never would have come to traditional ISKCON temples are feeling inspired by learning about Krishna--and their lives have been changed forever.

One of the most powerful ways that you spread Krishna consciousness and strengthen the faith of so many is through your lectures and talks. With your humor, depth of knowledge, and relatable anecdotes, you win hearts, provide expert guidance, and help sincere souls stay on the path to Krishna. Many devotees

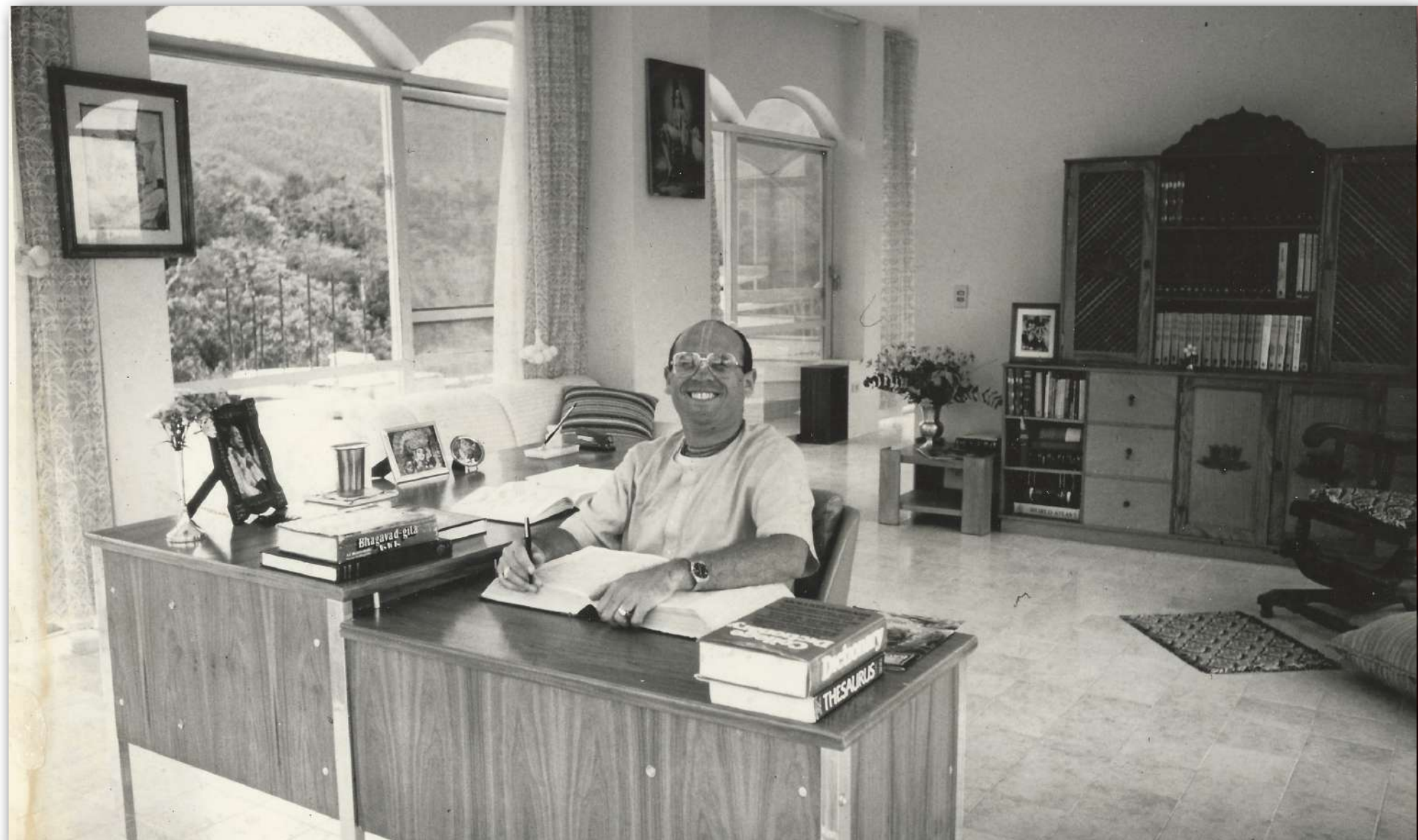
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are able to finally resolve their doubts when they hear your insightful comments.

In his purport to Srimad Bhagavatam 1.5.16, Srila Prabhupada states, “The expert devotees also can discover novel ways and means to convert the nondevotees in terms of particular time and circumstance. Devotional service is dynamic activity, and the expert devotees can find out competent means to inject it into the dull brains of the materialistic population. Such transcendental activities of the devotees for the service of the Lord can bring a new order of life to the foolish society of materialistic men. Lord Śrī Caitanya Mahāprabhu and His subsequent followers exhibited expert dexterity in this connection. By following the same method, one can bring the materialistic men of this age of quarrel into order for peaceful life and transcendental realization.” This is what you do and encourage all of us to do.

You have explained that we must learn to distinguish between the principles of Krishna consciousness and the details of how to execute our service. You emphasize that we cannot change the principles, but that we must adjust the details according to time and circumstance in

order to improve our service. For example, when you saw that devotees were unable to honor Srila Prabhupada appropriately on his appearance anniversary due to having stayed up too late on Janmastami, you emphasized the importance of honoring Srila Prabhupada and suggested that devotees take rest earlier on Janmastami in order to be able to properly honor Srila Prabhupada on his Vyasa-Puja day.



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That idea may seem revolutionary or even shocking to some people, but as a Saragrahi Vaisnava, you take the essence, convinced that Krishna is pleased when we properly honor His dear servant.

As a faithful follower of Srila Prabhupada and shastra, you have dedicated your whole life to following the order of the spiritual master. This manifests itself in all that you do. For one, you use your brain to consider Prabhupada's intention and what shastra says, and you apply your understanding, even when others see only at the surface level.

There are so many examples of this, including what is acceptable as appropriate clothing, education, and sankirtana for devotees in the current time and place. You point out that many practices believed by a large number of current ISKCON members to be unquestionable have become "set in stone" as what Prabhupada wanted forever in his movement, mostly because these practices were the norm during the 1960s and 70s when he was present and directing ISKCON. These devotees fail to distinguish between principles and details and to deeply understand Prabhupada's intention and vision for spreading Krishna consciousness. Consequently, they do not appreciate any changes to what they believe "following Prabhupada" looks like. But you cannot give up carrying out Prabhupada's vision for spreading Krishna consciousness to go along with what is passing, in most ISKCON temples, as "what Prabhupada wanted." Therefore, you speak up, and you are criticized and rejected by those who are not open-minded enough to hear you.

Another way that you faithfully follow Prabhupada and shastra is that you are ready to abandon your own intentions when Prabhupada tells you otherwise. One incident you told us about took place when you were a brahmachari, at a time when you felt like you had been eating too much and had resolved to minimize your food intake. One day, as you walked with Prabhupada and a group of devotees, the group walked past a heaping plate of prasadam that someone had left, as sometimes happened in those days. Prabhupada turned to you and pointed to the plate and said, "Eat that." Immediately tossing aside your commitment to abstain from excess food, you grabbed the plate and started eating!

It's hard to stop talking about you and the wonderful ways that you exemplify Krishna consciousness in the current day and age. I am grateful for the care and time you have given to help me become Krishna conscious. You have always encouraged me and guided me to turn to Krishna and to be sincere. I pray that Krishna and Prabhupada continue to shower their blessings on you and that your greatest wishes for spreading Krishna consciousness become a reality.

Your servant,

Duhsala Devi Dasi (Alachua, USA)



Con i cuori colmi di affetto e gratitudine ci inchiniamo d'avanti a Te.

Tu sei per noi colui che insegna con l'esempio vivo la scienza Spirituale avendola appresa con intelligenza dagli insegnamenti del tuo caro Maestro spirituale AC Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada.

Siamo una famiglia spirituale come tu ci ricordi, spesso analizzandone con noi l'importanza e il beneficio di farne parte. Come famiglia spirituale ci troviamo a dover condividere una eredità molto importante "LA COSCIENZA DI KRISHNA", donata dal Signore stesso. Essendo stata conservata dai grandi maestri spirituali è arrivata a noi adattandosi nel tempo senza perdere il suo valore empirico, a volte modificandosi nei gesti e a volte nel linguaggio.

Tu ci hai mostrato la riconoscenza verso la famiglia e il messaggio che la rappresenta e quindi anche verso i grandi insegnanti che ne sono i



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padri costituenti.

Ci hai evidenziato l'irrilevanza dei dettagli che si modificano in accordo ai tempi ai luoghi e agli eventi spiegandoci che la Scienza Spirituale può esser rispettata, accettata e condivisa da tutti senza doversi fermare alle barriere etniche o religiose.

Tu gentilmente insegna una visione equanime e il valore di questo tesoro trascendentale "LA CONOSCENZA DELLA COSCIENZA DI DIO KRISHNA", come comunicarla nella società senza egoismo ed invidia, avendone il desiderio di risvegliare la natura Spirituale di ogni persona che ti ascolta vicina o lontana.

Una famiglia rilevante, degna del proprio nome e tradizione, è felice di condividere e comunicare il proprio talento, spesso tollerando e adattandosi al metodo di comunicazione più efficace nella comunità attuale. Così facendo la società più attenta, gli offrirà il rispetto dovuto e prenderà ispirazione seguendone il buon esempio.

L'impersonalismo divide e genera discordia sia nelle relazioni sociali che familiari. Questo fattore si può vedere spesso al momento dell'eredità quando non le si attribuisce il giusto valore, ovvero la conoscenza e la gratitudine a Dio. Dunque Tu ci insegna che la bontà è il fattore determinante nelle relazioni di successo e contribuirà all'unità anche nella diversità della giusta Causa, la Coscienza di Krishna, rendendo soddisfatte le aspettative di chi ci osserva.

Grazie per averci reso più buoni e per volerci uniti nelle offerte e nelle condivisioni per il Signore Krishna. Felici di far parte della Tua famiglia Spirituale, ringraziandoti di averci accolti e certi del Tuo affetto incondizionato, ti offriamo i nostri migliori auguri di buon compleanno.

Il Tuo figli spirituali,

Haridas, Nimai, Vrinda Rani dd, Ekabhakti das (Italy)

GADAI GAURANGA DAS



Dear Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances, all glories to your sincere and incessant service, all glories to Srila Prabhupada.

In the winter of 1989 I read Satsvarupa Goswami's condensed biography of Srila Prabhupada, "He built a house the whole world could live in." I joined the

movement immediately on completing it, surcharged with the sentiment expressed in the title of that book, to help Srila Prabhupada build that house that could facilitate and embrace whom so ever wished to take shelter of it.

Sadly the reality was far removed from that sentiment. I have found myself working within an institutional system which seems to damage more than it helps and has managed to turn this all inclusive ethos on it's head, by enforcing a system of dogmatic rules and regulations that

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frighten potential practitioners off before they even enter the process.

Struggling in this dynamic I had lost faith, not in Srila Prabhupada, but in the hope that somehow the movement would wake up to the idea that we were supposed to be helping Prabhupada save the world, not doing our best to alienate as much of it as possible.

After years of struggling with dissatisfaction, and trying to work within a system that was making me ill and was not conducive to my spiritual growth or that of my family, I gave up trying to work with it and counterproductively got into conflict with the system. This was even more detrimental to my spiritual growth.

I was in a spiritual wilderness, struggling with my own practices and in conflict with the movement I had given a large part of my life to, but still with some desire to be part of Srila Prabhupada's vision of a movement spiritualizing society at large.

In this bewildered state, I had lost focus and incentive. Then by Krishna's mercy an old friend sent me a paper you had written with some ideas how Iskcon could reform in certain areas which seemed to mirror Prabhupada's vision of a spiritual movement run fairly and openly. The more I heard your lectures the more I became convinced I had found in you someone who not only had the vision to build the house that Prabhupada had envisioned and I had always wanted to live in but also the intelligence and spiritual strength to do it. My conviction of this has only grown since I have had the good fortune to meet with you and to have received your guidance in my spiritual practices and my service. I am convinced the foundation you are laying will be strong enough for that house Prabhupada envisioned to finally be built on and that if we absorb your mood and rational approach it can become a reality in the near future. You have saved my spiritual life and have given me renewed purpose, for this I cannot thank you enough and will try in my small way to help you spread Prabhupada's mission in a rational and relatable fashion, that we may soon start to see a house the whole world can live in take shape. Thank you for everything Gurudeva,

Your aspirant servant,

Gadai Gauranga Dasa (Blackpool England)



Dear Guru Maharaja Srila Hridayananda Goswami,

Please accept my prostrated respects at your feet. All glories to your valuable and important service to Srila Prabhupada's Western mission! Each day as I chant my rounds on the same Japa Mala you gave me 40 years ago, I think of how Lord Krsna has protected me from the corrupt influence all around me here in America.

My example is the loudest voice to those I deal with on a daily basis. In bits and pieces I have learned from you how to inspire and elevate, not argue and debate.

As a financial professional, I hear all kinds of material desires described by my associates and clients as their life's goal. But from you, I have learned to steer them to simplicity and tranquility first, so that they can then pursue more of a devotional mentality by understanding the



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temporary nature of this world, and the eternal bliss that awaits the liberated soul.

All glories to your Krsna West preaching! It's the reason HDG Srila Prabhupada took the trouble to come here in the first place. Where would a fallen soul like me be had he not been determined to accept the order of his Guru and preach in the West and around the world?

Perhaps someday I may be a useful tool.

*Your servant,
Gangamantri Dasa
New Panihati Dhama,
Atlanta ISKCON alumni*



Querido Srila Acaryadeva,

Por favor acepte mis humildes reverencias,

¡Todas las Glorias a Srila Prabhupada!

¡Todas las Glorias a Usted en este maravilloso día de Su aniversario!

Toda mi gratitud a Su divina persona, que ha dedicado Su vida entera a compartir la misericordia de Krishna siguiendo fielmente el magnánimo deseo de Su amado Maestro espiritual Srila Prabhupada. Siendo Él un instrumento genuino del Sri Krishna Caitanya y Sri Nityananda, ha logrado satisfacer Sus deseos sembrando semillas de servicio devocional en el mundo entero.

Permanecer como un alma entregada al Señor Sri Krishna, lo convierte a Usted en Su representante genuino en quien toda alma condicionada puede tomar verdadero refugio espiritual. Me siento un alma afortunada por haberlo encontrado a Usted y haber aceptado en el corazón tomar tal refugio. Usted me ha sabido mostrar que este refugio no es meramente un estado de dependencia emocional superficial mundano entre el Maestro y el discípulo, sino que se trata de reanudar un vínculo real eterno en el que debo trabajar con firmeza y determinación para seguir con sinceridad las instrucciones que Krishna impartió a la humanidad explicadas por un representante genuino como Usted.

GARUDA DAS

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El resultado de ello es que uno recibe verdadera libertad y desapego de este mundo, logrando restablecer gradualmente la relación con Krishna. Este es el regalo incomparable que Usted recibió de Srila Prabhupada y que por comprender claramente Su misericordioso deseo e inteligente espíritu práctico, Usted está logrando compartir con éxito en Su misión de predica Occidental.

Es mi sincero deseo permanecer motivado a contribuir con esta misión de compartir la conciencia de Krishna en occidente, buscando todas las maneras posibles para adaptar y hacer accesible este proceso único del bhakti yoga como Srila Prabhupada lo desea. Usted me ha sabido transmitir con Su ejemplo este espíritu de Srila Prabhupada a través del cual hoy puedo experimentar una considerable felicidad espiritual en la relación con Krishna.

Permanezco orando a Krishna por mantenerme estable y motivado para ser Su instrumento en esta maravillosa misión de Sankirtana Occidental y de esta manera lograr alimentar la plantita del bhakti que da sentido y vida eterna al corazón de Krishna y al de todas las

maravillosas almas que forman parte de Su bienaventurada familia espiritual.

Mis sinceros deseos de felicidad espiritual en Su día querido Srila Acaryadeva.

Mis sinceros deseos de felicidad espiritual en Su día querido Srila Acaryadeva.

Esperando permanecer eternamente como su servidor, Garuda dasa (Argentina)



GAURA DASİ



Todas Las Glorias a Srila Prabhupada
Jaya Srila Acharyadeva

Feliz Vyasa Puja!

Querido Acharayadeva nunca voy a terminar de agradecer lo bendecida que me siento que sea mi Guru Maharaj su luz acompaña mi camino y sus palabras a través de su Bhagavad Gita y sus clases por internet que sigo, agradezco sus palabras su atención amorosa cada vez que le escribo, Solo espero en algún momento estar a la altura de ser su disciplula, lo respeto , lo admiro y espero servirle fielmente. Siempre está en mi espíritu mi mente y mi corazón, gracias por sus enseñanzas, su inteligencia aplicada al servicio. Trato de servirle haciendo honor al nombre que me dio en mi iniciación cantando siempre los santos nombres y compartiéndolos. Muy agradecida y siempre sirviéndole con amor en nuestro querido Krishna.

Gaura Devi Dasi (Argentina)



Querido Srila Acaryadeva:

Por favor acepte mis humildes reverencias a sus pies de loto.

Este año he tenido la fortuna de hacer mas servicio devocional, gracias a sus bendiciones y cada vez realizo mas la grandeza del maestro espiritual. Su predica de conciencia de Krishna cada vez me quita las malas cualidades que servicio devocional. Aunque todavia tengo muchos apegos materiales, también tengo apego a seguir sirviendo sus pies de loto y se que algún día con su misericordia poder sobrepasar este océano de miserias que nos ata.

Gracias por guiarme en el sendero del bhakti, en la linea de Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu que es la linea mas directa para alcanzar la perfección de servir a Krishna. No se cuantas vidas me faltan para alcanzar a estar completamente p mientras siga sus instrucciones serán menos y menos.

Las instrucciones del Guru son las instrucciones de Sri Krishna. A menos que una siga las instrucciones del Guru perfección de servir a Krishna.

GAURA SHAKTI DAS



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No se cuantas vidas me faltan para alcanzar a estar completamente p mientras siga sus instrucciones serán menos y menos.

Las instrucciones del Guru son las instrucciones de Sri Krishna. A menos que una siga las instrucciones del Guru mas purificados nos volvemos al mundo espiritual al lado de la Suprema Personalidad de Dios Sri Krishna.

Gracias por siempre inspirarme en servir y seguir en el servicio devocional.

*Su aspirante a sirviente,
Gaura Sakti das adhikari. (Narada Muni)
(Guadalajara Mexico)*



Hare Krishna,
Jaya Shrila Prabhupada!

