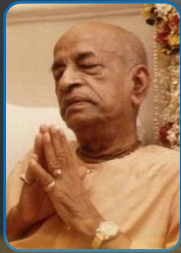


Freedom Newsletter



Dedicated to His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada
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UNDERSTANDING GOD

The following conversation between His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada and some of his disciples took place during an early-morning walk in Geneva on June 6, 1974.

Srila Prabhupada: Meat-eating is the main barrier to understanding God. The meat-eaters will never be able to understand Him.

Disciple: That priest you were talking with last night is a good example. He said to you, "Let us go on to higher topics. We've been talking so long about meat-eating."

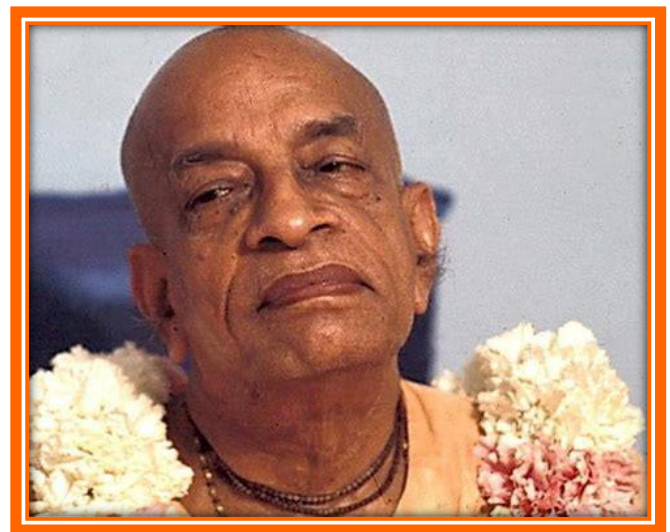
Srila Prabhupada: Yes.

Disciple: You said, "Well, if you are sinful, it is useless to go on to a higher topic."

Srila Prabhupada: Yes. This very fact is stressed in the *Srimad-Bhagavatam* [10.1.4]:

nivṛtta-tarsair upagiyamanad
bhavausadhac chrotra-mano-'bhiramat
ka uttamasloka-gunanuvadat
puman virajyeta vina pasughnat

"Everyone can understand the Supreme Truth, except the rascals who are meat-eaters." *Vina pasughnat:*



“except those who eat meat.” *Vina* means “except,” *pasu* means “animals,” and *ghnat* means “a killer.” And so Lord Jesus Christ reaffirmed the Biblical commandment “Thou shalt not kill.” You see, these so-called followers of Jesus Christ were killers from the very beginning. And despite the order of Christ, still they are continuing their killing to this day. But *vina pasughnat*: whatever seemingly pious things they may do, those who are animal killers, meat-eaters, can never understand God. It is simply not possible.

These pseudo religious people think, “We are doing very good work, philanthropic work, godly work. We are opening hospitals, building highways, feeding the hungry, and so on. So, what is the difference if we maintain the slaughterhouses and kill fifteen million animals a day? Of course, for some reason that we don’t understand, every now and then we end up in ghastly wars wherein we slaughter ourselves and others. But we are happy.”

These pseudo religionists also pride themselves on their huge buildings, their big skyscrapers and big factories. But all of this is *duskrti*—industrious rascaldom—because it is meant only for committing sinful activities, that’s all. “Yes,” they will say, “we are only after wine, women, gambling, and meat-eating—but we are civilized.”

Disciple: Recently one of your disciples visited Butler, Pennsylvania. While he was there he met a priest who said, “Oh, yes, I remember your spiritual master. In 1965 he was here. He’d just come from India, and he was giving lectures in our church.”

Srila Prabhupada: Yes. Upon arriving in America, I gave lectures in churches. And what is a church? A church is a place where there are God-conscious persons. So I never criticized a church or mosque. Never. Because whatever the group may be, the main thing is, they are God-conscious—and so they are good. But when they disobey the Lord’s commandments, then I must criticize. Still, I criticize only these rascals—those who set the pattern, those who disobey the commandments out of sheer stubbornness. Otherwise, we have no criticism of them. We have no problem.

