

**Allow Your Light to Show**

Dear brothers and sisters,

It is always a joy for me to come to Hyderabad. I find here a lot of enthusiasm, devotion and growth in numbers. But all of you should also think whether this is matched by inner growth in your heart, each one of you. It is nice to see more ashrams coming up, larger groups of abhyasis. [...] All that is very good to see, but in the spiritual life, what we see is not enough.

In one way growth in numbers is good, if it is matched by change in behaviour, in attitude, in the softening of the character, in the softening in ways of speech, mutual relationships, which can indicate that love is pervasive, love is now ruling in our hearts, and therefore conditioning our every expression in our life. But if there is inner change (which of course we do not earn), which is given to us, and if our external behaviour patterns do not reflect any change in our character, then we are like people who have a lot of gold given to us buried deep in the farms or in our ground, and yet we die paupers. That would be a very sad state of affairs: to be wealthy and die a pauper, because as Babuji Maharaj said again and again, "Inner change must reflect in outer change."

[...] More and more people come, more and more join us. You see this immense hall here – the largest hall in the

Mission so far in this world. It is a little more than twice the size of the hall in Manapakkam. By this, it would appear that we have evidence of growth; we have evidence of Sahaj Marg in action. This



is not Sahaj Marg in action. This is money in action – your money. You have given donations which make all these things possible. [...] If you are putting money into the Mission and treating it as an investment, what is the return – merely an ashram? Or the people in it? [...]

So I would request each one of you to think why you come here. What for? And the money that you give, is it well spent not merely here but here [in the heart]? [...]

Because, if you come here and don't evolve – your spirituality does not grow, your character does not change, your behaviour remains as it was or sometimes even worse – it is spiritual suicide.

[...] Do we understand the responsibility that we owe to our prefects, to our families, to our gurus, when they spend so much time on us?

Pranahuti is the life force itself being given to you from the heart of the guru to the heart of the disciple – pranasya prana. [...] They have no hopes or expectations, but they have an investment in us, the return for which is given to us back – you grow, you continue to grow with what you have got.

[...] If you get an increment in your office, you buy new shirts, you buy saris for your wife, you go to a bigger house. These are manifestations of the improvement in your material life. [...]

What happened to this promotion going on here every day, every sitting? Should you not be able to show it? Somebody should say, "Look, he seems to have spiritually evolved. He shines with love." [...]

You have a big responsibility, brothers and sisters, to yourselves, to your families, to your nation, to your guru, but most importantly to yourselves – because it is like having a lamp which does not burn. [...]

I pray that you will all give serious thought not merely to becoming, but to allow what you have become to show, to light the way for others. My prayers are with you. Thank you.

Parthasarathi Rajagopalachari -
14 March 2011, Hyderabad, India

Thus Speaks**Lalaji**

- *The pure heart, in communion with the Base or Source, pours itself forth naturally with nobility, magnanimity and love. It leaves an impression immediately and it progressively makes deep in-roads into and establishes itself in the minds of all.*

Babuji

- *Only the torch of spirituality can remove the oppressing gloom and restore the real man. Let the light of the Real shine in the heart of everyone so that we may rise up to the expectations of the Divine!*

Chariji

- *We receive only to give. In this giving is the true destiny of the spiritual aspirant.*

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Echoes of the Centres: : Celebrating Babuji Birthday

Pointe-Noire [Congo]

The celebration of Revered Babuji Maharaj's birthday started off with a satsangh at 7:30 am and was followed by readings about his life. How Babuji was doing his job: problems ensuing differences with his supervisor, his

presence in the red light district of the holy city of Benares, His contacts or rather "intercommunications" with his beloved Master Lalaji and all others highly elevated beings from the Brighter World, all these

facts, all His achievements were reviewed; they strengthened our belief and faith in our Masters.

The celebrations concluded with the 5 pm satsangh and we dispersed, happy for having spent together all the day in the Sahaj Marg spirit. Nine abhyasis actively attended the celebration.

