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May His Divine Grace be pleased by the glorification and prayers  
of all the devotees. And may the devotees be nourished to share the  
devotional spirit of the Vaisnavas worldwide.



In Vaishnava poetry we find these lines about Mahaprabhu: “Where are you, most merciful incarnation of the Lord, stolen away from my vision?” These lines express feelings that overwhelmed the devotees when Mahaprabhu finished His earthly Pastimes. Sri Chaitanya left the devotees, bestowing His servants the greatest fortune to experience the nectar of love in separation, which He was enjoying Himself. Srila Krishnadas Kaviraj in Ramananda-samvada has described the intimate conversation between the Lord and His pure devotee. In contrast to the Bhagavad-Gita in which Lord acts as a mentor of Arjuna, the Lord here takes position of the questioner. In this conversation he encourages Ramananda to reveal the treasures that are so dear to His heart, that He won’t dare to speak about them Himself.

When he asked what is the greatest form of suffering in this world, Ramananda said that there is no more intense suffering in this world than separation from the devotees. Here he is not talking about separation from Krishna. But Ramananda said that separation from devotees—that’s the greatest feeling, and only very fortunate souls can feel it.

But my poor heart does not feel so deep separation because separation cannot be without a meeting. How can one regret what he never had? What is my luck?

Reflecting on this, I remember the pain of separation running through the hearts of the devotees who have dedicated their lives to Srila Gurudeva. I felt myself extremely blessed because through their feelings I got a drop of understanding of how important he was for all of us.

But now, after departure of the great saint, what will we do? Whether to return back to our homes saying: “Yes, I saw a Vaisnava, he even initiated me, but all this is too high. Ideals are very abstract. I would have something more tangible, practical.” Or

should we say: “When I came in connection with him, I began to believe: everything that the scriptures say is true. So I will not drink water of this world, rather I will continue to live with the hope that higher world will send to me a drop of mercy.”

Connection with him was the really wonderful gift, manifestation of causeless mercy, and now we will continue to serve, remembering his instructions and pastimes.

S w a m i B . B . A v a d h u t



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

Humble Obeisance

On the auspicious occasion of the 83rd appearance of His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj

“So guru is the divine messenger of immortal hope and joy in this mortal and miserable world. His advent is the most auspicious and happy event to the suffering animation, and can be compared to the rising of the morning star that can guide the traveller lost in the desert.”

The Harmonist, Srila B. R. Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj

**ki gāhiba prabhu mahimā tomāra  
avṛta-chetana avidyā-jāle**

What shall I sing of your divine glories? My consciousness is covered by illusion. I pray for your mercy and humbly offer my dandavat pranam at your feet, praying:

**kṣami’ aparādha, nāme ruchi diyā,  
pālana karahe tāya**

(Sharanagati: 17.6)

(6) Forgiving my offences and granting me taste for Your Name, please maintain me.

We have heard His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj describe your glories. This is summarised in your pranam mantra.

**gurvabhishta-supurakam guru-ganair asisha-sambhushitam  
chintyachintya-samasta-veda-nipunam sri-rupa-panthanugam  
govindabhidham ujjvalam vara-tanum bhakty anvitam sundaram  
vande visva-gurun cha divya-bhagavat-premno hi bija-pradam**

I have learned many things from you, you are my shiksa and sannyas guru. Your poetry and sweet Hari-katha always give me so much joy and inspiration. They are full of siddhanta and dispel all doubts and confusion.

Today I am praying to you with the words of Srila Narottam Das Thakur:

**ki-rūpe pāiba sevā mui durāchāra  
śrī-guru-vaiṣṇave rati na ha-ila āmāra**

How will I obtain service? I am misbehaved and have no loving attachment for Sri Guru-Vaishnav.

**aśeṣa māyāte mana magana ha-ila  
vaiṣṇavete leśa-mātra rati nā janmila**

My mind is submerged in unlimited illusion. I do not have even a trace of loving attachment for the Vaishnavs.

**viṣaye bhuliya andha hainu divā-niśi  
gale phāsa dite phere māyā se piśāchī**

In the midst of mundanity, day and night I forget you. The witch Maya has fastened a noose around my neck.

**māyāre kariyā jaya chāḍāna na yāya  
sādhu-kṛpā vinā āro nahika upāya**

It is impossible to overcome and abandon Maya without the mercy of the sadhus. There is no other way.

**adoṣa daraśi-prabhu patita-uddhāra  
ei-bāra narottame karaha nistāra**

Oh master who overlooks my faults, oh saviour of the fallen! This time deliver Narottam Das.

Again I offer my dandavat pranam to you, and to your devotees and associates.

**P r a p a n n a T i r t h a**



Rome, D e c e m b e r 1 2 t h 2 0 1 1

All glories to Sri Sri Guru and Gauranga

Beloved and dear Srila Govinda Maharaj, Please accept my most humble and respectful dandavat pranam at Your holy lotus feet!

Vyasa-puja offering in glorification of the most auspicious 83rd Appearance Day 12-12-2011 of His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaj

**gurvabhishta-supurakam guru-ganair asisha-sambhushitam  
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vande visva-gurun cha divya-bhagavat-premno hi bija-pradam**

Roaming in the village, while constantly deeply absorbed in the chanting of Sri Rama's holy Name, the poet Tulsi das, came across a crowd, on its way to the funeral pyre!

He had been approached to bless the widow of the late husband! Without delayin-  
gor hesitating the blessing had been bestowed!

Surprised the crowd so spoke: "What kind of blessing is this, by you given to the  
mourning widow, accompanying her late husband to the funeral pyre?"

Tulsi das replied: "What can I do about it?"

"I just simply repeat what the One in me ordered to say!"

"He then to the Lord further as follows spake: "Oh my Lord, only if it is Your  
Will ever free and independent, please put back life in this dead body!"

"If You choose for not, give them at least that Faith and understanding of the hap-  
pening!"

"Even also for one moment!"

As the chanting of Sri Rama's holy Name was inundating the entire surrounding  
with its sweet nectar, everyone witnessed "the rebirth" of the late widower!

Rejoicing, the happiness of the crowd knew no bounds! Falling at the lotus feet  
of Tulsi das, with due humble respect!

Beloved dear Srila Govinda Maharaj, I'm realizing that we all are caught in the fold  
of a pastime of which only by Your blessing the comprehension can be obtained!

As things are evolving, I'm witnessing that Truth has been caught mid river!

Because its arrow is being hidden in the quiver!

I've full awareness that only Truth can repair the distorted images in a broken  
mirror! The vilest among them is that of Man, the sinner!

Truth often may appear bitterly harsh!

Nevertheless anyhow ever unchanged Truth remains !

Celebrating today, Your auspiciousmost 83rd Appearance Day, solemnly with  
heart

and soul, I'm praying that Tulsi das's compassionate prayer, even at this

minute, may have the same value and significance for each of us:

the understanding of which each of us at every blinking of the eyes verily is in

dire need! That one may possess such Faith of which even one drop able is

mountains to move!

Glories, endless glories over and again!

Touching Your holy Lotus feet duty bound is my worship!

Your everfresh wellwisher and faithful servant,

With loving affection,

**S w a m i B . M . B a n M a h a r a j**



All Glories to Sri Sri Guru Gauranga

Sri Guru Puja 2011

Dearest Srila Maharaj,

With my full dandavat to your lotus feet. Whatever is the total that everyone has said, I wish to multiply it by one crore and offer that to Your Divine Grace.

I pray you may accept the enclosed compiled offerings on this most auspicious day.

Your insignificant servant,

**S w a m i B . N . N a r a y a n , M a u r i t i u s**



Dear Gurudev,

Please accept my humble dandavats to your merciful feet.

With all Your life and words You showed us that in the world You belong to every step is truly a dance and every word is a song. And that made me become Your charmed follower. Now after a year of You being invisible in our world I can say indeed that until I met You I didn't know I was looking for Love.

Your aspiring servant,

**S w a m i B . C . B h a r a t i**

Śrī Gurudeva Ārati-Stuti

**jaya jaya gurudeva karuṇā-sāgara  
goswāmī govinda deva śrī-bhakti-sundara**

All glories! All glories to our Gurudev, the ocean of mercy, Śrīla Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswāmī Mahārāj!

