

Dear Devotees of Sathya Sai,

With so many disasters befalling the world at this time, I thought the following message from our Beloved Swami, may be of comfort to many people, who may be distressed by these events and predictions of future disasters.

“No disaster is imminent for the world. Over the vast globe, there may be some mishaps here and there, from time-to-time. Suffering and misery are the inescapable acts of the cosmic drama. God does not decree these calamities but man invites them by way of retribution for his own evil deeds. Remember these calamities occur not because of what God had made of man but really because of what man has made of man. Therefore, man has to be unmade and remade with his ego destroyed and replaced by a transcendent consciousness, so that he may rise above the karmic to command.

“In various parts of the world nature is causing various disasters such as earthquakes, famines, floods and volcanic eruptions. What is the reason? The spiritual lapses of man account for these calamities. Disturbances in the human heart are reflected in earthquakes. Man is thus the architect of his own life.

“Prayer is the only remedy for alleviation of such misery. There is nothing in the world that cannot be achieved by prayer. Prayer melts the hardest hearts. Pray wholeheartedly, ‘Lokah Samastah Sukhino Bhavanthu’. Do not pray just for the welfare of your family, friends and relatives alone. Such narrow-minded prayers are futile. Your prayer should be for the welfare of all people in all countries of the world.”

Sathya Sai Baba.

Like the tadpole’s tail, the ego will fall away when one grows in wisdom. It must fall away: if it is cut, the poor tadpole will die. So don’t worry about the ego; develop wisdom, discriminate, know the ephemeral nature of all

objective things - then the tail will no longer be evident. -BABA

Swami Gives Life to the Dead!

PhD student, Narayana Sharma, from Bombay, had chronic asthma and was unable to breath. This was in October 1985. He was rushed to Puttaparthi General Hospital, where the body was now cold and blue. The lady doctor who attended him could find no pulse, no breath.

The Medical Superintendent of the hospital, Dr. Chari, rushed from his home and also checked the body and informed all present, “He is no more. The boy is dead”.

Dr. Chari walked to the Mandir to inform Swami of the whole episode. Swami responded, ***“Nothing will happen to him. He is fine!!!”*** and gave Dr. Chari some Vibhuti, suggesting it be applied to the boy’s chest, and place hot-water bags on his back. This was duely done but the situation remained the same. The body was still cold and blue. For all practical purposes, he was dead.

The doctors told Narasimha Murthy, the warden of the hostel, that it was his turn to go and tell Swami.

It was 6.30 am. when he reported to Swami at the Mandir, and Swami said, ***“Nothing has happened to him”***, and gave Murthy a thermos flask filled with hot coffee and said, ***“Go and give it to him!!!”***

The lady doctor asked Murthy who the coffee was for, and he indicated the patient. “Mr. Warden, have you lost your brain?” By now the body was covered with a white sheet, with only his toes protruding. There was no movement, till suddenly his toes started to move and breathing began to return. The boy was unable to open his eyes when the doctor whispered, “See boy, Swami has sent coffee for you. Please take it!” as she gave him spoonful after spoonful. The pulse was returning - and Swami arrived!

The boy slowly opened his eyes, upon hearing Swami’s voice saying, ***“What***

boy! Everybody said you are dead. Still you are alive!” Swami asked the three doctors present, Dr. Chari and two lady doctors, **“Was he dead?”** Yes, came the reply, “Swami, according to us, there was no pulse, no breathing, no heartbeat: the body was cold and blue. Going by medical science, that is death.”

“Then how did he come back?”

“Swami, You are God. You can do anything,” the lady doctor replied.

Swami asked the warden to go and tell others outside what had happened there. Swami had confirmed that He had brought back the boy to life! He materialised a kind of brownish chocolate and gave it to the boy.

Later Swami, upon returning to the Mandir, materialised three bottles of tablets and send them to the hospital with detailed instructions as to how the tablets were to be administered.

The boy was soon back at his research and completed his PhD!

TRUST HIM! AS IS YOUR FAITH,
SO IS THE EXPERIENCE!

To surrender means to turn your thoughts away from troubles, to turn them away from the difficulties you encounter and from all your problems. Leave everything in My hands, saying, “Lord, Thy will be done. Thou think of it.”