Disciple: We’re not sectarian.

Srila Prabhupada: Why should we be? God is one. Why should we be sectarian? Each person, according to his own particular cultural background and circumstances, is praying to God. That is one of the forms of *bhakti*, devotional service to God.

Disciple: Many of the young people now—they may look to the Bible for instruction, but they stay away from the priests and ministers. They feel they’re hypocritical.

Srila Prabhupada: They are hypocritical. Simply hypocritical. These priests and ministers—all of them are hypocritical. Getting big fat salaries, drinking wine, and eating killed animals. And when you remind them, “Thou shalt not kill,” they say, “let us go on to higher topics.”

These pseudo Christians are such rascals. They conjecture Jesus Christ may have eaten fish. Even if it were true—after all, there was little or no other food available at the time. But these rascals think, “Jesus Christ ate fish. Therefore let us maintain big slaughterhouses.”

In Bengal they have a story about a man who saw a mosquito and said, “Bring a cannon.”

Disciple: So then do Christians still need people to give them spiritual guidance?

Srila Prabhupada: Surely. Their priests and ministers do not, cannot, guide and uplift them. The priests and ministers are themselves fallen.

Otherwise, the Christian religion is very nice—if simply the people have spiritual guides who help them to follow it perfectly.

So many people have asked me, “Do you value Christianity?”

“Yes, I say. “If you faithfully follow your Christian religion, you will become perfect.”

So all over the world, people need spiritual guides who can demonstrate, based on God-conscious scripture, how to love God. 🌸

Gold Nugget!

"When we are present in the houses of worship of other religious practitioners during their rituals, we should remain respectful and reflect upon the following— Here, before me, is my very own God being worshipped in a different form than that to which I am accustomed. Because of my different training and practices I am unable to completely understand this foreign worship, but witnessing it gives me even more affection for my own beliefs and practices. God is one. I prostrate myself before this symbol of the divine that I see before me. I make obeisance to my Lord who is made manifest in this alternate form for my benefit and the benefit of others."

Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakur

Devotees Take Srila Prabhupāda on a Historic Trip to Antarctica

By Madhava Smullen (Dec 2016)

DEVOTEES TAKE SRILA PRABHUPADA ON HISTORIC TRIP TO ANTARCTICA

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In a unique offering for ISKCON's 50th anniversary, two devotees have made a preaching trip to Antarctica, the southernmost and coldest continent in the world.

The intrepid explorers are Kesihanta Das, a Prabhupada disciple and co-director of ISKCON Alachua's Save the Cow program, and Trivikrama Das, bass player for Vaishnava hardcore band 108.

The two held the first kirtan in Antarctica and distributed Prabhupada's books there for the first time, placing the Bhagavad-gita As It Is in several Antarctic research stations.

What's more, in bringing a murti of Srila Prabhupada himself with them, they have ensured that the ISKCON Founder-Acharya has now visited every continent in the world.



“During the Prabhupada arrival festival at Boston's Commonwealth Pier last year, many devotees were giving exciting and inspiring talks about Srila Prabhupada's achievements, saying he went to six continents,” Kesihanta says. “That got me thinking –

what about the seventh continent? What about Antarctica?”

Meeting in Miami on November 10th, Kesihanta and Trivikrama flew to Buenos Aires, then took a domestic flight to Ushuaia, Argentina, the southernmost city in the world.

From there, they embarked on a two-day voyage to the Antarctic Peninsula aboard the MV Ushuaia, a small passenger ship originally built for the U.S. National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration.

Because they were upgraded for free to a more expensive cabin, the devotees were able to set up an elaborate altar for Srila Prabhupada, making offerings and holding kirtans for him every day.

“According to the crew, it was relatively mild this time,” says Kesihanta. “But the ship was still rocking and pitching throughout, sometimes listing over 30 degrees, and many passengers experienced seasickness. Fortunately, we didn't because we wore prescription motion sickness patches, but it was still a challenge – you'd be walking along, and suddenly have to grab onto the railings so you wouldn't smash into the wall.”



