

**MY GURU—
GUIDING FORCE OF MY LIFE**

Param Pujya Gurudeva is the divine energy who has transcended all the limitations of the relative world. Rather he has crossed the boundaries of time and space. Shri Gurudev is an ideal example of Jeevan Mukta, who does not teach his devotees to ignore duties and responsibilities of practical life. He is himself beyond the boundaries of maya. He is always compassionate towards struggles and problems of life faced by his devotees.

Gurudeva imparts profound spiritual guidance through three distinct avenues: his enlightening teachings, his personal example, and his subtle spiritual influence. He is a guiding force that remains ever-present in the lives of his disciples.

In my personal journey, Gurudeva's divine energy has bestowed upon me the strength needed to fulfill various responsibilities of the Swami Jyotirmayananda Ashram at Lalbagh, Loni, Ghaziabad. He is the source of all our aspirations and opportunities, yet humbly remains silent behind the scenes. I am fortunate to work under his divine influence.

Sri Gurudeva has provided me with rare opportunities to serve humanity in diverse ways. His teaching, 'Service of humanity is the best way of worshiping God,' has profoundly inspired me. Gurudeva, the wellspring of strength and insight, remains the silent force behind all our endeavors.

Gurudeva has transcended the stage of a perfect Yogi, displaying the qualities of a Jeevan-Mukta. While remaining connected with practical realities, he is firmly rooted in the Absolute.

As we celebrate the auspicious occasion of his 93rd grand birth-



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day, my heartfelt prayer is for Shri Gurudeva's radiant health and long life, so that his devotees continue to receive guidance and blessings to navigate the illusions of the world. I pray to him to bless us all ashramites with virtues of surrender and unwavering faith in his Divine Project.

Pranam and Gratitude,
Swami Pratibhananda,
Swami Jyotirmayananda Ashram,
Loni, Ghaziabad, India

THE SUPREME ACHIEVEMENT

Om Shri Guruve Namah!

Eternal salutations and heartfelt reverence at the sacred feet of the Pujya Gurudev Bhagwan! On the sacred celebration of Pujya Gurudev's 93rd birthday, we offer our heartfelt wishes for your perpetual well-being, so that that we may continue to draw inspiration from your divine guidance. We consider ourselves truly blessed to have the presence of such a profound Guru in our lives.

Despite the physical distance that separates us from Gurudev, it remains a delightful surprise that each day unfolds with the remarkable experience of beholding your resplendent form. Within the serene confines of the Satsang Hall at my Loni Ashram, a life-sized picture of Gurudev Bhagwan graces the space.

During my daily visits for meditation and Aarti, it feels as though Gurudev Bhagwan himself is gently revealed in his divine form.

In moments of challenge or difficulty, I instinctively place my concerns before Shri Gurudev in our Loni Ashram's satsang hall, a practice that has become a cornerstone of my routine. The solutions to my problems unfailingly manifest in that sacred space.

Gurudev Bhagwan is like my Sun. Despite the geographical distance, his unwavering compassion and blessings continue to shower upon us. Gurudev Bhagwan is the supreme achievement in our life.

Once again, constant adorations at the sacred feet of Pujya Gurudev!

Pashupati Chaudhary,
Swami Jyotirmayananda Ashram
Loni, Ghaziabad, India

A TOWERING LIGHTHOUSE

Navigating amidst turbulent waters, I see this Towering Lighthouse. Its beacon is projecting Divine Light in ALL directions. It is His Holiness Swami Jyotirmayananda Maharaj! His Light illuminates my path and guides me.

I am forever grateful at His Lotus Feet with Prem and OM!

Sri Madhuri Devi
Miami, Florida

APPRECIATIONS



JIVA HEART TO SHIVA HEART

ALL-PERVADING PRESENCE

Revered Sadgurudev Bhagwan, on the most beautiful occasion of the BIRTHDAY of Thy Divine Body, kindly accept my profound Reverences unto Thy all pervading presence. As you embark on another year of your Blessed Human journey, I send you my Soulful Prayers & warmest wishes for your perfect bodily health & Divine Grace...the shower of which is constantly bathing our Souls.