Nama Om Vishnu padaya Krishna-presthaya bhu-tale
Shrimate Hridayananda-Goswamin iti namine
namaste Guruhamsaya paramananda
medhase Prabhupada pramodaya dusta-siddhanta nasine

Pregiato Acaryadeva,

Sono l'aspirante discepolo Giusto Collot dall'Italia
mi inchino ai Tuoi piedi di loto e ti porgo i miei omaggi.

Con affetto, in occasione dell'anniversario della Tua apparizione,
ti scrivo per partecipare al Tuo Vyasapuja.

La ricorrenza dell'apparizione del Guru è un momento importante
per i discepoli e per la comunità vaishnava, è così che il Signore
Krishna ci ha benedetti: ci ha mandato un puro devoto per
diffondere il Suo messaggio e per istruire altre persone nella
comprensione dello stesso messaggio divino.

Purtroppo mi trovo ancora nella fase nella quale ho necessità di
migliorare me stesso e ritengo di non essere ancora in grado di

GIUSTO COLLOT



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poter fare qualcosa di utile per Te.

Pensando a Te non posso fare a meno di ricordare anche il Tuo Guru Maharaja, Śrīla Prabhupada e tutta la parampara.
Glorie a Śrīla Prabhupada che ha diffuso la Coscienza di Krishna in occidente e che Ti ha istruito e ispirato con la pura Bhakti.

*Confido in una tua visita in Italia.
Tuo aspirante discepolo,
Giusto Collot*



*Nama om Visnu padaya Krsna prestaya bhutale
srimate Hridayananda Goswami iti namine
Namaste gurú Hamsaya paramananda medhase
Prabhupada pramodaya dustasidhanta nasine*

Dear Spiritual Master,

Please accept our humble dandavats to your lotus feet!
All glories to your Vyasa puja day and we wish you a happy birth-
day!

We offered our most sincere heartfelt thanks to Srila Prabhupada
to allowed us to have the great fortune and opportunity to partici-
pate in his Dear sankirtan Lila of Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu.
Dear Srila Acaryadeva! We always be honestly grateful to you for
your tolerance, kindness, and guidance via your blissful krsna
conscious exemplary life!

I like say To anyone who wants to glimpse in to the unlimited Spiri-
tual realm don't miss my Dear Spiritual Master SB Sunday
lecture!

Only unto those great souls who have implicit faith in both the
Lord and the Spiritual Master are all the, imports of Vedic knowl-
edge automatically revealed."SU 6.23

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Hamsa Avatara,

Govinda pda

bhakta Oscar

Bimala dB

Krsnananda Dd

Lekasri Dd

Krsna Jivani Dd



Querido Gurudeva:

Krsna me otorgo la bendición de conocerle, y la bendición más grande aun de ser aceptado como su discípulo.

Este año quiero ofrecerle una vez más mi amor infinito, e incondicional.

Quiero recordarle que estoy para servirle, siempre.

Quiero que sepa querido gurudeva, que cada día estoy empeñado en mejorar mis servicios y mi sadhana para que ud. se sienta complacido y pueda decir con alegría: Hari Kirtana das es mi discípulo!

Voy a seguir dando lo mejor de mi para que un día Krsna me permita estar con ud. y servirlo personalmente, caminar con ud., escuchar sus clases, ayudarlo con sus cosas cotidianas, e incluso poder compartir un piano devocional a cuatro manos. También quiero disculparme, por mi ignorancia, y por mi arrogancia; por las debilidades que aun moran en mi.

Quiero disculparme por mi servicio tibio. Por todas las ofensas que pueda haber cometido.

Querido Gurudeva su aportación al movimiento y al mundo es invaluable, gracias por permitirme ser parte de su mundo, del mundo de Krsna.

a su servicio por siempre, Hari Kirtana Dasa

HARI KIRTANA DAS



HARIBUDDHI DAS

Querido Srila Acaryadeva:

Por favor acepte mis reverencias. Todas las glorias a Usted, Krishna West y Srila Prabhupada.

Estamos festejando una vida excepcional, llena de inspiración, logros extraordinarios y milagros de prédica.

Pocas veces encontramos figuras apoderadas para huella similar; por descubrir o inventar algo se entra en los libros de historia pero por salvar almas se gana la inmortalidad.

Es absolutamente inusual que alguien en la flor de la vida acepte la vida de renuncia para establecer prioridades excepcionales: satisfacer a Guru y Krishna como objetivo supremo de la existencia.

Hoy, con setenta y un años de edad, Srila Acaryadeva sigue demostrándonos que valió la pena darlo todo, porque sin Él, nuestra vida no tendría sentido.

¿Que sería de nosotros sin Su paciencia, entrega, ejemplo, sabiduría, inspiración, misericordia, instrucciones y correcciones?



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¿Que clase de existencia tendríamos sin El?

Valorando profundamente Su presencia en nuestra vida, le digo gracias, porque al haberme dado refugio en Sus pies de loto, he aprendido el arte de vivir de acuerdo a los deseos del Señor.

Gracias Srila Acaryadeva, nuestro salvador, padre y guía.

A Sus pies por siempre,

Su sirviente,

Haribuddhi dasa (Uruguay)



IKSVAKU DAS

Dear Srila Acaryadeva.

Please accept my deepest respect and admiration. Jaya Srila Prabhupada!

Another year passes and you continue showing the world your tireless desire to serve Srila Prabhupada in the most practical and universal way. You are teaching us to know the "true Prabhupada", who had an intense desire that the whole world be Krsna Conscious beyond any kind of idiosyncrasy;

We can see your tenacious effort to get this Movement becomes truly relevant in Society; without any doubt, you have sown this seed

of good judgment in ISKCON. Truly speaking I do not see apart from you who could have broken the impractical idiosyncratic paradigms that have hindered so much the healthy progress of this Sacred Movement.

I am and will be, eternally grateful to you Acaryadeva, for all that you do and represent to all of us, and for being so kind to this useless soul.

I have the deepest hope of one day being useful. I remember the famous anecdote that once John F Keneddy went to visit the NASA doing; the janitor replied: "Mr. President, I am helping to put a man on



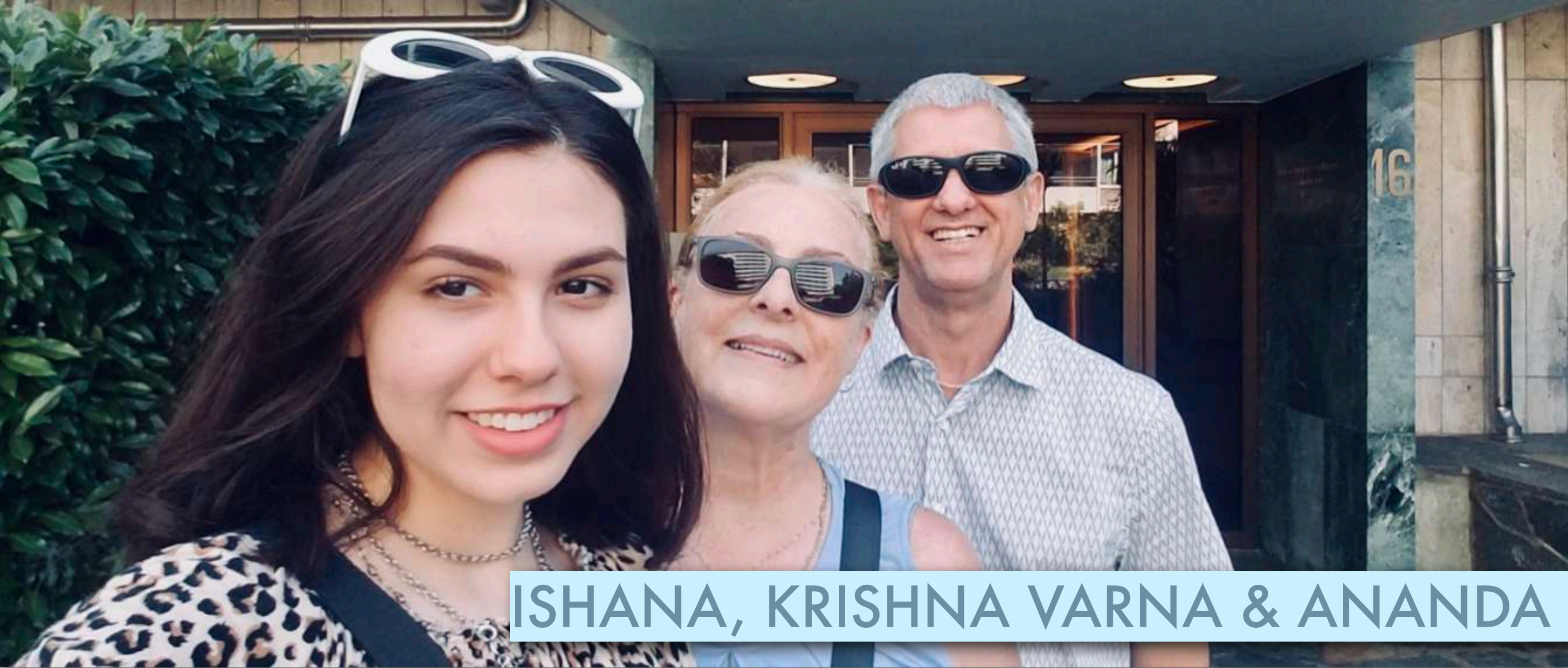
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the moon". When I listen to this, I was encouraged: although I am so imperfect and conditioned, I am sure that as long as I remain in your service, no matter how insignificant it may seem, I am certainly on the right side of the transcendental history you are writing.

Prophetically you said a few days ago in one of your beautiful Sunday morning classes: "Today is Sunday, August 18, 2019, 8.30 AM in San Diego, that for for future historians ..." and without a doubt this will be Acaryadeva; history will recognize you as a great revolutionary spiritual leader who had the vision and determination to give adequate follow-up in the West to this unique and most bona fide spiritual Movement, avoiding it stagnates in the corner of oblivion.

Thanks again and again Acaryadeva.

*Your foolish but faithful janitor,
Iksvaku das (Mexico)*



ISHANA, KRISHNA VARNA & ANANDA

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept our humble obeisances at your lotus feet.

On this day of your Vyasa-Puja please accept our humble and modest service.

The intensity and determination you have to carry out Srila Prabhupada's request, to distribute this Krishna Consciousness movement in the West, a reality, strikes us with wonder. It is not of a common person's natural capabilities. This enthusiasm is of spiritual nature. It comes from Krishna Himself. And it's due solely due to bhakti, or devotion, your devotion to Srila Prabhupada and Krishna.

We are your fans, not only disciples. We're cheering for you, working to help your plans to succeed, in the best of our capabilities. So please,

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accept our humble efforts.

Today is not just another day, is the day we renew our vows to you, our loyalty and commitment.

We pray to Krishna to keep you here on this planet for as long as possible, in good physical and mental health, to guide us, to empower us, to fulfill Srila Prabhupada's desire and save the Western countries.

Thank you very much.

Your humble servants,

Ishana das, Krsnavarna devi dasi and Ananda (Orlando, USA)



ISKCON VIRTUAL TEMPLE, MEXICO



Querido Srila Acaryadeva

nama om visnu-padaya krsna-presthaya bhu-tale
srimate hrdayananda-gosvamin iti namine
namas te guru-hamsaya pramananda-medhase
prabhupada-pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine

Por favor acepte nuestras humildes reverencias.

Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada.

El día de hoy solo queremos darle una y un millón de veces las gracias.

Gracias por su extática sonrisa cuando realizamos algún insignificante servicio.

Gracias por enseñarnos a distinguir entre lo que es védico y lo que es simplemente una moda.

Gracias por permitirnos servirle, aunque usted bien sabe que este servicio será imperfecto.

Gracias por aceptar llevar la carga de nuestras actividades sin haberlo merecido.

Gracias por sus bellas traducción al español del Srimad Bhagavad-gita.



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Gracias por sus bellas traducción y comentario del Srimad Bhagavatam.

Gracias por el mazo oportuno que corrigió el rumbo errado que llevábamos.

Gracias por sus extáticos kirtans y bhajans.

Gracias por sus divinas instrucciones que por siempre permanecerán en nuestros corazones. Gracias por ser nuestro amoroso padre y guía.

Gracias, gracias, gracias.

Sus sirvientes del Templo Virtual de ISKCON,

Hari-Nama dasa

Narendra dasa

(Mexico)



Jaya Srila Acaryadeva! Jaya Srila Prabhupada!

Querido Srila Acaryadeva, reciba por favor mis humildes reverencias a sus pies de loto.

Resulta difícil expresar en palabras mi agradecimiento y deuda con usted. Al ver su servicio tan impecable, lleno de inteligencia, devoción y amor por Srila Prabhupada pienso que no tengo mucho por decir, es como si no existieran palabras suficientes , pero de lo que estoy segura es que voy a servirlo hasta el ultimo día de mi vida, como usted me ha enseñado, tratando con mis capacidades con sinceridad, inteligencia, y amor por Srila Prabhupada y el gran movimiento que nos ha dejado.

En este día tan especial sé que lo mejor que puedo ofrendarle es mi servicio día con día, de tal manera que servirlo es una gran bendición para mi y siento que es usted quien me colma de regalos al permitirme servirle y llenarme de tanta inspiración y entusiasmo.

Gracias por acercarme siempre a Srila Prabhupada y ayudarme a llevar una vida muy feliz en consciencia de Krishna, estaré agradecida con usted eternamente.

*Su eterna aspirante a sirviente,
Iṣṭa Devi Dasi (Mexico)*

ISHTA DASİ





Hare Krishna!

Please accept my humble obeisances.

I want to thank you for leading by example, and being a guiding light in the darkness. I serve you in separation, and am always able to take away valuable knowledge from each of your classes. Thank you for making me laugh, and for leading me closer to Krishna.

*Your humble servant,
Janatari devi dasi (Utah, USA)*



JANMASTAMI DAS

Todas las glorias a Sri Gurú y Gouranga
Todas las glorias a su Divina Gracia A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhuada

Querido Hridayananda das Goswami,

En el día de tu Vyasa-puya nuevamente estamos en contacto a través de estas líneas, si bien siempre estamos conectados espiritualmente como maestro y discípulo.

Por medio de tus conferencias, valoró el esfuerzo que realizas para predicar las glorias de la Suprema Personalidad de Dios Sri Krsna y de su representante Srila Prabhupada, como así también por medio de tu inteligencia y erudición nos aclaras conceptos e interpretaciones sobre la ciencia espiritual y al mismo tiempo nos sumerge en ese mundo trascendental maravilloso que es la Conciencia de Krsna.

Esta de más que alabe tus virtudes
porque ya todos las conocemos, pero existe un hecho en que te admiro y es que te refugiarse en Krsna con fe y determinación tomando sannyasi a una edad en que la generalidad de los jovenes piensan en ganar dinero, disfrutar de los sentidos y formar una pareja.

Con tu ejemplo nos enseñas cuál es el camino a recorrer para llegar a nuestro verdadero hogar en el mundo espiritual.

Gracias por haberme aceptado como tu discípulo y es mi intención complacerte en todo lo que mi rendición a tus pies sea yo capaz.

Por favor acepta mis más humildes reverencias y que en mi corazón se despierte por medio de tu bendición el amor más puro que pueda sentir por nuestro querido padre eterno Sri Krsna.

Janmastami das (Argentina)



Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada!
Todas las glorias a Srila Acaryadeva!

Querido y muy simpático erudito y devoto Srila Acaryadeva, usted es un fiel seguidor de los pasos de Srila Prabhupada, garantía esta de llevar a sus discípulos de regreso a casa junto con Srila Prabhupada. Usted es fiel seguidor de ISKCON, mostró usted y dijo que el poderoso es Srila Prabhupada. Con su predicación devocional erudita y comportamiento, complace a sus seguidores mostrando su gusto y agrado por la vida espiritual, usted es nuestro bienqueriente.

Usted ha asimilado las escrituras y nos ayuda a adoptar las sendas y despierta entusiasmo. Usted derrota otras filosofías y nos eleva a la trascendencia. Su predicación, sus palabras son conciliables y por su puesto simpatizan, aprendemos lo dedico y entendemos de etnias. Todas las glorias a Krishna West.

Ruego, hago oración a Radha Krsna, Srila Prabhupada y a usted Srila Acaryadeva por pureza y raciocinio para trabajar en los 7 propósitos de ISKCON. Lo que define a que se dedica ISKCON que Srila Prabhupada escribió en el acta constitutiva, propósitos que ahora usted enfatiza mucho.

*su discípulo, Jay Gadadhara dasa
(Jesus Gomez Limon de Yahualica, Jalisco ¿Recuerda? Le escribía en manuscrito en 1998...)*

JAY GADADHARA DASA

JAYA DAS

Happy birthday Acharyadev, many greetings from Belgium.

On this small note I wish to thank you for some amazing lectures this year. The position of the spiritual master seems still such a mystery even though hearing and reading much about it. Also, I thank you for those amazing essays posted online. Krishna's position, isolation in Krishna conscious, reply to senior leader. I have learned incredible things from you. When it comes to opening the eyes with the torch of knowledge, then definitely I pay my respects to you and the disciplic succession three times daily.

Your disciple,

Jaya dasa (Belgium)





JAYA GAURANGA DAS

Beloved Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my more respectful and humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Krishna West.

I constantly reflect on how you are always absorb in the best way to please your spiritual master. I remember that once you said me, “I’m really tired but I must do this Krishna West thing because it’s needed.” Although you are supposed to concentrate on your books, that I’m sure they will be one of the best contribution to Srila Prabhupada’s movement for years to come, you are still traveling all around trying your best to “make this movement great again”. I pray to Krishna that you can stay many more years guiding us in the development of the proper consciousness to transform Srila Prabhupada’s western mission in a very significant and thriving movement. Please give us the same enthusiasm and intelligence that you serve Srila Prabhupada and Krishna, so that we could represent Prabhupada properly. I hope I can be a useful instrument in this Krishna West project and I beg you, please use me in the service of Srila Prabhupada and Krishna, help me to place my family in the lotus feet of the Lord and maintain myself fixed in help others to remember that they are Krishna’s devotee.

*Desiring to be a good servant,
Jaya Gauranga dasa. (Brazil)*



JAYA MADHAVA DAS

I fall at the feet of my spiritual master, Hridayanda dasa Goswami.

On this divine day that he appeared in this world to help Srila Prabhupada in his mission to spread Krsna conscious to all.

In 1995 when I graduated high school I had Srila Acaryadeva lectures in my walkman and my hand in my beadbag. The way he intellectually broke down the science spirituality as given to his spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada really hit home.

So I moved into the San Diego temple and studied as a brahmacari. As an aspiring disciple of Srila Acarayadeva I distributed books on traveling sankirtana full time.



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Being surrounded by Srila Acarayadeva's disciples was such a blessing. They always had the nectar new lectures that inspired me to distribute thousands of books.

