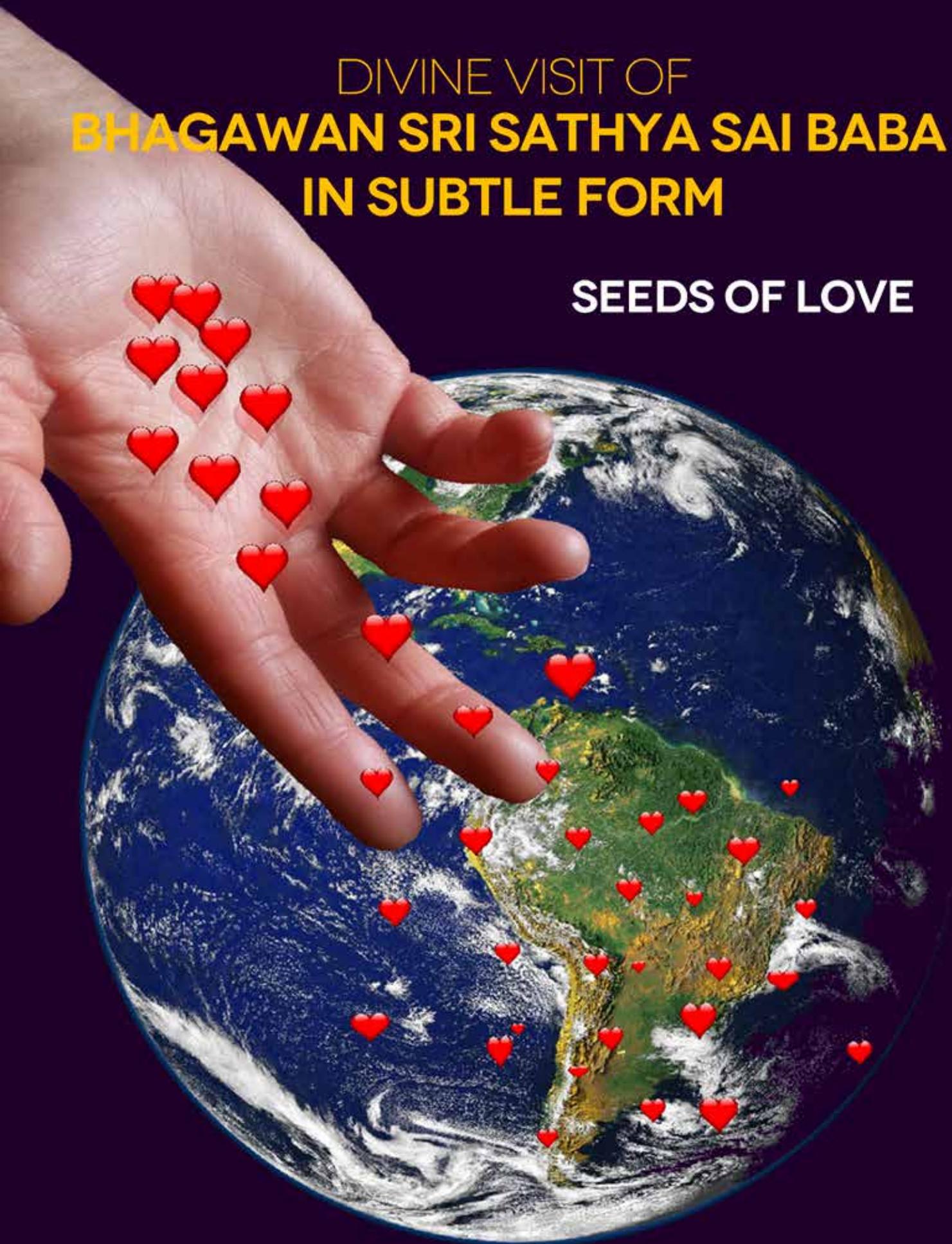


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SUMMARY OF DIVINE VISIT TO BUENOS AIRES

For the second time, Argentina was blessed by the visit of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba in His Subtle Form from 6 to 11 October, 2017. During this trip, the Lord showered His divine grace in Escobar, a city located in Buenos Aires province, and then in Salta, a province located in the Northwest of the country. He visited Salta to fulfil the promise He made to a lady devotee, who kindly asked Him to visit her and her brother devotees from Salta, the previous year, at the public event in Bariloche. On that occasion, Swami had answered, "If somebody calls Me with love, I cannot but do what they are asking Me to! I am the slave of My devotees, but only if there is pure love."

On Friday evening, 6 October, Swami's entourage arrived at Ezeiza Airport, where a group of devotees were patiently waiting for them. They were led to the residence of Dr. Jorge and Mrs. Rosana Berra in Escobar to rest after the long trip.

On Saturday evening, 7 October, a group of around 60 devotees gathered at Dr. Berra's residence for a private satsang. The devotees welcomed Swami with soulful bhajans and the whole gathering felt the warm love of the Divine Mother. After Sri B. N. Narasimha Murthy's address to the devotees, Swami delivered an historic discourse which touched the hearts of everybody in the room. Finally, dinner was served and everybody retired to rest for the night.

On Sunday morning, 8 October, Swami and His entourage and a few devotees visited the upcoming ashram for Argentina. It is a magnificent 900m² building with six bedrooms and a huge room for meetings, located in Escobar, in the outskirts of Buenos Aires. Swami blessed the building with His Divine Presence and said that all devotees from Latin America will visit it.

In the evening, a Public Meeting was held in Escobar, where more than 450 people attended, eager to listen to the words of Swami and His entourage. The Indian Ambassador to Argentina, Sri Sanjiv Ranjan was also present for the *satsang*. Dr. Jorge spoke about the *ashram* and Swami encouraged everybody to participate. Then Mr. Isaac Tigrett, Sri C. Sreenivas and Sri Narasimha Murthy delivered talks, followed by Swami's divine discourse. The following day, the entourage departed to Salta.

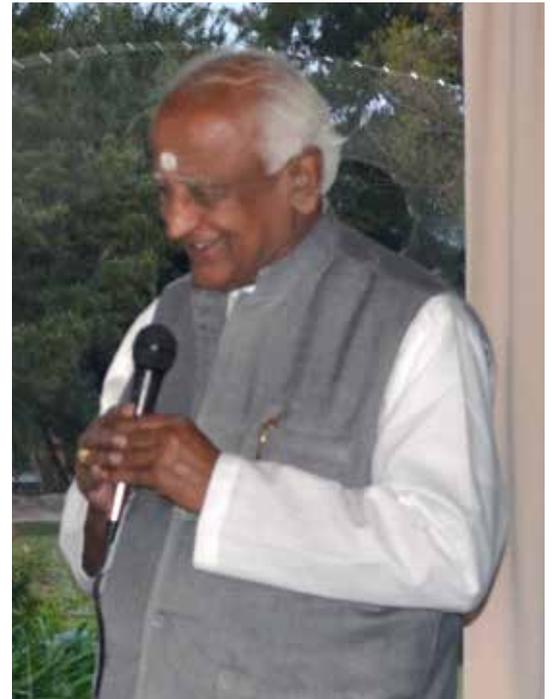
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EVENING PRIVATE SATSANG DR. JORGE BERRA'S RESIDENCE EXCEPTS OF TALKS

Sri B. N. Narasimha Murthy

Swami's last visit to Muddenahalli in the physical form was on 14 February, 2009. He visited Muddenahalli 29 times, and this was His 29th and last visit in the physical form. You may be wondering how I remember that date so well. It is because it was Valentine's Day and Swami materialised a ring and put it on my finger, so I cannot forget!

During His discourse, Swami made a statement which really amazed everyone and which most people, I think, did not believe. He said, "18 years from now, the message of Bharat will reach every corner of the earth."



If you open 'Sathya Sai Speaks' and refer to that particular discourse, Swami has spoken for more than three minutes about this subject. There is a full paragraph about how the message of Bharat is relevant for the entire world, and He also said that it is the message of Bharat which will save the world from catastrophe.

