



Dearest Srila Gurudeva,

Most merciful incarnation,
Of servitor love divine, most glorious manifestation,

Of our Supreme Lord's favored section, Thou hast come to entreat,
The hopeless souls of this world, to serve Their Lotus Feet.

Untiring dedication to Your Divine Master's message and Mission,
Supreme example of Guru seva, surrender and submission.

Boundless mercy and compassion, Your only motivation,
Through transcendental composure and joyful recitation,

By worldwide traversal, and architectural creation,
You have manifest upon this Earth, Your beauty's artful dedication,

To one and all a joyful astonishment of spiritual revelation.

Oh Divine Master (of unlimited glories) your heart is brimming with life's Divine
treasure,
You are the holder of the key, to the world of infinite measure,

And our only hope can be by way of dedicated service,
To somehow give you pleasure to fulfill our eternal purpose.

On this most auspicious of days, Sri Vyasa Puja 2003, praying to somehow be of
service to your servants,

Your most insignificant servants,

Krishna Ballabha das and Sulocena devi dasi
Australia



*All glories to Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj
All glories to Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj
All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga*

Dear Gurudev,

Accept my most humble obeisances and dandavats to your sacred lotus feet.
Gurudev this day is so special because it is the day of your Vyasa Puja.

I remember you so much because in my memory is the moment when I saw you the first time. It was as if I knew you from long time ago. Your glance was very tender and deep at the same time, as if it wanted to say many things to me.

Gurudev, those days I have spent in the Math were very beautiful days in your association. I would like those days to become eternal so I can be eternally with you in your holy association.

Gurudev, there is no one like you for preaching pure devotion. You are the immaculate moon; you are as merciful as Lord Nityananda Himself. You are all we have in this world; without your mercy we cannot go out of this material world.

Gurudev, please give me a drop of your mercy so that I might leave this miserable state in which I'm deeply immersed.

All glories to your sacred lotus feet.

Your aspiring servant,

Koladwip Dasa
Margarita Ashram, Venezuela





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Dear Gurudev,

I offer my obeisances to your sacred lotus feet. This is the first time I'm writing you.

I'm fourteen-and-half-years-old, and I had the fortune to live with the devotees for one and a half years. I was initiated three years ago, and later, by destiny's arrangements, I was separated from the devotees, and I went back to live with my mother and sister. But by the Lord's mercy I am back again with the devotees. At present I'm living in the temple with the association of the Margarita devotees along with Prabhu Koladwip. When hearing about the coming celebration of your Vyasa Puja I decided to write some short letter with all my affection.

Gurudev, after coming to live in the Temple I tried to be a little serious in my service but I cannot do it, because I was and still am fallen. I know that this mind of mine is not allowing me to be quiet but thanks to the Margarita devotees, at present I can be a little more centered in my seva. For that reason I have so much desire to meet you some day and obtain your mercy.

From the heart of Hari Gopal Dasa.
Margarita Ashram, Venezuela



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Dear Gurudev,

Accept my humble obeisances.

Please, allow me to present myself.

My name is Pradip Krishna Dasa. I was initiated one year-ago by Sripad Janardan Maharaj in Caracas. I want to be known by you through my letters and photos since at this moment it's difficult for me to travel to India.

I feel very joyful here in the company of the Margarita devotees. From the day I knew you my life has changed. You are a person so great for me. I feel happy for your greatness.

Please, Gurudev, accept my obeisances to your lotus feet.

Your servant,

Pradip Krishna Dasa, Margarita Ashram, Venezuela



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Dear Gurudev,

Accept my most humble obeisances to your sacred lotus feet.

This is my humble gift to you on the day of your Vyasa Puja. It is dedicated from my deepest inner heart.

Oh Gurudev, you arrived here as a star from the sky illuminating my path. Leading my steps, you are calming down my thirst, giving encouragement. I was reborn again.

Oh Gurudev, how fortunate I am to find you in my life; it's my main joy.

You fulfilled my dreams and gave me the key and the affection that I so much longed for.

Now I feel myself complete in my life because thanks to you my hope again has been born.

Gurudev, on your Vyasa Puja day I wish that Lord Krishna will bestow His mercy upon you.

I love you so much because never in my life have I felt so much affection given to me as the affection given by you. And for this I feel so much indebted, and I pray to Lord Krishna to give me the favor of His Mercy to become some day a faithful servant of your sacred lotus feet.

Your aspirant servant,

Narayani Devi Dasi



All glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga

All glories to my dear Gurudev, Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj

My beloved Gurudev is versed in giving love to all beings in a sincere way.

The only desire of my beloved Gurudev is to eternally please his Spiritual Master through service.

He is the most chaste of all Vaishnavas, who faithfully represents his Master and who is no different than Lord Nityananda, the most merciful and beloved for this fallen soul.