Performing arati for Srila Prabhupada at Cierva Cove. On November 14th, the Western calendar day of Srila Prabhupada's disappearance, the ship crossed the notoriously rough seas of the Drake Passage.

The devotees managed to secure Srila Prabhupada's vyasasana so that he wouldn't tip. Meanwhile, they meditated on his bravery and sacrifice through his much worse sea voyage in 1965, when he experienced two heart attacks aboard the Jaladuta to the USA.

They also observed his disappearance day by fasting till noon, making an offering, and singing the song Je Anilo Prema Dhana for departed Vaishnavas.

Throughout the voyage, Trivikrama and Kesihanta's dietary restrictions were well accommodated, and so they were able to eat and connect with the other passengers, with whom they shared their mission.

"There were about ninety passengers, from at least twenty countries and ranging in age from early twenties all the way up to seventies," says Kesihanta. "It's not a cheap cruise, so many were wealthy world-travelers. We didn't hide that we were devotees, and made a lot of friends. We met lawyers, psychologists, a high-ranking anti-terrorism operative, a world-renowned doctor and an Academy-Award-winning screenwriter. They were all very supportive and appreciative when we told them what we were doing."

The screenwriter, a New Yorker in his seventies, had been in New York while Prabhupada was there, and took a copy of Your Ever Well-Wisher, Srila Prabhupada's condensed biography. His traveling companion, the world-renowned doctor, had been to India many times and took a Bhagavad-gita.

Another woman, a reiki master and world traveler who had been to 76 countries, took a Bhagavad-gita and japa beads from Trivikrama, who showed her how to chant, and promised she'd connect with devotees when she

returned home. Others, such as one man who was going through a divorce, and a Christian couple who were intrigued to find out more about Krishna consciousness, also befriended the devotees and took books.

Arriving at the Antarctic Peninsula's Orne Harbor on November 16th, the devotees were encouraged by their expedition leader – whom they also immediately befriended – to take Srila Prabhupada with them on their first venture ashore.

"We suited up in knee-high boots and waterproof pants, took these heavy-duty military-style rafts called zodiacs close to the shore, and then jumped out and waded ashore carrying our huge duffle bag with Srila Prabhupada and all his arati paraphernalia," says Kesihanta. "Then, while everyone else went off to see the penguins, we set Srila Prabhupada up on his altar on the ice. It was too windy to do a full arati, but we did a kirtan for him right there, with the icebergs and penguins in the background."

The devotees also did kirtan with inquisitive penguins at Half Moon Island in the South Shetland Islands, considered part of Antarctica. And they planted in the ice a Hare Krishna banner, a "Krishna South" flag, and an ISKCON 50th anniversary flag to claim the final frontier for Srila Prabhupada.



A penguin wanders by a 'Krishna South' flag

Later, Kesihanta and Trivikrama got their chance to offer arati to Srila Prabhupada in Antarctica, performing the worship on the deck of their ship at Cierva Cove, as ice sheets floated in the background.

They also visited the Argentine research station Base Esperanza, a small year-round community of fifty people with families and children, a school, and a church. There, they met station master Lieutenant Colonel Miguel Vazquez, explained to him that they were visiting to commemorate the 50th anniversary of ISKCON's founding by Srila Prabhupada, and presented him with a Spanish edition of Prabhupada's Bhagavad-gita As It Is.

Through a translator, the Colonel expressed that he was honored to receive it on behalf of the station and said he would place the Gita in either its library or its museum, with an explanatory sign for visitors.

“The station’s name – ‘Esperanza’ – means ‘hope’ in Spanish, so we felt that was very apt, as Srila Prabhupada is the great hope for the world,” says Kesihanta.

Although weather conditions prevented the devotees from visiting Ukraine’s Vernadsky Research Base as originally planned, the expedition leader very kindly promised he would deliver their Ukrainian edition of Bhagavad-gita to the Base on his next trip.

In addition, Kesihanta and Trivikrama received word from a woman who works with the three year-round U.S. research stations in Antarctica that she had placed pocket editions of Bhagavad-gita As It Is in their libraries. The stations are McMurdo, the largest research station in Antarctica, Palmer Station on Anvers Island off the coast of the Peninsula, and the Amundsen Scott Station at the

At the end of the trip, the MV Ushuaia’s expedition team included a shot of Kesihanta and Trivikrama with their Hare Krishna mantra banner in an Antarctica 2016 video, which they produced and distributed to all ninety

passengers on the cruise from over twenty nations.