Add 18 years to 2009, and it gives 2027. I am sure it has something to do with Prema Sai. This is what we can infer from what He has said. He said, "My 95th birthday will be the last birthday in the Sathya Sai form." That will be in 2020. Seven years after that, the whole world will resound with the message of Bharat. Bharat is not a country with geographical borders. Swami has explained many times that Bharat is full of people who have 'Bha' and 'rati', which means 'Bhagavad rati', who have love for God and who revel in the bliss of God. What a great day for the whole world when people in all countries, all nations, will love God and revel in the bliss of God – that will truly be the dawn of the Golden Age!

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What you think exists, does not exist.
What you think does not exist, truly does exist.
It is only God who truly exists all the time,
so what does not exist is the world. *(Telugu poem)*

Dear Embodiments of Divine Love!

Just as every object has a shadow, this world is just a shadow of the real object, which is the Divine. The shadow keeps changing with the motion of the sun. In the morning, the shadow may be long, falling in front of you. At noon, it becomes small and falls under your feet. In the evening, it becomes long again and will fall behind you. Though the shadow becomes long or short, in front of you or behind you, you, yourself, remain the same throughout the day. The shadow changes, but the object remains.

Similarly, in this world, everything continues changing. The way things were yesterday are not the way they are today, whilst the way they are today may not be the way they will be tomorrow. Beyond this changing world, that which remains unchanged is God. He was there, He is there and He will continue to be there whether anything else is there or not.

A movie is projected onto a screen. Though the movie keeps moving and changing, the screen remains steady. Even though the entire movie is played on a screen, the screen remains untouched and uncontaminated by the emotions from the movie. The same way, though cars keep travelling and moving along a road, the road remains the same. Though the earth continues moving, causing day, night and seasons, the sun remains steady and the same.

Likewise, behind this changing world or *jagat*, as it is called, is the Master of this world, or *Jagatpati*, the one who never changes. The one who attaches himself to the changing world will only be subject to misery. What he gets today will not be available tomorrow, for how can you obtain permanent things out of something that is temporary? Therefore, the joys of this world are also temporary and passing, as well as the sorrows. Success in this world is also temporary and passing, just as failure, because the world, itself, is not permanent.

Yet, if you attach yourself to God, who is beyond this world and thus permanent, anything born out of such an association will also remain permanent. The relationship with God alone remains permanent and gives things that are permanent in nature. One who does not understand this truth is always subject to sorrow and misery. Hence, it is not for the sake of the scriptures or for the sake of the masters that you must love God, but for your own sake and your own happiness that you must love God. If you take medicine, it is not that you do a favour to the medicine or to the doctor, but to yourself. You are benefited from visiting the doctor and taking the medicine.

In much the same way, coming to a master, receiving his messages and following them is not for the sake of the world – it is for your own sake that you must do it. It is only when each follows this message to the fullest in their life, that the whole world can find peace and happiness.

What is the world, after all? It is just a combination or collection of human beings. When each person is happy, the whole world is happy. Like the threads in a cloth, if all of them are together, there is a cloth, but if they fall apart, there is no cloth. Thus, it is for the sake of one's own self that one must follow the message of the masters.

Everyone feels the same concept of love, patience, compassion and service. Take anyone from any part of the world, from any religion and the message is the same. It is the misunderstanding of the followers who forgot the message and thought about the superiority of the masters – and, in the process, they forgot the message and its essence. That is where things went wrong. Everyone wants to follow, in their own way, but there is a dosage and a timeliness to the medicine. Only when you follow the correct prescription as given by the doctor, will you benefit. If you change it as you wish, obviously, you will not benefit. You may say, "I'm taking the medicine, so why is it not affecting me?" That is because you are not following the correct method as prescribed by the doctor – you have changed it. You take it when you feel like it, only as much as you want. That is not the correct way.

Narasimha Murthy was saying, "Masters have come in the past; masters will also

come in the future,” but unless these ‘misters’ change, the master coming and going is of no use. It is true that in the future the world has to change for the better. There will be a Master, one of His kind, who will travel around the world without rest or respite and spread this glorious message of the divinity of all Creation. So far, messengers have crossed the boundaries of India and spread the message of India to the world but, in future, the Master Himself will cross the boundaries, go around the world and spread His message.

Never in the past was there a Master of that nature; never will there be a Master of that kind in the future. All the others have only preached and propagated their message in a limited way, in their own area, but here is someone who will travel around the world, to each part of the world, to meet different kinds of people and to tell them about the truth. What is His message? His message is in silence, not in words. Just by sitting in His presence, you will understand what you need to understand – but, if you have not calmed and purified your mind, you will fail to understand the message. Therefore, it is not enough if the Master comes. As I said, the ‘mister’, the person, has to change and improve to receive such a Master. Of course, the presence itself will be very elevating, but to receive the maximum benefit, you must prepare yourselves.

2026 is the year when the message will start spreading very fast. This young man will travel all around the world, to all the countries. The first half of His life, He will travel in a limited way, meaning He will be in India and also travel, but the second half of His life, He will travel mostly around the world and not in India. From ordinary men and women to ministers and prime ministers, everybody will seek refuge at His feet. It is all part of His masterplan.

All that is happening now is not without reason. It is leading to the same future to which all are looking forward. If you want to harvest a crop, you need to sow the seeds much earlier. These are all the seeds being sown today, which will bear fruit in a few years.

It is said that before Rama made His advent, the sages had already incarnated and were residing in the forests around Ayodhya, because they knew that He would come and wanted to be in His presence. Before Krishna arrived, the gods had already incarnated, even happy to be born as cows and cattle, just to be in His close proximity. Similarly, when Swami came, He brought His people along with Him to do His work, in His mission, placing them in all parts of the world, not just India, because He was sowing seeds for the future tree. All of you in these countries with so many people, have not just developed devotion to Swami by coincidence or by chance. You are all seeds of the future, who have been sown in the soil of today, which will yield fruits tomorrow.

Do not underestimate the children being born into your families. They are there for a reason. All the divine souls are reincarnating at a very quick pace on earth at this point in time. They are being born into the families and homes of devotees who have been with Swami for a long time, so that they receive the right kind of environment, love and affection from their families, which will help them grow into men and women of God very, very soon.



To sow the seeds, a farmer needs to prepare the soil by tilling and ploughing it. Likewise, all of you have been prepared for decades by Swami in order to sow the seeds for the future. It is on your shoulders that the mission of Prema Sai will be built. All this will happen in the future in front of your own eyes, whilst all that Swami is doing at present is nothing but preparation for that. These 18 ashrams and centres that are emerging around the world are not without a reason. It is all leading towards the same future. One plus eight is a divine number. The eighteen places around the world will become centres of spirituality. Whilst they will begin in a small way, do not estimate how big the tree will become just by looking at the plant. After all, a whole tree is contained inside a tiny seed. Similarly, all this will begin in a small way. You are all a part of this glorious mission, which will show results in the near future.

Therefore, these times are not just ordinary times, but *extraordinary*, for this is the time when one *Avatar* is moving into the other. It is an extremely auspicious time, just like *sandhya kalam* – the hours in the morning when the night becomes day, and again in the evening, when the the day becomes night.

In a similar manner, one *Avatar* moving into the other marks these times as extremely auspicious and extraordinary. A time will come when, in the whole of the world, there will be only one religion – the religion of love, as Swami has said. People will be fed up with their pettiness, selfishness, greed and hatred, and will give them all up. They will then rise to the need of the world and become selfless, for the future will leave you with no choice. There will be no place, opportunity or occasion for selfish people in the future, for they will perish as a result of their own deeds, without anyone else's effort. If they do not fit into the future, they will have to leave, just as trees perish when the seasons change – like evolution. Evolution is the only way. The future is for the Divine, not just for

humans. Unless you rise to become divine, you cannot fit into the future.