He is the angel of devotion who is protecting and giving happiness to our souls and to the golden shelter of the Supreme Lord —the light of our life, which relieves the pain. He dwells as the prince and beloved of Srimati Radharani. Without you, my life is dark. To your sight all is beautiful and joyful.

Thanks my beloved Gurudev for your divine mercy and the shelter under your divine lotus feet, which I don't deserve and which only by affection you are giving.

Your servant,

Doya Mayi Devi Dasi
Bogota, Colombia



All glories to Sri Sri Guru and Gauranga

For the most auspicious day in the year
I bow down before the grandsire

Love, affection and pure emotion
Is the reason and solution

Krishna's love is coming from him
The beloved Gurudeva
We have to worship him

All glories to our Gurudeva

Your fallen servant,

Purusottama dasa





*All glories to Sri Guru Gauranga Gandharva Govinda Sundarjiu
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gurvabhista supurakam guru ganair asisa-sambhusitam
cintyachintya-samasta-veda-nipunam sri-rupa-pantanugam
govindabidam ujvalam vara-tanum bhakty anvitam sundaram
vande visva-gurun cha divya-bhagavad-premno hi bija-pradam

Dear Srila Govinda Maharaj,

Please accept our humble obeisances to your divine lotus feet.

It's for us a great honor to greet you on this most holy day of your divine Appearance.

We are very unqualified and foolish, and we are bereft of intelligence and unable to surrender and properly serve you, which is our grand longing. But we are sure that with your causeless mercy we will succeed. We pray that at least for one second you will give us your merciful glance.

Srila Gurudev, once again accept our obeisances. Please forgive our disqualifications.

The most low and incompetent aspirants to serve you,

Jyotir Moy Dasa
Krishna Kanti Devi Dasi
Peru



Sri Sri Guru Gauranga Jayataha



Jaya Om Vishnupada Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj
Aviabhava Mahotsava

Dearest Srila Gurudev,

Blessed are we the countless fallen souls whose lives are made perfect by your magnanimous appearance. The sukriti of the finite world has manifested by the utterance of the pure name of Krishna ever upon your lips.

With the power to make or mar the fragile attempt of the jiva at inner fulfillment you long ago decided to give everyone a chance to chant and dance in the infinite wave of Gauranga Dev's sankirtana movement.

Converting wholesale the soul for the pleasure of the divine couple, making the only possible good use of our limited freedom, we have willingly surrendered ourselves to the service of the infinite with you as our leader.

Service to the divine couple is performed in the moment of deepest separation, and the ecstatic kirtan of Gaurasundar is the only panacea in that intolerable moment. This day of your appearance represents your infinite mercy.

Have a great day Srila Gurudev. We love being a part of your beautiful sankirtan.

With all our affection and gratitude,

Navasundar das, Subhadra Devi Dasi and Shivananda Sen Das
Australia



All Glories to Sri Guru and Guaranga!

My dearest Gurudev,

Please accept my dandavat pranams.

Once again on your appearance day I am at a loss for words that describe the meaning of my heart. Words seem utterly useless to glorify you on this auspicious day. Your love, mercy and beauty are so much more radiant than what words can describe.

I, who have no concept of you, can only rely on your devotees to illuminate all your glories in a way my feeble mind can understand. Through your beautiful devotees I see the greatness of your potency. They have given me their mercy just as you have given me your mercy. Whenever they think of you their eyes shine as bright as a million suns. Their smiles are stretched from ear to ear. When they speak your name their voice becomes soft with loving kindness.

Oh Gurudev, to feel you through your devotees is not enough anymore! What a rascal I truly am! On your glorious appearance day all I am feeling is sadness about not being with you. Such a double-edged sword we balance on. On one hand the love and affection I see through your devotees brings me happiness beyond this mundane world. On the other hand this love and affection leads me to despair because I want to personally taste your nectar that they are enjoying and sharing with me.

It is strictly your omnipotence radiating when your devotees show me their countless mercy in ways immeasurable by my mere senses.

All glories to Sri Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaja's Devotees!
All glories to Sri Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaja!

Your beyond-useless-servant,

Radha Raman das
Santa Cruz, California



All Glories to Sri Guru and Sri Gauranga

Dearest Gurudev,

Please accept my most humble obeisances at Your lotus feet.

Kripa-bindu diya, koro'ei dase, Trnapeksa ati dina
Sakhala-sahane, bolo diya koro, Nija-mane sprha-hina

On this most auspicious day of the year, your Divine Appearance Day and the day of Your Vyasa Puja Celebration, I see You Dear Guru being glorified by



hundreds and hundreds of such wonderful and exalted devotees from all over the world. It is in many ways overwhelming to see so much devotion and affection You are receiving on this special day. Your unique quality is such that You are able to make everyone feel special in Your presence and also unique in the service of Lord Gauranga. There is no one Soul that comes in contact with You who You will ignore, overlook or dismiss. Such is the kindness and greatness of Your heart.