*Fidele Ngouala
(Pointe-Noire - Congo)*



Brazzaville [Congo]

As I spent Lalaji Birthday celebration alone in Kinshasa, I felt the need to celebrate Babuji Birthday in Brazzaville. Indeed, I am from Brazzaville but I study in Kinshasa. An exam was scheduled for April 30, however I expressed the wish to travel to Brazza that same day. The week before the celebration, every event seemed to go against my wish to travel, not only there was the exam, but also the day before, on April 29, a compulsory practical work session was scheduled. But I resolved that if I had to be in Brazzaville, Master would make it possible, I knew I had only to let my Master's will be fulfilled. I was pleased when the dean told us that the exam scheduled for 30th of April was postponed to a later date. My joy was short lived as the practical work session was still scheduled for April 29.

On Thursday April 28, morning, I was surprised to hear that we had no classes that day or the next day. The practical work session was also postponed to April 30th in the afternoon. I therefore decided to go to Brazzaville, where I could take a sitting. On April 30th, I could only attend the morning satsangh at 7:30 am, as I had to be in Kinshasa in the afternoon. After satsangh, I returned to Kinshasa where I had my practical work session.

I thank my Master for allowing me to go to Brazzaville for Babuji Birthday celebration. May His presence be with us on our way, and his love reside in us. Thank you so much Master.

Agathe Biampondou (Brazzaville)

Pictures of the Celebration in Lagos [Nigeria]

In Lagos a satsangh was held at 7:30 am, followed by Rev. Master's Video speech. Nine abhyasis attended the celebration.

K.K. Singh – Lagos (Nigeria)



Children's Offerings



Regional Tour: Reunion

It has been almost 12 years since a Region in Charge last visited Reunion Island. It was with immense joy that we welcomed our brother Sharat Hegde, Region in Charge for Africa and Indian Ocean, on 22nd April this year.

Shortly after arriving in St Leu, he started off by giving individual sittings.

At 6 pm, about 15 abhyasis attended a group satsangh conducted by brother Sharat in our new meditation room.

On Saturday 23rd, about 16 abhyasis from all over the island gathered in St Pierre, for satsangh at 7:30 am. Brother Sharat was introduced to everyone and took the time to interact with everyone.

After breakfast, we had a picnic in Grande Anse, a beautiful beach, surrounded by wild cliffs. We enjoyed informal discussions with brother Sharat, including a questions and answers session.

On Sunday 24, the group gathered in St Leu for the 7:30 am satsangh. The breakfast was followed by a book review session, with small groups presenting different books of the Mission. This very enlightening and interesting exchange resulted in a

deeper understanding of Sahaj Marg, especially for new abhyasis. The program for the day concluded with another profound group satsangh at 3 pm.

Monday 25 started off with early individual sittings at 7:30 am, after which we visited St Denis centre. Lunch was followed by individual sittings and a

tour. All abhyasis of Reunion Island are immensely grateful to our Beloved Master and our Region in charge, brother Sharat for this much anticipated visit and opportunity.

Richard and Ratnam Desriaux (Reunion)

A very intense seminar

By the grace of my Beloved Chariji, I have just attended a seminar of great intensity with our brother Sharat, Region in Charge for Africa and the Indian Ocean. If I were to describe this moment, I would say it was a pure moment of truth, beauty, a moment of great brotherhood, discovery and mutual enrichment. Today, I feel the change. The new condition of Reunion

is there, let's keep it intact and make it flourish.

All my gratitude to my beloved master for the ability He gives everyone to serve with the heart, with simplicity and efficiency.

*Anne-Marie Clair
(Reunion)*



group satsangh which was the perfect way to bring this wonderful seminar to closure.