On the one hand, whilst the bells ring to herald in this new age, at the same time, they are also warning bells, for they remind you how much more has to be done – yes, they are a reminder. Therefore, these are the times and opportunities available. One must change for the better. Only those following the Master, both in spirit and in letter, will find a place at the feet of the Master.

Am I scaring you? There is nothing to be scared of. These exams have to come; for everyone, exams come at the end of the year. Where is the need to be scared when the teacher is with you, teaching? If you put in your efforts, you will learn your subjects and happily pass all the exams.

The joy and bliss of the divine life cannot be described in words. Once you taste that nectar of divinity, everything else will be insipid. You will also be surprised at how you lived all these years in such a way. Today you may not be able to understand but, in the future, you will. These changes will happen in the coming years, very rapidly. Between now and the next ten years, a number of major changes will take place in the world, in the way people think and in the way they live. Everything will undergo tremendous change. What would appear like destruction and annihilation is actually a process of cleansing and rebuilding.

Srishti, sthiti, laya – creation, sustenance and destruction are all part of God's work. You have to remove the weeds for the tree to grow. The world has to undergo a very sudden change of great magnitude. These are the pangs one must undergo – the labour pains – to deliver the new age.

It will happen. Nobody can stop it nor can one avoid it, for there is no choice; it is a part of the plan. If you follow the plan, you will experience happiness. If you resist, then you will be sorrowful. You will see what I am saying. Whenever I say things, people generally do not comprehend, as it is far beyond their understanding, for they have never seen anything like this, and they do not know what it will be. Nevertheless, gradually, year after year, you will see the change. Be happy that you will be witness to one such era, which does not happen very often. Everybody will be divine, brimming with divine energy, vibrating and radiating with divine love. That is how this whole world will become.

Narasimha Murthy is quite curious about the Teacher.

Narasimha Murthy: What Swami said here today is very historic. Today, He has given a very important discourse. He has not said such things anywhere else.

Swami: Whatever I say is historic, not just today. (*Laughter*)

Can you imagine? The God whom aspirants seek through so much penance sits with you and continues speaking. To hear one word from His lips, people undergo penance for ages. He speaks to you so frequently. Everything is historic; it is not just today. Imagine if you were sitting by the side of Jesus and listening to what He said. Would it not have been historic had He uttered your name? The mystery of this time will not be understood

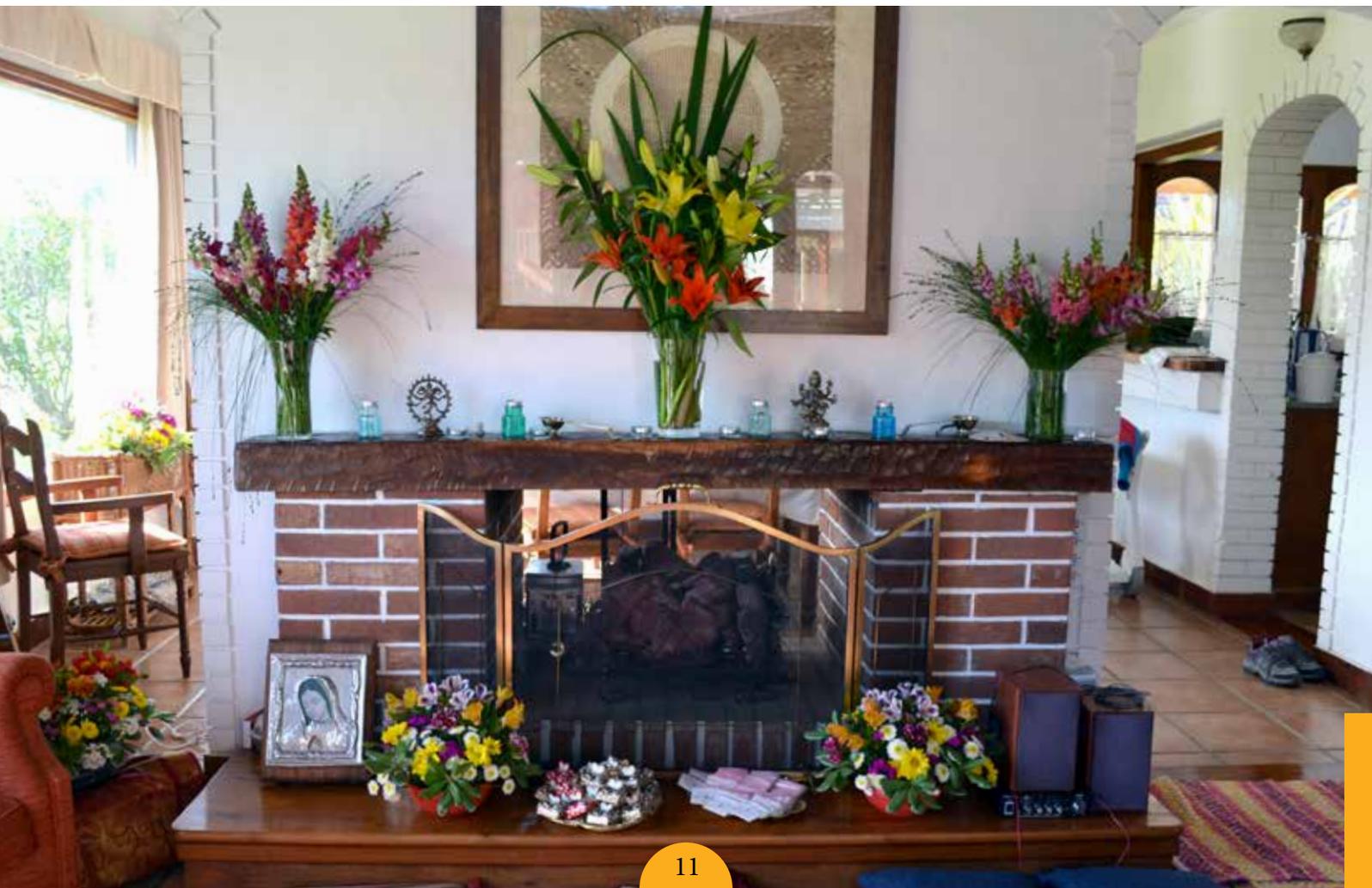
today. It will be understood by people much later – many, many decades in the future. However, you will be happy that you were part of His story – His history. His story is history. Everything else and everyone else will be forgotten, except those who are part of His story, because He is never forgotten. Be happy! Be happy that you have earned this merit out of the penance from many births. You must use it well.

Bring up the children well, with devotion to God, for they have been sent as gifts from God. They may have been born through you, but they are not because of you. The great sages and seers are all descending onto the earth from all the *lokas* (worlds) at a very rapid pace. They are taking birth in the wombs of sacred women in holy and devoted families. This is happening at a very rapid pace, for these children have only so much time before they can grow up in order to become a part of the next mission. It is your duty to take care of these children and raise them the way God wants, before handing them over to Him. That is an important role as parents.

Some of the elders are thinking, 'What about me? Will I not witness all this'?

You are more fortunate because you will see this and then you will come back again to see the other, just like the body changes costumes. The inside does not change. This costume will go and another costume will come, that is all. There is nothing to fear or worry about.

Whenever God came, there were few around Him to do His work. There were always more opposing God than helping Him. Look at the life of any *Avatar*, whether this side or that side of the world. People who were with the *Avatar* to do the work were always



few, but those who opposed Him were more. It is thus a typical trait of the *Avatar* that He brings a few people to work with Him, to help change others.

Very happy. Will we meet again tomorrow?

Devotee: Yes. Thank You, Swami.

Swami: (*Referring to Mrs. Sarita Fuks*) Do you know the old lady in the chair? I have known her for many, many years. She used to bring people to India from here. Many times, people would not have the money to pay for tickets, so she would raise funds, buy the tickets and coordinate the group to India, because when she saw Swami she thought, 'I have to share this joy with others so they can also enjoy!' She did a lot of seva – transport seva.