**śrī-gauḍa-maṇḍala-bhūmi mājhe avatari'  
bhūloke goloka dilā preme jaga-bhari'**

You descended in the holy land of Gauḍa, thus bringing Goloka to the Earth, and filled the world with divine love.

**tava divya kalevara ujjala sundara  
śuddha-bhakti samanvita sarva chitta hara'**

Your beautiful, radiant, divine form, replete with pure devotion, captivates the hearts of all.

**saumya-snigdha-mugdha-prāṇa rasera-sadana  
sudhāmśu-vadana tumi kṛpālu-lochana**

Your gentle, loving, melted heart is an abode of rasa. Your face is a nectar-rayed moon and your eyes are merciful.

**aprākṛta-sneha-mūrti divya-teja-maya  
durdaiva-anartha-duḥkha sadā kare kṣaya**

You are a divinely empowered embodiment of supramundane affection. You always dispel all misfortune, wickedness, and sorrow.

**tumi susampūrṇa kara guru-manobhīṣṭa  
guru-gaṇer āśīrvāda samyak vibhūṣita**

You completely fulfil the heart's desires of your guru and are adorned with the blessings of his godbrothers.

**chintyāchintya-sarva-veda nipuṇa pravara  
rūpa-pantha-anugāmī susiddhānta-dhara**

You are an expert in all conceivable and inconceivable knowledge. You follow the path of Śrī Rūpa and carry forward his supreme conclusions.

**viśva-guru hañā viśve kariyā bhramaṇa  
prema-nāma-bīja diyā tārīlā bhuvana**

As a *jagat-guru* you travel the world distributing the seed of divine love and the Name of the Lord, and thus deliver the universe.

**śrī-chaitanya-sāraswata-maṭha suśobhana  
prakāśilā viśva mājhe kariyā yatana**

You carefully established the beautiful Śrī Chaitanya Sāraswat Maṭh all over the world.

**maṭha-bhakta-deva-sevā—tridaṇḍe tomāra  
gauḍīya-āchāra tumi karicha prachāra**

The service of your Gurudev’s devotees, Deities, and Mission is your tridaṇḍa sannyās. With this tridaṇḍa you preach Sāraswat-Gauḍīya-Vaiṣṇavism.

**gauḍīya-darśana anukīrtana kariyā  
chintāmaṇi-divya-vāṇī dvārā bhara hiyā**

You publish Śrī Gauḍīya Darśan and fill everyone’s hearts with her divine, wish-fulfilling message.

**“vinīta titikṣu haye māna dāna kari’  
sadā hari-nāma bala aparādha chhāḍi’  
paramahaṁsa-dharama guru-niṣṭhā-bhakti  
abhaya-saraṇāgati sevāya āsakti  
‘rāga-patha pūjā—kari’ gaura-saṅkīrtana”  
e saba śikṣāo tumi kari’ āsvādana**

“Be humble, be tolerant, give honour to others, always chant the Name of the Lord, and give up all offences. Practise paramahaṁsa-dharma, chaste devotion for guru, and fearless surrender. Be attached to service. Worship the path of divine love through Gaura-saṅkīrtan.” You relish and teach all these principles.

**dūre vā nikaṭe raha’ mora prabhu tumi  
tomāra mahimā kichhu stuti kari āmi**

Whether you are near or far, you are my master. In this small way I sing of your glories.

**B h a k t i K a m a l T y a g i**



**gurvabhishta-supurakam guru-ganair asisha-sambhushitam  
chintyachintya-samasta-veda-nipunam sri-rupa-panthanugam  
govindabhidham ujjvalam vara-tanum bhakty anvitam sundaram  
vande visva-gurun cha divya-bhagavat-premno hi bija-pradam**

Dear Gurudeva, I beg you to accept our humble honor at your feet of lotus.

In this day, so auspicious, we'd like to manage to thank you for your infinite mercy.

We'll pray that we won't replace our faith to anybody or anything but only in your divine education, to remain always concentrated in service and never to think in terms of success or failure, of victory or defeat.

Your desires come from the divine level. Meditating on you means that we let you introduce your programmes in us showing your divine projects.

If we depend on others and not only on you, we will never be free.

This road is for brave people. You gave us the courage and inspiration to serve with honesty.

You are the personified mercy, our eternal benefactor, we ask you humbly to be considered your aspiring servants.

**A t u l a K r s n a d a s , T u l a s i p r i y a d . d . a n d L a s y a m a y  
d . d . , I t a l y**



Dearest Srila Gurudeva

Please accept my respectful Dandavat at your holy feet.

I only had the good fortune of your physical darshan once, as well as one brief phone call. But that was sufficient and will stay with me forever.

Now you are no longer physically present, it is clear that you have transferred all authority, potency and charge to Srila Acarya Maharaj who, despite many obstacles and politics has shown himself to be the guiding light for the math's devotees.

It is no accident that you chose him, as he exemplifies what you do, selfless service and care for the devotees.

Now there are many so called Vaishnava societies in this world, and most of them are either abusive and/or disorganised. Srila Guru Maharaj chose you as his successor to ensure this didn't happen with our mission. And in turn, you chose our Srila Acaryadeva, to further protect everything.

It is indeed a guardian-ruled family, and one with a very strong foundation.

It is my hope that one day I may be engaged in some direct service for the mission and I pray to you to please overlook my faults in doing so, but I will try my best.

Sincerely,

S u b a l V i l a s a , U K



On this transcendental day, please let me offer my humble dandavat pranams unto your divine lotus feet.

When I have the mercy to be in your mission, I learnt to study, analyse and realize the importance to have a Paramahansa Vaishnava who is all sweetness, wisdom, humility and tolerance. Since the moment I had contact with you by your causeless mercy many events lead me to discriminate when my mind preached to me; it was obvious to obtain results that were difficult and confused me.

When I studied the Holy Scriptures I begged that by your grace they would reveal in my heart, and thus I was able to value the association with the Vaishnavas.

I learnt that as an aspiring servant as myself, I must associate with other Vaishnavas avoiding all forms of criticism. After such considerations my comprehension and realization turned out to be more positive, leading me to the understanding that is better to serve than to criticise. It comes to my memory when you instructed me to serve the Vaishnava community and to invoke your presence in my prayers, and my faith gradually increased. Thus I have been able to live in Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math now under the leadership of His Divine Grace Srila B. Nirmal Acharya Maharaj and my Gurudevas Srila B. Pavan Janardan Maharaj and Srila B. Kushum Ashram Maharaj.

Gurudev, I know that your blessings are samples of your greatness and I only beg you with all humility that you do not withdraw your merciful glance from this insignificant aspiring servitor of the Vaishnavas.

All glories unto you and to all the Vaishnavas of Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math!

Your insignificant aspiring servitor,

A t m a r a m a D a s , M e x i c o C i t y



Dear Gurudev,

I miss you very much and I want to be with you. I want to give you happiness in your Vyasa-puja. You are beautiful.

Your daughter,

**G a u r a n g i D e v i D a s i ( 8 y e a r s o l d )**  
**M e x i c o C i t y**



All Glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj

All glories to Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj

All glories to Srila Bhakti Kushum Ashram Maharaj

I ask to accept my most humble and respectful obeisances unto your divine lotus feet.

My dear Gurudev, I am the most fallen of your servants, still I am so fortunate to have your guidance in my spiritual path, which is a beautiful light that does not stop to shine. I beg for your infinite mercy in order to carry out your instructions and be able to develop love unto your divine lotus feet. Whatever little service I am able to do is due to your infinite mercy because on my own I am unable to do anything.

I always remember your so very sweet face filled with love for all the souls. I am blessed to have met you and even more; to have obtained your shelter which fills me with hope every single day of my life. Thank you for all what you give us.

Please let me continue at your devotional service with enthusiasm and love.

Aspiring to serve the Vaishnavas,

**I s h a S h a k t i D e v i D a s i , M e x i c o C i t y**

All glories to Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj

All glories to His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj

Please let me with all humility prostrate myself unto your lotus feet, my dear spiritual Master Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev.Goswami Maharaj. I think of you with all my affection, love and respect that I feel in my poor heart.