**Sakale samman, korite sakati, deho natha! Yatha yatha
Tabe to' gaibo, harinama-sukhe, Aparadhe habe hata**

You are inviting all to take part in the most sublime and exalted way of life, Life of Devotion and Dedication to the Beautiful Lord Gauranga. You are the most perfect example and greatest inspiration for all Your disciples and friends, living proof that such perfection is possible. Therefore I place my greatest hope at Your lotus feet although I'm often overwhelmed by sadness, which only a greatest failure can feel. Yet hope is all I have. Hope that out of Your unlimited compassion and mercy You will continue to shelter me and guide me toward perfection - Pure Devotion, known to me only by Your extraordinary example.

**Kebe heno krpa, lobhiya e jana, Krtharta hoibe natha!
Sakti-budhi-hin, ami ati din, Koro more atma-satha**

As futile as it is to find happiness in this mundane plane Your very presence in the lives of so many invoke that sense of joy and happiness, otherwise impossible to find outside of Your divine association and Your extended association, manifested gracefully in Your so many and so very special disciples. I'm ever grateful for their continued assistance despite my countless offences. I'm thankful to You dear Gurudev for bringing that sense of happiness in my daily devotional practice, that sense of reality which I'm learning step by step to appreciate more and more.

**Yogyata-vicare, kichu nahi pai, tomara karuna-sara
Karuna na hoile, kandiya kandiya, Prana na rakhibo ara**

Dear Gurudev, Your Heart is so Beautiful, just like a giant Lotus Flower with unlimited, most radiant and fragrant petals. This Lotus Flower has manifested in a most charming and attractive way right there in the center of Sri Govinda Kund in the Holy Dhama of the splendid Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math, which the Beautiful Lord Gauranga chose as the eternal playground for His eternal pastimes. May this vision of Your Divine Presence in my life always accompany me throughout test, trial and tribulation in my attempt to become a devotee of Beautiful Lord Gauranga, and a more useful disciple to You.

All Glories to You Dear Gurudev!
In greatest need of Your mercy, with my head at Your lotus feet,
Your worthless servant,

Enakshi Devi dasi
Santa Cruz, California





Dear Srila Govinda Maharaj,

All Glories to You ! On the occasion of Your most auspicious Appearance Day, please accept my head at Your lotus feet. I feel most fortunate to have the association of Your disciples at the Soquel and San Jose Ashrams that You have established here in California.

I hope to have the opportunity to meet Your Grace in person, most probably next year. Your disciples have been a very inspirational reflection of Your mercy and kindness to all who take shelter under Your affectionate wings. Please bless me with the association and service of the devotees life after life.

Simply remembering Your sweet smile and hearing of Your glories keeps Maya at bay and cools the fire of conditioned life. The presence of a Vaishnava such as Yourself on this planet is not to be underestimated. Although I have no formal relation with You, I feel protected knowing that You are a solid pillar in the global Vaishnava community. May my heart be purified enough by this simple offering to get the opportunity of a service connection with you very soon.

Jai Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj!

Dasanudas,
Gaurahari das
California
(son of Enakshi Devi Dasi)





Dear Eternal Master,

Today we celebrate Your Divine Appearance on this earth. Such an event is the highlight on the devotional calendar for your disciples, friends and well wishers all over the world. It is only by some unimaginable good fortune that we have the opportunity to render some small service to You, the Topmost Vaishnava.

The scriptures describe how the jiva is traveling all over the material creation, and it is certainly a very rare event if one is able to obtain the association of a genuine self realized sadhu. In this age of Kali there are unfortunately many imposters passing themselves off as gurus.

From the very early days of Your holy service to the Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math Your Divine Master, Srila Sridhar Goswami Maharaj, recognized You as His Successor. You are the true Vaishnava Acharya, the only one to take full shelter of.

A person who serves Guru and Krishna can understand the real meaning of the scriptures; otherwise the real meaning will not be revealed, and one will not be able to follow their real purpose. *Acaryyavan puruso veda* - the meaning of the Upanishads can be only understood by those who have their Guru. By intellectualism we cannot understand the real meaning.

Only by approaching the Guru with an attitude of service can the purport be understood. He will come and express Himself to us and we are to have the mood that, "I am unqualified and low but He will come and give me admission, irrespective of any intellect, study or anything else on my part."

The general understanding is that a devotee is one who is fully devoted to the Lord. But in Vaishnavism the real devotee of Krishna is considered to be one who is fully devoted to Sri Guru Vaishnava. Sri Krishna in Sri Gita said, "Who is devoted to Me is not my real devotee, but one who is devoted to My devotee is My real devotee."

On this day let us all take full shelter of Srila Gurudev. Thank you very much for everything.