Thank you Acarayadeva for giving me your shelter and inspiring me with your lectures and books. I may have strayed over the years due to the influences of Maya but I have fortunately found my way back and look forward to serving you in any way you need in your mission to spread Krsna consciousness.

*Your servant,
Jaya Madhava dasa (USA)*





Eu sou seu discípulo. ...

Discipulo uma palavra forte, inspira dedicação, rendição , mas com você meu querido mestre soa diferente, soa como um alívio no meio do caos. Com bondade, gentileza, educação destrói a ganância. Quebra a mentira, revelando o conhecimento. Acaba com a dúvida mostrando a lógica. Com um olhar, um sorriso invoca nossa inteligência, ridiculariza nosso ego. Como não amar tanta simplicidade na vastidão de um ser de tanta grandeza? Sim, sou seu super fã, seu discípulo, seguidor, etc., etc. etc. Obrigado Guru deva. Sua serva Jhulan Yatra
I am your disciple. ...

Disciple a strong word, inspire dedication, surrender, but with you my dear master sounds different, sounds like a relief in the midst of Kaus. Kindly destroys greed. revealing knowledge destroys the lie. End the doubt by showing the logic. With a look, a smile invokes our intelligence, ridicules our ego. How not to love such simplicity in the vastness of a being of such greatness? Yes, I am your super fan, your disciple, follower, etc., etc. etc.

Thank you Guru deva.

*Your servant,
Jhulan Yatra (Brasil)*

JHULAN YATRA DASI



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Dear Acharyadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all glories to You on this special day of your vyasapuja.

I want to sincerely thank you for sharing the great knowledge and wisdom you have through your books and lectures. I am indebted to you for helping me to find a more solid understand and connection with this profound philosophy that Krisna has offered us. I look forward to serving you in the future if it is at all possible.

Jai Gurudeva!

Your humble servant,

Jodie (Australia)





Querido e amado Acharyadeva,

Por favor aceite minhas reverências.

Lhe desejo tudo de melhor que há, pq sei que o senhor vai usar para servir Krshna e Srila Prabhupada.

Obrigada por nos aceitar como somos e instigar que avancemos no amor a Krshna.

Obrigada pela sua lucidez e pureza de ser ao seu mestre espiritual.

*Sua serva
Kadamba dd (Brasil)*

KADAMBA DAS





Querido Acaryadeva.

Todas la glorias a Srila Prabhupada.

Muchas gracias por todos estos años de servicio y porque ese servicio es el que me inspira siempre a seguir adelante despertando la conciencia real, Conciencia de Krsna.

Gracias por siempre brindar su tiempo y su sonrisa para cada persona que se acerca a usted.

Su cuidado, apoyo y motivación son las fortalezas que me inspiran siempre a tratar de serle útil cumpliendo mi naturaleza para servir a Krsna.



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Su inteligencia trascendental es el refugio que busco siempre para alejar cualquier inseguridad y llevarla al lugar más lejano.

Le ofrezco con humildad y con todo mi corazón mis respetuosas reverencias y mi vida como una ofrenda a sus pies de loto.

Por favor, permítanos estar siempre bajo su amparo.

¡Feliz Vyasa Puja!

Con todo nuestro amor:

*Kāraṇa DD, Jiva Pavana D y
Nitai Karuna D. (USA)*



Caro maestro spirituale
Srila Acaryadeva

La prego di accettare i miei più umili omaggi ai suoi piedi di loto.

In occasione della celebrazione del suo Vyasa Puja mi viene alla mente quanto lui sia un discepolo ideale e molto stretto di Srila Prabhupada.

In particolare in questi giorni in cui si ricorda la sua unione al movimento, ricordo quanto lei abbia partecipato con appassionata dedizione all'espansione del movimento nella sua fase pionieristica accettando in giovanissima età l'ordine di sannyasi e stabilendo con grande successo la coscienza di Krishna in Brasile.

In seguito lei ha elaborato nuove strategie, in accordo a una matura visione di tempo, luogo e circostanza, prendendo l'eredità non dell'involucro esterno di Srila Prabhupada ma della luce brillante della sua pura devozione, del suo puro amore per tutti gli esseri.

Penso che lei sia un seguace molto stretto di Srila Prabhupada perché considero che essere seguaci di Srila Prabhupada non

KARSNA DAS

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significa imitare alla lettera tutto quello che faceva, in un altro contesto storico sia del nostro movimento sia della società umana, ma accogliere il suo puro spirito missionario.

Vorrei inoltre osservare come una personalità creativa come lei riesca ad allinearsi in un istituzione. Ciò é dovuto al fatto che si tratta dell'istituzione dell'amato Srila Prabhupada.

La prego di continuare ad accettare la sua discepola anomala considerando quel po di sincerità che c'è nel mio cuore, tutto quello che so donare al mio glorioso maestro.

*Sua umile servitrice
Karsna Dasi (Italy)*





KATHY MACFIE

Jaya Acharyadeva!

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to your service to Prabhupada. How can I ever thank you enough for everything you have done for me?

I appreciate so much that you came into my life.
Sun, Sep 29, 2019 at 1:50 PM

You gave me a clearer perspective on so much (i.e karma fountains! in following my natural inclinations with my music.

Wishing you a wonderful Vyasapuja celebration. My deepest love and gratitude.

Your servant,
Kathy (England)



Dear Srila Acaryadeva.

Please accept my humble obeisances in the dust of your lotus feet. All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I want to express my gratitude today for your very determined and steady effort to preach Srila Prabhupada's mission. Your strong desire and endeavour to facilitate Lord Caitanya's mercy. Thank you for truly caring for devotees, and putting their needs ahead of the institution. That's the formula for strengthening the society.

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Thank you for always stressing the foremost need to chant Hare Krsna attentively with taste, and to study Srila Prabhupada's books with great faith, enthusiasm, logic and perfect analysis.

Thank you for tasting and illuminating the unlimited ocean of nectar of Srila Prabhupada's ecstatic transcendental books.

Thank you for having a longterm vision for the implementation of Krsna Consciousness in the modern world, and not being blind to the inevitable collapse of society as we know it.

*Your servant,
Kesava Dasa Swami (Argentina)*

KRISHNA ANANDA DAS



Querido Maestro,

Por favor acepte mis humildes reverencias. ¡Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada! ¡Todas las glorias a Usted!

¡Feliz cumpleaños querido Srila Acaryadeva!

Es una felicidad saber que Usted va a poder dedicarse enteramente a Su importante servicio de escribir para el beneficio de todas las almas, pero sobre todo para ayudar a este empobrecido occidente.

Sin duda cada momento de su vida es un gran aprendizaje para todos nosotros y gracias a Usted y nuestro amado Srila Prabhupada, es que podemos comprender qué es lo que Krishna nos está queriendo decir, a dónde nos está guiando. Tantas son las pruebas que surgen



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Tantas son las pruebas que surgen en la vida y es gracias a sus instrucciones y la guía de devotos sinceros que cada uno de esos desafíos favorables y desfavorables se transforman en un claro cuidado de Krishna, que nos guía y nos acompaña también desde el corazón. Al mismo tiempo, Krishna también nos va mostrando cuan miserable es este mundo cuando no podemos ver su grandeza y cualidades divinas. Por ello le agradezco a Usted eternamente por ayudarme a ver esa grandeza, por enseñarme a tomar la decisión correcta en cada desafío con valentía y por enseñarme que Krishna se satisface aún más cuando uno adapta y comparte estas enseñanzas con aquellas almas deseosas de escuchar.

Deseo siempre permanecer fiel a sus enseñanzas y le pido a Krishna me permita seguir limpiando este corazón egoísta para continuar escuchándolo en los pasos siguientes.

*Feliz y a Su servicio,
Krishna Ananda dd (Argentina)*



KRISHNA BALARAMA DAS

Querido Srila Acaryadeva.

Por favor aceite minhas humildes e respeitosas reverências.
Todas as glórias sejam a Srila Prabhupada!

Todas as glórias sejam ao transcendental movimento de Sankirtan trazido pelo Senhor Caitanya e estabelecido e difundido por Srila Prabhupada em todo o mundo, especialmente no lado ocidental do planeta! E todas as glórias sejam aos seus esforços, dedicação e rendição plenas à missão do Jagad Guru!

O senhor nos traz alento e alívio no desenvolvimento da divulgação e propagação da Consciência de Krishna, através de exemplo de comportamento e conduta corretos e fiéis a Srila Prabhupada, além de absolutamente coerentes e sem viés de fanatismo ou sentimentalismo barato. Age com excelente educação e consoante com os fundamentos filosóficos e lógicos dos Shastras. Um verdadeiro Acarya!

Entendi, desde bem cedo, que dentre outras características, um guru fidedigno poderia ser avaliado pelos sentimentos e inspiração de fé em Srila Prabhupada que o mesmo nos fizesse desenvolver. Sempre te vi como tal guru inspirador. E com o tempo e maturidade, ainda mais. Cada vez que te ouço e observo as atitudes, mais sinto minha fé em Srila Prabhupada ser incrementada. Sinto em meu coração sua guia segura em direção aos seus pés de lótus. E lhe sou eternamente grato por isso! Sua oferenda de Vyasa Puja a Srila Prabhupada desse ano foi mais um motivo de inspiração. Palestras e aulas que o senhor

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tem feito, também! Verdadeiras turbulências internas acontecem ao te ouvir, no sentido de refletirmos sobre o que estamos fazendo de nossas vidas? E o que estamos fazendo de prático pela missão de Srila Prabhupada?

Oro a Krishna e a Srila Prabhupada que lhe concedam vida longa e com muita saúde, para que tenha tempo de implantar de forma sólida e crescente o conceito de Krishna West, que tão bem representa o anseio por vida espiritual prática, por indivíduos de cultura e berço ocidentais. E para que possa também nos abençoar com sua presença pessoal por longo tempo ainda!

Por favor me inspire e permita perceber como me ocupar de forma prática no serviço à sua missão pessoal, de servir de forma significativa à missão do jagad-guru, Srila Prabhupada!

Por favor aceite mais uma vez humildes e respeitosas reverências de todos de minha família!

E por favor, nos proteja e abençoe eternamente!

*Seu servo e filho,
Krishna Balarama Das
(Brasil)*







KRISHNA BHAKTI DASI

Hare Krishna!

My dear Gurudev, please accept my obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

I am very happy to be a part of your vyasa-puja book!

Thank you very much for everything you do and being who you are.

I have no words to describe, I have no space to fit it.

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I just all let it grow and be taken by Krishna consciousness you transmit. I want to surrender and rather fully than foolishly.

Thank you for being the lighthouse and support, thank you for bringing the practice of this knowledge to the new level. I am moving towards and I will succeed.

I wish you so much and I let it be. I trust it all.

I love you, Krishna Bhakti dd (Tenerife, Spain)



Dear Acharyadeva!

I feel blessed to have you as my spiritual father and to be part of your family! I just wish that my actions and life will bring smile and joy to you!

When I met you in Radhadesh and have heard your lecture i felt that you know Krishna in person and that you are the best spiritual master for me in the whole universe, thank you for accepting me!

*yours,
Krishna Jyoti DD (Latvia)*





KRISHNA LILA DASI & GOVARDHANA

Reverências amado Guru, nossos mais amorosos votos de felicidades por esta data tão feliz, só podemos lhe desejar que Sri Krishna e Srila Prabhupada lhe mantenham nesta entusiástica jornada que é tão importante para a consolidação sóbria da consciência de Krishna.

Muito obrigado por nos puxar cada vez mais no seguro caminho de seus passos.

Nosso presente é nosso amor incondicional e nossa casa, a Fazenda Lila, que queremos que o senhor sempre considere como um refugio para o senhor.

*Gratidão eterna, seus servos,
Krishna Lila DD e Govardhana Dasa (Brasil)*



KRISHNA PRIYA DAS

Dear Srila Acharyadeva,

Please accept my obeisances on this most glorious day of your appearance. All glories to Srila Prabhupada and all the great devotees in our Guru parampara.

How rare it is in this material world to come in contact with a devotee of Krishna and to be given the greatest gift! You are so kind that you have given your life to helping others and serving Srila Prabhupada with complete dedication. Unfortunately being covered by the modes of material nature too often we can not see who is a real devotee and we can not hear the important message they are trying to give us. You are a transcendental visionary and are always able to understand the essence on a very deep level. Your clear intelligence helps you to immediately understand each situation. Although you can understand the most esoteric teachings you present them in a way that is appropriate and easily applied in our daily lives. I always appreciate your personal lifestyle of keeping things simple and being concerned with not wasting Krishna's energy.

You bring joy into the lives of all you meet! I pray that your writing work go well and your preaching projects flourish. May you have many years to come. Was wonderful to celebrate your 50 years of service.

Please forgive for my offenses and keep me in your spiritual family.

Your servant,

Krishna Priya dd (New Goloika Dhama, USA)



Dear Acharyadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisance. All glories to Srila Prabhupada, not only for enlightening the whole world with this deep knowledge of God but also for teaching, training and empowering you to guide us through the challenges of this world.

I was a teenager when I started reading some bogus books about spirituality and one sentence caught my attention: when the disciple is ready the guru appears. I remember entering the temple Rio Mandir in Jacarepagua for the first time to interview the devotees for a graduate project about the 70's and how the Hare Krishna's popularized the use of incenses. Back then your picture was sitting on a Vyasa-asana next



KRISHNA SHAKTI DASI

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answered “this is my guru Srila Acharyadeva and this is his guru and founder of our movement Srila Prabhupada.” She later explained that Srila Prabhupada was present through his books and you were translating the most important ones that he was unable to finish: the Srimad Bhagavatam. I looked at your picture and asked God in my heart: is Srila Acharyadeva my guru too?

Time for arotik and kirtan came and the curtains opened showing Gaura-Nitai Nataraja in all of their exuberance. Devotees started to jump up and down and I thought they worshiped such different gods but if they were so happy doing so I wanted to try it too! After that, there was no coming back to ignorance. Even when we deviate for a minute, you always bring us back together as a beautiful spiritual family of god-brothers and godsisters raised by you. How blessed I am to be part of this family!

I feel very fortunate to have you as my guru, my spiritual teacher, who plays the role of a caring father providing individual attention to as many as of us who reach out to you. Just yesterday while I was experiencing self-doubt you injected me with your enthusiasm reminding me how important it is for us to take equal care of ourselves spiritually, mentally, intellectually and also physically. Your wisdom and perspective continue to inspire me day after day.

It has been thirty-eight years since I took shelter on you, not because you were the zone guru but because Krishna answered my prayers. You are my guru and the one I have been looking for. You are my inspiration and my support. You are the example I look up to and the one and only who never measured efforts to constantly pull me up and out of the mud of this material existence in the so limited third dimension. So, thank you, dear Acharyadeva, for being you, for remaining among us, for fiercely remaining at Prabhupada’s service and especially thank you for engaging me in your sublime mission that is now manifesting as Krishna West.

May Lord Narasimhadeva protect you today and forever. May all divine beings shower you with petals of fragrant flowers from the Spiritual World in celebration of your day. Happy Birthday! And many more!

*Your disciple,
Krishna Shakti D.D. (Brazil)*





Jaya Srila Acharyadeva, please accept my obeisances!

50 years!!! As someone born into the movement, it amazes me that anyone could have the selfless dedication to spread Krishna consciousness for such a long time.

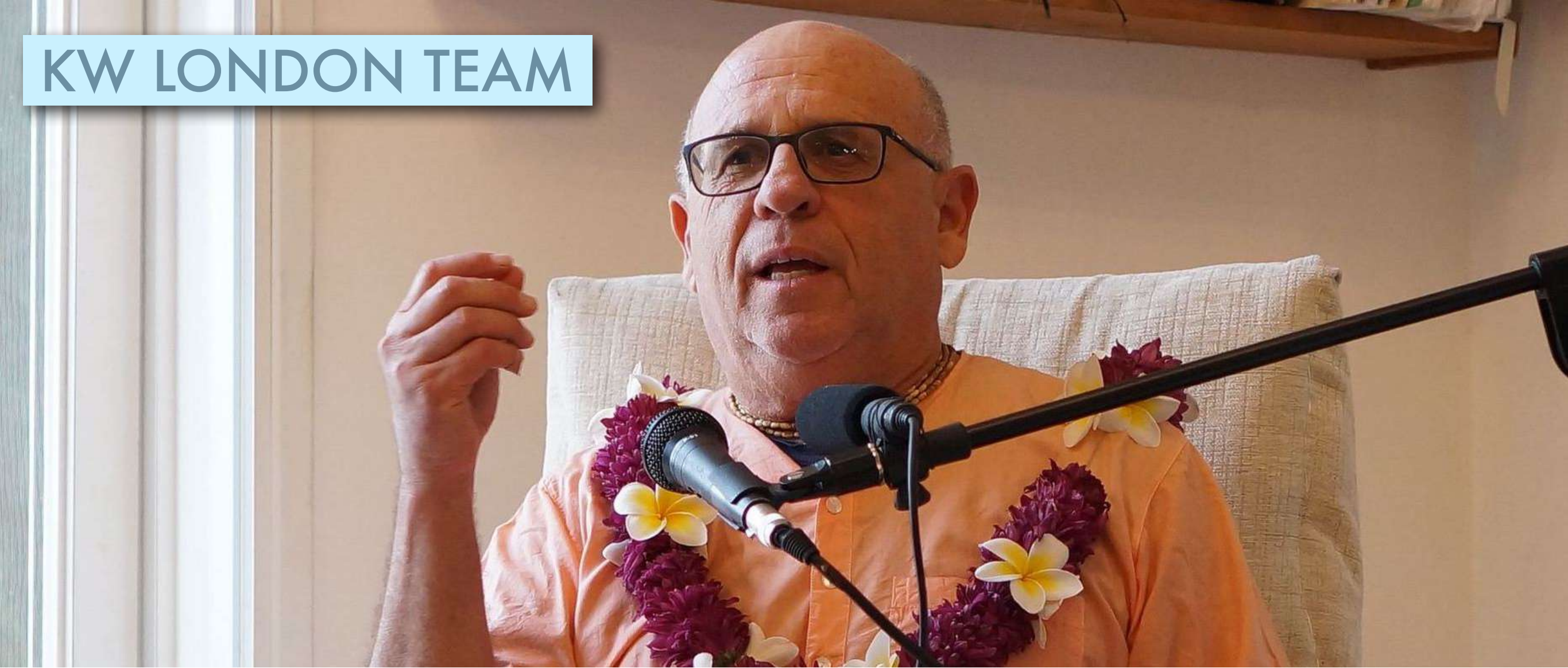
My earliest memory of you is of us playing piano together in Orlando. Since then, you have impacted my family and I in indescribable ways. Throughout the past year you have motivated me to be more involved in my spiritual life while being in school and working. Growing up going to public school, I've had trouble balancing these two sides of my life: my devotional life, and my 'normal' life. I used to be embarrassed to say I was a devotee at school because I thought people would see me differently, but since listening to your talks about Krishna West, I have gotten more comfortable talking about it with my friends.