“The video will undoubtedly be shown to our fellow passengers’ many friends and family when they return to their respective home countries all over the world,” says Kesihanta.



Finally, the icing on the cake came when all the passengers were given certificates commemorating their momentous voyage.

“I thought, wouldn’t it be wonderful if we could get one of these for Srila Prabhupada!” Kesihanta says. Extremely supportive and helpful, the expedition leader happily presented them with an “Antarctica Expedition Certificate” signed by himself and the captain.



Presenting the station master at the Argentine ‘Base Esperanza’ with Bhagavad-gita As It Is.

South Pole, which sits at the Earth’s axis on a shifting continental ice sheet several miles thick.

The devotees also placed English and Spanish editions of Bhagavad-gita in their ship’s library for future passengers who visit Antarctica multiples times a year from all over the world.



Holding the first kirtan in Antarctica

The certificate reads: “We hereby certify that Srila A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada has crossed the perilous waters of the Drake Passage onboard the expedition vessel Ushaia from Tierra Del Fuego to Antarctica, and has landed on the Antarctic continent at Orne Harbor. Duly witnessed on Wednesday, November 16th, 2016.”

Returning to Argentina on November 23rd, the devotees made sure to exchange email addresses with several of the passengers they gave Prabhupada's books to and will also keep in touch through a Facebook group.

“What began as a joke turned into a wonderful reality,” says Kesihanta. “We did everything we set out to do. I’m just an ordinary guy, but I feel honored that I somehow or other was inspired to do something extraordinary for Srila Prabhupada on the 50th anniversary of his ISKCON.”

He concludes, “When we were doing kirtan for Prabhupada in Antarctica, we felt that he was very pleased with our endeavor and our offering. And that’s what matters.” 🌸



ABOVE: The expedition certificate certifying Srila Prabhupada's visit to Antarctica



Excerpts from inmates' letters

NOTE:
Some excerpts are recent, some may be from previous years.

Hare Krishna! I want to thank you again for all you have done to rescue me from suffering this material existence. I have 10 months left in this solitary confinement, and I am set and determined to learn as much as I can about the Supreme Absolute Truth and his pastimes, because I want to make it my life's mission to see that others in my situation can experience the peace and happiness of Krsna consciousness, with freedom from fear, stress and anxiety of the world and prison life. This age-old science answer all of life's mystery while giving freedom, peace, happiness and showing how to love God! It is so perfect for all people, especially those men and women who are incarcerated and bereft of hope and in need of love and guidance. Prison life would be so much more peaceful and productive with Krsna consciousness available to the inmate population. I have been FL DOC 20 years and never met a practitioner of Bhakti Yoga or a Krishna conscious person. And I have studied the esoteric and religion for 20 years. The first time I really read the "Bhagavad Gita AS It Is" I knew I finally found what I've been searching for and all the other books I have read and studied by His Divine Grace A. C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada have only reinforced that notion. I've never been happy to

give up intoxicants, gambling, meat, fish, eggs, or fornication. I Now Hate these things! Hare Kṛṣṇa Hare Kṛṣṇa Kṛṣṇa Hare Hare, Hare Rama Hare Rama Rama Rama Hare Hare! I'm currently studying many books by His Divine Grace Swamiji Prabhupada. I'm learning a great deal about the science of the soul, the Love of God and the Absoltute Truth, I pray this will qualify me to inform others of these wonderful age-old science and love of God, without being and offender. In this science God gives the answers to all of life's mysteries with authority without relying on blind faith as I've said its effect and I've never felt such peace, happiness, or the love and presence of God! I must share this! Chant and be happy in this Kali Yuga there is no other way, there is no other way, there is no other way! Bhakti Dasi, I've enclosed another approval form for the Japa beads if you could resend them, I know with the 10 months I have left in solitary just me and the Supreme Lord Krishna, Vishnu, Paramatma I can chant 16 rounds a Day and cleanse the filth from my heart and prepare me for my mission so spread krsna Consciousness in the FLA Department of Corrections Prison System. This Krishna conscious movement has me actually happy to be in prison to spread this science to those in most need. I'm even

blessed to be doing 24 months solitary confinement to learn the Krishna consciousness without distractions, or interference. Hare Krishna!