On Tuesday 26, Brother Sharat set off for Mauritius to carry on his Regional



Regional Tour: A Wonderful Seminar in Mauritius

In Mauritius we had a wonderful seminar conducted by Brother Sharat from 29th April to 1st May 2011 with six satsanghs. Abhyasis feedback is as follows: the sittings were deep and profound and all felt enriched and it was a very good seminar. Master presence was felt and the condition

of the Seminar is still prevailing. Being the whole day in the centre with different group works allowed one to stay continuously in the spiritual atmosphere. Feeling of harmony and brotherhood was strengthened. All abhyasis made a request for such seminars to be held more regularly.

We would like to express our deep gratitude and heartfelt thanks to our Beloved Masterji for the Love and caring for our spiritual elevation.

Gowtum Motah (Mauritius)



Echoes of South Africa

Purpose

Stars so bright,
A million miles away,
A journey that resides
To the almighty,
With nothing by my side

The path is truly unclear,
But needs to be read,
with the experienced eyes of His.
Distractions all the way,

Dreading what might be,
If we were not to reach.

Learning to read, with eyes like His,
This destiny,
Which was designed for me.

Step, by step,
With His guidance,
Learning all secrets,
that are yet to be uncovered.

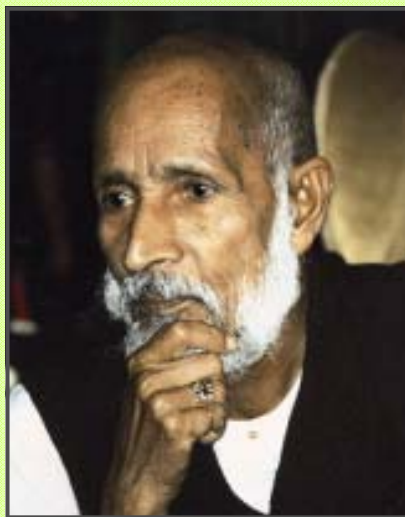
A trip we must make,
At some point in our lives,
For that is the way,
This is our purpose.

By Simran for her wonderful Master.
Thank you Master for always being
there.

Simran Dayaljee – Age 15 – South Africa

Whispers from the Brighter World

Monday, October 4, 2004 – 10:00 a.m.



Let yourself be carried away by the breath of life emanating from the Divine. This dimension helps you in your daily life. Without it your life would seem monotonous. Your heart lets itself become inflamed with its fires and be carried to heights being accessible to it. The beauty of such a process resides in this profound joy generated by it.

“Your commitment never failed; an unfailing faith illuminates your days. You found your way, which happily is ours; so was it bound to happen. Each one finds one’s way when one searches for it with conviction and ardour. The soul becomes exacting when the moment comes when it should canalize the forces necessary to its elevation.

“All our brothers have experienced these circumstances whereby were revealed to them the possibilities offered by our Mission. As we have already said, souls come to us, as one comes to the source. The example set by our brothers must speak for itself. No propaganda is needed, as we strongly reject it. We do not trade on our teaching. Our brothers should concentrate on their own case; all have enough to do with that. Their personal work, as is in the nature of things, will benefit everybody.

“Powers resulting from a sincere process radiate generously and are perceptible to hearts that are ready to join in it on their own. The force of cohesion is more effective than any comments, except a Master’s. May our brothers remain confident in our way and its divine representative!”

Babuji

*Whispers from the Brighter world – page 441**Daily Reflections***Law of life**

The law of life says that the wise must help the not so wise; the strong must help the weak; the rich must help the poor; the advanced must help those who are lagging behind on the path.

Heart Speak 2004, vol. 2, p. 108-109 –Rev. Chariji

Aspiration

Aspiration must be in aspiring to be something better, not something more. To have or to become - this is the fundamental distinction. I want to be rich means I want to have. I want to be good means I want to become something. We should try to become, not to have.

Heart Speak 2004, vol. 2, p. 130 –Rev. Chariji

Giving

So he who earns for himself lives for himself, progressively restricts his capacities to himself. He who lives and works to give to others, progressively expands himself. So, the secret of expansion of the self is in giving.

Heart Speak 2004, vol. 2, p. 136 –Rev. Chariji

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