(*To the lady*) How old are you now?

Sarita: I am very happy. I am 84 years old.

Swami: 84 years is not much. Indulal Shah is 98. When she was young, she was very energetic. She would run the whole place and people were very afraid of her. She was very disciplined and worked very hard because she wanted to bring others to see Swami. When she was young, she faced a lot of opposition from her own family, who said, "You have gone mad!" but she was not affected by any of it. Good lady. Can she walk? She had a bad problem, but I saved her from it.

(*Asking her to come forward*) People will see you, that is why. She had a very bad stomach problem. Is it gone? Everything is gone now.

(*Swami blessed Mrs. Sarita, amidst applause*) Say a word.



Sarita: I cannot say anything. I am very moved, very touched and feel immense happiness, peace and love. Really, the only joy and goal of my life is having met Swami and having felt Him. I have nothing else, only Him. Sai Ram. Thank You.

Swami: (*To a lady, whilst referring to Mrs. Sarita*) Do you know her? Last time she came, she did not even have money for the tickets. I sent two tickets to her through one of her friends.

We will now have dinner and will meet again tomorrow.

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EVENING PUBLIC MEETING EXCERPTS OF TALKS



Mr. Isaac Tigrett

This is a unique moment in time, and for the three of us who have been traveling to over 30 countries with Sai Baba, it's always been an extraordinary, exciting thing when Swami says, "We are going to build an ashram here, in this place, for the third Sai Avatar, Prema Sai." I can't tell you, I know you couldn't see it, but it's such a beautiful and extraordinary building. It's been extraordinary for us also because there have been so many rumours about the little one who's coming next – and yesterday, Swami finally publicly revealed to our small group that He would announce Himself in 2026.

As you know, Swami said that His mission would last until the 96th year, and He also announced that that mission would end in 2020, on His birthday. So you're all, well, some of us will probably be in another dimension, but many of you will experience Prema Sai here, in Buenos Aires.

Swami described me years ago to a very large group of people: "This is a very simple man." It's taken me years to understand what that means. We were recently in Bali, Indonesia. Swami said to me, "You speak gently. These are very simple people." But their love was fierce; they were not afraid! He told us yesterday that the people of Buenos Aires are also sweet and simple people. In a complicated world, you are so lucky! He mentioned to speak about the power of God. I've been blessed to have many unique experiences, but there's nothing more unique than seeing a room full of faith, and that's what I see now. You are all really just amazing and powerful and I'm so excited to be back with you again.

Sri C. Sreenivas

Love has a way of perpetuating life. This is a scientific as well as spiritual truth. And this morning, when a seed of love was sown in this beautiful *ashram* to be, one can imagine what lies in that little seed. All of us know that a little seed has the power of the macrocosm within it.

I am really constrained with the word '*ashram*' because it encompasses so much more – but, for reasons of understanding, for all of us, it is called that. Truly, it is an edifice of connect. Everybody will connect with a force, a phenomenon, which resonates from deep within the heart. To everybody who enters, a new meaning, a purpose, direction and new hope will dawn. Most importantly, we will be abounded and surrounded by that loving presence of God. Because, when you sow a seed of love, you are sowing the seed of belief, too. All things are possible to one who believes, and all things are made easy to one who loves. So, the *ashram* truly is an edifice of belief and love. These are the direst needs of our times, because all our achievements, progress and developments will assume and gather little meaning if we cannot learn to love each other, see the good in each other, feel the pain of each other and extend a kind word – and, more importantly, a kind hand.

This is what has been Swami's life and this is what will continue to be His life through us, where kind thoughts, compassionate words and all actions with an attitude of service rendered to one and all, in whatever capacities we have, will define not just our existence but humanity's existence. This is the greatest blessing of our lives, because love never fails and love perpetuates life.

Sri B. N. Narasimha Murthy

Last month, we were in in Moscow. Today we are here in Buenos Aires. All three of us had the wonderful opportunity to stand on the podium and look at the most beautiful faces, both in Moscow and also here. Whether in Northern Europe or South America, what we saw is the same: faces brimming with love and devotion for Bhagawan. We saw the demonstration of a statement of the Divine Master who walked the earth 2000 years ago, Lord Jesus Christ, who said, "Man cannot live by bread alone." He needs something more. What we see here and what we have seen in 30 countries we have visited with Bhagawan is the human aspiration for infinite bliss and immortal life. If a human being was only the physical body, he would be happy with food and drink and enjoyment of the senses – but, man is much more than that. Man is essentially the soul, which aspires to be God. That is what we see everywhere.

Baba was speaking to small group of devotees here, in Escobar, yesterday and He said, "Masters come and go but 'misters' have to change." 'Misters' means you and I. Men and women should change, from selfishness to selflessness, from narrow mindedness to broad mindedness, from body consciousness to divine consciousness.

Yesterday evening, Baba said we are living in a very momentous and sacred time, when one *Avatar* is transiting into another. Look at the stage. On the left side is the image of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, and on the right is the symbolic representation of Prema Sai Baba. In between, the Master sits in His unseen form. This is the transition which is happening. You and I are extremely fortunate to witness this most magnificent Divine Phenomenon during the contemporary times.

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The whole Creation is born out of love,
sustained by love and ultimately merges into love.

Wherever you look, there is love, nothing else.

This is the purest love that exists everywhere for one to see. (*Telugu poem*)

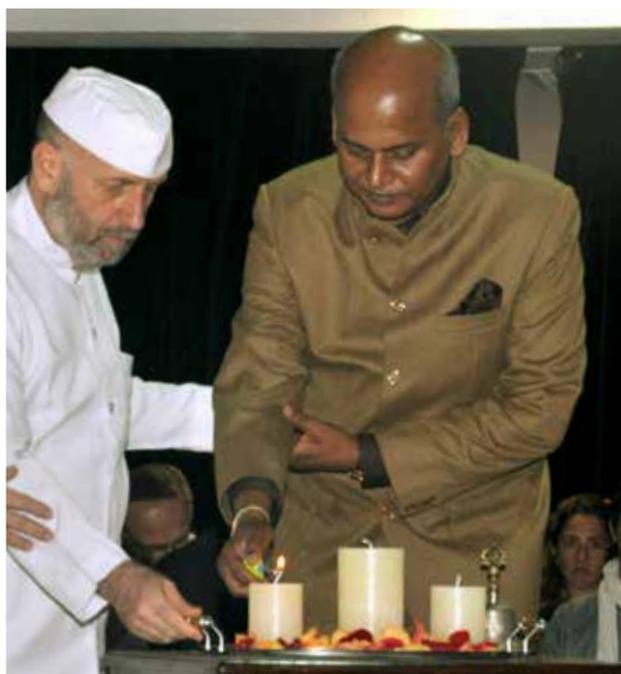
Dear Embodiments of Love!

In this Creation of God, wherever you cast your eyes, behind everything that is seen, there is an unseen love that sustains it. The sun burns itself out for the sake of giving light and life to others. Even on Sunday, the sun does not have a holiday, but works all day, day after day, only for the welfare of others. Look at the flowing rivers. All the water they carry from the high mountains to the ocean are only for the sake of others. Not a drop of it do they drink themselves. Look at the trees that flower and give fruits. They selflessly give away all that they produce to feed others. Nothing in this Creation is selfish because this Creation, or *Srishti*, is born out of *Parameshti*, or God. God, who is the embodiment of selfless love, has created this whole Creation, which is nothing but His own reflection.

Man, who is born from this Creation, is also created in the image of God. How else it could be? You are born of God, sustained by God and, therefore, you must merge in God. This is the highest principle, the highest truth. One must never forget the true

nature they possess. This is the truth I keep repeating: you are truly love and everything else is secondary.