You are a true exponent of the God consciousness.

Your servant, Louis

Louis D.M. —Raiford, Florida

It is very true as you stated in your letter, that my taking Yes, FINALLY! On July 22nd I received the DVD, the two DVDs of the movie about Srila Prabhupada. Then on July 24th, upon my request, it was played throughout the dorm's unit video system, it was open for approximately 250 inmates to view. The video ran from 7pm – 8am – it played about 8 or 9 times!

The night of July 24th I watched it three times in a row, and on July 31st for the Hare Krsna worship class, four inmates watched it again. And have plans to watch it again and again. Jai! Ki Jai!

Bhakta Jason —no address

shelter of the Maha Mantra during my battle with the Covid 19 virus got me through that most difficult time. As I stated in my letter the prison gave us very minimal assistance medically and absolutely no comfort physically. Taking shelter of the physical presence of Sri Krishna dancing on my tongue by chanting the Maha Mantra, His mercy saved me and got me through. I owe much gratitude to the mercy of Srila Prabhupada by giving me the instruction to do this in his books, and also from the direction of yourself and all the sadhus.

It was good to hear that you found my essays that you requested on both the Maha Mantra and the Glories of Srila Prabhupada's books satisfactory. I was concerned that when I was composing them that the effects, I was still suffering during my recovery from Covid would hamper the results. At the time I was still having issues with concentration and memory retention. It took great effort on my part, However, I took this task from you and considered it to be service to Vaishnava devotees, Srila Prabhupada, and Sri Krishna. Therefore, even though it was difficult to stay focused, I would not allow that to be a hindrance to me, because no matter how sick or impaired I become I will always be dedicated to my devotional practices. Even if death comes for me the name of Krishna will be on my lips with my last breath. The greatest treasure I retain from

this whole experience is that Krishna's promises are true. If we surrender to him with complete Sraddha (faith, trust, confidence), He will have mercy on us and protect and deliver His pure devotees. Surrender and service i.e., Bhakti Yoga is the key.

Scott G. —Beeville, Texas

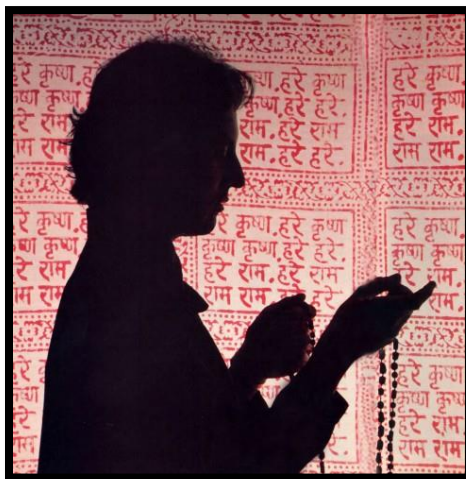
Bhakti-lata Dasi, I give my respectful obeisances unto you, who constantly furthers my knowledge and understanding of the science of Kṛṣṇa Consciousness with books newsletters, magazines, pen pals, etc. Also I give my heartfelt thanks. This is the first Holiday season in some years that I have not been lonely and depressed and I'm in solitary confinement. Thank you so much for the newsletter, for the Freedom Newsletter. My answer was given to a question about how to fast. The calendar shows me the Ekadasi days of the month, and I found from articles other Florida inmates who are trying to become Kṛṣṇa conscious, and I learned that His Divine Grace Swami Prabhupāda's chanting japa is

on our tablets. Hare Krsna! The *Back to Godhead* magazines warmed my heart. I've been learning so much through the books, newsletters, and magazines, along with my devotee pen pals I got from you. I have about 9½ months left on CM and I'm trying to get as grounded and learn as much as I can in this science so I may assist my fellow peers in finding freedom from this material existence and True love of God when I get back to General Population. I pray to be able to answer questions and be an example

of Krsna consciousness. I'm still getting distracted while chanting and I feel that japa beads will assist me greatly, by including the hand and helping to focus the turbulent mind on the task. Thank you.