That is to say, “Lord, I thank you, for you having taken everything into Your hands, and You will resolve this for my highest good”.

-BABA.

Compassion ‘Sans Frontieres’

Puttaparthi’s Super Speciality Hospital, a decade on, has had 12,000 heart operations and as many Urology and Ophthalmology operations.

Many philanthropic organisations have tried to replicate the same effort, even on a smaller scale, but failed!

Swami set the trend and many tried to copy - but failed to follow the example He started in His home village. It was His foresight and compassion, upon seeing the overwhelming need of so many people, that He took the gracious step over ten years ago.

He saw the need and reached out into the future and established with His Divine Will, the first FREE hospitals that now offer hope to thousands of patients - relieving them of the dreaded burden of illness.

In an age when commercial and financial gain seems to be the motivating factor behind most activities today, Swami, with one broad stroke, side-lined all obstacles.

As He repeatedly says, **“Love without Duty is Divine”.**

India has a population of 346 million people who live below the poverty line. Swami waded into the uncharted waters and came up with a dream hospital for their medical needs. He followed that up later, with another Super Speciality Hospital, in Bangalore.

Nowhere in the world was there a FREE Tertiary Care Hospital, until Sai Baba earthed the dream in one of the poorest regions in the world - Andhra Pradesh!

Many sceptics thought that while the hospitals might be constructed and operated, they would soon grind to a halt from lack of funding of the expensive theatre equipment needed. Many others saw it as an expensive “experiment”. All proved wrong! Swami’s love prevailed!

It has been stated, “For Bhagavan it is inconceivable that anyone should be without help if He can assist!”

Like the Great Doctor He is. Swami feels the pulse of the people and knows the medicine that is needed.

He accomplishes the unimaginable!

I had to tell you so much about My Truth, for I desire that you should contemplate on this and derive joy therefrom, so that you may be inspired

to observe the disciplines laid down and progress towards the goal of Self-Realisation - the Realisation of the Sai that shrines in your hearts. -BABA.

Swami's Grace & Compassion

A poor farmer in West Bengal, was diagnosed with a severe heart problem, and his doctor recommended the "only one such hospital in India" that could help him. Hence, he was directed to Swami's Superspeciality Hospital in Whitefield. The patient managed to reach, it with some difficulty, and was examined immediately by doctors, despite a long queue of other waiting patients. The conclusion of the doctors was that he had to be operated upon immediately, but it was not humanly possible at that time and was directed to seek help elsewhere to have the operation. But the farmer was too poor to have the operation done, and his only recourse was to write to Swami direct, posting the letter through the ordinary mail.

Writing in Bengali the farmer referred to his wretched and of how he went to Swami's hospital only to be sent back to where he started. His letter concluded with the words, "I came with hope. It is now Your Will."

A few days later the District President of the Sai Organisation of Cooch Behar, got a urgent call from from the State President of West Bengal, who also happened to be the All India President of the Sai Organisation. Swami had called the President and showed him the letter from the poor farmer.

After a prolonged and extensive search for the farmer he was found and was successfully operated upon in Prasanthi Nilayam, making a full recovery and was very happy now.

The story doesn't end there. It emerged that after writing the letter to Swami, the farmer returned he discovered that the letter was returned to his home as he had forgotten to write "Prasanthi Nilayam" or even "Puttaparthi". He just wrote Swami's name and "Andhra Pradesh"!

Swami once stated that "*When anyone lifts a pen to write a letter to Me, I know everything that will be written. I take letters only to give my devotees happiness.*"

It is not proper to show disrespect to anyone, because everyone is the embodiment of God. -BABA.

Young Sathya, the scout.

Recounting Swami's early years as a young boy, is inspiring and interesting. You will not doubt recall the occasion when He was asked to accompany a party of boys to a scout camp. The first programme was a demonstration of First Aid, later followed by the healthy entertainment of sports and games.

Unfortunately, young Sathya had to acquire a scout uniform for the occasion, to participate in the camp activities. This required Him needing twenty rupees to enable Him to meet the various costs.

His friend, Ramesh, whose father was affluent, offered Him the cost of the scout uniform, but Sathya politely rejected the offer. Instead, He composed songs and sold them for five rupees, with which He bought the uniform, but still had to come up with fifteen rupees for the journey and stay. So, He sold His old school books for another five rupees. Then a sad incident happened; while counting the money a lady assumed the entire money had been stolen, and took it from Him.