Just as a lamp is covered with soot so that you cannot see the flame inside, likewise, the flame of love that burns bright within is covered by body consciousness, which you all experience. The feeling and thought that you are only the body, does not allow you to experience the divine love within. If you clean this lampshade, what remains inside is truly the burning flame, which will now be visible. With the water of love and the soap of service, you can wash it clean so that all the soot, dust and darkness may vanish so that, once again, the flame of love that burns bright will be visible and shed light on everyone.



Indian Ambassador to Argentina, Sri Sanjiv Ranjan, lighting a lamp to inaugurate the Public Meeting.

The good news is that you do not have to go anywhere else to become God. It is just a notion that one must go to a place of pilgrimage, meet great people such as saints and sages and perform certain kinds of austerities, in order to become God. The truth is, you already are that which you are wanting to become. You have only to 'un-become' all that you are *not*. You have to give up all that is *not* divine, so that which remains is only divinity. Therefore, all that you do, say and think, must lead to the removal of all that is *not* divine, thereby leaving only the Divine within you. All the *satsangs*, the *seva* and all the other activities are only help you to 'un-become' what you are not.

When a child is born, it cries '*Koham, koham*' – Who am I? Who am I? Unfortunately, the child is told many untruths. The little, pure, innocent child is made to believe that it is a body which has a name and a form. Since all of you have lived in this untruth for ages, you believe it to be the truth and keep telling the same lies to the children as well. Unfortunately, this lie that you are just the body and the mind has been repeated to you so many times that it now sounds true. Hence, the truth that you are God and verily divine, must be repeated many, many more times in order to make you forget the untruth and remember only that which is true.

Your very breath is your teacher, for it repeats, '*Soham, Soham, Soham*', 21,600 times a day. As you breathe, it says, '*Soham*' - '*so*', as you breathe in and '*ham*', as you breathe out. If only you listen and pay attention to what the breath is saying, you will get the answer to the question with which you were born. The question, '*Koham*' – 'Who am I?' – is answered by your very own breath, which says, '*So Ham*' – 'I am That'.

In the times of yore, mothers would sing a lullaby to their children which went, "*Shuddhosi buddhosi niranjanosi*" – you are the pure one, you are the awakened one, you are the one who is ever enchanted. *Samsara maya parivarjitosi* – you are the one who is above the *maya* (illusion) of all *samsara* in the world. This is the way mothers would teach

their children the truth when they were born. Unfortunately, this has been forgotten in today's times. You are only telling the child the untruth that they are the body, that they have a name and that they belong to so and so and have to do this or that.

Like the poor lion cub lost in a herd of sheep, the child thinks it is also a sheep or just a human. The poor, lost lion cub lives like a sheep and eats grass like sheep, just because it is in the company of other sheep. It lives in great fear all the time, like sheep. One day, a real lion comes, roars, spots this cub in the herd of sheep and teaches it the truth that it is not a sheep, but a lion.

Similarly, the masters come to tell you that you are not just the body, an ordinary mortal who will eventually die. The *Vedas* proclaim, "*Shrunvantu vishwe amritasya putra,*" – Oh man! listen. You are the very son or the child of immortality! Swami says the same thing, 'Embodiments of Love', 'Embodiments of Divinity'. If only you would develop faith in these words of the *Vedas* or simply the word of your Master – that you are divine – you would cross the ocean of *samsara*. If only you took Swami's words to your heart and truly felt within what He says as being the truth, that you are divine, you would be able to cross over.

Tigrett spoke about having faith in the Master's words. Just by believing what the Master says, you can cross over the ocean.

Once, a very young milkmaid had to bring milk from one side of the river to the other for her *guru*. Every morning, she would bring this milk from one side of the river to the other by boat and would offer the milk to the *guru*, who would use it for his daily worship. One day, after a night of heavy rain, the river was in full spate and the boatman did not come in time. The young milkmaid waited for the boatman and was late for the worship.

Meanwhile, the *guru* was upset because the milkmaid had not come in time. He told her, "If only you had real faith in God and were sincere to serve, you could have walked on the water chanting His name, instead of waiting for the boat!"



The words of the *guru* went deep into her heart. The next day, when the boatman again did not show, she closed her eyes and chanted the name of the Lord, '*Om Namah Shivaya*', and walked on the water, reaching the other side.

When she reached the other side, the *guru* was surprised that she came in time, in spite of the heavy rains and flooding.

"How is it that you are here today, on time, when the boatman has not yet come?" he asked.

She replied, "You told me yesterday that if I really had faith, I could have walked on the water, so today I walked on the water and arrived."

This *guru*, who spoke such words of faith, did not have faith himself.

He asked, "What are you talking about? Are you out of your mind? How can someone walk on water?"

She responded, "Oh no, I chanted '*Om Namah Shivaya*' and walked on the water – that is the truth!"

"Let us see if you can walk back on the water." He went to the river.

The milkmaid very happily repeated, '*Om Namah Shivaya*', walked on the water and reached the other side.

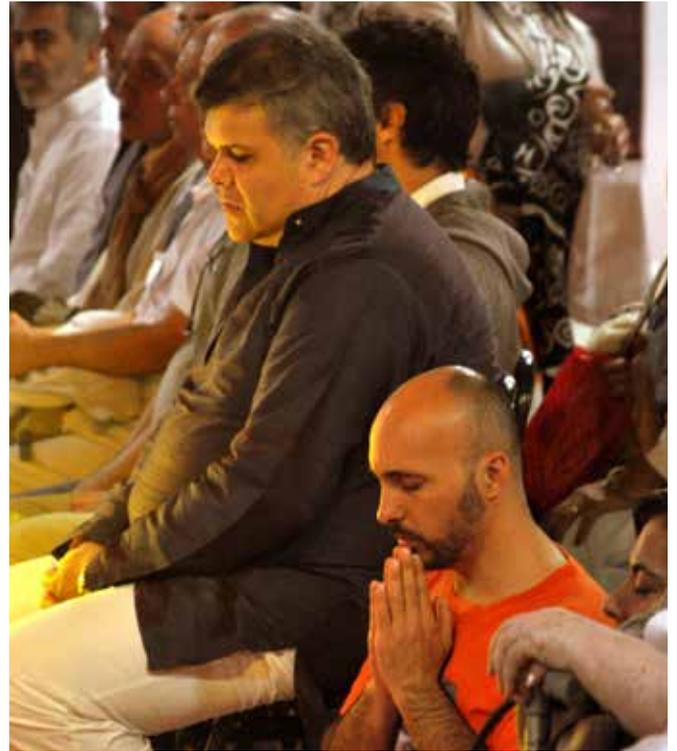
The *guru* thought that perhaps he could also do the same, so he chanted, '*Om Namah Shivaya*' and, as he put his foot in the river, he lifted his *dhoti*, pulling the cloth up so that it would not get wet. The very next moment, he was underwater! Had he really developed the faith that he would not have drowned, why should he have lifted his cloth at all? If he were going to walk on water, how would his *dhoti* have gotten wet? It turns out that the *guru* did not have faith, but the disciple had faith. The truth is truth, no matter from whose lips it is spoken.

When the Master Himself is telling you that you are embodiments of divinity, you had better believe it! Just repeat to yourself, 'I am Divine, I am Divine, I am Divine, I am



Divine'. Keep telling this truth so many times that you forget the untruth that you have learnt so far. See, you are all very fortunate, because at least there is somebody to tell you this truth. Whether you believe and follow it or not, is up to you.

There are thousands and *lakhs* (hundreds of thousands) and *crores* (tens of millions) of youth today who do not know this truth and there is nobody to tell them. If they stray away from the path of God and get involved with worldly pleasures, it is truly not their fault, for no one taught them right from wrong. You, who know this truth, must preach it to others – just as in school, the student studies and eventually graduates and becomes a teacher who teaches others, so that the knowledge he has received is passed onto the next generation who do not know of it. All that you have learnt from Swami must be practised and passed on to those who are not fortunate enough to be in such close proximity.