I'm sorry that my writing is not the best, and I wish I could express my appreciation the way you deserve, but I am very grateful for all that you have done for all of us.

*Your Disciple,
Krishna Sundari Zabala (Chapel Hill, USA)*

KRISHNA SUNDARI DAS

KW LONDON TEAM



We offer our obeisances at the feet of His Holiness Hridayananda Das Goswami, our leader and guide in our service for ISKCON.

On this auspicious occasion, we pay tribute to your many sacrifices for us, and the energy you spent fanning the fluttering flames of our devotional service. We thank you for the time you spent teaching and guiding us, in spite of all your many responsibilities and services. And most of all for emphasising and channelling through to us the missionary spirit that permeates throughout our sampradaya.

You once told us that it isn't enough to just be tolerated or accepted in society, but rather we should be emulated. By these simple words you breathed fire into our hearts, sharing with us your unfailing confidence and pride in Srila Prabhupada's teachings and the great potential it bears for "bringing about a revolution in the impious lives of the world's misdirected civilisation". We thank you for giving us meaningful work in this great service, and we pray for empowerment and intelligence to do you proud.

Your Krishna West team in England



Dear Gurudeva

Please accept my obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

On this auspicious day of your appearance I am contemplating your offering this year on the appearance day of your own spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada. You approached His Divine Grace with a simple prayer, that he petition his Lord Krishna to mercifully empower his servants to restore his western mission to the glory that he created for it.

I am forever in awe of your dedication at the lotus feet of your spiritual master and your unwavering commitment to spreading Krishna Consciousness here in the western world.

In your prayer you humbly volunteered to be his instrument and asked to be empowered to restore his mission to its rightful prominence in a fallen and suffering world.

Dear Gurudeva, I humbly bow in reverence at your lotus feet and beg to be empowered to be an instrument too, to somehow assist you in this service to your Srila Prabhupada.

Your Servant,
Krsnā Devi Dasi (Scotland)

KRSNĀ DASĪ





KURVANTI DAS

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

Hope this finds you with your feet dancing in Kirtan, your hands busy with Japa & your head filled with visions of Goloka. Would like to wish you a most happy Vasa Puja & say thank you for the ocean of Mercy that you are.

*your fallen servant,
M. Kurvanti dd (USA)*

Querido Srila Acaryadeva.

Por favor aceite minhas mais humildes reverências. Todas as glórias a Srila Prabhupada!

Congratulations on your Vyasa Puja!

I am really thankful to have your guidance upon my life. My family and I are very grateful for your care and kindness with us.

I pray for your health and to Lord Nrsimhadeva always protect you.

I pray for your blessings for one day be able to contribute actively in your projects.

We wish you a Happy Vyasa Puja and a wonderful year ahead.

Your servants,

Lalita Candra devi dasi, Arya Sangama das, Nandini Tulasi, and Nalini Sita (Brasil/USA)



LALITA CHANDRA DAS & FAMILY

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. It's your Vyasa Puja! Such a joyous time for us, your disciples, to remember and glorify you. I can spend hours and hours here telling you how great you are and how I owe my whole life to you, but I can't even begin to think of the numerous ways you have changed my life. Really, all I can say is that you have changed it. I am eternally grateful, not that my gratitude would ever mean anything.

By your mercy, I have been blessed with many services and by your loving guidance, I am still trying to carry them out. Daily, my meditation is... "this is for my beloved Guru". Without your loving guidance and support, I could not be able to even get out of bed. Daily, I remind and convince myself that I can always be better, and this way of thinking comes from watching you.

Your devotion to Srila Prabhupada and Sri Krishna never ceases to amaze me. Literally, every step you take, you say the Lord's Holy Names. And I can only aspire to someday be able to have Krishna in my thoughts as you do.

I have been so very blessed, I don't know why or how this has happened. All I know is that it has and I pray never to forget to be grateful for this undeserved mercy.

LALITA DAS





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I offer you my days and nights, my thoughts, words and actions, my whole life. Do with my life what you must so I can carry on in this life completely submerged in your service. Dearest Srila Acaryadeva, never forget this poor fallen soul and keep me in your prayers.

Happy Vyasa Puja!
Your Spiritual daughter,
Lalita Devi Dasi



L.A. GODSISTERS

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

Jai Gurudeva! This is a heartfelt offering expressing how we feel about you.

Thank you for all your examples, teachings, inspirations, and perseverance that guides us in our lives.

Your servants,

Yasoda Priya, Varesha Devi Dasi, Ananda Bhakti, and Ananta Devi Dasi (LA, USA)



Todas las glorias sean a Srila Prabhupada
Todas las glorias sean a Srila Hridayananda das Goswami
Acaryadeva
Todas las glorias sean a Sri Sri Goura Nitay
a Sri Nrsimhadeva
y a Sri Sri Radhey Shyam

Hare Krishna

Mi querido Maestro Espiritual

Por favor acepte usted nuestras humildes reverencias a sus
Divinos Pies de Loto
Usted es el Roble más fuerte que he conocido
es el Refugio más misericordioso
y es la Luz Personificada
lo queremos mucho y lo respetamos y admiramos. Le deseamos
un muy feliz cumpleaños lo amamos profundamente,

sus hijos

Madhava Prasada devi dasi y Dhira Gouranga das (JPS)

MADHAVA PRASADA DASI Y DHIRA GOURANGA DAS

A photograph of a man and a woman. The man, on the left, is balding with some grey hair, wearing a dark t-shirt and a beaded necklace. The woman, on the right, has short grey hair and is wearing large aviator sunglasses and a blue and white striped scarf. They are both looking towards the camera. In the background is a large, colorful mural depicting a scene with figures, a peacock, and a landscape. The name 'MADHAVI DASI' is written in a blue box at the top right of the image.

MADHAVI DASI

Happy birthday Gurudeva! May Krsna bless you with health and many joys.

Madhavi dasi (Brasil)



Caro Acharyadeva ,

accetta per favore i miei omaggi in questo giorno di buon auspicio,tutte le glorie a Te ,tutte le glorie a Shrila Prabhupada , Tuo e nostro eterno benefattore.

Volevo ringraziarti per la tua inesauribile determinazione nella predica ,per la tua costante ed efficace trasmissione del sapere sacro che ,con l'aiuto della tecnologia ,arriva in tempo reale a migliaia di persone in tutto il mondo.

Individui di provenienze diverse,di culture diverse ,di modi di vivere diversi,beneficiano ogni giorno degli insegnamenti eterni che tu magistralmente veicoli con esempi efficaci a tempo ,luogo e circostanza. L'arte di vivere in armonia con Dio Creato e Creature non hanno colore e sono patrimonio di tutte le persone di buona volonta'che desiderano vivere in buone relazioni con il mondo che gli gira intorno ,vedendo in

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esso un progetto intelligente volto allo sviluppo del potenziale di ognuno. Ti ringrazio inoltre per avere fatto capire alla moltitudine di persone che ti hanno avvicinato che la Coscienza di Krishna non è un movimento solo per gli addetti ai lavori o per persone che si sono ritirate a vita monastica ,ma un mondo vivibile in modo felice in famiglia,nel mondo del lavoro,nella società in cui si opera , portando dei valori universali che contribuiscono alla crescita ecologica della società stessa.

Il Tuo esempio è vitale in questo momento storico perché la Tua visione illuminata , la Tua capacità di aggiornare gli esempi e il Tuo Carisma portano persone sospettose , che non si sognerebbero mai di intraprendere un cammino spirituale a farsi qualche domanda e ,attraverso i Tuoi sempre giocosi e profondi esempi , a mettere mano alla propria vita.

Hai capito in tempi non sospetti che le persone vanno aiutate non giudicate, vanno incoraggiate non limitate , vanno ispirate ad entrare in un mondo possibile e non bocciate per non essere in grado di sostenere un peso troppo gravoso per loro.

Hai capito che le regole vengono offerte non imposte,che la disciplina è una scelta personale frutto di un processo evolutivo dove il singolo si mette in gioco per il desiderio di evolvere ,non per essere formattato ad un colore o a un modello a cui magari non aderisce ancora completamente.

La tua predica è ossigeno per molti,uno spazio libero dove incontrare persone che ti incoraggiano a sviluppare i talenti che ognuno possiede e ad indirizzarli verso l'alto ,verso la realizzazione spirituale.

Incoraggi ognuno a sviluppare la cultura, studiare la storia ,ad apprezzare l'arte che è una forma sopraffina di sensibilità ed ispirazione, patrimonio di tutti i cercatori della verità in tutti i periodi storici, dove persone straordinarie hanno cercato un collegamento,un ponte verso le vette luminose della coscienza

Continui in modo instancabile a celebrare le glorie del Tuo Maestro spirituale che giudicava le piante dai frutti e quelli che stanno maturando per merito tuo sono molti e di buona qualità.

Il tuo successo è fonte di scelte ponderate ,di esperienze che hanno fatto sì che la tua ricerca di aggiornamento alle forme di trasmissione del sapere adatte ai nostri giorni non si sia mai fermato. La Tua determinazione non è mai venuta meno e, nonostante Tu abbia remato molto controcorrente ,la forza della fede nel Tuo Maestro Spirituale ti ha fatto superare tutte le buche che la vita incarnata ti ha fatto trovare nel cammino e che tu hai trasformato in opportunità!



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Continuando con gioia ad ascoltare le Tue lezioni ispiranti da ogni parte del mondo, ti rinnovo il mio augurio di buona salute per una ancora lunga predica della Coscienza Di Krishna a tutte le anime bisognose che incontrerai nel tuo luminoso cammino.

Tuo servitore Madhumangala das
(Discepolo di S.G. Matsyavatara Prabhu)

MAHABHARATA DASA & FAMILY



Dear Srila Acaryadeva:

Please accept our humble obeisances at your lotus feet:

This year, my family and I would like to thank you, from the core of our hearts, for the wonderful opportunity you have granted us to serve you.

It's been an honor to host in our home your 50th anniversary of service and Vyasa Puja celebration. Having the opportunity to serve you, and so many of your followers and disciples, has been really a blessing for us.

Learning from you that Krishna consciousness does not depend on external thing but on our own determination, has indeed given us a more

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realistic perspective in our lives.

Understanding that to be Krishna conscious we don't need to adopt a different way of life, but actually we only need to be ourselves and have Krishna as the center of all our activities, has open a new demension in our existence, and we strive to be more dedicated to Srila Prabhupada's mission with this more realistic approach.

Finally, to be able to go on japa walks, hear your beautiful piano playing, cook your meals, etc, is something that we'll treasure for the rest of our lives.

We only hope that somehow, we've been able to please you, and pray that in some way, we've been able to assist you in your mission to save Srila Prabhupada's western mission.

*Your Servants,
Mahabharata Das
Ladali Davi Dasi
Radha Bhakti*

Meu querido Acharyadeva,
Por favor, aceite minhas humildes reverências. Todas as Glórias à Srila Prabhupada!

Estamos celebrando mais um ciclo de seu aparecimento neste mundo e, pensando nisso, estive refletindo sobre a importância de comemorarmos o aparecimento do mestre espiritual.

As festas de aniversário sempre tiveram um valor especial para mim, por ser uma data em que eu revia todas as pessoas queridas a mim e que moravam distante ou que pela intensidade de suas ocupações não podiam estar presentes em meu dia-a-dia. Essa interação com familiares e amigos acabava se tornando uma grande festa, com todos sorrindo, conversando, comendo, dançando, e no final, todos ajudando a limpar a bagunça e se despedindo para se reencontrar na próxima celebração. O ponto é que embora fossem maravilhosas festas, o



MANI MANJARI DAS

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objetivo delas era enaltecer meu próprio ego falso e dos que estavam à minha volta. Desde que o conheci, o objetivo de encontrar pessoas queridas já não é mais para tentar me glorificar e sim como uma tentativa de despertar meu verdadeiro eu, de estar apta a servir, cuidar, amar, mas não a mim mesma, e sim à Krishna, Seus associados, Seus devotos (despertos e adormecidos), Sua energia, enfim, trazer Krishna para o centro de minha vida. E nada disso seria possível sem que o senhor tivesse vindo à esse mundo.

Recebo instruções de Nrsimhananda prabhu e de Yamunacharya Maharaj, e ambos recebem instruções tuas. Então cada passo que dou rumo ao meu próprio despertar e ao serviço aos demais são graças ao seu interesse em servir a missão de Srila Prabhupada e nos levar de volta para casa.

Desejo que toda a boa fortuna da sucessão discipular recaia sobre o senhor, e que eu possa servi-lo, mesmo de forma indireta, na missão que Srila Prabhupada o incumbiu. Obrigada por ser meu guia nessa grande floresta da ilusão.

*Sua serva,
Mani Manjari dasi (Brasil)*



MANTRA MURTI DASI

Jaya Srila Acaryadeva!

Please accept my humble obeisances as your lotus feet. For so many years you have blessed us with your wonderful classes and instructions. I am very grateful for this because by your instructions, I have been able to become closer to Srila Prabhupada's lotus feet. Thank you for your wonderful example and your steadfast determination to continue serving Srila Prabhupada.

*your humble servant,
Mantra Murti devi dasi (USA)*



You like things straight to the point, so on this special day of your 2019 Vyasa Puja I will say, “ keep being true to your school “ (like you always say, ha ha!!!), such a great example of Srila Prabhupada's teachings, loyal and accurate . If someone gives themselves the chance to know you and understand you, they will be amazed by your personality, maturity, funniness, coolness, intelligence, great music skills, and the list goes on and on , someone who possesses all these qualities and at the same time behaves like a normal citizen, who teaches following time, place and circumstance, and who’s life has only one reason, to please Srila Prabhupada.

I thank Krsna for guiding me into the presence of such an amazing teacher, friend and father that you are to me, and I thank you for giving me the chance of being your spiritual son.

I have a brain to think and a heart to feel and I offer it to your service, always.

Markandeya Rsi Das

MARKANDEYA DAS

Jai Acaryadeva!!!

All Glories to Jagat Philosopher Srila Prabhupada!

Please accept my modern humble obeisances at the feet of your transcendental vision!

Congratulations on another Milestone in your progressive service to Prabhupada!

You are the torch bearer shedding light on all situations. The Gita says a brahmana is clean, honest, compassionate...but also “knows what to do” in any situation. A mahajaba is not a mahajana unless he has a current version...C.C. Madhya-lila. The way you explain the Art of Tran-

MAX, ANNA & GARGAMUNI



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Transcendence in down to Earth terms is so refreshing and insightful at the same time.

The concepts in your lecture are not like a drum roll then a cymbal...they are like a drum solo that constantly hit the cymbal..."confusing the tattvas, melting the mind on social media...short cut...not about rules and regulations...details and unchangeable principals...change our consciousness not our dress...Krishna West...

Each lecture I try to jot some concepts down but they come so fast and amazing that I finally just sit back and let the current, responsive, compassionate, practical ideas roll in!

What can I say you are the greatest spiritual master in my World!

Thank you for decades of ecstatic insights!!!s!

Your servants,

MAx, Anna, & Gargamuni das (USA)



Querido Srila Acaryadeva,

Por favor acepte mis más humildes reverencias a sus hermosos pies de loto.

Quisiera expresarle de todo corazón, mis mejores deseos en la celebración de su Vyasa-Puja, para que Krishna le siga otorgando Sus bendiciones en su honorable y maravilloso servicio, que día a día inspira a miles de almas cegadas por la ignorancia. Me considero tan afortunada por conocerlo y haber podido escucharlo personalmente en algunas ocasiones. Por favor reciba hoy y siempre mi gratitud, respeto y cariño. ¡Todas las glorias a Srila Prabhupada Ki Jay! ¡Todas las glorias a Srila Acaryadeva Ki Jay!

Soy Myriam Rebeca Domínguez Ortega de México, sobrina de prabhu Maharsi y hermana de Krishna Suta Das, ambos discípulos suyos.

Hare Krishna

MYRIAM REBECA DOMINGUEZ





Querido Srila Acaryadeva por favor acepte mis mas humildes y sinceras reverencias a sus divinos pies de loto. Feliz cumpleaños!!!

Gurudeva, la palabra gracias se queda muy limitada, a comparación de todo el agradecimiento que le tengo.

Usted a sido conmigo un verdadero padre, (a pesar de que he sido muy mala hija) en los 20 años que llevo en el proceso de conciencia de Krishna, usted siempre, siempre, me ha acompañado, cuando he tenido dudas,

siempre me ha respondido y aconsejado, alentandome a continuar firme en mi proceso espiritual. Y asi como conmigo, de igual manera con todos sus discípulos y demás personas que se han refugiado en sus instrucciones. Por eso, reconozco que usted ha sacrificado toda su vida por nosotros, por guiarnos y acompañarnos en este sendero.

Asi, que estas palabras con mucho cariño, son un agradecimiento y reconocimiento infinitos. Porque sin su existencia, mi existencia no tendría ningún sentido.

*Todos las glorias a su divina gracia Srila Acaryadeva ki jaay!!!
Hare krishna.*

(Nanda Suta dasi (León Guanajuato México)

NANDA SUTA DASÍ



NARAYANA PATNI DASI

Jaya Srila Acharyadeva! Hare Krishna!

Todas as glórias ao Dia do Seu Vyasapuja!
Por favor aceite minhas respeitadas reverências.
Todas as glórias a Srila Prabhupada!

Querido e amado Mestre!

Sua devoção a Srila Prabhupada e a Krishna é inspiradora.

Obrigada por estar sempre nos protegendo com sua sublime bondade em Consciência de Krishna.

Sinceros agradecimentos pelo programa de pregação Krishna West e por seus ensinamentos na prática do serviço amoroso a Suprema



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Personalidade de Deus!

Fazem 5 meses que Pandaveya partiu deste plano. Ele sempre me falava o quanto o admirava e o quanto ele foi feliz e autorealizado enquanto esteve aos seus serviços. As vezes passava horas contando as histórias. Ele sempre o respeitou, admirou e amou do fundo do seu coração!

Oro ao Sr Nrsmhadeva para protege-lo e que permita que eu possa sempre fazer parte da sua jornada sagrada da vida.

Almejando servi-lo e a seus queridos servos.

*Sua serva,
Narayana Patni dd (Brasil)*



NATACHA

Dear Hridayananda Das Goswami,

At the occasion of your Vyasa-puja and the celebration of your 50th anniversary of joining ISKCON, I would like to thank you with all my heart for all the beautiful learnings you provide to the community of devotees, thirsty, like I am, to reconnect with their true nature and deepen their relationship with the most beautiful, amazing, sweet, loving well-wisher of all, Krishna.