On the fateful day, all the students travelled by bus to the event, but Sathya, not having the fare, had to cover the ten miles on foot. By chance He found one anna coin on the road. Nonetheless, using His intelligence He managed to convert it into twelve annas, which was also not sufficient to maintain Him for the five days, resulting in His not eating for three days!

Still, He participated in all the games and won many prizes.

Reading the accounts of young Sathya's poverty, it seems amazing to see the Creator of the Universe in such a plight.

We would be wrong to view the 'play' from that view-point, as it was nothing but a drama enacted by the Lord Himself, that aroused sympathies in the hearts of His devotees. All that time He was performing large numbers of miracles, that at such a young age gave glimpses of His Divinity.

Kameswaramma was the wife of Thammi Raju, the teacher, and she saw the Divinity within Sathya. She decided, one day, to perform puja to Shirdi Sai. As an ardent devotee she wished to have Sathya's full blessing, through her worship of His previous incarnation as Shirdi Sai. So she decided on a forty-day festival of worship but where could she get a photo of Shirdi Sai, that was the problem!

She was lost in contemplating this problem, when a bird came from nowhere, carrying in its beak, the very photo she required. The bird dropped it at her feet and flew away, to her overwhelming joy!

Sathya Sai would visit her every day along with His brother's children who were taking tuition from Thammi Raju.

On the occasion of the last day of the ceremony, a monkey appeared at the window and peeping inside, threw a bag into Kameswaramma, bolted off on to the neighbour's roof and disappeared. Upon opening the bag she found a letter written by Sathya in which He mentioned that He appeared to her twice; as a bird and now as a monkey. And He congratulated her on the completion of the ceremony and blessed her with greater devotion and peace.

The heart of Jesus was pure and calm. Hence, it is honoured as sacred. We must also make our hearts sacred so that either we merge in Jesus, or Jesus merges in us. When we merge, it is called Bhakti (Devotion); to have Jesus awakened in us is the path of Jnana (Wisdom). Jesus was a messenger of God; but note this; all of you are also messengers of God. Jesus was not the

only Son of God; you all are His children. Jesus and His Father are One. You and God are also One, become aware of it. -BABA.

The Dwellers of Gufa *final part.*

In the final part of this trilogy, it is written that Nara Rishi practised rigorous discipline to please Lord Nanayana, Who had taken Avatar along with him as his co-brother. Nara's sadhana concentrating on strict physical, mental and spiritual discipline, for a long period of time.

Finally, Nara Rishi succeeded in his efforts to earn the grace of Lord Narayana, Who said, "Though as Iswara I am Supreme, but from today people will always use your name first when mentioning us together. Since you have pleased Me with your bhakti sadhana, all those who utter the name of Nara Narayana will be entitled for My undiminished grace."

Finding Narayana favourably inclined, Nara asked, "Lord, why don't You become my Charioteer?"

Narayana could not restrain a laugh, and said, "You are speaking under the influence of future. OK. In My next incarnation I shall fulfill your wish. Both of us will take birth as Arjuna and Krishna."

We now see the Master, Krishna, assuming the inferior role as charioteer to Arjuna, thus becoming the servant, and the servant the Master, as we view the beginning of the battle of Mahabharata.

In conclusion of the three part narrative, I quote the following from the publication:

"In the end it is worthwhile mentioning that the same Parabrahma Paramatma, who descended at Badrinath as Nana Narayana, and is engaged in Tapa till the end of this Kalpa, has incarnated Himself as Bhagawan Sathya Sai Baba in Puttaparthi. Nara Narayana Gufa is the ancient spot adjacent to which the Lord Himself had conducted His sadhana in His earlier Avatara and that is why the chosen eleven devotees were directed by

Baba to go there and complete their remaining sadhana. The hallowed spot near the shrine of Badrinath where Nara Narayana are still engaged in their sadhana, has been mentioned in the puranas as Nara Narayana Ashram. The Gufa is a few miles away from that spot.