It is for this very same purpose that a new school is being started here, which is nothing other than the *ashram*, where you, who have practised and graduated, must become teachers to teach this truth to others. Once in a while, the real Master will come to teach special classes. This is the purpose which this *ashram* will serve.

Next time, we should not meet in a public hall, but in our own place. (*Applause*) Should we meet in our place next time? We can build a large place where a thousand people can sit. That will be the right thing to do. I will come again. The earlier it is ready, the sooner I will come. (*Applause*) Just like your heart should not be a musical chair, likewise, My place should be there permanently, not temporarily. We will all meet again very soon in this very place, but in our own *ashram*, where all of you will partake of the bliss that flows from God to His devotees.

When you plant a tree, it is not just for this generation, but for the generations to come. When you build an institution, it is not just for the people of today, but for the people of tomorrow. The same way, the *ashram* is not just for the people here today, but for generations and generations of people in this part of the world, who will benefit by it.

The *ashram* stands on the principle of Sai. S-A-I, 'SAI', stands for Service, Adoration and Illumination, or, *karma marga*, *bhakti marga*, and *jnana marga*, all in one. To put it simply, it is the path of work, worship and wisdom – the three 'w's. You should work, worship and thereby gain the wisdom that you are divine, along with everyone else.

Truly, in today's society, you do not need policies, rules, regulations and laws to make people moral and kind. All those are external things needing enforcement, so the results are temporary, not long-lasting, whereas that which comes from the source,

from within, will last forever. These values that Swami talks about, that all of you know about, must be practised and must lead to source, which is the transformation that comes from within.

In the same way that I have held your hand, helping you walk this path, I hope and bless that you also will hold the hands of others and help them walk the path. True gratitude to the teacher is when the disciple practises and becomes a teacher himself. Prepare yourselves, prepare the country, prepare the people of the country for the coming Golden Age and, for that, this work is important.

One may think, 'Swami speaks about such grand things. Is it possible for a small group of people to accomplish?' No, it is not possible for the zeroes, but definitely possible for the one, if it stands in front of all the zeroes. Any number of zeroes you add behind the one only becomes more valuable, as from 1 to 10 with one zero, to 100 with two zeros, to 1,000 with three zeros, to a million with six zeros and to a billion with nine zeros – it just keeps growing! That is how all of you stand behind Me. I will lead from the front, and the value will definitely increase.

I am very happy that such work is being started. You all are blessed to take the word of God – the message of love – and speak these truths to others in your country, thereby truly serving your country and your Master.

This is just the beginning. You will witness many glorious things that are going to happen. Such wonderful, glorious times are ahead when the whole world will become one family. United with this bond of love, which is unbreakable, all will change for the good. Such things will happen, not in the far future, but in the quite near future. You will see!

Many blessings to everyone.



SUMMARY OF DIVINE VISIT TO SALTA

The much awaited 9 October arrived and Salta woke up with copious rain that after a few hours had adorned nature to receive Swami and His distinguished entourage. Located in the northwest of Argentina, the province is a two-hour flight away from Buenos Aires.

In the afternoon, as the sun illumined the city, the soil of Salta was blessed with Bhagawan's presence. Devotees lovingly received His entourage, who were taken directly to the residence of Dr. Pablo Aira and his wife, Mrs. Leonor, by their son Gonzalo, who has been devoted to Swami for many years, though he had never seen Swami in His physical form.

On 10 October, another long yearned day arrived and Swami gifted the people of Salta with a bright, sunny day. The plants were dressed in a festive manner, the flowers opened revealing their beauty and the birds hummed with joy, welcoming the Lord.

After a traditional South Indian breakfast, offered at the residence of Dr. Pablo and Mrs. Leonor, Swami went to the residence of Mrs. Liliana, the lady who had invited Him to Salta the previous year. Swami fulfilled His promise with haste as He manifested at her house, located in Vaqueros, a place blessed by the touch of His divine presence.

When He arrived at Mrs. Liliana's house, Swami went straight to His room. Swami knew exactly where He was going. There He told her that He had been in that room twice, taking care of her when she had had a very high fever. Later, she described to everyone how these events had taken place, identifying both instances in detail. Bhajans resonated and filled the hearts of those who were present, in tune, waiting for Swami to arrive.

In the afternoon, a Public Satsang was organised, where more than 250 people gathered. For a small place like Salta, a meeting of 250 devotees was enormous! Swami was greeted with traditional dances and the programme continued with talks by Mr. Isaac Tigrett and Sri C. Sreenivas, followed by Swami's divine discourse.

Thus concluded the second historic visit of Bhagawan Baba to Argentina.

10 OCTOBER, 2017 – VAQUEROS, SALTA

MORNING PRIVATE SATSANG MRS. LILIANA GARRIDO'S RESIDENCE EXCERPTS OF TALKS

Mr. Isaac Tigrett

Swami has told us much about Prema Sai, who is coming in 2026, and that His mission is quite different than Shirdi Baba or Sathya Sai Baba. Shirdi Baba never left Maharashtra. He stayed in one place, and only had a few friends and people who didn't know much about Him at all. Swami not only travelled throughout India, but He also invited everybody to His home in Puttaparthi. He walked among us, gave us presents, looked at us, took letters and gave interviews. That was His mission.

The mission of Prema Sai is totally different. He is going to travel around the whole world, going to these *ashrams* that He has placed – 18 of them now. He may appear occasionally in public. He is not going to walk among the crowd every day, give out rings, take letters, look at people and bless people, because His mission is entirely different. He is going to be the last of the triple Avatars and, at the end of His mission, this new age will begin – and our rise to our original place of consciousness will start.

The speed of this mission of Prema Sai has begun and things will move very fast. But one thing that everybody says is, "Oh, Swami will take care of it." That's not the way it works. You have to do your part and work as hard as you can, especially under the umbrella of the five human values, to represent Him. I can't tell you that I am constantly in a state of high consciousness, because I am not. But I can tell you that Swami taught me many years ago, that I could communicate with Him anytime I wished. Anyone can do this. Know that you can easily contact the inner *guru*. All it takes is faith and surrender.

Sri C. Sreenivas

This morning is like a morning out of a book in a fairy tale. In a fairy tale, like in life, there is incredible adventure, there is always attempting the impossible, there is always doing the undoable.

To many of us, our lives now are trying to do the undoable, or making the impossible possible. The most crucial ingredient required for that is faith, but although faith is a beautiful word, it begins to assume meaning only when you put it in front of a test, especially something which is impossible. What you go through when you push yourself to such moments, and find yourself all alone by yourself – at that moment of absolute extremity, when you don't know what to do, you don't know where to look, because you have to do what you have to do, and the only thing you have is faith – when you begin to lead a life like this, that becomes God's opportunity.

Our lives are going to be that way of managing to live while holding onto faith, not as a word, not as a theory, but as a living reality. It is all right to speak, but when you have to face the test on the ground, the game is so very different. But that is when Swami's beautiful opportunity comes and, when you think you have gone to the very edge, and you can only look at the sky before you, because there is no piece of earth in front, you have to take a step – and when you do, you suddenly find that you are a different being.

Much has already happened and many more things are going to happen, but we will need all the strength, all the vigour, and truly all the faith to overcome all obstacles and achieve success.



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MORNING PRIVATE SATSANG MRS. LILIANA GARRIDO'S RESIDENCE DIVINE DISCOURSE

What you can see is a fact, whilst what you do not see is faith. Believing in what you see is common, possible and easy, but to believe in that which you cannot see is faith. Therefore, faith is something that does not arise out of the body or the mind, which only believes in what it has seen from its experiences. With its limited physical and mental capabilities, there is only so much that it can know and experience. Faith is beyond the limitations of the physical or mental ways – it is in the realm of the heart. Only a heart full of devotion can understand what faith is. Truly, faith is a very natural thing.

Every child is born with faith. Have you ever seen a child that was born afraid of the people that it sees, such as its mother and father, whom it has never seen before? It is born with the faith that it will be looked after by all the people around. It does not know the difference between this and that, ours and theirs. It accepts everyone equally, because its mind is not yet active. It lives only by its heart.