Your unwavering dedication to guiding others on the path of Self-realisation is truly Humbling. You've not only nurtured my Soul, but also instilled a sense of purpose & responsibility to share this light with others.

Kindly accept my Mansik Padpuja performed most reverently unto Thy liberating "Mokshdaayi Charan Kamal." On this most auspicious occasion, I vow to honour your teachings by embodying compassion, forgiveness & unwavering devotion in my own life. May your wisdom continue to inspire countless Souls like me seeking Enlightenment.

Guruji! I'm your innocent Divine child & your Karuna knows no bounds...it is equivalent to a thousand mothers.....so please, please! My kind Master, take me with you across the turbulent shores of Bhav-sagar, even though I may not be a deserving candidate.

Sadgurudev, my dandwat sashtang Pranaams, Ahobhaav & khoob-khoob Dhanyawad. Forever, ever & ever in Gratitude,

Sri Swami Divyananda Saraswati
India

*Guru Kripa Hi Kevlam,
Shishyasya Param Manglam !!*

BELOVED GURUJI!

OM NAMO NARAYANAYA

With a lot of Divyananda, Wishing a very happy 93rd Birthday to our Revered Guruji Swami Jyotirmayananda.

I pray to Almighty God for providing Good Health with high spirit to our Beloved Guruji!

Eager for the Blessing,
Disciple Lakshyananda
Swami Jyotirmayananda Ashram,
Lalbag, Loni, India

GRATITUDE UNENDING

Blessed Swamiji,

Your Divine Love has blessed me, given me strength, and encouraged me time and again.

When I falter, you are there.

When I doubt, you are there.

When I succeed, you are there.

Sometimes it takes years before I understand a point you have made in your talks, but when I do I am so grateful. Appreciation and gratitude unending from me, Beloved Guru.

Narayan (Bob Ausbeck)

Portland Oregon

BECAUSE OF YOUR TEACHINGS...

I would say that because of the teachings from Swamiji and the path of yoga I am able to read Ursula Le Guin's translation of Tao Te Ching and understand it (ok, some of it!). Reading such lines as "The way in the world is as a stream to a valley, a river to the sea." brings me such peace and I thank Swamiji for that and all the many things I have learned from him.

Jai Gurudev, Om Tat Sat

Om Prakash

Om Namah Shivaya

Beloved Poojya Swamiji:

Salutations and humble adorations to the Divine Lotus Feet of Our Revered Poojya Swamiji.

I fall short of words to express the immense LOVE, JOY and GRATITUDE that you have so benevolently blessed this one with.

On this special occasion of Swamiji's Luminous, Glorious 93rd Birthday: My ardent prayers to Poojya Gurudev Sivananda Baba to continue to Grace Poojya Swamiji with health, love and radiance of the Sun for many, many, many years, so we all can continue to be beneficiaries on this path of "Jiva Heart" to "Shiva Heart."

Swamiji, for me your teachings continue to absolutely help me with my life in so many ways.

The use of Acronyms & Quote of the Day (perpetual calendar) are my all time favorite. I find them always inspiring and guiding me. It's so much fun for me .

May I share some that pop up as I write to be part of Your Birthday Celebrations:

Acronyms:

LIFE: Loving, Inspiring, Fulfilling, Empowering

LOVE: Lavish, Overpowering, Virtuous, Energy

SILENCE: Surrender, Intuitive, Loving, Enticing, Noble, Compassionate, Energy .

STRIVE: Steady, Tenacious, Resolute, Invigorating, Energy.

Swamiji, prayers for the Guru's bountiful Grace to continue to grace us all to the Shastra and Ishwara's Grace as this journey continues.

Infinite Love & Eternal Gratitude, Forever & Always,
Patel sisters (Uma, Saku, Vidya)
Atlanta, Georgia

ALL-KNOWING! ALL-BLISSFUL!