The transcendental moments of spiritual contact I had with you, always come to my memory; not only of those when you visited Mexico, but also when I saw you in India. I also remember that you are always giving protection to all of your devotees.

I remember those merciful words you said about my insignificant person. I have full faith and certainty that your blessings towards my family, husband, and children. Your blessings fill my heart with happiness and encouragement to continue in the service now in the guidance of His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj in whom you have handed down the mission of our Founder Acharya Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj. At the same time I also try to serve my spiritual master Srila Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj and our dear Acharya Srila Bhakti Kushum Ashram Maharaj.

This insignificant servant begs for your blessings so that I can continue serving all these saintly people and to all the Vaishnavas of our dear Math.

With all my love,

S e v a n i s t h a D e v i D a s i , M e x i c o C i t y



All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj  
All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Kusum Ashram Maharaj  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj  
All glories to the Vyasa Puja Celebration of Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda  
Dev-Goswami Maharaj!!

First, I want to offer my humble obeisance unto your lotus feet. On this very auspicious day, I feel so blessed because out of your great mercy you accept me, such a fallen soul, as your disciple. That is only by your mercy. I have no spiritual qualifications, and you don't care about that, you just accept me.

I have been under the divine guidance of great Vaisnavas, so dear to you, Srila Bhakti Kusum Ashram Maharaj and Srila Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj. They are always engaged in serving your cause, serving the Rupanuga Sampradaya.

I am trying so hard to not forget the main purpose in this life, and with your divine guidance and all the Vaisnavas it is less hard. I pray to you, don't let me forget you, or forget Krishna; please let me always stay in touch with any kind of service.

You are my dearest Gurudeva, my perfect guidance in the path back to Godhead, by your mercy please let me stay in this spiritual line and let me render some service to your dearest Vaisnavas.

I glorify this very auspicious day of your Divine Vyasa-puja!!

I can only be thankful within my poor heart for having the great fortune to be under your divine guidance.

All glories to your divine appearance day!!

Your humble servant,

S e v a - r u p a D e v i D a s i , M e x i c o C i t y

All glories to all the eternal associates of my Divine Master!

All glories to my Divine Master Om Vishnupad Paramahansa Parivrajakacharya  
Astottara-sata Sri Srimad Jagad Guru Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami  
Maharaj!

My dearest Gurudev,

I beg you to accept my affectionate dandavat pranams at your merciful, all-forgiving lotus feet. I am in no position to be able to glorify your perfect personality, being fallen and inconclusive in my attempt to surrender. I have these gross desires in my heart that do not allow me to reflect what I have received from you. It is a serious offence no doubt, and again I urgently ask you to pull me by the hair, so my mind can think of you and serve you the way you want me to do it.

Your Grace is the bridge before and after any relationship with our Param Gurudev, and we cannot do without your approval. Accurately you always stressed on me to serve the devotees, serve the devotees, serve the devotees; you were right and are right. They are my link to you and I never want to be bereft of such link.

I know you expect much more from me, please let me fulfil your transcendental desire. Despite my fallen condition, in some remote part of my heart there is an aspiration for obtaining the blissfulness that only your sweet association can give. I beg to you and to all the soft-hearted Vaishnavas to never lose the connection you mercifully gave me. Please, please let me make the best use of this human body, and gracefully always keep a place in your serving world for me.

This is my aspiration now on the most auspicious day of your Holy Appearance, and for all the eternal existence of my soul. I do not want anything else but You.

I happily and eagerly kneel down before your lofty Divine Form. May your mercy and glories be sung in the three worlds, the chanting of such glories brings full satisfaction to those of pure hearts, and redeems all fallen souls like myself.

All my love at your feet.

Your fallen daughter,

S u n d a r i D a s , M e x i c o C i t y

All Glories to Sri Guru  
All Glories to Sri Gauranga  
All Glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj  
All Glories to Your Appearance Day

Dear Gurudev,

I offer my respectful obeisances unto your lotus feet. Please accept them and forgive offences from I, the most fallen Atula Krishna Das.

I lack of any good quality to glorify you, my Gurudev, however I can understand that you have brought to my heart beauty and love, the biggest of all. In fact, you are beauty and love personified.

My dandavat pranams unto your feet,

**A t u l a K r i s h n a D a s , M e x i c o C i t y**



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

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

I bow down to my adored Gurudeva in his Vyasa Puja.

From his aspiring servant,

**Y a d h u K u m a r D a s , Q u i t o - E c u a d o r**



**gurvabhishta-supurakam guru-ganair asisha-sambhushitam  
chintyachintya-samasta-veda-nipunam sri-rupa-panthanugam  
govindabhidham ujjvalam vara-tanum bhakty anvitam sundaram  
vande visva-gurun cha divya-bhagavat-premno hi bija-pradam**

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

**vancha-kalpatarubhyas' cha kripa-sindhubhya eva cha  
patitanam pavanebhyo vaishnavebhyo namo namah**

Jai Om Visnupada Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj. On this blessed day all glories to you. I don't really know how to please you by my words. So I thought some Chaitanya-charitamrta may please you Srila Gurudev.

What's the news dear Gurudev.

**prabhu kahe, 'haridasa, kaha samacara'  
haridasa kahe, 'prabhu, ye kraa tomara'**

Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu inquired, "My dear Haridasa, what is the news?" Haridasa Thakura replied, "O My Lord, whatever mercy You can bestow upon me."

What's the news Srila Gurudev. We are still forever loyal at your lotus feet under the full protection and guidance of Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharyya Maharaj. I know I do not deserve the cooling shade of the Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math large umbrella but some how I am blessed.

**angane arambhila prabhu maha-sankirtana  
vakresvara-pandita tahan karena nartana**

Upon hearing this, Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu immediately began great congregational chanting in the courtyard. Vakresvara Pandita was the chief dancer.

Upon hearing your glories far outside of our material perception the beautiful Temple of Love and Affection and other Samadhi Mandirs are constructed in the most holy places known to us sinners so that we can remember you and hold dynamic kirtans for your pleasure Srila Gurudev.

**svarupa-gosani adi yata prabhura gana  
haridase bedi' kare nama-sankirtana**

Headed by Svarupa Damodara Gosvami, all the devotees of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu surrounded Haridasa Thakura and began congregational chanting.

Loud rip-roaring kirttans headed by our glorious worldwide Acharyya Srila Acharyyadev resonate and reverberate the three worlds—even antitheistics are put to shame by such elegant tintinnabulation of chimes of kartals and pounding of kols all in sweet time of Srila Acharyyadev melodic chanting of ancient hymns.

**ramananda, sarvabhauma, sabara agrete  
haridasera guna prabhu lagila kahite**

In front of all the great devotees like Ramananda Raya and Sarvabhauma Bhattacharya, Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu began to describe the holy attributes of Haridasa Thakura.

In the reverberating kirttan of Srila Acharyyadev Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math

[kapata diya kirtana kare parama avese pashandi hasite aise, na paya praveshe

This ecstatic chanting was performed with the doors closed so that non believers who came to make fun could not gain entrance.]

Great generals like Sripad Bhakti Kusum Ashram Maharaj, Sripad Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj, Sripad Bhakti Bimal Avadhut Maharaj, Sripad Bhakti Lalita Akinchan Maharaj, and other great Vaisnavas are the gate keepers only allowing the loyal true followers of your last divine wish to enter the glorious kirttan.

**haridasera guna kahite prabhu ha-ila panca-mukha  
kahite kahite prabhura bade maha-sukha**

As He described the transcendental attributes of Haridasa Thakura, Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu seemed to possess five mouths. The more He described, the more His great happiness increased.

The more we hear of your glories Srila Gurudev the more we are stunned. So much you did against opposition; temples in Sri Puri Dham, Sri Vrndavan, Sri Govard-

han, Sri Hapaniya, and around the world. Many publications, audio videos and devotees came by your mercy. All these adorned the crown jewel of Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math with Srila Acharyyadev as the radiant centre jewel. As we heard from our glorious preceptors; even with millions of mouths we could not even begin to narrate all the news of your glories past and present.

R a t n a n a b h a d a s , U K / P h i l i p p i n e s



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga!  
All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj!  
All glories to all Vaisnavas!  
All glories to Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math!

Dear Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble and respectful obeisances on the occasion of your Appearance Day.

Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura writes in his song ‘Gurudeva’: “I offer you all respects, for thus I may have the energy to know you correctly. Your mercy is all that I am made of.” I feel unqualified to glorify your Divine Personality from my mundane fallen position. I am just praying for your mercy that one day I will be able to please you. I wish for your mission to be increased more and more and spread your mercy and glory around the world!

Your aspiring servant of the servant,

A n a s u y a D e v i D a s i , C z e c h R e p u b l i c

I have a poem that I wrote for our Gurudev.

“We know not what this sweetest of things is, our hearts have no measure. For no wine or brew or earthly joy can reveal this treasure. No force or wealth or cheap charm, can make that soil dance. Its own will brings us drops of joy, to the fortunate servants trance.”

Please forgive any offenses

Your aspiring servant

**J a y a G o v i n d a D a s**



Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaja  
Respected and gave honor to all fallen souls  
Initiated the spark of love for Krishna in all of us  
Loved and cared for everyone  
A beautiful and sweet smile always giving us hope  
Glorious master of the world  
Understood every living soul  
Reached everyone’s heart with affection  
Unbelievable kindness  
Dedication towards serving his beloved Gurudeva  
Emanating light where there was darkness  
Very merciful to us  
Always going to be in our hearts  
All glories to my most beloved Srila Gurudeva!  
Your useless servant,

**B i m a l a N a n d i n i , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r**

All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

By the grace of the devotees I feel very fortunate to have come in contact with Krishna consciousness and receive initiation from His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaja, who by His grace and blessings throughout the universe exalts conducting Sankirtana, the glorious movement for the benefit of all souls.

All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev Goswami Maharaja on this sacred day of his appearance.

Your servant,

A n i n d i t a D D , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga.

From Goloka Vrindavan Dham, that divine abode of the Supreme Lord, come down those eternal transcendental pastimes, and crossing all the planets gets here to this world.

The most magnanimous, hidden and merciful manifestation, Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, who designated the necklace pearl to grant His golden grace of divine love to the transcendental Sri Rupanuga Sampradaya, such noble Vaishnava tradition of eternal transcendental gems lives flaming now in our hearts, taught from the sacred Sri Nabadwip Dham, Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math.

Those transcendental gems have come into touch our hearts, filling our need for service with the nectar of the Harinam Sankirtan that flows from the highest level to our current position. And one of its noblest representatives, shining like the sun, and warming the noble heart of the most magnanimous, until our time is always with us and lives forever in our hearts ... Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Deva-Goswami Maharaja.

One of the most auspicious gifts of Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, still guiding us and nourishing us with his transcendental instructions and example of Vaisnava behavior.

This sacred day of his appearance is crucial for all Gaudiya Vaisnavas, a memorable holiday filled with joy and transcendental feelings.

Such is the desire of one of their infinite aspiring servants.

**E k a l a s w a r D a s , E c u a d o r**



My dear Gurudeva,

Today in your divine Vyasa Puja, let us celebrate remembering your divine pastimes, after your departure to the divine abode of Lord Krishna.

All we can do is remember your infinite glories and become sincere aspirants to your divine service.

May the entire world vibrate your divine energy and fill everyone with joy.

May everyone listen about your transcendental glories, and obtain optimum spiritual benefit.

Please accept our humble dandavat pranams.

Jay Gurudeva!

Your servants,

**G a u r a h a r i D a s a n d w i f e L a l i t a D D , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r**



Respected Gurudeva,

Thank you for accepting and giving me your blessings. I have taken it and have been making it part of my life. I remain conscious of your presence, always with much desire to serve my beloved Srila Gurudeva, Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev Goswami Maharaj.

My humble reverences to your holy lotus feet in this auspicious occasion of your Vyasa Puja,

Your servant,

G a u r a n g u i D D , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r



ALL GLORIES TO SRI GURU AND SRI GAURANGA  
MY BELOVED MASTER

The whole universe lamented the loss of his protection and energy.

With your disappearance the good sense and genuine wisdom has gone, and we are overcome with infinite grief and devastation.

Through your voice we learned the sacred teachings of the Supreme Lord, which expanded and was fortified to all humankind, with great joy, as the manifestation of the Absolute potency.

Today I want close my eyes for a moment, look into the peace of my soul and find your divine spiritual presence of infinite love and your unshakable disposition of benevolence and example.

Before the sacred energy of your lotus feet, my Gurudeva, I bow my head and all my body and humbly give my soul and heart.

I want to give, under the shelter and mercy of your example, my mind and spirit,

with the only purpose to die embracing the ecstatic service.

The light of your teachings will remain eternally in us, and we will faithfully obey your instructions.

Please let my heart always find your example and love in the mellows and divine guidance of who has succeeded you, and enlightened and blessed by the preaching of the Sannyasis that follow you for the benefit of the mission in the world.

Your eternal servant,

I s w a r i D D , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

All glories to our beloved Gurudeva, Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj!

Please accept the most humble dandavat pranams to your holy lotus feet from your servants Murali Krishna Das and Krishna Sundari DD.

Remembering one more year of the divine appearance of our beloved Gurudeva for the benefit of all of us and all humankind.

For your grace and blessings we were happy and relieved with your holy presence, and now that you have parted from this world, it was not easy to continue, heavy tests have come, we've been sad and disconsolate. But your infinite mercy is so big, leaving us the instruction to obey to your successor Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj, and the other Acharyas, for the benefit of us and our families and god brothers and sisters, as a gift of guidance and mercy to continue inspiring us, sharing with others your divine message and the glories of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu.

Hoping this message of this humble servant will be accepted as an offering to your holy lotus feet.

An aspiring servant of Ecuador

Murali Krishna Das and his daughter

**K r i s h n a S u n d a r i D e v i D a s i , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r**



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

“Applying the soothing salve of sambandha-jnana, a proper acquaintance with the environment, my spiritual Master has opened my inner eye and thereby rescued me from the darkness of ignorance, fulfilling my life’s aspirations. I offer my respects unto Sri Gurudeva.”

My divine Master, the emporium of all transcendental qualities, his erudition was like a dazzling sun that can dissipate the darkness of ignorance. Always engaged in the divine service to the Supreme Lord, he was an expert in glorifying everyone.

His beautiful and radiant form was very attractive for foreigners and self; in his presence everyone felt very attracted to offer him whole respect. No one could resist the desire of glorifying him.

All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaja on this glorious occasion of his holy appearance day!

Your useless servant,

**R a j a r a m a D a s , Q u i t o / E c u a d o r**



gurvabhista-supurakam guru-ganair asisa-sambhusitam  
cintyacintya-samasta-veda-nipunam sri-rupa-panthanugam  
govindabhidham ujvalam vara-tanum bhakty anvitam sundaram  
vande visva-gurun ca divya-bhagavat-premno hi bija-pradam

“His Guru’s most cherished wishes, he’s truly fulfilling,  
adorned with his guru-varga’s affectionate blessing.

“In knowledge both conceivable and inconceivable,  
His expertise illumines the ontological whole.

“He’s the foremost follower of Sri Rupa’s divine aim;  
Sri Bhakti Sundar Govinda is his celebrated name.

“His beautiful figure stands out, clean, clear and effulgent,  
Devotionally endowed with transcendent sentiment.

“I worship him, the worldwide guru from high above,  
The empowered bestower of the seed of Divine Love.”

I offer my dandabat pranams in the dust of the lotus feet of His Divine Grace Srila  
Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj.

You are the savior of fallen souls of the kali-yuga, giving Krishna Consciousness,  
regardless of their qualifications.

You are a refreshing bath that cleans away the accumulated filth of mundane existence.

You are the safe shelter for the souls fortunate enough to have any genuine connec-  
tion with you.

I am so low, so how can I fittingly glorify my Master whose glories are unlimited  
and unfathomable?

You will be in our hearts forever. All glories to you, Srila Gurudev!!!

Your humble servant,

R e v a t i D . D . Q u i t o / E c u a d o r

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

“Applying the soothing salve of sambandha-jnana, a proper acquaintance with the environment, my spiritual Master has opened my inner eye and thereby rescued me the darkness of ignorance, fulfilling my life’s aspirations. I offer my respects unto Sri Gurudeva.”