“A question is raised, sometimes, regarding the fate of the eleven sadhakas who were sent by the Lord to do penance at the Gufa Ashram. The Lord Himself has answered this question put to Him by one of His devotees Shri Ratanlal. In the first book it has already been mentioned that the eleven devotees were the sadhakas of a very high order in their previous lives and therefore had to take birth again. When the opportune time came, Bhagawan called them to Him and instructed them to go and complete their remaining sadhana to attain liberation. So the Lord replied to Shri Ratanlal, *‘All the devotees have left their bodies.’*”

All the facts were later confirmed. So ends this remarkable saga.

Postage Stamp

IndiaPost has recently issued a Commemoration 500p Postage Stamp and 1st Day cover, on Sri Shirdi Sai Baba.

BABA'S MANDATE TO HIS DEVOTEES:

Those devoted to Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba can take comfort from the assurance Swami has given to all His devotees. It is a testament of His love:

* *You cast your burdens on Me.*

* *In the abode of My devotees, there will be no dearth of food and clothing.*

* *You, devotees, are My children. I am your Father. You have to get everything from Me. So, you need not be anxious.*

I take all care of you. I will not allow My devotees to come to harm. I have to take thought for My devotees. I will not let My devotee fail.

Practice detachment from now on; practice it little by little, for a day will come, sooner or later, when you will

have to give up all that you hold dear. Do not go on adding to the things which bind you to them. Bind yourself to the great liberator, God. -BABA.

Swami Blesses New Hospital Canteen

Swami inaugurated a new canteen in the Super Speciality Hospital in Puttiparthi. He was escorted to the hospital by students on bikes.

Swami spoke to all present and said He would return and have lunch or tiffin, sometime, with all the people. This created great excited chatter! He then partook of some light snack, and picking up a groundnut tossed it to His mouth, but as it hit His upper lip He laughed at Himself and everyone joined in!

He toured and blessed everyone and spoke to many people.

He left behind sweet smiles and momentous memories, as He left to return to the Mandir.

There are three Sai Avatars. The first was Shirdi Sai, the second is Sathya Sai, and the third to come is Prema Sai.

Prema Sai will be the most important Avatar, because He will unite the entire humanity. You all know that it is Prema (Principle of Love) that unites all. -BABA.

Ignorance

At one time a young boy took pride in his learning the Scriptures. He was close to Sri Radhakrishna Swamiji, and would quote him many times, and took pride as the moving encyclopaedia of Swamiji's life.

A devotee asked S.R.S., “Tell me, Swamiji, is it true that the young man knows as much about you as he claims?”

Swamiji replied, “To tell you the truth, this boy reads so much I don't see how he could ever find the time to know anything!”

Global Warming

A few decades ago, one of Swami's devotees asked Him, "Swami, there is a danger of global warming; studies have shown that the world will be in peril after fifty years."

Swami replied, ***"I know. God is allowing man to destroy himself so that one day he will fall down on his knees and turn towards God."***

Source: Kumar Madhadvan.

The food thus offered to God, is digested by "Vaiswanara", in the digestive system. Since God exists in the form of fire, as Vaishwanara, He digests the food along with the impurities. So, man will not be affected even if the impurities enters the food.
-BABA.

"With a passion to serve the nation, I was traversing the path of life in the Indian Army. It was in the year 1974, I remember, when the path took a turning towards the spiritual, taking me to Wellington where I was posted as Commandant, Defense Services staff College. Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba came to Ooty, a beautiful hill station about 14 kilometres away from Wellington. My wife Prem and I decided to visit Ooty to have Darshan of Bhagavan.

"On arriving, we went to the Ashram. Baba came out clad in a saffron coloured long robe. He glanced at us and passed by going to the congregation waiting outside for Him. We had a fulfilling Darshan of Baba and listened to His discourse.

"At Wellington, we have a mandir at the Staff College complex. A desire arose in me to request Baba to visit our mandir. I prayed to Baba to accept my request. Next morning, the telephone rang and I got the welcome message that Baba had agreed to visit the mandir at Wellington! On Baba's visit to Wellington, we attended His Discourse along with the staff, the students and their families. The

visit over, just as Baba was boarding the car for His journey back to Ooty, my eyes met the glance of Baba.