I was introduced to the Path of Bhakti Yoga in 2017 and was most fortunate to meet you in Israel that same year. Your book « A Comprehensive Guide to Bhagavad-Gita with Literal Translation », that was given to me together with the Bhagavad Gita As It Is, by my dear teacher and friend Taruni, was the very first book I read.

Each word resonated into me and instilled within the desire to discover further. I felt enthusiastic and so am I since!

Your lectures always pop up with grace at the perfect time in my life, answering my most triggering questions. They provide me rational, clear, well constructed arguments to my interrogations, the whole with that singular touch of humour and lightness that so much emphasize your teaching. Not only do they have for effect



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Not only do they have for effect to soothe the mind. They are feeding the heart to such an extend that the mind feels enough secured to acknowledge and progressively let go of its sectarian concepts, allowing as such deeper inquiring.

Thank you.

Thank you for showing us the path of devotional service to become a genuine devotee, more and more Krishna conscious.

*Please accept my deep respect and gratitude,
Natacha (Israel)*



nama om vishnu-padaya krishna-presthaya bhu-tale
srimate hridayananda-goswamin iti namine
namaste guruhamaya paramanande medhase
prabhupada pramodaya dusta-siddhanta-nasine

Todas Las Glorias Srila Prabhupad, Todas Las Glorias a Srila
Acaryadev.

Querido Gurudev un año mas se cumple, un año mas en que nos
demuestra con sus enseñanzas y ejemplo que no hay otra
manera no hay otra manera ,, para alcanzar la plenitud individual
en este mundo que seguir las huellas de sus pies de loto, gra-
cias Gurudev por mostrarnos que se puede ser integralmente Fe-
liz en conciencia de Krishna.

En esta continua revolución material - decadente- lo rescatable al
momento es la pregunta dolorosamente emitida "quien Soy"? y
Krishna West tiene la respuesta.

Gurudev Muchas felicidades y que Krishna nos siga mostrando a
través de su sonrisa la plenitud del mundo espiritual.

*Desde el Centro Cultural Hridayananda siempre pendientes
Ananda Vrindavan Das y Natesvara Devi Dasi
(Tulancingo Hgo Mexico)*

NATESVARA DASI & ANANDA VRINDAVAN DAS



NILACALA ZABALA



Jai Srila Acharyadeva, please accept my humble obeisances and all glories to Srila Prabhupada!

My family's been associating with you for so long, it's almost impossible to imagine what my life would be like without you- you gave me my name and everything! I'm glad it's been you all these years, as your wit and many stories about etymology and history has made you stand out, along with your dedication to service and helping others on their spiritual journey.

Nilacala Zabala (Chapel Hill, USA)





Todas as glórias á Srila Prabhupada, Todas as glórias a Sri Guru e Gauranga!

Querido Srila Acaryadeva!

Por favor aceite minhas mais sinceras e humildes reverências. Além de desejar muitas felicidades no dia especial de seu Vyasa Puja, gostaria de agradecer sinceramente pela imensa renovação de Krsna West na pregação e principalmente a mudança e crescimento interno em mim mesma.

Hoje enquanto cuidava das minhas deidades, pensava como poderia ter mais contato com Prabhupada, como sentir mais ligação?

A resposta veio imediata, servindo Acaryadeva. Porque o senhor é um devoto muito querido de Prabhupada e está satisfazendo-o imensamente.

Jay Acaryadeva, que esta mudança modifique o mundo!!
Por favor aceite minhas sinceras e humildes reverências,

*Sua serva eterna,
Nrisimha D.D, Leoa (Brasil)*

NRISIMHA DASI



PADMAKSA DAS



Villaggio Hare Krishna,

Caro Srila Acharyadeva, ti prego accetta i miei piu' rispettosi omaggi. Glorie a Srila Prabhupada.

Il mio augurio in questa occasione di Vyasa Puja, e' che tu possa dedicarti totalmente al recupero della tua salute per poter dedicarti come vuoi tu, al servizio del nostro amato comandante della Iskcon Srila Prabhupada.

Hai dedicato tutta la tua vita alla diffusione degli insegnamenti di Srila Prabhupada con tantissimi successi e tutt'ora con il piu' potente e lungimirante progetto Krishna West.

Quale esempio migliore di Te possiamo avere?



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Grazie Srila Acharyadeva, mi ritengo fortunata e salva per essere al Tuo servizio.

Auguri dalla mia famiglia.

Madhavananda das, Balarama das

Tua sempre affezionata servitrice Padmaksa DD (Italy)

nama om visnu padaya krishna presthaya bhutale srimate hridayananda goswami iti namine
namas te guru hamsaya paramananda medhase prabhupada pramodaya dustha siddhanta nasine

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Soon after Srila Prabhupada's disappearance in the late 1970s you accepted me as your disciple and spiritual daughter. I trusted Vrikodara Prabhu and his recommendation of you, and then I trusted you as my spiritual leader and father. I grew to love you more and more by hearing your transcendental classes, and by seeing you inspire devotees and people everywhere to carry out Srila Prabhupada's mission of giving Krsna to everyone throughout the world.



PADMALOCANA DASI

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As I reflect on my spiritual progress I see that for many years of my life I was engaged in devotional service such as cooking for Krsna, and other pujari activities. By listening to you, Srila Acaryadeva, your transcendental classes, lectures and videos, and by hearing your enthusiasm and ecstatic chanting I have become more inspired to take seriously spiritual knowledge, chanting Krsna's names, being with Krsna, and giving Krsna to others.

In one of your recent classes you so powerfully demonstrated the important instruction given by Krsna to Arjuna to stand in and stand up with the sword of knowledge , "ātiṣṭhottiṣṭha bhārata." In another recent class you elaborately discussed "dhīrā," the undisturbed, self-controlled person who has taken the path of perfection, and "darśayan vartma dhīrāṇāṁ sarvāśrama-namaskṛtam," honoring the path of perfection. Your enthusiasm for spiritual knowledge about Krsna, for attentively being with Krsna by chanting the names of Krsna and spending quality time with Krsna, glorifying Krsna, teaching us how to be personal with Krsna, and your many other wonderful qualities are because you are dhira. You are teaching us the way to stand in and stand up.

On this sacred Vyasa Puja day I pray that Krsna fulfills your desire to continue to be an instrument in Srila Prabhupada's mission.

Srila Acaryadeva, I am inspired to be an instrument in your service.

With Love, Padmalocana Devi dasi (USA)

Hare Krsna



In this material world it's so difficult to find great guidance...to understand how I am and what I need to do here and what is the purpose of life. I just want to say thank you to Srila Prabhupada for bringing to us Krishna consciousness and it's a great fortune to have such an amazing disciple as Srila Acharyadeva as our guide. He has devoted his life all these years to explain to us how it's possible to understand a little about Love of God and how to please Him by doing service for others. He has helped countless people to be more close to God and eventually manifest this kind of unconditional love to all living beings.

I want to express my gratitude for him for helping us to navigate in the turbulent waves of the material world I copied a part of this old poem from a great yogi that makes me remember the instructions and guidance from my dear Spiritual master :From Beyond to Beyond Comes the definition of wisdom Sacred writes all and virtues Come all that is spoke , and all sacred sounds Comes the instructions How to attain the union with the Divine source (Bhakti yoga) and surrender ourselves to experience this process with joy and happiness.

Thank you Srila Acharyadeva!

Palaka das (Brasil/USA)

PALAKA DAS

PARAMSHREYA DAS



Dear Srila Acharyadeva,

please accept my humble obeisances!

All glories to Srila Prabhupada!

All glories to your transcendental appearance day!

On this occasion I want to thank you for sharing your realized transcendental knowledge with us, especially in regards to the jiva soul and the Supreme Soul. You have so kindly and interestingly delivered this vijñānā in your numerous lectures, which I have heard for the past fifteen years. For instance, you once said that the material body, with its millions of cells, is constantly changing, just like a river with its thousands of waves that manifest and again disappear. In the same way, a man cannot take bath twice in the same river (as Heraclitus had pointed out); the soul cannot breath twice in the same body.

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And you also said that it would be foolish to “fall in lust with a dying body”. The more one thinks about this sentence, the more it makes sense. Our material bodies are dying at every second. Lord Krishna says, “One who has taken his birth is sure to die” (Bg. 2.27). While lust unfortunately still burns in my consciousness, this principle becomes clearer and clearer. There are moments in my daily life when I can clearly see the spirit soul within the material human bodies (and in non-human bodies as well). I am sure that this is due to your repeated instructions and explanations. Indeed, this principle is also confirmed in the Bhagavad-gita (4.35), where Lord Sri Krishna says, “Having obtained real knowledge from a self-realized soul, you will never fall again into such illusion, for by this knowledge you will see that all living beings are but part of the Supreme, or, in other words, that they are Mine.”

May you have many further appearance days in good health!

Your servant

Paramshreya Dasa (Germany)

Greetings and dandavats also from Shivatma Dasa





Querido Acaryadeva

Con mucha alegría celebramos su Vyasa-puja , Feliz Cumpleaños !

...pero tambien celebramos este año su 50 aniversario de su gloriosa entrada a ISKCON de S Prabhupada, causando, desde entonces, una total revolucion de conc. De Krishna en todo el mundo, principalmente en Latinoamerica.

50 años de total entrega a la mision de S Prabhupada...50 años de liderazgo y ejemplo impecable...Maestro de decenas de miles de almas...comprension y transmision del conocimiento filosofico espiritual pero practico y actualizado, sin igual !!

Amigo amoroso y benefactor de toda la humanidad sufriente !

*Gracias, Gracias, Gracias S Acaryadeva !!
Paresha Das, Humboldt, Santa Fe, Argentina.*

PARESH DAS

PAVANA DASI



Hare Krishna Acayadeva!

Wishing you all the very best on your Vyasa-puja celebration, and all that you wish for yourself, Krishna West, and Prabhupada's movement in the years to come! It was a great pleasure to see you in San Diego recently, and will always looks forward to your online presence. You are a gift to this world!

With great affection and respect!
Pavana Devi Dasi (USA)

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Krishna philosophy in the most simplest yet profound manner. We recently watched the debate you participated in a TV show against Ted Patrick hosted by Dr. Eugene Griessman in May, 1979. We watched, jaw dropped, by your ability to present your arguments unsentimentally. It is as Srila Prabhupada desired from his deciples and followers, to explain the philosophy plainly and scientifically. You have shown us from the beginning how this is to be done and has continued to do so without compromising your individuality as a person.

This is something as parents is difficult to teach to our children, not to be blind followers but study the teachings critically. We are indeed fortunate that we have you to follow and serve. Your method of teaching is compatible and consistent with the current need of spiritual thirst in society. It is uncomplicated yet deep, and genuine and it is so because that is what you are.





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We pray to continue to learn from your example, as a family, how to be a devotee of Krishna. We also pray that we will be able to serve you in the manner that will truly please you some day.

Your servants,

Pavani Devi Dasi, Ananda Hari Das, Anasuya and Dhruva

PRABHUPADA PRIYA DASI



Dear Srila Acharyadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to Your Divine Grace on the celebration of 50 years of surrendered service to ISKCON. I can only marvel at the tremendous service you have done for Srila Prabhupada over the past five decades. You have done more in this time than I could do in many lifetimes. Therefore, I was surprised that in your Vyasa Puja offering to Srila Prabhupada this year, you humbly volunteered to be his instrument for spreading Krishna consciousness, as if you were stepping forward to do so for the very first time, as if you hadn't done so much already! Your mood was very touching. It is the mood of a sincere disciple – to humbly offer one's life in the service of the spiritual master, and to go on doing so, no matter how much one has done already. Not that after 50 years we retire – we are eternal servants of Krishna, and a true devotee like yourself wants to be eternally engaged in spreading Krishna consciousness for the benefit of suffering humanity. You are such a brilliant example for all of us.

On this occasion, I would like to take the opportunity to express appreciation for a few of your many wonderful qualities. One is your ability to see Krishna in

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everything. Most of us depend on some external support like a temple environment to be Krishna conscious, but your Krishna consciousness doesn't depend on anything else. You are just plain Krishna conscious. And because of that, you are able to see glimmers of Krishna consciousness in places where others would see only maya.

What a great way to see the world! No wonder you are always so positive. Of course, it's true that Krishna is everywhere and that all living beings are originally Krishna conscious. We all know this theoretically, but you actually experience it. And the wonderful thing is that on the few occasions that I have been in your personal presence, I have also started to experience it. The three days I spent with you in Chawton, England this spring were particularly mind-blowing. It was like you dropped a bomb on my cloistered, narrow-minded conception of Krishna consciousness and expanded it in all directions. I felt so happy and grateful and blessed. Another thing I appreciate about you is how you directly talk about Krishna. You seem to know Krishna so intimately, and in your lectures, you keep revealing newer facets of Krishna's personality.

Listening to you, I can't doubt for a moment that Krishna is a real person, the most wonderful and lovable and attractive person. Like you say, "He's a great guy." Like, who wouldn't want to have a relationship with Krishna?! The way you talk about Krishna makes me love Him. And I love you for that. Thank you so much for sharing Krishna with us so liberally and in such relatable way, and also for demonstrating through your personal example how to love Krishna.

Another thing is how you are always willing to answer my questions. I feel very privileged, as I'm sure many of your disciples do, to have

to have direct access to such an exceptionally high level of spiritual knowledge and realization as you can offer. And you present that knowledge in a way which is concise, satisfying, and enjoyable. Actually, even more than that – it's liberating. I find that my questions become like springboards by which you propel me into a whole new realm of thought. You liberate my mind from old patterns of thinking and push back the frontiers of my intellect. I know that at times I have challenged you, both intellectually and personally.

Please forgive me. I know it's not my position to do that. But I only did so because I know that you are an extremely reasonable person, and you have very good reasons for doing things, and when I understand those reasons, it makes my faith in you grow. So, thank you for tolerating me and for being so open and honest, sometimes to the point of making yourself vulnerable, for the sake of answering my sometimes impertinent questions.

I also want to tell you how much I appreciate your explanations of the scriptures. Although you might think we find your Sanskrit grammar boring, for me, it's thrilling. By unlocking the nuances of meaning conveyed by the Sanskrit words, you allow a door to open through which I can enter deeper into the scriptures and gain new insights on what's being said. Your literal translations of the Bhagavad gita have been invaluable in my study and writing of the Gita, and every Sunday morning I get butterflies of excitement in my stomach in anticipation of hearing your weekly Bhagavatam classes. Please go on dispensing this nectar! I hope that you will get through the entire Srimad Bhagavatam.

I'd like to conclude by saying that it's been an extraordinary pleasure getting to know you over the past couple of years. I'm very



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grateful that Krishna has arranged for me to have a connection with such a charming transcendental personality as yourself. As you prayed to Srila Prabhupada in your offering, I sincerely pray to you that, now that you have brought me back to America, please empower me to act as your instrument in restoring Krishna consciousness to its former glory (and beyond!) in the Western world. Through this service, I hope that my relationship with may deepen, and that one day you will be proud to have me as your disciple. And from the bottom of my heart, I'd like to thank you for giving me a new and wonderful life.

Hare Krishna!

*Your servant,
Prabhupada Priya dd (Krishna House, FL, USA)*

PREMANANDA DAS

Querido Srila Acharyadeva,

¡VYASA-PUJA KI JAY!

Srila Acaryadeva por favor acepte mis más humildes y postradas reverencias bajo el polvo de sus divinos pies de loto, los cuales son el refugio de todas las almas condicionadas que estamos sufriendo en este mundo material.

Srila Acaryadeva deseo agradecerle por haberme tolerado todos estos 42 años que he estado tratando de servirle, y que no he podido hacerlo bien, algunas veces usted me ha instruido para superar mis anarthas, y yo he sido muy tonto y no he aceptado sus instrucciones para poder superar mis malas cualidades, y he sido la ofensa personificada frente a usted, pero usted ha sido tan tolerante conmigo y ha continuado instruyéndome a pesar de mi ineptitud para servirle, me ha animado a continuar en mi vida espiritual por todos esos años.

Srila Acaryadeva gracias por su misericordia sin causa que ha tenido conmigo y por favor continúe así para que alguna día yo pueda servirle como usted se merece. ¡Todas las glorias a su bendita aparición en este planeta para salvar a los necios como yo!

Su más caído aspirante a sirviente

Premananda das Adh. Krishna West, Aguascalientes, Mexico



A man wearing a blue polo shirt, khaki pants, a baseball cap, and sunglasses is sitting cross-legged on a sandy playground. He is smiling at the camera. Behind him is a large black canopy and a playground slide. The background shows trees and a clear sky.

PRESTHA DAS

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhu-pada!

This is only my second time seeing you in person since I was introduced to your lectures about 5 years ago. My association with you is primarily through your recorded lectures, videos, and books. Because of this, I am very grateful for your online presence.

As of four months ago, I am very grateful that you started the weekly Srimad-Bhagavatam broadcast and I eagerly await each video! I have heard from the Bhagavatam itself that it is as brilliant as the sun and the ripened fruit of all Vedic literatures, but I have to admit that it is not always easy to realize this fact when I'm reading it on my own. However, whenever I hear recordings of your Bhagavatam Classes it becomes clear that these statements are indeed true! Now I am very glad that you are going through the Bhagavatam from the beginning and straight through, because you really do bring out its brilliance.

A few years ago I was raving to my wife about one of your classes that I had just listened to. I asked, "How is it possible to



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be so knowledgeable about so many different subjects? I mean, how could that much information even fit into one person's brain?" And she replied very matter-of-factly. "He has a super-brain." I immediately agreed and I find it comforting to know that there are people out there who have such a vast and diverse wealth of knowledge of world religions and philosophies, such as yourself, who conclude that Krishna Consciousness is the highest truth.

Thanking you again for your wisdom, guidance, inspiration, humor, and for writing books. And, I hope you'll make another kirtan album!.

Your servant,

-Prestha Dasa (USA)

PRESTHALI DASÍ



Todas as glórias a srila prabhupada

Querido srila Acaryadeva

Aceite minhas respeitosas reverências.

Gratidão à sua infinita misericórdia por ter me aceitado como sua humilde discípula. Nessa era de desamor, ignorância e falta de compaixão, sua força luz e sabedoria rompe a escuridão da ignorância. Seu projeto Krsna West é de uma visão real futurista e extraordinária, algo ao mesmo tempo simples e eficiente.

Atrair pessoas ao movimento de prabhupada de forma real e adequada ao nosso estilo de vida ocidental e atual. Seu brilhantismo e inteligência satisfaz a prabhupada, sucessão discipular e Krsna.

Agradeço por sua misericórdia e bondade sua benevolência em tratar aos seus discípulos e a essa sua mais caída discípula.

Sua serva Presthali devi dasi

Querido Gurudeva, por favor aceite minhas mais sinceras e humildes reverências. Jaya Srila Prabhupada! Jaya Srila Acharyadeva!