Only through the devotees association and the chanting of the holy name of Lord Krishna I can obtain devotional service, and also in this way hope appears to have your Divine mercy.

All glories to my Divine Master Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaja!

Your aspiring servants,

S y a m a D e v i D a s i and her daughter K a m a l a D e v i D a s i



Dear Devotees,

This is a photo taken at Harinam sankirttan in Byron Bay, Australia. Madhavendu was about 2 years old then. He has always responded with an open heart to Kirttan. When he was a baby we attended a nam-hat at Indumati and Murari’s home. When everyone stopped chanting Madhavendu cried and only stopped crying when everyone started chanting again. I am very fortunate to be his mother in this life and serve him.

Jaya Gurudev for naming him and taking my family under his shelter.

If I find any more photos of this nature I will email them.

Dandavats. With affection,

K u n d a l a t a D . D .

Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaja Ki Jay!

All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

“Oh the day when this poor soul realizes the causeless grace of Sri Gurudev.”

It's impossible to glorify Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev Goswami Maharaj, Srila Gurudev, without previously remembering what is most dear to him, starting with his most intimate Guru Maharaj; the transcendental Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math, the divine Mission that his Guru Maharaj transferred to him; Their Lordships, Sri Sri Guru Gauranga Gandharva Govindasundarjiu, the unparalleled Deities that preside the central Math, in Nabadwip Dham; and those devotees all over the world for whom Srila Gurudev is his only shelter, headed by Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharyya Maharaj, in India; Srila Bhakti Kusum Ashram Maharaj and Srila Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj in Mexico, and those great personalities to whom the title of Acharya was bestowed for our good fortune. We offer our most humble obeisance to all of them, because we are sure that by doing so, we will please the sacred lotus feet of our Sri Gurudev. That is our hope!

We must remember the words that describe the great event of the divine Appearance of Sri Gurudev, which emanate from the lotus mouth of Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj, that great and divine personality that, with great affection, transmitted the sweetness of his heart to Gurudev, Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj, who by his service surrendered even his last drop of blood in reciprocation with that unparalleled love:

“Sri Guru is the divine messenger of immortal hope and joy in this mortal and miserable world. His advent is the most auspicious and happy event to the suffering animation, and can be compared to the rising of the morning star that guides the traveler lost in the desert. A gentle touch of Sri Guru's merciful hand can wipe away the incessant tears from all weeping eyes. A patriot or philanthropist makes the problem only worse in his frantic and futile attempt to alleviate the deep-rooted pain of a suffering soul, as an ignorant doctor does in eagerly handling an unfor-

tunate patient. Oh the day when this poor soul realizes the causeless grace of Sri Gurudev.”

Srila Guru Maharaj, through his words, is allowing us to know the greatness and the purpose of the divine Appearance of Sri Gurudev. What would be of us, immersed in our well earned miseries and falling deep more and more in our own anarthas, if by His sweet wish, Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, the Supreme Personality of Godhead, hadn't wanted to give Himself through His most dear Agent? Only to think about it terrifys us!

It's in the year of 1929, December 17th, in the sacred place of Bamunpara, District of Burdwan, West Bengal, that Sri Gurudev started to manifest his divine pastimes in this world, which, due to his magnanimity, we are seeing ourselves participate, and only by His infinite Grace will we be able to continue. Continue walking through this sweet path of devotion, full of obstacles and danger, but always supported by our companions of travel. In the path, we must leave our attachments, finally having as our only baggage the remembrance of his sweet smile and the unlimited affection that he bestows prodigally; real affection, undeserved. But that is the Grace of Sri Gurudev. And to understand it, also depends in his Grace.

In front of his Temple of Love and Affection, we bow our miserable heads unto the lotus feet of Sri Gurudev, taking the dust of them, putting it inside of a cloth that we attach to our hard heart, with the hope of understanding the infinite grace of Sri Gurudev.

Sheltered in the shadow of the refulgence of Sri Gurudev and his associates, I will wait.

**M a d h u c h a n d a D e v i D a s i ,**

On behalf of devotees of Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math of Veracruz, Mexico



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

**om ajnana timirandhasya jnanajnana-salakaya  
chaksur unmilitam yena tasmai sri gurave namah**

Jaya Om Vishnupada Paramahansa Parivrajakacharya varya astottara-sata Sri  
Srimad Bhakti Sundar Sri Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj, ki jay!

Their Lordships Sri Sri Guru Gauranga Gandharva Govinda Nanda Nandan, ki jay!

All glories to His Divine Grace Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj!

**sakala vaishnava-pade mora namaskara  
ithe kichu aparadha nahuka amara  
hoiyachen hoiben prabhur jato bhakta jan  
vandana kori ami sabara charan**

Dear Gurudev,

I prostrate myself unto your lotus feet. Please I beg your forgiveness.

Your insignificant disciple, aspiring to become a servant,

**G o p i n a t h D a s , M e x i c o C i t y**



All glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gouranga!

All glories to Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, the Moon of Nabadwip and Son of Sachidevi!

All glories to Nityananda Prabhu!

All glories to Sri Advaita Acharya Prabhu!

All glories to Sri Gadadhar Pandit and to Srivas Thakur!

All glories to the Holy Abode of Nabadwip, the essence of all holy places!

All glories to the Residents of Nabadwip Dham, eternal associates of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu!

All glories to our spiritual guardians, predecessors and successors!

All glories to all the devotees around the world!

Dear Gurudev,

Please accept my obeisances. While writing these lines I hope not to cause offence to anyone, but if there were any offences please correct me; all is due to my lack of knowledge.

Srila Sridhar Maharaj tells us: “In this world there are only two things to be considered, the mundane and the transcendental, and our duty is to separate them; otherwise, we will be the losers. Everything can come to us in our service life as long as we are eager for it. Yet, we need to maintain ourselves in a clean devotional mood. For anyone who wants to happily serve You, our Divine Master, we will obtain inspiration every time we keep in mind: ‘Yes, this is possible.’ When we are able to perceive this that will be a symptom that we are progressing in our spiritual lives.

“This Nabadwip Dham in the banks of the holy river Ganges possesses such great value, specially meant for the topmost realization of our self. This is Mahaprabhu’s recommendation. This is the land of love, sweetness, charm and beauty. Our very existence does not lay in our knowledge nor in our power, but in our heart.

“Mahaprabhu came with the proposal of following this path with the help of the divine agent and the holy revealed scriptures, try to go there. Your present position is uncertain. After death by the force of your previous karma there is no certainty where you will be taken; therefore, try to utilise anytime wisely. There’s nothing more important.”

Therefore, Your Divine Grace, by your sublime causeless mercy I will try to serve the senior devotees and thus feed my spiritual life, by means of following the instructions and precepts of my Gurudev through deeds, words and thoughts.

Jay Gurudev, Jay Gurudev, Jay Gurudev!

Your aspiring servitor,

**H r i s h i k e s h D a s ( M e x i c o C i t y )**



My Dear Srila Govinda Maharaja,

I am constantly in sorrow that I did not take more of your association. Without you the prospect of my spiritual life is eclipsed. With your presence I knew that all was illuminated and I was safe. Now your associates, your beloved friends and disciples, have given me shelter. Because of you, their kindness keeps me searching for Sri Krishna. I wander here and there to taste Krishna Katha, but only hear Vainkuntha Nama or less, like saw dust. From you I heard the sweetest Krishna Nama. If you will bless me from where ever you have gone, I may get more of a hankering for the association of sadhus. Other than your faithful followers, I don't know where to go.

Humbly submitted by

**G o p e s h w a r a D a s ,**

disciple of A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami

Dearest Gurudev,

You came here to spread the glories of Krishna to everyone, everywhere, all over the world. And you showed love and affection in a special way to your disciples and followers. Being so fortunate to have received your sweet affection, a hope was planted in my heart that I would continue to have a connection to you and to your beloved followers. Throughout my life and lives to come, I hope I can please you and those you hold most dear to your heart.

Your aspiring servant,

A n u s u y a d e v i d a s i



All glories to Sri Sri Guru Gauranga!

“Devotee, devote, devotion. The word is sweet because is always giving, not taking anything.” -Srla B.S. Govinda Maharaj

Dear Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev- Goswami Maharaj, please accept my humble obeisances at your sweet Lotus Feet.