I give my respectful obeisances to Lord Caitanya Mahaprabhu for prescribing this method in this age of Kali Yuga. I give my respectful obeisances to His Divine Grace Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada for bringing this science to the West and by his books being our instructional Guru. All glories to them. "Supreme Divine Lord Krsna, I am all yours, you are my only refuge and support. Protect me, guide, me have pity on me, my Lord and kindly remove some of the Maya so I may receive guidance from within, Oh, Visnu, Paramatma, or kill me as you see fit or wish, for I am a soul surrendered unto you.

Louis D. M. —Raiford, Florida



May 1st, 2022

As reported by Sankhya-Avatar-Das: “Today Angelina Jolie was spotted in Lviv, Ukraine, where devotees were distributing prasadam (sanctified food). She tasted prasadam, offered to her by devotees and they also taught Angelina Jolie how to chant Hare Krishna Maha-mantra. 🌸



FOOD FOR ALL: Team from Watford-based charity heading to Ukraine to support refugees

From ISKCON NEWS —March 2022

Watford-based charity Food for All are traveling to Ukraine/Poland border this Sunday, March 6, planning to give direct support to refugees by cooking hot meals onsite.

They are driving a big van with attached trailer containing large field pots, gas bottles and lots of ingredients for cooking like rice and lentils. They are also taking blankets, PPE, and other essentials. They have already linked with the Polish charities in order to cooperate together to feed the refugees as thousands of them are fleeing the war in their country.

The original plan was to go towards Lviv and set up a kitchen on Ukrainian side of the border where people are queuing for days to cross over and food is very limited. It is very hard to predict what the situation will be like when they actually get there, whether crossing to Ukraine will be even possible at that point. Things change daily and that dream team is prepared to do what’s needed.

Members of the Aid for Ukraine Food for All team are from the local Hare Krishna community. One of the volunteers works for “Howdens” and has been wholeheartedly supported by his company. He has been given 2 weeks off paid leave with practically no notice



to be able to assist with this crisis. What an amazing example of how people unite in time of need and help in every way they can.

Food for All has a lot of experience in dealing with global crisis situations. In 2004 they were helping Tsunami disaster in Sri Lanka. Last year they received a Queens Award for Voluntary Service for being the most

active charity serving free hot meals to those affected by the pandemic. One million hot nutritious meals were distributed across Hertfordshire and London. A spokesperson for the charity said: "The team is leaving Sunday morning, traveling towards a big unknown, uncertainty and most likely danger. I hope you keep them in your thoughts and prayers and feel

proud that team from Watford is there, trying their very best to help all those innocent people, mostly women and children, caught up in unjust conflict that shocked the world last week and dramatically uprooted their lives." 🌸



WHO IS MUKUNDA DATTA?

Shri Mukunda Datta was Shri Nimai Pandit's classmate at Ganga's Dasa's tol (school). [Nimai was Lord Caitanya's name as a boy] Mukunda had a melodious voice and he knew the intricacies of musical meters and ragas. His sweet kirtan would please all the Vaishnavas at Navadvipa. Tuning in to Lord Gaura's heart, he would sing songs matching Lord Gauranga's feelings. Lord Chaitanya took sannyasa amidst Mukunda's kirtan. He served Shri Chaitanya in Puri as one of the Lord's humblest followers.

Once at the house of Shrivasa Pandit, Lord Chaitanya manifested called all the devotees one after another and blessed them. However, Mukunda Datta was once forbidden to enter because of his mixing with the Mayavadi impersonalists. When The devotees informed the Lord that Mukunda Datta was waiting outside the Lord replied, "I shall not soon be pleased with Mukunda Datta, for he explains devotional service among devotees, but then he goes to Mayavadis to hear from them the Yoga-vasishtha-ramayana, which is full of Mayavada philosophy. For this I am greatly displeased with him."