Escrevo esta humilde carta tentando tecer agradecimentos pelo que eu tenho me tornado dia após dia por sua graça, apesar das minhas falhas, e exaltar a importância da sua presença na minha vida.

Este mundo simplesmente não é fácil, mas através do senhor, não só a mim mas milhares de outras almas afortunadíssimas, tiveram a benção de receber Srila Prabhupada de forma tão sóbria, profunda, coerente e relevante, e poder abandonar esta existência sem sentido sem Krishna.

Esse é o maior tesouro que a minha alma errante já vislumbrou, e cada dia tento construir um merecimento dentro de mim que ainda não se

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faz presente.

Com seu archote, a estrada se ilumina. Como as palavras falham em expressar a importância do senhor na minha vida, eu apenas peço encarecidamente que me ocupe no seu serviço vida após vida. Que cada ato, palavra, pensamento, canção minha esteja a seu serviço, a serviço de Srila Prabhupada. Apesar de toda vaidade e orgulho, meu coração anseia por te servir, e eu espero humildemente um dia ser qualificado para tal.

Do fundo da minha alma, obrigado querido Gurudeva por tudo que tem feito por nós e por Srila Prabhupada.

Todas as glórias a Sri Sri Guru e Gauranga! Jaya Prabhupada!!

*Com amor,
Prithu Pavana Dasa (Brasil)*



RADHA KANTHA DAS

Querido Srila Acaryadeva,
Hare Krishna.

En la gloriosa ocasión de la celebración de su Vyasa-puja, me gustaría expresar que estamos profundamente motivados a formar parte de su misión en Occidente.

Dicha, reedita una versión exquisita y sabiamente atinada de la perenne sabiduría; original, fidedigna, -sublime legado de los predecesores Acaryas-. Usted, glorioso guardián de lo Ancestro.



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Mediante su inteligencia y compasión sin iguales, lleva a cabo, en vivo ejemplo, el deseo más excelso de Srila Prabhupada y el Señor Caitanya.

Encarna en este tiempo, el Acarya original. Sus potentes palabras consiguen transformar la malicia de los corazones necios, purificando a quien lo porta, dejando evidente el verdadero entendimiento.

Sólo podemos querer servirle y amarle más, a cada instante; e implorarle que nos conceda la gracia de la sombra de sus pies de loto y la inteligencia para poder servirle, con éxito.

*Su sirvienta siempre,
Radha kanta Devi Dasi.*

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Jay, Gurudeva! Por favor, aceite minhas mais humildes e respeitadas reverências. Todas as glórias a Srila Prabhupada!

Nesta ocasião tão especial de seu Vyasa Puja, gostaria , mais uma vez, de agradecer-lhe por toda dedicação e paciência, e por seus imprescindíveis esforços para a propagação e manutenção deste tesouro que é a Consciência de Krishna.

Vendo-o trabalhar incessantemente para satisfazer a vontade de Srila Prabhupada, apenas oro para, que de alguma maneira, eu também possa ser um instrumento para o Senhor Caitanya, cooperando com todos os vaishnavas pelo bem estar das almas espirituais e para o prazer de Radha e Krishna. Obrigada por todas as instruções e valiosos conselhos.

Sua serva,
Radha Kanta Devi Dasi (Brasil)

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A MI AMADO MAESTRO ESPIRITUAL

SRILA HRIDAYANANDA GOSVAMI ACARYADEVA QUERIDO GURUDEVA:

POR FAVOR ACEPTÉ MIS MAS HUMILDES Y RESPETUOSAS REVERENCIAS AL POLVO QUE EMANA DE SUS PIES DE LOTO.

SOLO EL RECORDAR LOS MOMENTOS CUANDO LO ESCUCHE LA PRIMERA VEZ EN 1974 EN LA CIUDAD DE MEXICO, CON PALABRAS QUE ME HICIERON SENTIR QUE SI NO TENÍA DETERMINACIÓN PARA SER CONCIENTE DE KRSNA ERA MEJOR NO ESTUVIERA EN EL TEMPLO. SU EJEMPLO SIEMPRE FUE DE VITAL IMPORTANCIA HASTA ESTE MOMENTO.

RADHIKA DAS



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SU PREDICA QUE NOS HACE SENTIR QUE REALMENTE ES MUY IMPORTANTE LA PREDICA ADECUADA PARA QUE LAS PERSONAS SE SIENTAN ANIMADAS Y ESTIMULADAS COMO YO ME SENTI EN AQUEL MOMENTO.

SIEMPRE TENGO TAN PRESENTE EL VERSO DE LA BHAGAVAD GITA 4.34 TAN ESCUCHADO Y TAN MARAVILLOSA CUANDO TAN SOLO DEBEMOS DE APRENDER LA VERDAD ACUDIENDO A UN MAESTRO ESPIRITUAL FIDEDIGNO COMO USTED, HACERLE PREGUNTAS DE UNA MANERA SUMISA Y PRESTARLE SERVICIO, ENTENDER QUE USTED NOS IMPARTE UN CONOCIMIENTO PORQUE HA VISTO LA VERDAD.

MUCHAS GRACIAS SRILA ACARYADEVA POR DARNOS ESTE CONOCIMIENTO DE UNA MANERA TAN PRAGMATICA Y QUE ASI DEBEMOS TRASMITIRLO.

GRACIAS POR SIEMPRE DARME LA TRANQUILIDAD, LA PAZ, LA FELICIDAD POR LA QUE AHORA CONTINUO Y DESEO CONTINUAR ETERNAMENTE.

*SU MAS CAIDA SIRVIENTE
RADHIKA DEVI DAS
AGUASCALIENTES, MEXICO*





Jaya Srila Acaryadeva.

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. All glories to you, in this most auspicious day. All glories to your wonderful legacy, which inspire thousands and thousands of devotees today, and will continue to inspire uncountable devotees throughout history. In chapter 10 of the Gītā, Kṛṣṇa explains his power identifying himself with magnanimous things found in the universe. In particular, in verse 32 he says that “of those stating claims I am the clear conclusion”. As a trained professional philosopher and logician, I can attest the level of logical and philosophical sophistication of your lectures. I cannot help myself to believe that Kṛṣṇa is explicitly and openly manifesting himself through your teachings. Thank you for everything you have done for us.

*Your most fallen servant,
Rama Carita das (Brazil)*

RAMA CARITA DAS





RAMANANDA DAS

Dear Acaryadeva,

I was born in the darkest ignorance, and you open my eyes with the torch of knowledge. I offer my respectful obeisances unto you.

Please accept my obeisances, and all glories to you and your inspiring service to Srila Prabhupada. Jaya Prabhupada.

Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Thakur proclaimed that, 'I wish that every selfless, tender-hearted person of Gaudiya Math will be prepared to shed two hundred gallons of blood for the nourishment of the spiritual corpus of every individual of this world.' I am in the early stages of my Krishna conscious endeavours, and although I am often lazy and stubborn, I take great inspiration from you because you have, and still are, giving all of your energy to trying to please your spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada.

You have given me such incredible mercy by allowing me to serve you personally on a few occasions in the last couple of years, and I have noticed that your constant meditation is on endeavouring to please Srila Prabhupada by spreading his Western mission.

I am lacking in a strong desire to help others, and often fall victim



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to objectifying people so as to allow myself an escape from the reality of relationships, which I often find acutely painful due to their unpredictable nature that it is out of my capacity (but not desire) to control. I pray to you Acaryadeva that you may help me to take Krishna seriously, to trust Him fully, and to truly desire to see Him as the most incredible personality that He is! Only then will I be able to become as personal and caring as you, which is my sincere desire.

Wishing you a wonderful 'birthday' and half a century anniversary of inspiring so many people to exit the material world and to start their Krishna conscious journeys.

Your servant, Ramananda das (UK)



Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my humble obeiscenses, all glories to Srila Prabhu-pada!

On this day I wish you health, joy and many blessings. I have to say thank you. That despite the many students and requests addressed to you, you will always take time for me to answer my practical and theoretical questions. Despite the short break in contact we had in the meantime, you still have an open ear for me. In the time of Kali-Yuga, when disputes and differences of opinion dominate human debates and we tend to simplify complex philosophies such Krishna consciousness, you are for me the point that helps me to maintain my access to Krishna consciousness beyond the myths with a critical, scientific view. I believe that nothing is more distant from the truth than small-minded fear for one's own worldview and understanding.

Thank you, Acaryadeva.

Raphael (Germany)

RAPHAEL





RASA MANJARI DASI

Dear Hridayananda Das Goswami Maharaja,

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

I feel very fortunate to have reconnected with you.

Your lectures on youtube are a great source of inspiration to me. I really enjoy the grammar (!) as well as the diversity of topics. I can truly say that you make Krishna consciousness not only relevant but also fun again! It is such a treat to log in on your youtube channel and hear and see you speak on spiritual science (from Bhagavad-gita, Srimad Bhagavatam, etc) within a contemporary context. Much of what I learn from listening to your presentations I try to apply in my own efforts to share Krishna consciousness with others. I also like to read and study your essays.



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All of this has helped me tremendously to broaden my own Krishna conscious horizon as well as to come to terms with my past experiences within Iskcon.

Thank you very much for being such a staunch and loyal disciple of Srila Prabhupada! I wish you a very wonderful Vyasa puja celebration!

With gratitude and love

Rasa Manjari devi dasi TKG (Nederland)





Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my respectful obeisances at your lotus feet.

With sharp intellect and extraordinary devotion, you have ignited in the hearts of many a desire to share Krishna consciousness with the world. Your vision for Lord Caitanya's movement fills my heart with hope and energy. Your presentation of our philosophy is incredible and it always leaves me with a greater appreciation for the knowledge Srila Prabhupada has shared with us. Thank you for teaching me how to love and serve Krishna. I consider it one of my greatest fortunes that I am in the position to try to render some service to you.

Your servant, Reshma (UK)

RESHMA





Left to Right: Mother Koti Chandra, Jaganath Priya, Krishna Priya, Ramachandra, Radhika, Jahnvi

Dear Srila Acharyadeva,

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

Thank you for your tireless work to serve ISKCON and Srila Prabhupada. When I last saw you in Gainesville you mentioned, as you have in the past, how joyful you feel in your service. You have mentioned in past classes that we should remember that the guidelines we follow and our practice of sadhana are a means to an end and not a means in themselves. Your reminder of feeling genuine joy and bliss in your service inspires me to continue cultivating my spiritual life, and to see the big picture, the reasons for our daily practice.

Over time I have also noticed that real joy and purpose in life comes from serving others as you have said. I am attempting to teach this to my children and find ways we can serve together as a family. I feel fortunate to have your classes as a guide in this lifetime for myself and my children to live purposeful and intentional lives, and to teach us how to live for Krishna.

Thank you for guiding us and giving us a purpose to work towards. I ask for your blessings for Rama and Jahnavi that they always remember Krishna in their hearts.

All glories to your service Srila Acharyadeva!

Your servant,

Rocking Radhika dd



I bow at the feet of His Holiness Hridayananda Das Goswami Acaryadeva, my eternal Spiritual Master and leader, the preeminent preceptor of Krishna Consciousness in the line of His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, and the great protector and proponent of Srila Prabhupada's mission in the West.

Today I honour with great joy and reverence your absolutely incomparable and essential contribution to Srila Prabhupada's mission. Time and time again you broke uncharted territory on his behalf, leading us confidently from one spiritual frontier to the next, our fearless general in Srila Prabhupada's spiritual army. With the strength of your conviction and devotion alone, you conquered Central and South America for Srila Prabhupada, established spiritual centres across continents, and coordinated the translation, publication and distribution of millions of Srila Prabhupada's books. And you continued to break frontiers for Srila Prabhupada even after his departure from this world, for which the community of Vaishnavas will always remain indebted to you. Please allow me to highlight a few points only. You completed the Srimad Bhagavatam for us, a landmark contribution to Srila Prabhupada's legacy that cannot be appreciated enough. You broke ground defiantly and courageously when you led the charge for Vaishnavas to pursue higher education in

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universities, yourself securing stellar academic credentials of the highest order, showing us by example how to command the respect of the wider public, and encouraging us to boldly and confidently represent our Vaishnava acaryas in propagating the tenets of Gaudiya Vaishnavism in modern times. You revitalised the Western preaching mission with your visionary Krishna West project, a strategic masterstroke in Srila Prabhupada's service. Your penetrating intelligence continues to protect us from unhealthy attitudes that often develop in spiritual communities, and guards us against debilitating misappropriations of Gaudiya Vaishnava philosophy. You engage powerfully with the rapidly evolving technologies of our time, spreading Lord Caitanya's message across multiple social media platforms, and nourishing the spiritual well-being of multitudes across the globe. In fact, you have rescued so many disheartened but earnest devotees who had strayed away from our community over the years. And you are now poised to spark a revolutionary turn in spiritual literature for the modern age.

I have only managed to sketch a hazy outline of your illustrious achievements, and I haven't even touched on your unsung glories; I regret that I cannot celebrate and glorify you adequately. I regret more that your efforts are sometimes berated by those who choose to misunderstand or misrepresent you. Despite that, you weather these bruises with great courage, and show us by glorious example how to honour Srila Prabhupada's sacrifices with unwavering resolve and dedication. Above all, you have taught us how to work respectfully and co-operatively with our brothers and sisters in the great adventure that is Srila Prabhupada's mission, in the home that he built for us. I pray that one day soon the world may properly recognise the significance of your contribution and appreciate your many sacrifices; I have no doubt *that history will.*

*nama om viṣṇu-pādāya kṛṣṇa-preṣṭhāya bhūtale
śrimate hṛdayānanda dāsa goswāmin iti nāmine*

*namas te guru-hamsāya paramānanda-medhase
prabhupāda-pramodāya duṣṭa-siddhānta-nāśine*

*Your servant always,
Sankarsana Dasa
(Krishna West London)*



¡Todas las Glorias a Sri Guru y Gauranga!
¡Todas las Glorias a Srila Prabhupada!
¡Todas las Glorias a Usted Srila Gurumaharaja!

Porfavor acepte mis humildes y respetuosas reverencias a Sus Pies de Loto.

Nama om visnupadaya Krsna presthaya bhutale
Srimate hridayananda Goswamin iti namine

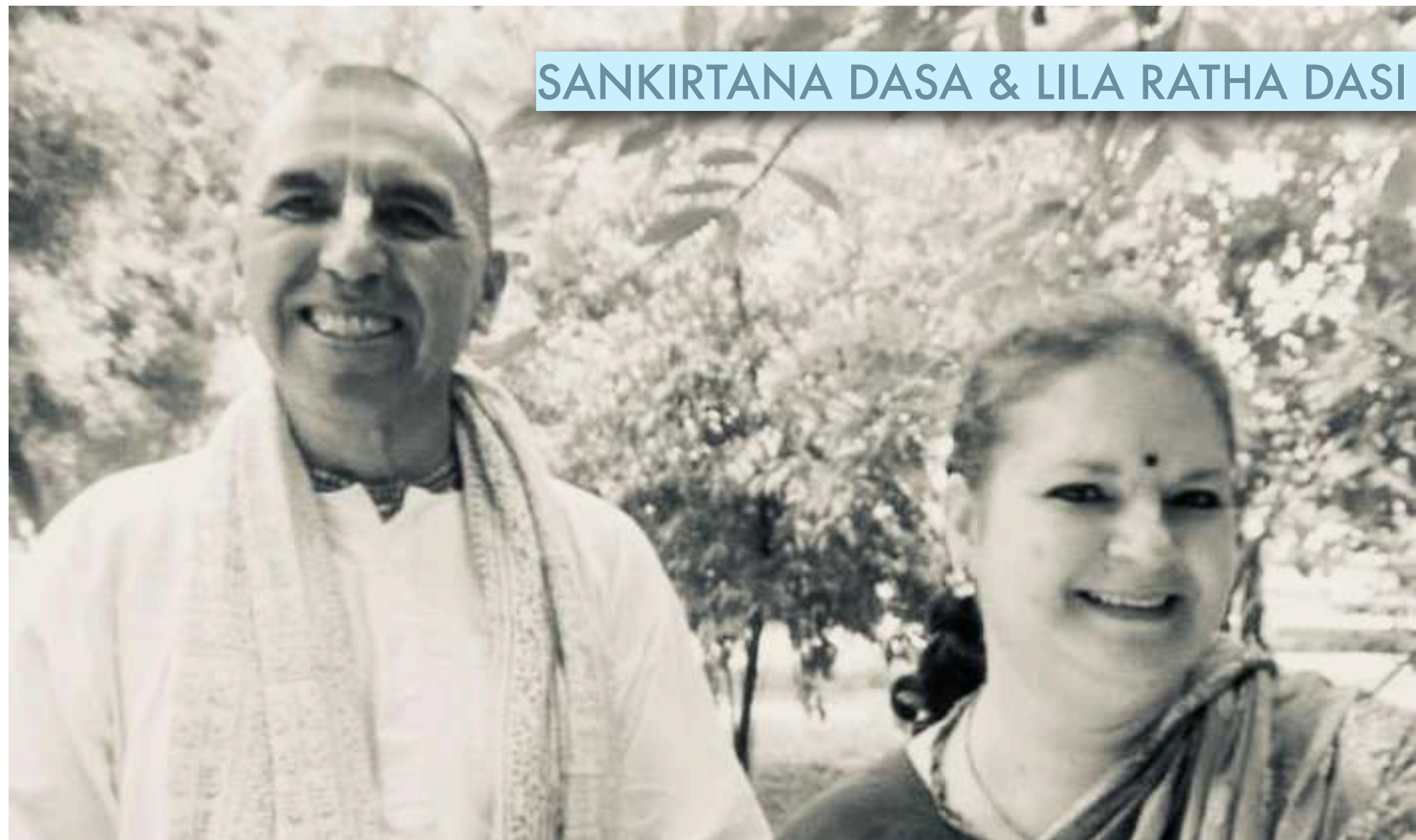
"Ofrezco mis humildes y respetuosas reverencias a Su Divina Gracia a Srila Hridayananda Goswami Maharaja, quien es muy querido por el

Señor Krishna debido a que se
ha refugiado en Sus Pies de
Loto".

*Namaste guru-hamsaya
Paramananda-medhase
Prabhupada-pramodhaya
Dusta-siddhanta-nasine*

"Ofrezco mis respetuosas reverencias a Mi maestro espiritual quien es como un cisne. Con Su inteligencia trascendental y extática complace a Srila Prabhupada al destruir todas las filosofías corruptas".

Amado Gurudeva:



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Una y otra vez le ofrezco mis respetuosas reverencias a Sus Divinos Pies de Loto en este memorable día de Su Divina aparición; que en este día de Su Vyasapuja nuestros corazones se regocijen y que el Señor Sri Krsna lo proteja de toda calamidad; que Su cuerpo se mantenga saludable y trascendental.