On the most auspicious day, my heart wishes that It could have the qualities to say all Your glories that had conquered the love and affection of Srila B. R. Sridhar Maharaj, and great servitors around the world.

Your Divine Grace and endless mercy gave me everything that is meaningful in my life: Your sweet glance, Your Divine Associates, and your amazing servitors with their heart full of proper admiration and full understanding of your glories.

I wish one day I would be able to please you and retribute my endless debt with you. Thank you for everything.

You are the most perfect master, Acharyya, and the owner of my heart.

With all my affection, always praying to deserve to be with You.

a n a n d a m o y i d e v i d a s i , f r o m b r a z i l

Dear Gurudev:

You give me life, You give me all that an insignificant soul can ask, now I have a reason to live and believe, thank You, thanks to Your causeless mercy. These words cannot say really what I'm feeling. I don't know how to give you thanks, all I have to give you is my soul and heart, and I am Yours. Happy Vyasa puja, you are always in my heart. Dandavat Gurudev.

Your aspiring servant,

**M a y e s h w a r i D . D , A r g e n t i n a**



My Dearest Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept my dandavat pranams again and again. What can I say Srila Gurudeva. I am your stupid worthless daughter. You were here and I took you for granted. If only I could have one moment back with you. Please forgive me for all of my offenses and attachments to this mundane world. Please allow me the association of the devotees who love and serve you. There really is no other hope for me. I am praying that one day I will be able to see your divine form again, because anything else would be unthinkable.

Your eternally aspiring servant,

**K r s n a M o h i n i d e v i d a s i**



All glory to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

Dear Srila Gurudev,

Please accept my humble obeisance at your divine lotus feet. I ask myself, what is the value of a hypocrite offering obeisance? None, except that they are being offered before the great reservoir of mercy, love, and compassion: Your Divine Grace. *Kaṁ vā dayāluṁ śaraṇaṁ vrajema*: who will we find more merciful than you? To whom could we surrender, other than Your Divine Grace?

**aho bakī yaṁ stana-kāla-kūṭaṁ  
jighāmsayāpāyayad apy asādhvī  
lebhe gatiṁ dhātry-uchitāṁ tato 'nyam  
kaṁ vā dayāluṁ śaraṇaṁ vrajema**

Srila Gurudev, I am only cheating you! At every step I am cheating you and denying everything you taught me. At every moment I am making countless offences—and yet, I am feeling your embrace. Despite my lowliness I feel you are coming into my life more and more; through your devotees I feel your love and affection more than ever. And I remember the hope you had in me—such a wretched soul!—and thinking of such infinite mercy, love, and affection, I am struck with disbelief.

This is your eternal programme: pulling in the fallen souls from all corners of the globe, and converting their mean intentions and desires into something of value. *Premno hi bija pradama*: you are planting the divine seed of Krishna-prem in filthy hearts and then purifying those hearts, nourishing that seed, and fertilising the soil with your divine instruction, divine example, and divine love and affection.

You are the supreme paramahansa, the supreme extractor. In such low and filthy beings as myself you are tirelessly attempting to extract something beautiful. And you ask very little from us: only that we will have some consciousness about our own self. Only that we will have some awareness of our filthiness, and in return you will give us everything: 'nectar in a golden pot'.

Srila Gurudev, the world has never seen an acharya like you: who was fully of the aprakṛta realm; who acted always in accordance with the highest spiritual principles, beyond any mundane conceptions of greatness, power, justice, morality, or so on. You demonstrated such transcendental power.

Srila Gurudev, we pray you may pull us out of our filthy existence and bring us forcibly to your lotus feet.

Srila Gurudev, we pray that we may, by Your Grace, be able to offer ourselves one day, heart and soul, at your lotus feet.

Srila Gurudev, we do not know who you are! We have had some minuscule glimpse but that small glimpse was enough to goad us to leave this world behind and spend our whole life searching after you and the world you tried to tell us about.

Srila Gurudev, you believed everyone and loved everyone, and by your great power made everyone believe in you and love you.

Srila Gurudev, sometimes I think we will go mad, remembering your beauty, your power, your greatness! Has the world ever seen the like of you?

Srila Gurudev, we are struck dumb, thinking of your glory.

Srila Gurudev, you are Absolute Truth, Absolute Harmony, Absolute Love.

Srila Gurudev, we are very unqualified, we are very low, we are very young! Yet we pray again and again at your lotus feet that we may be able to render some small service to you; that you will give us the ability to please you.

Srila Gurudev, please take us as your ball of clay and mould us as you like!

Srila Gurudev, who do we have but you? You are our shining light; may that light illuminate our lives and hearts at every step of our existence. May we live guided only by your teachings and desires.

Srila Gurudev, you have not left us! You are shining brightly in the hearts of your devotees and in your divine instructions.

Srila Gurudev, I pray the world will not forget your greatness, for it would thereby be the greatest loser. May we not be so fallen as to forget you; may we continue to spread your teachings; may you give us the power to do so.

Srila Gurudev, please forgive our offences, please forgive our offences, please forgive us!

Please forgive me Srila Gurudev, because you gave everything to me, and I am only forgetting you at every step.

**mat tulyo nasti papatma  
naparadhi cha kaschana  
parihare pi lajja me  
kim bruve purusottama**

What more can I say than this, dear Srila Gurudev.

Your very wretched, aspiring servitor,

**B i s h a k h a D a s i**



Dearest Srila Gurudeva,

Please accept our humble dandavat pranams at your most glorious lotus feet. This is the supremely best day in millions of lifetimes for fallen conditioned souls like ourselves.

**tava kathamrtam tapta jivanam  
kavibhir iditam kalmasapanam  
sravana mangalam srimad atatam  
bhuvi grnanti ye bhurida janah**

[“O, Krishna, the nectar of Your words and the narrations of Your Pastimes give life to us, who are always suffering in this material world. This nectar is broadcast all over the world by great souls, and it removes all sinful reactions. It is all-auspicious and filled with spiritual power. Those

who spread this message of Godhead are certainly doing the greatest relief work for human society and are the most magnanimous welfare workers.” (SB, 10.31.9) Translation taken from Sri Guru and His Grace.]

You are giving us the greatest relief. You live it at every moment showing by astonishing example what dedication to Sri Gurudeva is. You are absolutely tireless in giving encouragement and guidance. We can't give up hope because of this, even if prospects appear bleak, that is not possible having your connection in our lives.

You have given us everything and more, surrounding us with your dedicated servitors, offering seva opportunities, giving us hope and guidance in your words, books, instructions, pictures. Your glories are endless, the Vedas sing of them eternally. By inconceivable fortune, we have been allowed your divine connection in this life and that is the treasure of our lives. You have assured us over and over that you will never leave us, and that you are ever with us.

Though tragically infected with the disease of gross insincerity, we pray to somehow, through this vast darkness, be allowed the saving association of your devotees; to somehow be allowed to remember your divine words, render a drop of genuine service and to have no other motive ever than to serve your lotus feet, your surrendered servitors and your most glorious magnanimous mission.

Your aspiring servants,

Y u d h a m a n y u d a s S e v a V i k r a m & J i v a n a d a s i



Dear Srila Gurudev,

We always remember the divine words you said when we traveled to India to see you in Vrindavan. You compared our coming to see you to the Gopis of Vrindavan who leave their husbands at home and try to secretly get Krishna's connection:

"You have come from a Muslim country, where everyone [sarva] is worshiping the impersonal Brahman [dharman], but you have come here deviously [parityajya (secretly not following that custom)], for a connection with Krishna [mam ekam saranam]. When you come here from Turkey, that is like parakiya rasa."

We thank you so much that you have given us the most precious gift: chanting the most supreme name of God (Krsna). We are so lucky that we have been given the chance to serve you and your mission.

We miss you so much dear Gurudev.

We always feel you deep within our hearts.

Hare Krsna,

R a m a r a y o n b e h a l f o f a l l T u r k i s h d e v o t e e s . . .



Dear Srila Gurudev

Please accept my humble obeisances.