As the child grows, the people around it say what is to be done, what is not to be done, what is to be accepted and what is to be rejected, all the while building such dualities into the child's mind. The pure, innocent, immortal child is taught the limited, mean ways of the world and it slowly loses the way of the heart and picks up the way of the head. Thus, it learns to differentiate, to judge, to compare, to analyse and to argue – all negative things. It is not able to accept anything unconditionally anymore, because it has lost that innocence, that purity with which it was born, due to the company of its parents, elders and the people around who do not live from their hearts, but only their heads. Another pure, divine being is thereby contaminated with worldliness.

Everyone lives with faith. Whilst you are seated under this roof, you have faith that the roof will not fall on your head, that the earth will not part and swallow you or that any other untoward incident will happen at this very moment. The very fact that you think that you also have tomorrow, just as you have today, is also a matter of faith. Therefore, faith is not something impossible for human beings. In fact, if there were no faith, human beings could not live for even a single day.

That is why the dual mind is half blind. Developing doubts is the biggest enemy to

any seeker, for doubt is a disease that cannot easily be cured. One must learn to place one's faith first in oneself and then in God. Believing in oneself is thus very important. How do you believe in yourself? Believe not as the body or the mind, but believe in yourself as the immortal spirit that you truly are, which was never born, which will never die and which does not know the dualities of pain and pleasure, sorrow and happiness, mine and thine. Such is the purity of the spirit that you truly are.

Once you have faith in the truth of your existence, no doubts will appear. Such a person is free from all fear – otherwise, wherever you go, life will be full of fear. Having believed that you are that immortal spirit, you must also believe that there is a guardian, a God, who is looking after you and that, if you surrender to His will, nothing untoward will happen to you. When you surrender with complete devotion to God, He takes over.

(Referring to Dr. Jorge Berra's talk earlier) This is what the doctor was saying a while ago. Out of the two types of devotion – that of a monkey's devotion and that of a cat's devotion – the cat's devotion is superior. A baby monkey has to hold on to its mother monkey for its dear life, as the monkey jumps from one tree to the other. However, in the case of a cat, it surrenders to its mother so that the mother, whose teeth are capable of killing a mouse, holds the child gently and takes it wherever required. That is true surrender.

Faith is believing that you truly are the immortal spirit, Divinity. You cannot see faith with your eyes, you cannot hear it with your ears and you cannot touch it with your hands. However much you think, analyse or argue, you still cannot understand



Divinity with your mind, yet still believing that you are Divinity, is true faith. Once you develop this faith, then comes surrender. Surrender is when you become like that little kitten, which is not afraid of the mother cat. Instead, it allows the mother cat to carry it wherever it wants, having no mind of its own.

Thus, faith and surrender are like the two sides of the same coin. Nothing is impossible for the person with faith. For the one who has faith, all that is impossible becomes possible, but for the one who does not have faith, even the possible becomes impossible. For the one who has surrender, even the most undoable becomes doable. For the one who does not have surrender, even simple, doable things, become undoable. Hence, devotion is not just about singing songs, praising God, talking about God, giving a talk or having *satsang* if it does not lead to the twin values of faith and surrender.

Where there is faith, there is no fear;
where there is fear, there is no faith;
where there is no worry, there is surrender;
where there is no surrender, there is worry.

To get rid of these two most difficult enemies of fear and worry, one must develop faith and surrender.



A child, when thrown into the air by its father, does not cry out of fear; it laughs out of joy because it knows its father is there. It knows the hands that have thrown it up, will catch it, so that instead of being afraid and ruining the experience, it rather enjoys the experience until it comes back into the hands of its father. It does not know what gravity is and what it means to fall onto the ground, for it only knows that, 'These are the hands of my father which will catch me and not let anything happen to me.'

Only as it grows does it learn about gravity and falling down and starts becoming afraid. The faith and surrender you must develop says, 'My Divine Father's hands are there. Even if

He throws me up in the air, I will not fall, as He will catch me.' Enjoy the thrill of being in the air, like the bird, instead of being afraid. For, as He swings you up and down, it is both a play for Him and you. Enjoy this play, just as the little child innocently enjoys the play with its father.

What has not happened? Everything has happened! All of you are part of a story book. The author has already written it chapter by chapter. As you turn the pages, you know what comes next. Therefore, knowing that God knows that everything is in perfect control and order means you have nothing to fear.

My work cannot be done by people who are weak and fearful, who are selfish and accordingly, afraid and worried. My work can be done only by those who are selfless and hence, fearless. I only need those few people who are absolutely selfless like Me and as a result, absolutely fearless like Me. Only such people can do My work. Become like that!

Once you become that, you have no idea what joy it is to be free of all the entanglements of life. There is no more crawling, hopping or walking – it is only flying in the sky. You become that fearless bird which flies high up in the sky, living in the high heavens, never to come back onto the ground again. Become free! Become fearless!

What more can I say? Next time I come, we will meet in the *ashram* here.

(Referring to Dr. Berra) He is shaking his head 'yes', but his heart is saying 'no'. Head, heart and hands – all three should be in unison. What the heart feels, the head should think; what the head thinks, the hands should do. Fearlessly and selflessly, do your work. What you are trying to do is not for you or your family, but for the generations to come. Much after you are gone, your names forgotten from the history books, these institutions and values will remain to guide mankind. The mortal body and all that which comes with it will pass away with time. Nobody can stop that, but the values with which you lead your lives will be the legacy you leave behind as service to humanity, which will remain forever immortal. Therefore, do not succumb to this limited life. Become unlimited, become eternal and become forever!

Is there another programme this evening?

(Referring to the hostess, Mrs. Liliانا Garrido) I came to Salta only to meet this lady. She said in darshan, "Come to Salta." After inviting Me, she is now worrying how she will handle the arrangements. That does not matter. You have only to invite God. He will send His people to do all that is required. With that faith, if you invite God, it is enough. Everything else He will do.

Very happy.

10 OCTOBER, 2017 – SALTA

EVENING PUBLIC MEETING EXCERPTS OF TALKS



Mr. Isaac Tigrett

There are people in this room who simply do not believe – it's okay. There are people in this room that want to believe – that is also okay. There are people in this room that really believe – but, there's only one person who actually knows, and He is sitting in the chair.

I have troubled myself understanding this phenomenon, but I can tell you that, not only the 44 years that I've been blessed to follow Him, but these last three years, watching 17 spiritual centres being established around the world, and now the 18th in Buenos Aires, witnessing three hospitals suddenly come up in India, the clinics that have been opened in Nigeria, now Fiji and other places, the 15 of 30 schools that are now in operation in Karnataka, in India – whether you can understand this phenomenon or not, you can touch these places. They exist. Surely, only a Divine Manifestation could create all these things within a short period of time.

Of all the other 17 places that are coming up, this fabulous new interfaith spiritual centre in Buenos Aires is the most beautiful thing I have ever seen. The most important part of it is that it is the centre for all of South America. There will only be one to be shared with some 25 countries. So it's going to be your job to be host for all of South America. This is an amazing opportunity. You have to discard your old habits of liking only this country, or these people or this situation. You have to welcome your brothers and sisters from all of South America to this amazing spiritual centre in Buenos Aires. It is very important for you to understand that Swami has chosen you to be hosts for His children of South America.

Sri C. Sreenivas

What happens when the Divine does come in answer is He takes us to a point wherein we do not make a choice, that the Divine picks us as His choice amongst so many. This unique evening, where all of us are present here, is an evening when the Divine chose to pick us and keep us here with Him, in what would be a new beginning of our lives. What is that blessing when the Divine chooses us? In the recent past, Swami has said, "I have no body but, henceforth, everybody that I meet, every person that I pick, is a choice I have made, because from that moment on, in every true sense of that word, I become their bodies."