Se dice en el Srimad-Bhagavatam 5.18.12 lo siguiente:

*yasyāsti bhaktir bhagavaty akiñcanā
sarvair guṇais tatra samāstate surāḥ
harāv abhaktasya kuto mahad-guṇā
manorathenāsati dhāvato bahiḥ*

En el cuerpo de aquel que ha adquirido devoción pura por la Suprema Personalidad de Dios, Vāsudeva, se manifiestan todos los semidioses con sus sublimes cualidades, como la religión, el conocimiento y la renunciación. Por otra parte, una persona sin servicio devocional y ocupada en actividades materiales, no tiene buenas cualidades. (...)

En este verso se nos ilustra acerca de Su personalidad, un digno y fiel discípulo de Srila Prabhupada, entusiasta y experto en predicar, apegado a siempre prestar la verdad, y por estar siempre ocupado en beneficio de los demás, es trascendental a la dualidad de este mundo material.

Chanakya Pandita dice:

El ornamento de la noche es la luna, el ornamento de una mujer es un buen esposo, el ornamento de la Tierra es el rey, y el conocimiento es el ornamento de Todos.

... Que el ornamento de nuestras vidas sea Srila Acaryadeva Ki Jaya!

Orando por Su misericordia sin causa... Por siempre a servicio...

Sus sirvientes

Sankirtana Dasa y Lila Ratha Devi Dasi (Mexico)





SARASVATI DASI

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

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

Thank you for your courage, determination, and dedication in working to make your vision of a western friendly, mainstream Krishna Conscious society a reality. You present Krishna Consciousness in a practical, user friendly manner which is simultaneously intellectually logical and spiritually joyful.

I appreciate that you always make time to reply to your disciples and well wishers despite your busy writing schedule. You show by your example the meaning of personalism and devotee care. Thank you for that.



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I am glad that you are well situated in San Diego, and I look forward to continuing to attempt to be a small part of the Krishna West mission in your service and the service of Srila Prabhupada.

*Your grateful aspiring servant,
Sarasvati dd (Los Angeles, USA)*

SAVITRI (PG JR.)



Dear Powerful Guru,

Happy birthday! I wanted to thank you for spreading Krishna all over the world! I admire what you have done, and I hope that I one day can give Krishna to others too. :)

Savitri, 10 (PG Jr.)

Querido Acharyadeva, por favor aceite minhas humildes e respeitosas reverências! Todas as glórias a Srila Prabhupada!

Ontem aqui em Nova Gokula tivemos a comemoração de Sri Radhastami mahotsava, foi um festival muito extático, encontrei muitos devotos que há muito não via. Tudo foi muito inspirador.

Entretanto, nada me inspira mais do que sua presença em minha vida, por mais que eu não seja qualificado, ainda assim, entendo que qualquer progresso na consciência de Krishna se deve a sua misericórdia.

Os seus passos são como Lótus sobre o lodo da existência material, suas palavras me guiam no caminho, rumo a consciência espiritual. Por favor, seja misericordioso comigo e conceda-me a sombra de seus pés de Lótus. Permita-me servi-lo em sua missão KW para o prazer de Srila Prabhupada e o benefício da humanidade!

Seu servo, Sesalila Dasa (Brasil)

SESALILA DAS





Alegria, felicidade, bem aventurança e, principalmente, gratidão.

São nossos sentimentos em relação a este glorioso e abençoado evento de comemoração do aparecimento de Sua Santidade Hridayananda das Goswami Acaryadeva, e dos seus 50 anos de sannyasa e serviço a Srila Prabhupada. Sua presença, seja física, seja por meio de suas instruções iluminam nossos caminhos e nos trazem segurança da nossa natureza e dever últimos.

Oremos ao Senhor Krsna e Srila Prabhupada para que mantenham suas bênçãos de uma vida luminosa e bem aventurada, guiando-nos de volta ao nosso lar.

*Seus servos,
Sevarati Das e Ananda-Gita Devi das
(Brasília, Brasil)*

SEVARATI DAS & ANANDA-GITA DAS



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

Gratitude, having a clear way forward, and perseverance are the three characteristics I feel in this monumental 50th anniversary of yours. 50 years ago, in Berkeley, you met Srila Prabhupada, and ever since you followed in his footsteps, along the path he created to save the world.

The clear way forward for success has been paved by Srila Prabhupada with his bulldozer in this dense forest of Kali Yuga, and you, as you have mentioned, are in my opinion the greatest of guides.

Gratitude is a word that begins to express how I feel for your presence and guidance in our lives, but the word falls short in the depth at which I feel the auspicious presence you have in our lives. Only for Krsna can such a divine gift be bestowed upon us. Perseverance for the past 50 years, and a life dedicated to your beloved spiritual master Srila Prabhupada is in itself a marvelous achievement. No matter the Americas, North, Central or South, you have through books give Krsna to so many and in their

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hearts awakened a long-lost love.

With gratitude I thank you for all that you have done, and with enthusiasm I hope to help in all that Krishna West will do.

*With love, your servants,
Sri Govinda Dasa,
Lilananda Devi Dasi,
and Gauravani Devi Dasi (USA)*



Jaya Srila Prabhupada, Jaya Srila Acaryadeva

Por favor acepte mis respetuosas reverencias y mis más humildes felicitaciones, en su gran día.

Desde niña, por parte de mis padres, mi hermano, devotos cercanos siempre he escuchado hablar maravillas, anécdotas y un sinfín de cosas tan impresionantes de usted. Tal vez no entendía mucho, pero sentía tan bonito y una gran alegría al oír la emoción y la devoción con la que ellos compartían cualquier cosa de Usted, realmente solo pensaba en lo grandioso que sería conocerlo en persona pues si con solo verlo en fotos y escuchar hablar de usted ya sentía tanta alegría, qué decir el verlo en persona. Entonces por misericordia de Krishna, mis padres hicieron el arreglo para poderlo conocer; recuerdo que fuimos a los Ángeles, en cuando supe que lo iba a conocer tenía nervios, felicidad... pero de pronto nos dijeron que se había ido a Atlanta y sentí tristeza muy extraña. A los pocos minutos mi papá nos dijo que iríamos a Atlanta y llegando recuerdo que estaba tan alegre que iba caminando junto a mi mamá de prisa y solo pensaba en que debía de hacer, decir. Al llegar con usted le di reverencias (mis padres, Maharsi y mi hermano lo hicieron así que lo hice, pues siempre han sido mi ejemplo a seguir aunque nunca lo he hecho del todo bien). Esos días de estancia ahí fueron de una gran alegría y realmente siendo niña no entendía su grandeza ni todo lo que hacía, pero si entendía lo que sentía al verlo, al escucharlo y escuchar hablar de usted, sentía una gran felicidad,

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seguridad y mucha fe. Desde ese día hasta la fecha puedo decir que he llegado a perder la fe en muchas cosas; viví cosas que me han hecho decir “no puedo más”, me alejé de grandes personas, dejé de creer, etc. Pero nunca perdí la Fe en Usted y quiero agradecerle que si no fuera por usted, estaría aún más perdida de lo que estoy.

Gracias a Usted, día a día quiero ser mejor madre para Balaram y Keshava, mejor hija, hermana, esposa. Sé que tengo tantos errores y le he fallado tanto que me siento tan apenada, Usted hace tanto por nosotros que yo sé que no voy a recompensar ni el mínimo. Deseo de corazón poder algún día pagarle esta gran deuda que siento a diario.

Gracias por todo y feliz Vyasa Puja!

Sri Govinda DD

(León, México)

SRI MADHAVA DAS



Querido Srila Acharyadeva:

Mis más humildes y respetuosas reverencias en este día tan auspicioso, en el que todos sus discípulos conmemoramos su Vyasa puja y aniversario por tanto servicio a Srila Prabhupada, a ISKCON y al movimiento de Sankirtan de Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu; predicando la conciencia de Krishna con tanto esmero y abnegación y siendo Ud. un ejemplo vivo de la práctica correcta y determinada del Bhakti-Yoga.

En su última video conferencia sobre el Srimad-Bhagavatam con traducción literal del texto sánscrito leyó versos referidos a varias encarnaciones y avatares de la Suprema Personalidad de Dios, Sri Krishna y refiriéndose a Rey Pritu Ud. lo destacó como una encarnación que embelleció la tierra en un momento de grave decadencia, cuando el Rey Vena fue maldecido de muerte por los Brahmanas, cansados de sus ofensas y atrocidades durante su gobierno. Le ofrezco nuevamente mis humildes reverencias en esa forma en la que Ud. se expresó, que en tiempos de graves crisis espiritual el propio Señor Supremo se hace cargo del sistema universal, o manifiesta su poder y presencia a través de esta forma trascendente y sublime, al enviar a Su devoto íntimo, querido y Él disfrutar de ese altar que es el corazón de Su devoto completamente entregado.

Solo consigo verme, por el resultado de mis propias actividades condicionadas, como un cadáver sin vida, como ese cuerpo muerto del rey maldecido pero, así como los brahmanas, al manipular ese despojo material, consiguieron que el Rey Pritu apareciera y se hiciera cargo de la tierra y los quehaceres universales para el

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beneficio de todos en su máxima potencia y esplendor; de la misma forma puedo realizar a su servicio a Srila Prabhupada como Guru de ISKCON, educador y formador de todos nosotros sus discípulos. En mi caso en particular, su incansable tenacidad para buscar cristalizar lo trascendente y eterno de alguien que está en total ilusión, completamente identificado con un cuerpo material y así, condenado a ser alimento de perros y chacales. En ese servicio constante e inmaculado suyo querido Srila Acharyadeva, siempre están presentes esos pasatiempos del Srimad-Bhagavatam que Ud. siempre nos insiste que seamos capaces de ver en cada situación de nuestra vida. Y realizamos que el Sr. Supremo Mismo esta presente en las actividades de Su devoto puro. Como el Rey Pritu Usted está generando la máxima belleza y esplendor espiritual con Su asociación, ejemplo y esmero incansable para educar devotos que queremos alguna vez aprender a ser un Vaishnava. Podemos ver el fruto de Su ardua labor por hacer de este mundo tan caído en esta difícil y complicada era de Kali, que ha conseguido iluminar como un segundo sol esa parte olvidada y descuidada que es la vida espiritual, nuestra realidad como seres eternos partes integrantes de Krishna, que hemos aprendido que somos pro aceptarlo como nuestro Guru para refugiarnos en la sombra de sus pies de lotos.

HARE KRISHNA.

Sri Madhava Das (Córdoba, Argentina)



Taruni dasi

TARUNI DASI



All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to my dear master
Hridayananda Dasa Goswami, Srila Acharyadeva!

My dear master, please, accept my obeisance.

Lord Krishna bless you forever! I wish you a long life in wonderful
health and happiness. No word can tell my feeling at this mo-
ment. I can only thank God for one day I've met you. Because
since then, you are my North on the way back home.

I just wish to serve you helpfully and nothing more.

With my best regards

Your eternal servant Vanavihari dd
(Brazil)

VANAVIRAH I DASI



Hare Krishna

Caro Srila Acharyadeva, tutte le glorie a Srila Prabhupada e tutte le glorie a te.

Ogni anno, nel giorno auspicioso del tuo Vyasa Puja cerco di glorificare te e il tuo glorioso servizio, ma questo dovrei farlo ogni giorno in modo da essere costantemente ispirata da te. Il tuo corpo, la tua mente, le tue azioni sono al servizio del tuo amato maestro spirituale che con la sua predica ha illuminato il mondo intero.

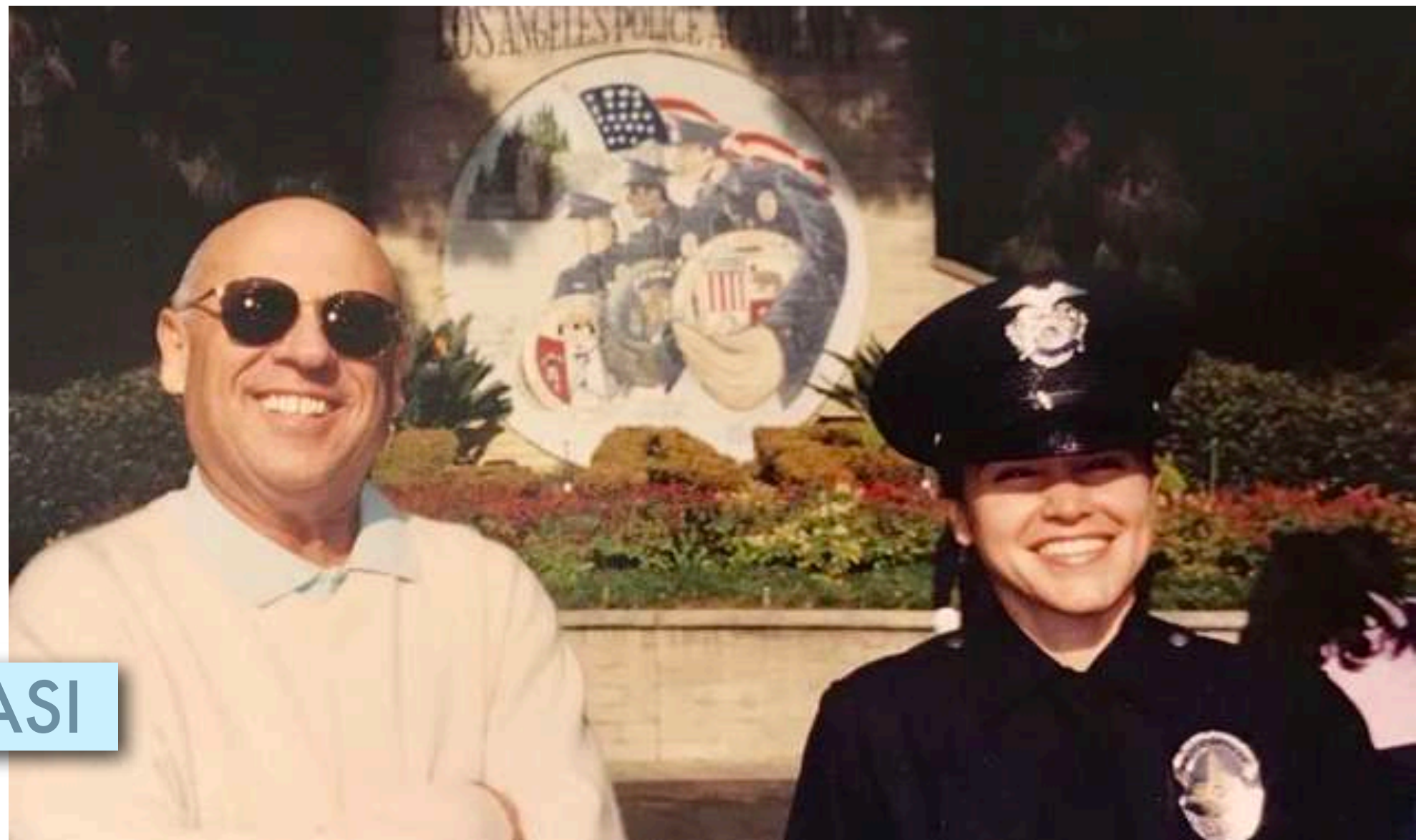
Egli ti ha investito del potere della sua predica, ed ora sei tu che illumini il nostro cammino e progresso spirituale. Grazie di prenderti cura di noi, grazie per spiritualizzare la nostra intelligenza e grazie per permetterci di servirti e servire la missione di Srila Prabhupada.

Eternamente tua umile servitrice Vanamali DD (Italy, Villaggio)

Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances! All glories to Srila Prabhupada! All glories to your divine transcendental self!

I just want to take the opportunity on this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja to thank you for everything you have given me all these years. Your guidance and association has been invaluable. You have shown me what it means to have a personal relationship with others (you) in Krishna consciousness (as opposed to an impersonal one).



VARESHA DAS



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You have always been my Krishna conscious cheerleader and I am eternally grateful for that. You've always taken my side in relationship matters and you've supported me in my worldly endeavors. I know that you will continue to bless me in whatever projects I attempt and there is certainly one I have brewing because I have not given up hope of doing something great for Srila Prabhupada's movement.

You are the gift that keeps on giving. You give us books, lectures, Krishna West, (thank God for Krishna West!), intelligence, joy and laughter, (lots of laughter), just to name a few. Hopefully someday I can make you proud. Thank you for all the mercy! I am for sure so lucky to have you as my spiritual teacher.

Gratefully yours, Varesha devi dasi (US



Jaya Acarydeva! Jaya Prabhupada!

Please accept my humble respects and my very humble attempt to glorify Your Holiness on this most wonderful and auspicious day.

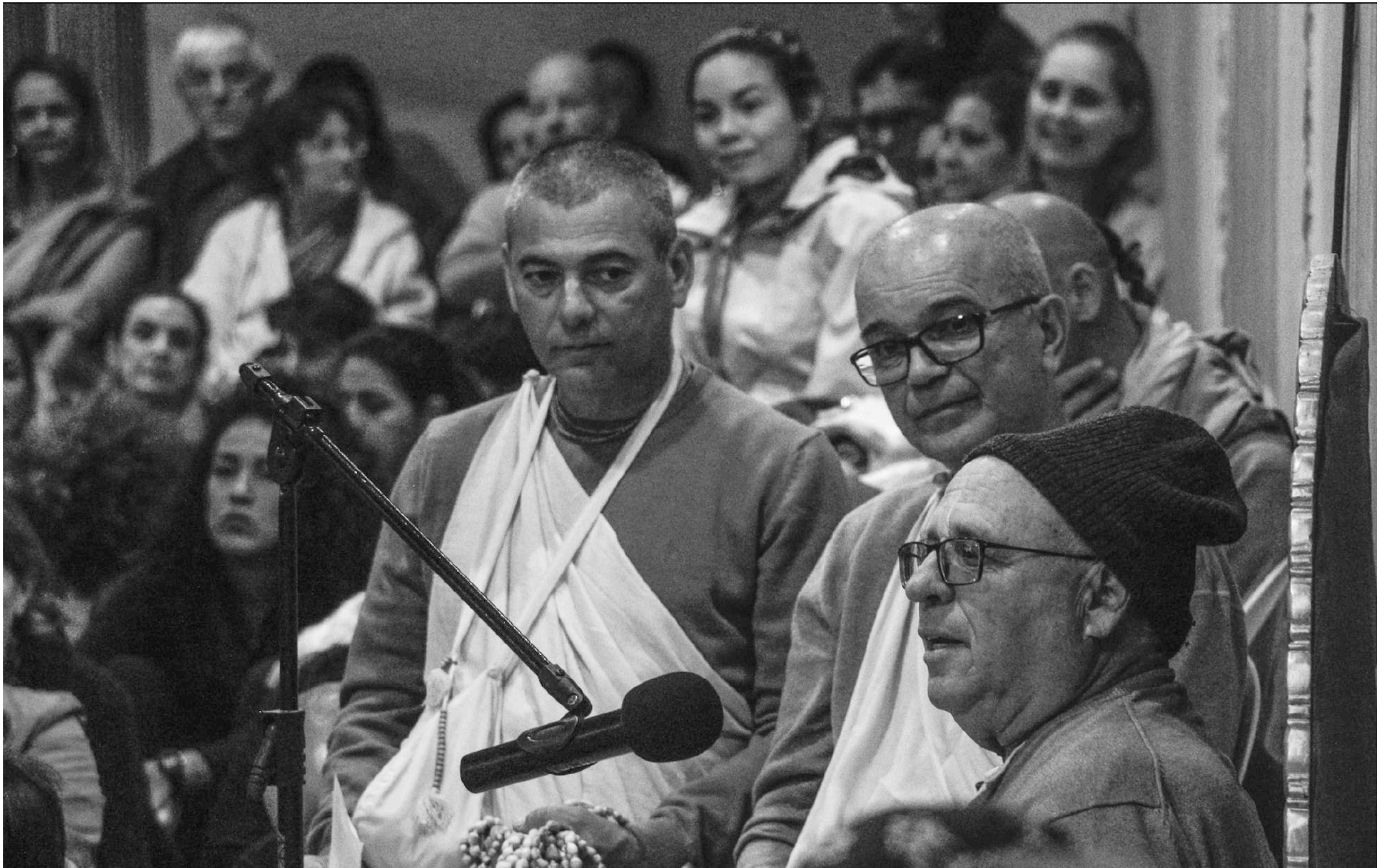
"The wisdom of the wise is the welfare of the World."