Six years passed by and our contact with Baba continued with our visits to Puttaparthi, twice a year, for seeking His blessings. It was in October 1980 that I went on an official visit to Kamptee (Nagpur) to prepare and organise a colour presentation ceremony in my capacity as Colonel of Brigade of the Guards. While visiting there, I developed 'herpes of the eyes'.

"The attack got aggravated resulting in oozing blisters on my head and face. Immediately, after the colour presentation ceremony, I had to be evacuated by an I.A.F. plane to the Army Hospital in Delhi Cantonment. However, in spite of administration of latest medicines, my condition deteriorated, virtually closing my eyes. There was a distinct possibility that I might lose my eyesight.

"I recollect how helpless I felt while lying in bed in the hospital and praying to Baba continuously for His help. The doctor, Colonel Boparai, was sitting in his room contemplating upon my case and finally gave me a particular injection to which earlier patients had not responded. It worked. The ailment was arrested. But the attack left behind clear pigment marks all over my face which the doctors said would not go (away) and I will have to live with them.

"Overlooking the doctor's advice, I travelled to Puttaparthi by air and some distance by a rough road to get Baba's blessings. I reached it in the afternoon. Baba lived adjacent to a beautiful mandir with a verandah all around. Hoping to have Baba's Darshan during the evening prayers in the mandir's courtyard, I waited in the verandah. At about 4 p.m., Baba came out of His residence and on seeing me sitting in the verandah, came over to me with a smile on His face, took away my glasses with His hands and said, ***"I have gifted you your eyes!!"***

He advised me to stop all medicines and enquired as to how long I would be

staying at Puttaparthi. I said, about a week. Baba said, ***“Have all your meals with Me while you are here!”*** During meal hours, I used to be mostly alone with Baba. Whenever I would look up at Baba, while having my meals, I could see Baba looking into my eyes directly.

“As the days of the week passed by, the pain in my eyes started diminishing and the pigments started vanishing. A miracle indeed! On my return, when doctors observed me, they were overwhelmed with astonishment!

“Both my eyes and my service career were protected till I retired in September 1982, as an Army Commander in the Indian Armed Forces!”

Lt. Gen. S.P. Malhotra (Retd.)
(From, “*Saiprashanthi Gurukulam*”)

Shirdi Baba by Shri C.B.Satpathi.

I have no doubt that behind every major and sudden happenings on this earth, the causative force emanates from these spiritual leaders. They programme, motivate, organise and precipitate these happenings in order to bring in a new order by changing the old. Changing of societal or world orders can occur only when a mighty spiritual thrust is given by the spiritual masters towards that direction.

If Moses, Christ, the Prophet Mohammed or Guru Nanak did not have the spiritual power with them, the changes they brought about and the religious orders they established, would not have happened. Behind all such important happenings like wars, peace, change of rulers, and forms of government, new discoveries and inventions in all fields of knowledge, particularly in all streams of science, their role can be seen.

The unseen hands that write history are the hands of Sadgurus, the Divine incarnates of the age. Shri Sai Baba of Shirdi used to say that Allah -i.e. God- has many officers all over. They are very powerful. Centuries back, a western philosopher Hegel, had indicated about

the movement of what he called ‘world spirit’ or ‘nature forces’ in precipitating major incidents like wars.

However, he did not spell-out the mechanism by which, and the process through which such changes take place. Hindu spiritual science explains these aspects in detail, which is known to a limited number of individuals in the spiritual path. Such knowledge is imparted by the Sadgurus to some deserving disciples only. The Masters are the precursors of the man of the fifth race to come.

They have been carrying on this experiment on different planets not only of our solar system but also on planets in other solar systems. The present research of finding the existences of organic life on planets like Mars, Venus and Moon in particular will be successful as the Masters had earlier experimented on growth and sustenance of ‘organic life forces’ on these planets.

Spiritual secrets revealed by the spiritual Masters indicate about the generation of ‘organic life forces’, by a spiritual entity called ‘Dakshya Prajapati’. Till one understands and realises the ‘Prajapati’ concept, it will be treated as a mythological entity. It is believed that pre-birth and post-death conditions of all human souls has something to do with the Moon, the nearest Astral body to the earth. These aspects cannot be discussed in this article, as the main issue is regarding the role of the Sadgurus or Perfect Masters.