Even though I know or hope you are with us internally, eternally, I am writing you this because I want your book to be as full as possible. But still, I know you want quality, not quantity, and I don't feel I can give you any quality offering, and for that I didn't want to write. But I'm trying, so please kindly accept my birthday greetings to you, you came to this world and toiled and tolerated and went through so much pain, and I am sad that it was so late that I finally went to you, and now Acharya Maharaj is working hard and also tolerating, and how can I thank you for what you've given me? Without I'd surely have no reason to try, but you have given me some sense and continue to do that even though you appear to be gone, you are still here, but I can't see your eyes and I'm sad to think of it. I am so grateful for having been able to be in England when you were visiting, whatever trouble I went through to get there was worth it. May I never ever forget you, and I pray that everyone will feel your beautiful magnanimous bright presence on this day, it is the day that makes every other day have meaning. Without your appearance, nothing in this world would be special to me. When my parents went to see you, it changed my life with them and for that I can never stop thanking you. Without your words I would not be able to see things differently and be grateful for what I have. Your shining example is high above my lowlife way of thinking, and I hope to always see it that way!

Jaya Gurudev!

**M a d h u p r i y a D D , G r e e c e / U . K .**

Every day and in every hour, the world has been changed because you were here

Like a divine flower you bloomed in the garden of Navadvīp Dham

Sitting under the merciful shade tree of your glorious master

Then you called to the world to come sit with you under that tree of devotion and there you spoke

You sang to us of home, of mercy, humility and tolerance

and the untold treasure within us and the worlds beyond this world

We were struck dumb like deer in the brilliance of the guiding light you turned on for us

In that place inside your words,

you were all those treasures you sang of

“Come” You said “And take this nectar, you will not be disappointed”

and you filled up our hands and our hearts...

Gurudeva, I am a fallen deluded soul and the world is dark without you

you told us everything we needed to know

were everything we need to aspire to

and you are always with us, you said sometimes sitting in the Soquel temple tree watching us all

please let me not forget how you sang, how you called us to come under the tree of bhakti

without your mercy I have no hope,

m a d h u m a t i d a s i , B o n n y D o o n / C a l i f o r n i a

Todas las Glorias a Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaj

Querido Srila Gurudeva,

Me postro ante Tus divinos pies de loto

Aunque mi deseo es la de exaltar Tus divinas cualidades, mi capacidad es tan insignificante que no puedo, ¿que debo decir ante Ti que describa Tu magnánima posición? Quisiera poseer alguna inteligencia o capacidad pero la realidad es que no tengo nada de eso, Querido Gurudev lo único que puedo expresar es que lo extrañamos. Que las pocas veces que tuvimos la oportunidad de tenerlo cerca fue nuestra mejor experiencia, nos sentimos tan afortunados. Gurudeva no pedimos nada solo que nos des Tus bendiciones para continuar sirviéndote hasta el final de nuestra existencia, entonces podemos decir al final que nuestra vida tuvo algún valor.

Toda las Gloria a Ti por siempre.

Todas las Glorias a Tus asociados eternos

Un humilde sirviente

**A r j u n a d a s a**



Dearest Gurudev

Please accept my dandabat pranams at your lotus feet.

You are always with us in our service life. Your sweet compassionate heart is flowing with love for all souls who show even a glimmer of interest in serving you. You give me guidance and support my failings with your broad mercy. You are strong and grave and kindly won't let foolishness get in the way of our progress. I wish to serve you nicely as I know you are a very special devotee of the Lord and your devotion to Srila Guru Maharaj is to be aspired to. I am so fortunate to have the association of your devotees and I pray that one day you will be happy with my service, that I can give myself one hundred percent and that you will always cast your merciful glance to me because without that it there will be only darkness.

Your very fallen aspiring servitor,

**L a v a n y a M a y i D e v i d a s i**

Jaya Jaya Gurudev



All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga!

My dear Gurudeva,

Please accept my humble obeisances at your lotus feet. It is my good fortune that I have come to your lotus feet. Though I am undeserving, you showed so much kindness and affection to me, for which I am ever indebted. I couldn't do even a small service you gave me satisfactorily. Due to my foolishness, I did not even apologise but you tolerated and said that you are satisfied. Such is your wonderful nature! I beg you to forgive me for my countless offences.

Srila Gurudeva, sadly for us you have disappeared from our vision. But you are present in your divine instructions. On this auspicious day of your divine appearance, I pray for your help and strength to remember and sincerely follow your divine instructions with unflinching faith. Kindly let me realise your unlimited glories. You are so loving and affectionate to all conditioned souls. Please always protect me under the shade of your lotus feet and engage me in your service and service of your dear servitors.

Your aspiring servant of your servants,

S u v a s i n i d e v i d a s i , I r e l a n d



Todas las Glorias a Sri Sri Goura y Gouranga.

Todas las Glorias a Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Deva-Goswami Maharaj.

Escribir sobre una persona resulta difícil para alguien ignorante como yo y, aunado al hecho de que estas palabras no son simplemente dirigidas a una persona cualquiera, sino más bien, a una persona que dedicó una vida a instruir a todos aquellos que como yo, vivíamos sin conocer el más mínimo detalle sobre lo glorioso que es Kṛṣṇa, esto no significando que ya tenga algún conocimiento significativo acerca de Īl actualmente, pero por la misericordia de Gurudev quien me hizo llegar a un lugar donde no me hablan del Señor de una manera vacía, sino que viven tratando de llevar a cabo cada una de las enseñanzas e instrucciones de Srila Govinda Maharaj y con el único propósito de satisfacerlo sin búsqueda de recompensa alguna, por lo que, llegar a vivir de esta manera para significaba algo difícil de concebir ó que esto era realizable únicamente por personas santas pero no para mí.

Considero que hablar de personas santas es realmente complicado de comprender para una mente caída como la mía, pero la más grande mis fortunas es llegar a tener a una de estas personas santas como mi Gurudev Srila Bhakti Kushum Ashram Maharaj, aunque tal vez en este momento no tengo la más remota idea del vínculo que debo tener con Īl, buscando enteramente su satisfacción.

Sin más por el momento, termino estas líneas ofreciendo mis humildes reverencias a los pies de loto de Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj y Srila Bhakti Kushum Ashram Maharaj.

A j a y K r s n a D a s a



Today is the day of the appearance of our most beloved spiritual master Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaj. If not for him now we would be submerged in an ocean of perpetual pain and hope. We cannot find enough words to express our gratitude to him for the completely undeserved and unlimited mercy he has constantly been giving us.

We offer our respectful obeisances unto you, Oh Divine Master! We've been very fortunate by the grace and mercy to get the shelter of your holy lotus feet in this life. We give you thanks for such Divine association Srila Gurudeva, and for accepting these fallen souls. We always ask for your blessings, and look forward to always be eternally engaged in service to your beautiful lotus feet. Please accept this humble and sincere offering on the day of your Vyasa Puja.

This is a sad day in this world because we can no longer sit at His lotus feet as we did before, or hear of one or another of his amazing conferences. Although it is a painful melancholy, it is a sweet melancholy, because the more you long for that association with an aching and wounded heart, the more it becomes manifest within our hearts to relieve the distress of separation. The birthday of Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Maharaj is a day of the greatest happiness. As Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur wrote:

He reasons ill who says that Vaisnavas die,  
When thou art living still in sound!  
The Vaisnavas die to live, and living try  
To spread the Holy Name around.

So today is a day to become even more connected to our most beloved Srila Govinda Maharaj.

Your aspiring servants:

**M a d h u k r i s h n a D e v i D a s i , G o u r a K i s h o r D a s a n d  
V r i n d a r a n i D e v i D a s i , C o l o m b i a / S o u t h A m e r i c a**

All Glories to Sri Sri Guru Gauranga!

Oh, Srila Gurudeva, how I fail at adequately glorifying You!

I cannot find the proper words or sentiment to praise Your Lotus Feet.

So, as always, I rely on Your Mercy to edify and improve me.

Only then, will I be able to offer some small amount of seva for Your benefit.

Despite my meagreness, Gurudeva, I proceed in confidence,

Knowing full well that You are lighting my way by the effulgent glow of Your Love and Affection.

Jai Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj!