Mukunda chose suicide as atonement for his serious offense, but before acting, he asked Lord Chaitanya, through the devotees, if he would again receive His mercy in a future life. "You will receive My mercy," said Lord Chaitanya, "after one million births." Mukunda jumped up and down, shouting, "Only a million births, only a million births!" He was happy to know that he would again, *someday*, get Mahaprabhu's mercy.

Lord Chaitanya's heart melted upon seeing Mukunda's devotion and determination. The Lord called him in the house and blessed him, "By your faith and conviction in My words all your offenses have been immediately destroyed."



ABOVE: Lord Chaitanya and His associates

Mukunda's samadhi [tomb] is located within the 64 Samadhis Area in Vrindavan, India.

In Krishna lila [lila = pastimes] he is Madhukantha, a devotee with a honey-sweet throat, a sweet singer. 🌸

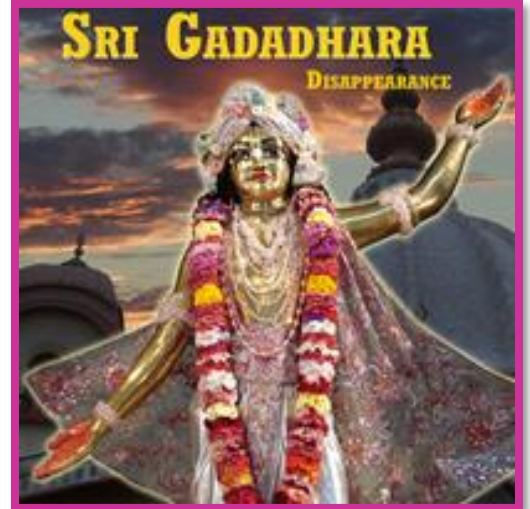
Calendar

MAY 2022

- 04 May 2022 - Aksaya Tritya – Candana Yatra Starts
06 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Sri Sankaracharya
08 May 2022 - Jahnua Saptami
10 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Srimati Sita Devi
10 May 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Madhu Pandita
10 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Srimati Jahnava Devi
12 May 2022 - **Mohini Ekadasi**
13 May 2022 - Rukmini Dvadasi
14 May 2022 - **Disappearance Day of Sri Jayananda Prabhu**
14 May 2022 - End of Jala Dana
15 May 2022 - **Narasimha Caturdasi – Appearance of Lord Narasimhadeva**
16 May 2022 - Krishna Phula Dola, Salila Vihara
16 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Sri Sri Radha-Ramana Devji
16 May 2022 - Buddha Purnima – Appearance Day of Lord Buddha
16 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Sri Madhavendra Puri
16 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Sri Srinivasa Acharya
16 May 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Paramesvari Dasa Thakura
20 May 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Ramananda Raya
26 May 2022 - **Apara Ekadasi**
27 May 2022 - Appearance Day of Srila Vrndavana Dasa Thakura

JUNE 2022

- 10 June 2022 - Ganga Puja
10 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Baladeva Vidyabhusana
10 June 2022 - Appearance Day of Srimati Gangamata Goswami
11 June 2022 - **Pandava Nirjala Ekadasi**
12 June 2022 - Panihati Cida Dahi Utsava
14 June 2022 - Snana Yatra
14 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Mukunda Datta
14 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Sridhara Pandita
15 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Syamananda Prabhu
18 June 2022 - Appearance Day of Sri Vakresvara Pandita
23 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Srivasa Pandita
25 June 2022 - **Yogini Ekadasi**
28 June 2022 - Disappearance Day of Sri Gadadhara Pandita
28 June 2022 - **Disappearance Day of Srila Bhaktivinoda Thakura**
30 June 2022 - Gundica Marjana



ABOVE: Gadadhara Pandita is among the group known as the Panca-tattva. Gadadhara Pandita is considered an incarnation of Srimati Radharani, the eternal consort of Sri Krsna.

RIGHT: Ganga Devi, the goddess of the River Ganges. Initially, river Ganga flowed in the heavenly planets. She was brought down to earth by the severe penances of the sage Bhagiratha and that is why she is also called Bhagirathi.