Param Purusha Mahatma Sri
Jyotirmayanandaji Maharaj,
Satsang Pramamas, Gurudev.
Om Namo Narayanaya!
Om Sri Krishnaya Namaha!
Om Namo Bhagavate Shivanan-
dya!

Is it not irony that we call Ajan-
ma as Janma and celebrate one day
as his beginning!

What to wish to all pervasive
all-Knowing, all-Blissful !!!

Still, Swamiji, we do submit
our grateful thanks and pranamasto
- the human frame through which
we benefit the grace of Dakshina
Moorty!

Om, we all submit to your holy
Self and seek blessings and touch
your holy feet.

Om, kindly continue to shower
blessings that sustain as well as en-
able us to progress.

Om, Yours at the holy feet.
Bharati and Rohit (India)
Hetalsanjay, Vaibhav, Vishal,
Yashna, and Neil (Canada)
Tarak, Ketki, Ruchi, Rohan
(UK)

**SOURCE OF
INFINITE BLESSINGS**

My dearest Swamiji,

Just wanted to take this oppor-
tunity to wish you a very happy
birthday.

Thank you for being a source
of such infinite blessings in this
world of uncertainty. Through your
teachings and wisdom you have
taught us to embrace life as it is and
showed us that every soul has their
own course to follow.

Thanks again for sharing your
wisdom with us. Have a happy and
memorable day.

Your sincere devotee,
Gita



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93rd birthday**

BELOVED SWAMIJI BHAGAVAN!

Om! Beloved Swamiji Bhagavan!
Om Tat Sat!

In gratitude i bow to gather the dust of Your Lotus Feet.
You, the unborn, eternal Beloved.
May the cooling fire, purifying ashes, Bliss radiating Divine Dust
consume this beggar of Love.

May nothing remain but You.
Even the one asking, the ignorant one telling You what to do,
may it dissolve in Your Ocean of Love.
May it know it and move accordingly.
Ocean of Compassion, grant us mumukshutwa.

Let there be no thing between Guru Brahman
and the ignorant one(s).
May only Prem abide in this mass of Union Divine.

It is Your Lila alone which keeps this dream
of multiplicity and separation. It is all Yours.

While You, Supremely Beloved, enjoy in Fullness
the dance-dream show.
Accept and transform the offering into para puja to Your Lotus Feet.

Grant us the highest benediction:
to bow and be consumed by Guru's guiding Dust Divine.

in Prem and Om,
Your Swami Pujananda
Puerto Rico



APPRECIATIONS

*DIVINELY BEAUTIFUL
INCARNATION*

TOUGH ROAD

This past year I have experienced the gross scene of human misery. The children of three of my friends took their own lives. Four days ago, my daughter's brother in law was found dead in his apartment, only 34 years of age. Broken homes, sickness, mental illness, vices, addiction.

I tried to perform my Karma Yoga duties to the best of my abilities. And although the experiences have touched my heart deeply, I am here today, centered, feeling the divine light and love which I tried to transfer to all these broken humans.

It is all about love not being present, it is all about God not being part of them. Lack of love from the parents, lack of love from the children. Lack of love for life. I have been fortunate when life was all good, and I am fortunate now when life is showing me how low humans can go, because it is another blessed opportunity to support them.

I can say with all certainty that I wouldn't be this way without having crossed my life with yours. Your teachings resonate in my mind and my heart every time I have to face this monster that life can be at any given moment.

You have greatly fulfilled the purpose of your life and I hope I can fulfill mine one day. I will be forever grateful to you.

Sharada Devi

OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER

Savita and I hope that you had pleasant birthday celebrations last evening. We wanted to let you know that we were with you in our hearts and thoughts. We are eternally grateful for the grace of being your disciples, and we'll fulfill our roles skillfully and elegantly. We love you, Swamiji. You are our spiritual father, the beacon of divine light, and the bestower of Divine teachings. We rejoice in hearing your voice through recorded lectures as well as our thoughts and memories of Satsang.