This is the enormity of this evening's moment. If you just think that Swami is sitting here, and all the thoughts that go through your beautiful mind are thoughts of love and kindness, and all the words that come out of your mouth today, tomorrow and till the end of your time, are words which will comfort, which will show love and concern, which will wipe tears, and from that, every act, through every faculty that God has given you in this body, He chooses to act through you, spreading His message of human love and divine kindness.

From this moment, let us reaffirm to ourselves that this body just doesn't have this name, but it carries the sacred name of Swami and, by carrying that sacred name, every thought, every word, every act henceforth from this body will be living manifestations of kindness and compassion. And we will truly become living Sri Sathya Sais once again. This is how Sri Sathya Sai will continue Himself and His work.

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EVENING PUBLIC MEETING DIVINE DISCOURSE

He is the eternal one without birth or death;
He is the one without beginning, middle or end
He is the one who does not die, but remains in everyone
and pervades everything as the Divine Self or *Atman*. (*Telugu poem*)

Dear Embodiments of Atma!

God does not have any particular name or form. He takes the name and the form as per the devotion of the devotees, out of compassion and love for the people. Just like a father bends down to become a small horse for his child to play with, even if he happens to be the President of the country, likewise, God bends down low to lift His children. It would be a mistake to think that God is only as much as you perceive Him to be.

The little child cannot understand that his father is the President of the country, since it only knows its father to be its friend, its companion and its horse – but, once it grows up to become a man or woman, they will understand what their father truly was.

Thus, what you perceive as God depends more on you than on God. To different people, He may be a friend, a father, a mother, a child or a *Guru*. Similarly, the way you perceive God is how He becomes for you. It totally depends on what you want from Him.

Devotion is the key in the relationship between the devotee and God. This devotion is pure, selfless love, without any expectations or attachments. The purest or the highest kind of devotion is the one where you love God for God's sake. Such a person, who loves God only for His sake, is the one whom God follows everywhere. Others, who love God for the sake of things, like cure from a disease, attaining name and fame or even trying to understand the Divine Self on the spiritual path, have to follow God.

That is what the *Bhagawad Gita* says: "There are four kinds of devotees who come to God."

First are the *artas*, those stricken with some kind of grief or trouble. To find relief from that pain and suffering, they come to God. They are also devotees.

Then there are the *artharthis*. They come for worldly gain, be it name, fame, power or position. They seek that from God and come to Him for that.

Then there are the *jijnasus*, the curious ones, wanting to know what God is, how He is, what He does and what He does not do – they come to God out of curiosity.

Last are the *jnanis*, the men of wisdom. They come to God only for the sake of God, for they know there is nothing further to seek, nothing to ask. They desire only to experience and bask in the love of God.

The first three kinds of people have to follow God for the sake of obtaining what they want, including the ones who are curious to know the true nature of God – but, as for the fourth kind, those who love God for God's sake, they do not have to follow God, for God follows them wherever they go. It is for their sake that God comes. Nevertheless, He blesses the other three, so that one day they may all learn and become the fourth kind. True devotion is represented by the one who is truly devoted to Me, who loves Me for My sake and nothing else.

Krishna says, "Such a devotee is dear to Me who has no attachment or expectations, who is pure within and without, who is not concerned with loss and gain and who treats everything that comes in life with equanimity." It is for the sake of such a devotee that God runs looking for him.



It was not in our plan to come to Salta, as the original plan was to come only to Buenos Aires for the sake of establishing the new spiritual centre. I have come here because of a devotee who prayed sincerely and earnestly for My presence. Even if one person prays sincerely and selflessly, many benefit from it.

A legend says that there was no water on earth for the people to drink. At that point in time, a king gave up his kingdom and took to the path of meditation since, as a king with all might and power, he could not provide water for the people of his country. Looking at everyone's plight, he decided that whilst he could not provide the water, then the King of kings could surely do so. Therefore, *Bhagiratha* took to the path of *sannyasa* (renunciation) and performed intense penance to please Lord Shiva. He prayed selflessly that water from the heavens come down to earth to quench everyone's thirst.

Shiva granted the boon that the Ganges, which flows in the heavens, could come down to earth, but the power, intensity and magnitude would have been so forceful that the earth would have not been able to withstand it. Bhagirathi was worried as to how Shiva would allow the Ganges to descend to the earth, but Shiva understood his plight. Shiva not only granted the boon of bringing the Ganges down to earth, but He also received it on His head, so that the force of the impact would be lessened and it could flow freely thereafter.

(Referring to Mrs. Liliana Garrido, who invited Swami to Salta) Such is the story of one



devotee from Salta who prayed that Swami should come. She has been praying, not for one or two days, but for 27 years! She has been praying, hoping that someday Swami would come. Finally, Swami agreed. After having invited Swami, she started worrying how she would receive Him, just like Sage Bhagirathi, who received the boon of Shiva, but did not know how to receive the Ganges onto the earth.

It was indeed Swami who came to her rescue and ensured that everything required was organised. Several people started coming forward, offering their help, arranging for all the programmes, making all kinds of preparations whilst, literally, she saw all of it happen in front of her eyes. She prayed only for the love of Swami, for the experience of that love and nothing for herself, which led to this downpour of the Ganges from the heavens onto the earth, which has sanctified not only her, but this entire place.

You must pray in such a way that you pray only for God's love. Even if God appears in front of you and asks you or tempts you with all kinds of attractions, you must tell Him, "Thank You very much for all the offers, but I do not need any of these. Give me Your love. That is my wealth and everything else does not matter." Such a devotee is dear to God and God will follow wherever that devotee goes, for the one who is dear to God is always near to God.

Because of one person's selfless prayer, so many have benefitted. Just imagine if every person becomes selfless and starts praying for everyone else. There will no longer be any sorrow or suffering on earth! It is because you pray for yourselves and your limited attachments that you suffer. If you consider everyone as your own, all children of God, praying from the bottom of your heart: *Samastha lokah sukhino bhavantu*, meaning 'Let all the beings in all the worlds be happy', then such a selfless prayer, which is dear to God, will be certainly be granted. Pray like that.

Next time, when you raise your hands in prayer, bow your head in front of God, kneel down to ask for His grace and let there be only one mantra or prayer on your lips: *Samastha lokah sukhino bhavanthu* – let everyone be happy. In order to make that

prayer manifest, you must also serve.

In these countries, the need is very great for people to understand this message. Consumed by materialistic greed, living in narrow domestic boundaries, always looking outward at the glitter of the world, people have forgotten why they are truly here. Therefore, it is a must, that some of you know the truth. Make the effort to teach it to others. Do not consider the *ashram* as merely a spiritual centre. In fact, it is a school, where first you learn to love and serve, and then you teach the same to others. That is how I envision this place.

A time will come when a few people, with great selflessness in their hearts, will lead the way for everyone else to follow. You must make it happen. You do not need a boat as big as the ocean in order to cross it. A small boat can take you across. Hence, if a few good people become totally selfless and absolutely fearless, it is enough to take the rest across, like a small boat that can take many. Be ready to sacrifice, be ready to serve and be ready to love. That is the way.

Today, Swami is known for all that He did in the past, but that does not make Me happy. I will truly be happy if I am known because of what *you* do in the present. What you do, how you live and how you behave, will define what Swami is. Therefore, live your life in accordance with Swami's love.

The *Bhagawad Gita* says, "*Sahasra sheersha purushah*," – the Divine Being has thousands of heads. The *Purusha Sooktam* also says, "God has thousands of heads and thousands of hands and feet. His eyes and ears are everywhere. His face is everywhere." How can that be possible? The inner significance is that everyone and everything is God. Live according to that truth and sanctify your lives.

(Referring to Mrs. Garrido) Is she going to give a closing speech? Give the closing speech.

(Swami blessed Mrs. Garrido amidst applause)

(After Swami's discourse, Mrs. Liliانا Garrido gave the closing remarks, which was followed by Arathi and distribution of prasadam.)





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