Your worldly intelligence cannot fathom the ways of God. He cannot be recognised by mere cleverness of intelligence. You may benefit from God, but you cannot explain Him. Your explanations are merely guesses, attempts to cloak your ignorance in pompous expressions. Bring something into your daily practice as evidence of your having known the secret of higher life from Me. Show that you have greater brotherliness. Speak with more

sweetness and self-control. Bear defeat as well as victory with calm resignation. -BABA.

Mayo Retreat

John & Fionnuala O'Dowd are organising another two-day Retreat in Mayo, on the 5th and 6th July '08.

Time: 10.00 am. to 5.00 pm.

It is entitled "Values of the Heart" and should you wish to attend, please contact them before Mon. 30th June. They suggest, also, that you bring some food to share over the weekend. For enquiries, please contact John & Fionnuala at 098 66368. B&B accommodation is available locally: Clare Kenny 098 66289, or Mary O'Malley 098 66246.

(This is not a Sai Retreat, but John & Fionnuala's personal Seva. Ed)

Divine Letter

My Dear Boys,

Accept My Blessings and Love. Even if our every attempt is a failure, we bleed and are torn asunder; yet through all this we have to preserve our heart. We must assert our Godhead in the midst of all these difficulties. Nature wants us to react, to return blow for blow, cheating for cheating, lies for lies, to hit with all our might. Then it requires a Super Divine Power not to hit back, to keep control, to be unattached.

Dear boys, we require none else to make us happy, for we are happiness itself. The first sign that you are becoming religious is that you are becoming cheerful. When a man is gloomy, that may be dyspepsia, but it is not religion.

Today I am with you, in you.

Be happy.

With blessings and love,

Baba.

You do not know the real reasons behind the actions of the Lord. You cannot understand the motives of other men who are almost like you in everything, actuated by the same

motives and having the same likes and dislikes! But yet, how easily you discover motives of One who is far, far above the level of man! How glibly you talk and judge of something that is as strange to you as atmosphere to a fish! -BABA.

Reincarnation & Xenoglossy

V.B.Kochhar (Sai International Newsletter)

There have been many cases of children, as well as adults, speaking or writing in languages that they are not familiar with, that is, they have not consciously learned these languages in this life.

"Xenoglossy" is the term used for this phenomenon. It was coined by Dr. Charles Richet, the noted French physiologist, a Nobel prize winner and a parapsychologist. "Xeno" means strange or foreign in Greek, while "gloss" means language. It is a rare phenomenon that is thought to represent knowledge from a past life being transmitted into contemporary incarnation.

For example, a Hindu-speaking person who speaks German fluently and like a native, but has never studied German, has been to a German-speaking country, or associated with German-speakers, would be said to exhibit Xenoglossy.

Xenoglossy supports the theory of reincarnation on the basis that retention of the knowledge of the language from a previous life, is the only way to account for it. Dr. Ian Stevenson, an American psychiatrist, has done specialised research in Xenoglossy. He has documented a study he made of a 37 year old American woman, who under hypnosis, experienced a complete change of voice and personality into that of a male. She spoke fluently in the Swedish language - a language she did not speak or understand when in the normal state of consciousness. Dr. Stevenson's direct involvement with this case lasted more than eight years. The study involved linguists and other experts and scientists who meticulously investigated every alternative explanation.

Author Lyall Watson describes a case of a ten year old child, an Igarot Indian living in the remote Cagayon Valley in the Philippines. The child had never had any contact with any language or culture other than his own. Yet under trance conditions the child communicated freely in Zulu, a language he could not have even heard. Watson only recognised it because he had spent his early life in Africa.

Peter Ramster, an Australian psychotherapist, has documented several thoroughly investigated cases. In his book 'The Search for Lives Past', he cites the case of Cynthia Henderson whose only contact with the French language had been a few months of very basic instruction in Year 7 of high school. Yet under hypnosis she was able to carry on a long and detailed conversation in French with a native speaker who commented that she spoke without any English accent and in a manner of the eighteenth century.

In some cases, subjects under trance have communicated in language no longer in use or known only to a handful of experts.

Dr. Joel Whitton cites the case of Harold Jaworski, who, under hypnosis, wrote down twenty-two words and phrases which he 'heard' himself speaking in a past Viking life. Working independently, linguists identified and translated ten of these words as Old Norse and several of the others as Russian, Serbian or Slavic. All were words associated with the sea.