Prabhupada asked his disciples to study his books and make accommodation for the variations of culture and convenience of different peoples. All this is to be done -by those with the capacity, wisdom and benevolence to do it-while keeping the essence fully intact. Your Holiness is just such a well-wishing and magnanimous soul who, by the explicit request of Prabhupada, is making Krishna Consciousness elegantly simple for westerners by its sublime simplicity!

The wise universally understand that the 'torchlight of knowledge' is appreciated by various means. One many learn via the school of hard knocks yet the best path is to adopt the appropriate humble attitude of gratitude and respect, and approach the teacher with a desire to serve. After many dreadful errors of the former path, I feel justified in taking up the latter!

Aspiring to be a servant of Krishna West, Varshana dasi

VARSHANA DASI



VIRA KRISHNA DAS & FAMILY



Dear Srila Acaryadeva,

The occasion of your Vyasa-Puja is an excellent opportunity to thank you for the wonderful things you have done not only for me but all the people who had the fortune of having your association. I have compiled a small list of the things I would like to thank you for, although I know it is by no means complete:

- Your staunch devotion to Srila Prabhupada for over 50 years;
- Your demonstration that all of us can serve Krishna following our nature, within the boundaries established by Shastra, guru, and sadhu;
- Your demonstration that Krishna consciousness is not a bunch of rules and regulations but a very sophisticated and logical process for developing God consciousness;

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- Your thorough explanations about how all the Acaryas were considerate of the time and place they were in and delivered Sri Krishna's message in a way that was relevant and appropriate to the people around them;
 - Your arguments proving that God is not a religious fanatic and that, in addition to being all attractive, He is also our greatest well-wisher and perfectly fair;
 - Your struggle to maintain Srila Prabhupada's society united, despite the unfair and inconsiderate treatment you received by some other members of ISKCON;
 - Your utilization of all means available to keep us inspired through your association, such as online lectures and books;
 - Your ability to utilize all your great gifts in Krishna consciousness, such as your intelligence, erudition and humor.
- Your courage to continue speaking about the importance of having more effective preaching approaches in the Western countries, in spite of all the criticism you received.

I can honestly say that without your guidance, I would have left Krishna consciousness a long time ago, and I am very grateful that you have dedicated your life to preach following Srila Prabhupada's order.

Thank you again for being a bona fide spiritual master, Acaryadeva.

From your humble servants,

Vira Krishna das, Lila Rati devi dasi and Ananda devi dasi (Edmonton, Canada)





Caro Acaryadeva,

Ti offro i miei rispettosi omaggi, Tutte le glorie a Srila Prabhupada. Dopo aver letto la tua lettera di Vyasapuja 2019, sono rimasto completamente attratto e conquistato dai tuoi puri sentimenti di riconoscenza e affetto che hai manifestato nei confronti del tuo e nostro maestro spirituale originale.

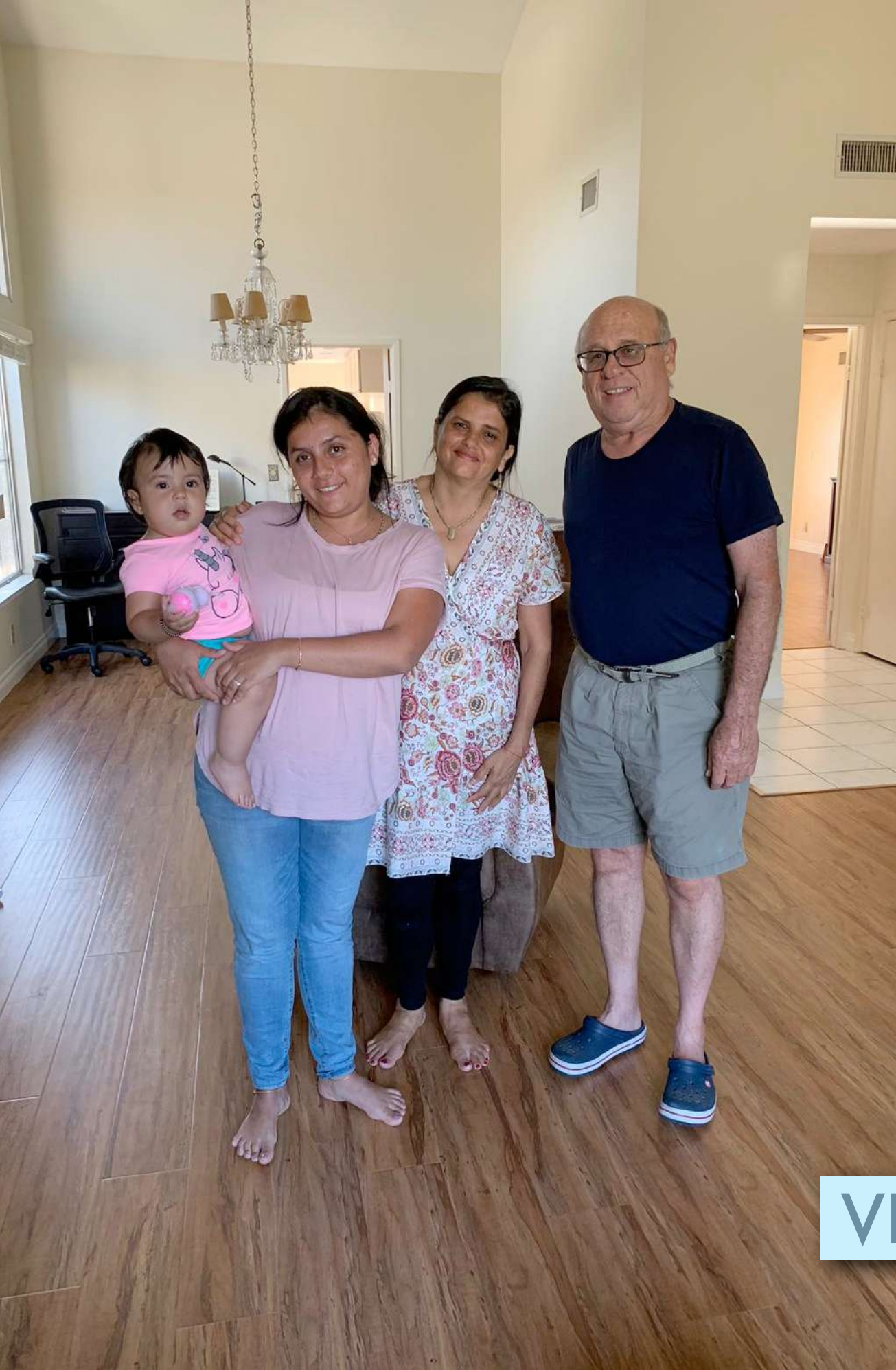
Il tuo vivo desiderio di ripristinare la missione di Srila Prabhupada in occidente ai suoi antichi splendori e gloria incontra il nostro pieno appoggio e sostegno, perciò ti preghiamo di renderci partecipi e collaborativi attivi nel tuo continuo sforzo di rendere effettive le aspettative chiaramente manifestate dal nostro Acharya Fondatore e concretizzare ulteriormente lo sviluppo e la diffusione della pura coscienza di Krishna in occidente. Il tuo nome è Acaryadeva e il tuo generoso esempio di rendere sempre più attuali e concrete le iniziative a supporto della reale espansione del glorioso movimento dell'Harinama Sankirtana di Sri Caitanya e Sri Nityananda è riconosciuto da tutte le persone serie.

Chiediamo le tue benedizioni per poter partecipare attivamente allo sviluppo delle iniziative intraprese per rendere effettivamente operante a tutti i livelli il tuo autentico movimento di Krishna West e portarlo a conoscenza di tutte le persone intelligenti e desiderose di rendere la propria vita perfetta.

Rimaniamo a tua completa disposizione per rendere effettive le tue aspettative e poter cogliere la tua generosa offerta di collaborazione attiva e funzionale al fine di soddisfare il tuo vivo desiderio di far conoscere e apprezzare Sri Krishna a tutti i livelli.

Tuo aspirante servitore Visnu-Jana Das

VISHNU-JANA DAS



VRINDA DAS

Querido Srila Acaryadeva

Acepte por favor mis respetuosas reverencias
Todas las Glorias a Srila Prabhupada

Nuestro maestro espiritual, Hridayananda Das Goswami, siendo un discípulo de Su Divina Gracia A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, está en la línea de sucesión discipular proviniendo del Señor Krishna, la sabiduría que nos es dado por el maestro espiritual es la manifestación del amor puro de Krishna hacia nosotros y solo podemos reciprocarnos esa sabiduría de nuestro Guru con una expresión de servicio y de gratitud.

Todos necesitamos un Guru, una persona que nos proporcione conocimiento porque ha experimentado y saboreado el néctar de la vida trascendental, quien está más allá de lo que es el enredo en el mundo material y nos puede guiar porque está siguiendo fielmente las instrucciones de Srila Prabhupada.

Tal como dicen las escrituras el Guru se llama śāstra-cakṣus que significa alguien que ve a través de los ojos de las escrituras autorizadas, cualquier hombre de conocimiento y experiencia debería ver todo a través de estos libros, por eso el día de su Vyasa Puja, me lleva a reflexionar cuanto debo agradecerle por todo el conocimiento recibido.

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Srila Prabhupada dijo que nuestra filosofía es muy simple pero a la mente le gusta complicar las cosas. Ese parece ser todo su propósito en esta existencia material. Sin embargo, sus enseñanzas siempre me recuerdan que nuestro proceso es simple y práctico y si realmente seguimos las enseñanzas de Srila Prabhupada, veremos aumentar constantemente nuestra conciencia de Krishna y disminuirá nuestro apego a este mundo material.

Querido Guru Maharaj, agradezco sus amables instrucciones, hace poco lo visite y me sentí muy complacida porque usted muy amablemente compartió su espacio con mi familia y conmigo. Gracias por cultivar en mí el deseo de seguir sirviendo en esta misión y me esforzaré en continuar en este proceso espiritual.

Gracias por aceptarme como su discípula y por confiar en mí a pesar de mis falencias.

Acepten por favor mis reverencias

Vrinda devi Dasi
(Cali-Colombia)





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

Querido Srila Acharyadeva, cada oportunidad de servicio es invaluable y oro para que nos bendiga para poder asistirle en su misión a Srila Prabhupada.

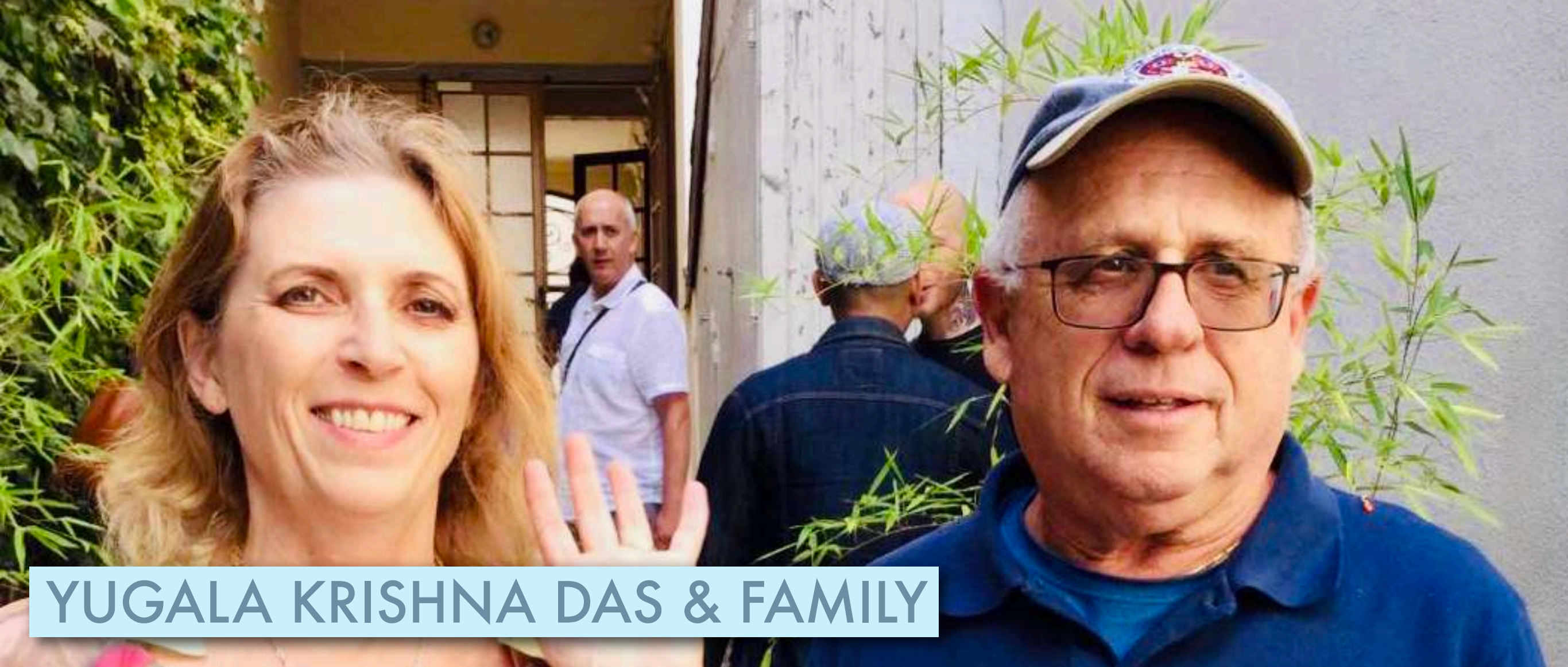
Cuando pienso en Krishna West me doy cuenta de la misión titánica que significa. El releer los textos sagrados, el profundizar en las enseñanzas de Srila Rupa Goswami, en las instrucciones de Srila Prabhupada. Para nada es tomarse las cosas a la ligera, todo lo contrario.

Gracias por ocuparnos de esta manera, por animar a tantas personas y reaviviar la conciencia de Krishna en el corazón de tantas personas. Usted cumple lo que se narra en el Guru Vandana, shri-guru karuna-sindhu, adhama janara bandhu lokanath lokera jivana ha ha prabhu koro doya, deho more pada-chaya ebe jasha ghushuk tribhavana

Le agradezco por continuar y por ser tan enfático que debemos hacer algo, sin importar cuantas veces fallemos.

*Jaya Acaryadeva! Jaya Krishna West!
(Costa Rica)*

YAMUNA-PAVANI DAS



YUGALA KRISHNA DAS & FAMILY

Dear Hridayananda Dasa Goswami,

please accept my humble obeisances !

Accept please my congratulations on your birthday!

I lived in Russia thirteen years ago and You never saw me personally, but still you accepted me as your student and I am very grateful to you for this.

When I had the opportunity of personal communication with you, I, like others devotees, was fascinated by your charm, mind, taste, and of course your humor!

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I am very happy that now I can so often listen to your short Facebook lectures as well as other lectures! I also appreciate and ponder your answers to the questions of other devotees on your website.

Of course, I thank you for communicating via email.

I really appreciate what You say (in books and verbally) on topics that others don't talk about. In the "Comprehensive Guide to Bhagavad-Gita with Literal Translation" You talk about the cosmic cycle of offering back to source of all knowledge to Krishna.

You do a lot to explain the true meaning of bhakti philosophy, inspire and offer modern methods of spiritual education. I see that some adherents of bhakti yoga in Russia finally turn on their brains and start thinking about mistakes in preaching and relationships in society. In letter to Lalita Kumar, 27 November 1971, HDG Srila Prabhupada wrote: "Many fanatic spiritual movements have come and gone, but without the flawless philosophy of Krishna, they cannot stand".

I hope that more than ever Krishna and Srila Prabhupada empower You and all those eager to dedicate their lives to the second spreading of the sublime philosophy of bhakti-yoga in the Western world.

I wish you a very happy birthday and I pray the Supreme Lord, Sri Krishna that He gives you every good health and protection. My husband Yugala Krishna Dasa joins these words.

Please accept our love and devotion.

With gratitude

Your servants,

Yugala Krishna das

Bhaktipushpa Devi Dasi

(France, Écuillé)





YUGALA RASA DAS

All Glories to your auspicious appearance day my dear spiritual father and master, Srila Acharyadeva.

On this most blessed event, I offer you again and again my humble and respectful obeisances unto your lotus feet. The spiritual master represents the supreme lord, and we are so fortunate to know you and Srila Prabhupada and get this glorious process of Bhakti yoga with hope to be able to go back home. I am forever grateful. You have done so much to please Srila Prabhupada, and you are unstoppable. In India I was praying deeply to Rādhā Madhava, Lord Narasimha Deva, and Panchattatva for your success in your Kṛṣṇa West mission. I pray to you, please forgive my lacking ability to serve you efficiently and timely. I have been cooking three days a week at the Alachua Learning Academy, for 80-100 kids, and two days at Ayurveda Health Retreat. I'm learning new skills and I hope by next year I can finish my project to offer to you. I also continue to pray for your health. I hope and pray that I can please you with wonderful service.

Your eternal servant, Yugala Rasa Devi Dasi (USA)