With full dandavats at Your Holy Lotus Feet,

Ramananda das, Shanti Devi and Niraj Vikash.[our son]
New Zealand





Small words from a small soul in an attempt to glorify you, O Gurudev, Sri Srila Bhakti Sundar Govinda Dev-Goswami Maharaj on your Vyasa Puja:

I bow down to you O Gurudev:

Whose majestic figure stands tall for the dignity and glory of the Rupanuga Sampradaya,

Who can expertly manifest the perfection of form that shines ever so resplendently for all to see,

Who is the pride and joy of his Gurudev, so carefully cultivated, best of all,

And whose throat adorns the transcendental pearls of wisdom that light the world.

I bow down to you O Gurudev:

Whose divine inspiration flows down like the Ganga from the almighty fountain-head,

Who warmly extends a compassionate and gentle hand to one and all alike,

Who exemplifies courage, determination and deep devotion, pressing ever onward with stead,

And who is the very life and breath of the sincere, pure hearted souls who gather around your soft lotus feet like busy honeybees.

I bow down to you, O Gurudev as one without a second, divinely chosen, and deeply pray that at some point in my long journey I may qualify to arrive at that sweet position where my life is yours and I'm at home happily serving in your loving camp.

Dina Tarini dasi anu dasi
Australia Down Under





*All Glories to Sri Guru and Gauranga!
All Glories to Srila Prabhupada!*

Dear Srila Govinda Maharaj,

Please accept my dandavat pranams to Your Divine Lotus Feet.

Let me express to You on this auspicious day of Your Vyasa Puja what my heart feels. Nowadays the world is full of many miseries and negative influences. But we turn to the spiritual part of our lives; the merciful vaisnavas, who I also want to glorify: my dear diksa

spiritual master Srila Bhakti Pavan Janardan Maharaj and our dearest Srila Bhakti Kusum Ashram Maharaj whose dignity represents You. Both give us their saintly association by Your sweet bondage, sweet love, sweet smile. You let us see that the environment is correct.

We feel so grateful to Krishna for Your Divine Association, in spite of our deficient vision and our false ego. We don't realize all the benefit You have given us: all the happiness, all the wonderful and marvellous moments You have given us when You have visited our countries, all the advice that always flows from Your Lotus Mouth. This has been to us the nectar of the mercy of Radharani, because You have been the perfect disciple and the perfect manifestation and representation of love itself.

You are the sunlight that Your lovely master, Srila Sridhar Maharaj, so mercifully gave to us. Thanks to Him and Krishna You are with us to give us warmth in the great family Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math, like a family that joins around the bonfire which takes out the coldness of our hearts. We feel protected against any thief who may want to take what belongs to You.

That is why on this blessed and Divine day of Your Vyasa Puja I want to glorify You with all my soul, all my heart and all myself. I beg Krishna to keep You with us for a long time.

Jaya Radhe! Hare Krishna!

The last of Your servants,

Srimati D.D.
Mexico city





Dear Srila Govinda Maharaj,

All the devotees from Srila Sridhar Govinda Sangha, in Porto Alegre, RS, Southern Brazil are very happy on this auspicious day. Our treasure is to serve Your Divine Grace on each day of our lives. On Your anniversary, in front of Your beautiful photo next to the Gaura-nitai altar, we will be celebrating Your Vyasa Puja with all honor unto You. Our desire on this auspicious day is good health for You everyday for many years.

Below Your Divine Grace can read a short sentence from each one of Your disciples from Porto Alegre, RS, South of Brazil.

Your fallen disciple,

Nityadas das



Happy Appearance Day, Gurudev!

Vasudeva das



Health and happiness, Gurudev. My desire is that Sri Krishna keeps you among us for a long and countless time.

Sundara Gopal das



I desire that Krishna always continues illuminating your life, dear Gurudev.

Kalindi devi dasi



Dear Gurudev, My sincere thanks once more for the inspiration you give to me in Krishna Consciousness.

Madhurya Lila devi dasi



Gurudev, I am very happy to know Krishna through Your Divine Grace. Happy Vyasa Puja.

Tulasi Priya devi dasi





Krishna is in your Heart forever, and you are in my heart, too. Thank you for letting me be your disciple. Happy anniversary!

Radha Priya devi dasi



Dear Gurudev, I am so happy because I am your disciple. Congratulations on your appearance Day! Haribol!

Venu-gita devi dasi



Dear Srila Govinda Maharaj, Have a nice day on your Vyasa Puja. I am very happy because I can be your disciple!

Prabhu Janardan das



You are the light that clears the mind of all creatures. In your wisdom I have found a new life. I desire that this auspicious day happens many times again.

Madhumati devi dasi



Krishna lives in your auspicious life. Thanks for sharing your love with us.
From your new disciple,

Bhaktin Kenia