On this marvelous occasion of Your birthday, we are sending you our heartfelt wishes of supreme health, strength, highest vitality, long life, peace, prosperity, and everlasting bliss. Along with the wishes, we are expressing our sincere gratitude and appreciation for all Your gifts, grace, and blessings. You are amazing, our Guru, and we joyously bow to Thy feet and follow their trace onto God and liberation of our souls. Your light shines forever!

Happy Birthday,
Dearest Swamiji!

With love and reverence,
Savita and Pramod

To Bhagavan Sri Swami Jyotirmayanandaji Hari Om Tat Sat!

Most honoured and deeply beloved Sri Swamiji!

We heartily congratulate You on Your Glorious 93rd Birthday!

Your kind blessings have enabled our Parashakti School of Yoga to function successfully for many years. We have a very good team of bright souls, loving and devoted. Although there are not many of us, as I do not advertise the School, we have a website, which we update monthly, mainly with material from Your bright magazine "YIG". We are grateful to Your disciples, Sri Swami Umananda and Sri Swami Subhadrananda, who send us regularly the electronic version of the magazine.

It is now possible to watch Your fine spiritual lectures on YouTube. Thank You for these valuable videos!

We wish You, Sri Swamiji, vigour, good health and many more years of life in this divinely beautiful incarnation of Yours! We also wish all Your disciples and devotees, as well as their relatives and friends Peace, Love, Health and Prosperity!

With love and deep gratitude,
Vladimir, Nelly, Vladislav,
Sviatoslav (he is already
7 years old)
and students of Parashakti
School of Yoga (Russia)

**EMBODIMENT OF
EVERLASTING SPRING!**

Adorations and A Million Prostrations again and again at the Beloved Lotus Feet of Parampujya Shri Gurudev Bhagavan!!!

On This Most Sacred Occasion of The 93rd Year of The Avatarana of ParamPujya Ātman Shri Gurudev Bhagavan, I wish You Many Many years of Good Health and Wellbeing among us!!!!



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SUSTAINER, PROTECTOR, LIGHT AND GUIDE

Like the Sun is to the day
Like Water is to the river
Like Fire is to the flame
Like the Earth is to the feet
Like Breath is to the lungs
Like Silence is to sound
So You are to me,

O Embodiment of Everlasting Spring!

O Embodiment of Unconditional Love!

O Avatara of Eternal Jñāna Jyoti!

Adorations and Prostrations again and again at The Beloved Lotus Feet of my Gurudev Bhagavan!!!!!!!!!!!!

OM TAT SAT!
Sheela Takkallapalli
Mississippi

IN YOUR DIVINE PRESENCE

Om Tat Sat, Swamiji!

We are so blessed to be in your Divine Presence, to be given the opportunity to serve you, and to have your teachings. There are no words enough to thank you!

May your guidance lead us to be enlightened in this lifetime!

At your lotus feet!
Malini and
Jayanti (another buzzy bee)

Param poojya Swami ji,
Please accept sadar pranams of Prabhakar in thy holy feet.

On the auspicious occasion of your Birthday today, I am offering my humble prayers and best wishes to your divine self. I pray to the almighty God for your health and continued success of your divine mission.

Swamiji, you have always been the sustainer, protector, and light and guide for countless devotees like me. While I have no virtue or inner quality to deserve your blessings, your mercy and love have always been with me and my family in form of your divine blessings. Thank you, Swamiji! I am not articulate enough to express my gratitude and prayers to you, so just with folded hands I bow my head to your lotus feet and say:

*“Tvamev mata, chapita tvameva;
tvameva bandhu, chasakha
tvameva.*

*Tvameva vidya, dravinam
tvameva; tvameva sarvam, mam
dev-a-devah.”*

Please keep me in your sharan and protection in this and every life.