In 1931 a young English girl from Blackpool, known as Rosemary in the files of the Society for Psychological Research, began to speak in an ancient Egyptian dialect under the influence of the personality of Telika-Ventiu, who lived in approximately 1400 BC. In front of Egyptologist, Howard Hume, she wrote down 66 accurate phrases in the lost language of hieroglyphs and spoke in a tongue unheard outside academic circles for thousands of years.

Pearl Curgen, a medium from Saint Louis, who was barely literate, began to write in astonishingly accurate Middle English. Under the guidance of a spirit entity, she produced sixty novels, plays and poems, including a 60,000 word epic poem.

There are literally thousands of Xenoglossic cases, many hundreds of which have been documented. They involved modern and ancient languages from all over the world. Psychic investigators, such as the highly credible Dr. Ian Stevenson, used scientific methods to illustrate Xenoglossy and claim that there are only two possible explanations - either spirit contact, or past life memory, both of which are evidence for the afterlife.

Before you speak, ask yourself, is it kind, is it necessary, is it true, does it improve on the silence.

-BABA.

The Grain of Rice

Swami converted a grain of rice into a 'grain' of ivory, and transformed that ivory 'grain' into 108 elephant figurines, each one carved and clearly recognisable by means of a powerful magnifying glass.

Automatic Traffic Lights

Swami was giving His Divine Discourse once in Chennai, with Prof. Kasturi and the eminent scientist and educationist, the late Dr. Bhagawantham acting as His translators.

At one point in Swami's poem, they were quite bewildered and just couldn't translate the line. Later when they asked Swami about the meaning, with a mischievous smile, Swami asked them, "***Have you not seen the automatic traffic lights in Madras and other metropolitan cities?***"

"Yes Swami, we have seen," they replied.

"Is there not someone who controls the operation of these lights and regulate the

traffic on the roads, in order to prevent collisions and accidents?” Baba asked.

“Yes Swami, there is.” both translators replied.

Then Swami explained to them, *“Just as there is traffic of various kinds of vehicles in the city, there is macro-level traffic of planets in this universe, each of them whirling at a tremendous speed. There are innumerable planets, so that each of them confines itself to the path ordained for it, thereby preventing clashes or collisions and the consequent cataclysmic disasters.*

And there is One who controls those unseen automatic traffic lights, and that One is this One!” Swami said, pointing to Himself!!

Only then, both Prof. Kasturi and Dr. Bhagawantham could understand that the line in Swami’s poem, which they could not translate, meant that Swami is the Almighty God Who controls everything in this Universe and nothing happens without His Will!

Swami also said, *“In My present Avatar, I have come armed with the fullness of the powers of the formless God, to correct mankind, raise human consciousness and put people on the path of Truth, Righteousness, Peace and Love, leading to Divinity.”*

Flowers, leaves, fruit and other edibles have a temporary life. Even water breeds germs if kept in a vessel for days. Only VIBUTHI remains unchanged, as it is the final result of the five elements of creation. Our desires have to be reduced to ashes and VIBUTHI is symbolic of this detachment and renunciation. One’s mind has to become desireless and detached like the ashes in which everything is burnt out.

-BABA.

Milk For The Babies

The person who walks behind Swami during Darshan in Brindavan, Whitefield, is Dr. Padmanabhan. His daughter, Mrs.

Gita Ram, comes from a family that has close proximity to Swami.

Swami had blessed her twin children saying that He would always take care of them. Indeed, 23 years later she recalled a wonderful incident that had occurred when her twin children were just 3 months old. Around that time, the staff of Glaxo Co. -the baby food manufacturers - went on strike, so she was unable to procure the Glaxo milk food for her babies, which was very essential for them.

Not knowing what to do, she prayed fervently to Swami. Her husband went to a number of stores in Bangalore but only managed to acquire just two cans!

Returning home, he stopped his scooter at traffic lights, beside a car. When the lights changed to green, the car stalled and the driver asked him to help push the car aside. Then the car driver asked him to deliver an urgent parcel to a particular address since he was now unable to do so.