Offering my dandavat pranams with love, affection and respect,

Your grateful disciple,

J a s h o m a t i d d , A l a m e d a C A / U S A



Amado Gurudev, siento gran aprecio y gratitud por haber disfrutado en esta existencia miserable de la cercanía con nuestro amado y Divino

Gurudev, Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev Goswami Maharaj, El nos dejó a su partida con un hueco muy grande en el corazón, sin embargo cómo podría yo saber que tan excelsa es su sabiduría si no le hubieramos conocido a usted, al oirlo cantar, escuchar su maravillosa prídica y sentir su presencia llena de cualidades maravillosas, me permite darme cuenta que al nombrarlo su sucesor dejo su constancia de cuanto nos amó y quiso dejarnos protegidos hasta despues de su desaparición . Me siento muy bendecida y llena de gratitud por su presencia en nuestras vidas, por favor le ruego que perdone mis ofensas y acepte mis reverencias a sus pies de loto.

Su sirvienta, **K r i s h n a P r i y a D e v i D a s i .**

nāma-śreṣṭham manum api śachī-putram atra svarūpaṁ  
rūpaṁ tasyāgrajam uru-purīm māthurīm goṣṭhavātīm  
rādhā-kuṇḍaṁ giri-varam aho rādhikā-mādhavāsām  
prāpto yasya prathita-kṛpaya śrī-gurum taṁ nato 'smi

My most worshipable master Srila Govinda Maharaj,

Please accept my repeated obeisance in the dust of your holy footprints.

To serve you is the perfection of my life Srila Gurudev, for you are the affectionate giver of real Krishna Consciousness. Who so ever shows even a slight interest in the gift of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu is the recipient of your grace and who surrenders to you becomes heir to the land of positive and progressive immortality.

The precious gift of the Rupanuga Sampradaya, the wealth of your Divine Master Om Visnupad Srila Bhakti Rakshak Sridhar Dev-Goswami, the treasure of Krishna Prema has been widely distributed throughout the universe by the rays of your lotus feet and the warmth of your beatific smile. Oh such a fortune, you once travelled this world and embraced even low sinners like me and so have given meaning to our lives.

Although we no longer have the fortune of your manifest presence we can continue to have your association by following your instructions and serving you in separation. Necessarily this means the service of your Mission, the service of your Deities and the service of your Devotees. In your separation we must not forget that we are always servants, we are small and we are insignificant. You are our guide and our guiding light. If we are true to our ideal then we will clearly see the way forward and not be deceived by the illusion of our own self-promotion to the rank of 'master.'

Your teachings are clear: to serve with Humility, Tolerance and Giving Honour. You are the personification of these divine qualities and your true followers reflect these qualities in their own aspiration and dealings with one another. Happily I wish the company of and the opportunity to serve them birth after birth.

Your own life is the perfect example of selfless service and self-sacrifice, of divine generosity and the living testimony of man endowed with divine grace. We need look no further to see the fulfilment of Mahaprabhu Chaitanyadev's vision of spiritual revolution and revelation as it is perfectly embodied in you.

When we seem to be on the brink of the victory of a hatred and rancour only previously restrained by the strength of your manifest will, we will take refuge in the knowledge that Lord Sri Krishna is the Reality and by His very nature, Reality is beautiful, sympathetic, kind and generous. And though we may be weak and prone to be overcome by negativity and illusion, the waves of His beauty, His sympathy, His kindness and His generosity will continue to save and rescue us. The gentle hand of Sri Gurudev lifts us into that Reality and we are beggars of your grace. Param vijayate Sri Krishna Sankirttanam!

With all my sincerity I beg to always be counted as a faithful servant of your servants' servant.

I maintain my life with this one hope.

Always yours

**D e v a s h i s D a s**

**I s h n a u g a D e v i D a s i , N a d i r a n i D e v i D a s i a n d  
M a l i n i D e v i D a s i**



Vande guroh sri-charanaravindam

My Beloved Srila B.S. Govinda Maharaj... Now and Forever You are...

The Guru of the Universes!

Your wise arrangement of leaving us under the lively, loving and faithful guidance of Your most treasured servant, Srila B.N. Acarya Maharaj, substantiates that You are the ocean of auspicious qualities we constantly need to glorify.

Your infinite and merciful showers of blessings manifest...

When Your wonderful Heart maddened in nectarean love for Sriman Mahaprabhu is pleased with our congregational chanting of the Holy Name.

When You engage us in different types of worshipful services by teaching us with  
Your wonderful example.

When You distribute prasadam to dispel the mundanity we are so immersed in.

When You show us that Your Heart is only satisfied by the sweetness of the divine  
love of Their Lordships.

When You engage in and satisfy the pastimes of the Supreme Divine Lordships.

When we realize that You are the non-different form of The Supreme Lord.

When by Your grace, we gain the grace of The Lord.

When You give us the opportunity to become qualified to engage in direct service  
of The Lord of Vrndavan.

Eternally at Your Holy Lotus Feet,

**P r a n e s v a r i D e v i d a s i , C a r a c a s / V e n e z u e l a**

All Glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga!

Dandavat Pranams and All Glories to the Vyasa Pooja celebrations of Nitya Leela Om Vishnupada Paramahansa Poojya Sri Jagad Guru Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj!

We are always indebted for the causeless mercy of Your Divine Grace!

Please, forgive our offences and always keep showering on us your causeless mercy!

Your most humble servants,

**J a y a k u m a r D a s a n d C h a r u B a l a D e v i D a s i**

Dear Srila Gurudev!

**“Chaithanyam shaasvatham shaantham vyomaatheetham niranjanam Naadabindukalaatheetham tasmai sreegurave namah”**

I bow to my teacher who is the supreme spirit, who is eternal and benign; who is beyond sound, line and art. My humble obeisance to such a Guru.

**“Nirgunam nirmalam shaantham jangamam sthirameva cha Vyaaptham yena jagat-sarvam tasmai sree gurave namaha”**

Transcendental, pure, peaceful, moving and unmoving objects and by whom this entire world is pervaded, unto such a guru I pay my obeisance.

**“Sa pithaa sa cha me maathaa sa bandhuh sa cha devathaa Samsaaramohanaashaaya tasmai sree gurave namaha”**

He who is father; he who is mother; he who is relative; he who is the God; he who destroys the delusion of samsaara, unto such a Guru I pay my obeisance.

First of all I would like to pay obeisance to my Gurudev!

my Dandavat Pranams to you Guru Maharaj!

I am the most fallen soul because I had not got an opportunity to see and serve you through this material eyes and get your causeless mercy, but I can eternally feel the

love and affection through the association of my god brothers and god sisters.

Please forgive my offences and guide me always where ever I go wrong and always keep me engaged in Krishna bhakti and seva.

“Jay Gurudev!”

From your most humble servant,

**C h a r u B a l a D e v i D a s i**



My Dear Lord, Please accept my small sincerity and affectionate obeisances at your holy lotus feet.

In the same way that you transform a hard and rusted stone into a sweet and pure heart, please accept these duplicitous words and transform them into a real prayer for a drop of sincerity and dedication so i am able to wholeheartedly serve your golden pure devotee and your dedicated servitors, whose hearts are filled up with love and affection for your effulgent Divine Grace.

On such a day as this when i should be offering everything i have to you—my words, thoughts and deeds—i can only cheat you and ask your help. Please forgive my innumerable offences.

Jay Om Visnupad Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj

Jay Om Visnupad Srila Bhakti Nirmal Acharya Maharaj

Your eternal wrongdoer and aspiring servant,

**m a h a m a n t r a d a s**



gurvābhīṣṭa-supūrakam guru-gaṇair āśiṣa-sambhūṣitam  
chintyāchintya-samasta-veda-nipuṇam śrī-rūpa-panthānugam  
govindābhidham ujvalam vara-tanuṁ bhakty anvitam sundaram  
vande viśva-guruṁ cha divya-bhagavat-premṇo hi bīja-pradam

I offer my obeisance unto he who perfectly fulfils the most cherished desires of his Gurudev; who is fully adorned with the blessings of the associates of his Gurudev; who is expert in all aspects of vedic knowledge, both conceivable and inconceivable; who is the pre-eminent follower of the line of Śrīla Rūpa Goswāmī Prabhu; who is known as 'Govinda'—Śrīla Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswāmī Mahārāj; whose beautiful, effulgent, exalted form is infused with pure devotion; who is the guru of the entire universe; and who is the giver of the seed of prem for the Supreme Lord.