We are also celebrating your birthday today at Ioni ashram

where devotees and well-wishers will assemble to offer their prayers and celebrate your divine mission. We seek your blessings and protection, so that we can continue to take your divine mission ahead.

Please convey my regards and best wishes to everyone in the Miami ashram.

With regards and prostration at thy holy feet.

Your ignorant son,
Prabhakar

L-O-V-E

Dear Swamiji,
Happy 93rd Birthday.

Thank you for sharing your wisdom, love, and light with all.

Wishing you continued good health today and every day.

May the light of your love continue to illuminate all.

Satyam, Shivam, Sundaram
L – LOVE – Love, Light, Liberation, Longevity, Luminosity

O – Opportunity, Optimistic
V – Vision, Veracity

E – Enlightened, Evolved, Example, Exemplify

Jerry and Vidya Chapman

APPRECIATIONS



WHAT GRACE!

Swamiji, OM TAT SAT! I have read that the three pillars of grace are to have a human body, to hear satsang and to be in the presence of a realized soul. You have graced me with the last two. I try to remember that and to practice your teachings. What grace, what grace. I see and feel the progress of living a yogic life as well as those who are practicing around me. There is so much freedom to be had. I have been on this path for the past 50 years and I am well aware of the scarcity of realized teachers, so I am deeply grateful for your being here.

With deep appreciation,
Mukunda

ETERNAL GUIDANCE

Happy Birthday, Guru Ji,
We bow down at our lotus feet.

On this sacred day, we joyfully celebrate your presence among us. May your light of wisdom guide our path, and may your blessings of spiritual enlightenment shower upon us abundantly.

Wishing you a blissful birthday filled with transcendental joy and inner peace. Thank you for your eternal guidance and blessings.

With Divine Love and Surrender,
Krishan, Rangeline, Shayal,
Shreya and Shayra
Prakash



THE FIRE OF YOUR WISDOM

Param Pujya Swamiji,
Charansparsh!

Swamiji, on the auspicious occasion of Your Birthday, we offer prayers for your Long, Healthy Life, and gratitude at Your Lotus Feet.

Our hearts are filled with Divine Adorations for You. May we be dissolved in The Fire of Your Wisdom! In every situation- pleasant or painful, joyous or austere- we only seek You! We are immersed in the Color of Your Love and the workings of your Divine Grace. May we leave behind all bondages! Our love for You is no secret and beyond any measure! May we walk on the path that leads to You!

The Force of Your Grace has taken over us! We have forgotten all that we know and offer ourselves at Your Feet!

May we never be born again,
Swamiji!

the dust at Your Lotus Feet,
Maleeni, Atul,
Shreya & Siddhartha

FILLING OUR WORLD WITH YOUR LIGHT

Happy Birthday our Dear Swamiji, We wish you Good Health and Divine Joy May you grace us with your presence for many, many more years.

Thank you for the wonderful Divine Wisdom that you have shared with us for so many years in which we have spiritually grown and you have filled our world with your Light.

Our humble pranams and Prem,
Baktawar and Dan

HOW YOU HAVE TOUCHED SO MANY LIVES!

Dear Respected, Reverent,
Beloved Swamiji,

By the grace of God, you were born on this day 93 years before. How fortunate your family is to give such a wonderful gift to the world. Like the sun rays, you have touched everyone with your beautiful smile, kind words, and compassionate thoughts. You have touched so many lives and will continue to do so.

I am very fortunate to be in touch with you. This year we were privileged to start the year with your compassionate and gracious blessings.

Your message is simple and integrated in our life – a very profound way to peace and happiness. Thank you for helping me to live through tough times. Thank you for helping me with my karmas. Thank you for the Divine wisdom you always share with your devotees

My sincere devotion, love and respect to you. My gratitude to you and God to help me through rough times.

Happy Birthday to you Swamiji. Please accept my pranams, my salutation. May the Lord bless you with a healthy and long life. We need you for your inspirational teachings.

With Love and Om
Archana Das
Roseville, Minnesota