Mrs. Gita’s husband agreed to help and the car driver gave him the address slip, which he only examined when he got home. The slip contained Mrs. Gita’s name and her address! His wife knew nothing of the parcel and was perplexed. Upon opening the parcel they found 24 cans of Glaxo Baby Food in it!

On their next visit to P.N., Swami enquired whether the milk food had reached her children alright!

A wonderful example of His Divine protection!

On another occasion, Swami gave Mrs. Gita Ram, a packet of Vibhuti, in the interview room. She tucked it away in her purse and simply forgot about it.

A few months later, when she and her husband visited New York to celebrate their wedding anniversary, they went to a temple there and later attended a Music Concert. During the intermission, she went to the Ladies Room where a cleaner asked Mrs. Gita if she was from India, and whether she knew of Sai Baba. After confirmation, she asked Mrs. Gita if she had any ‘white powder’ with her!

The cleaner who was Hispanic told her that her 8 year old daughter was seriously ill. Both her kidneys had failed and chances of survival were slim.

Kidney transplants would require a lot of money, which she could ill afford. She could only pray to her 'Lord Jesus'.

She told Mrs. Gita that three days previous she had a dream of a man in an orange robe and 'afro' hair style, who called Himself Sai Baba, and told her, "***I am Sai Baba. You will meet an Indian in your work place; ask her for Vibhuti - white powder, and give it to your daughter. She will become better!***"

Hearing this Mrs. Gita Ram opened her purse and there, silently tucked away, was the packet of Vibhuti she had received from Swami, and presented it to the woman.

Months later, when the couple visited Parthi, Swami gave them an interview and said, "***The girl is fine. Both kidneys are OK. No surgery!***"

Yet another 'miracle' from the Poorna Avatar!

The present Age is described in the Shastras (Sacred texts) as very conducive to liberation, for while in past ages rigorous penance was prescribed as the means, in the Kaliyuga in which you are, requires only Naamasmaran (remembrance of the Name of the Lord) to win liberation. -BABA.

Experts in Swimming

Prof. Anil Kumar once mentioned that Swami's mother, Easwaramma and His two sisters, Venkamma and Parvatamma, were all experts at swimming. They also taught swimming to the children of the village in those early days.

It seems they would carry the very small children and help them to swim, while later they would leave them alone to attain the swimming skills by themselves. This is what Swami told him, apparently.

Continuing his talks in Nov. 2002, Prof. Kumar said that Swami referred to a visit He made to a home of untouchables.

"It seems they lived in the outskirts of the village. Today it's not like that - today the privileged class lives in the outskirts.

Once, it seems, that Swami promised He would visit one of the untouchables, a gentleman by the name of Madhiga Narayana. Swami said to him, "***I will come to your house.***"

He did go, and He was followed by a Brahmin woman named Karanam Subbamma. In those days, Brahmins did not visit untouchables, even in their dreams! If they saw one face-to-face, they would have to bathe immediately. That was the situation in those days; but this lady followed Swami anyway.

"Swami said to her, "***Don't do that. All the villagers will feel so badly. For Me, all are one - I will go to anybody. But it's not proper for you.***"

"She said, "Swami, I don't care for the society. I am not bothered by what others think of me. I want YOU. Wherever You go, I will follow You!"

"That's what she said and that's what Bhagavan said."

Why Fear When I Am Here!

Replying to a letter written by Sri Kasturi, Swami once wrote, "***Your daughter was very upset the other night over her husband's health. His illness has taken a turn for the worse. I was there when your daughter wrote Me a letter about his condition. She posted it next morning to the Puttaparthi address. It has not reached Me yet, but I know of its contents even while it was being written. When Swami's grace is available in plenty, why fear?***"

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Annual Satsang

The Annual Satsang will take place on Sunday the 22nd of June, at 2 p.m. to 5.00 pm.

Venue:- Clarion Hotel, at Dublin Airport.

Should anyone wish to speak -on any 'Sai related' subject - they would be most welcome.

Please contact me before that date, tel: 0402 33222, or on <gallivan@eircom.net>

God can do anything by His Divine Will. Why should you fear when such an all-powerful God is always with you, in you, and around you? The Grace of the Lord is always flowing like the electric current through the wire. Fix a bulb, and the current, according to the wattage (your belief/your devotion) of the bulb, will illumine your home (Heart). -BABA

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