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H.H. SWAMI CHIDANANDA TO VISIT SANTA FE IN SEPTEMBER



Shyam and Sri Swami Chidananda together in India, 16 years ago

His Holiness Swami Chidananda, the "Saint Francis of India," and his companion S. Nagarajan are taking a brief two nights only detour from their planned tour of the Americas this fall 1993, in order to visit friends and well wishers in Santa Fe. Born in 1916 into an Orthodox Brahmin family in southern India, Sri Swami Chidananda absorbed love of tradition and respect for ritual. After a brilliant academic career, he graduated from the Loyola College in Madras in 1938. His training in a Catholic institution left an indelible impress in his mind of the Christian ideals of compassion and service. Two profound influences in his life were the teachings of Sri Ramakrishna and the example of his Guru, Sri Swami Sivananda. In 1949, he was initiated into the holy order of Sannyasa by Sri Swami Sivananda. Over the last decades Swamiji has been a tireless apostle for the ideals of spiritual life and selfless service to all. He has endeared himself to one and all by his exemplary life dedicated to practicing the simple message of his beloved Gurudev Sri Swami Sivananda: "Serve, Love, Give, Meditate, Realize." (Text from the *Heart of Sivananda*, March 1990 newsletter, Yoga Sadhana Mandir, Divine Life Society, 6606 Hardwood Lane, Keedysville, Maryland, 21756.)

Wisdom Wave is thrilled to announce this visit on Wednesday, September 8th, 1993 to Santa Fe. Interested persons may come for a peaceful Darshan and Satsang at Rancho Ancon in Nambe, New Mexico. If the weather is good an evening program on the lawn will begin at 6:30 PM with tea and snacks, devotional music and singing. (Otherwise, the program will be held in the meditation room of the big house.)

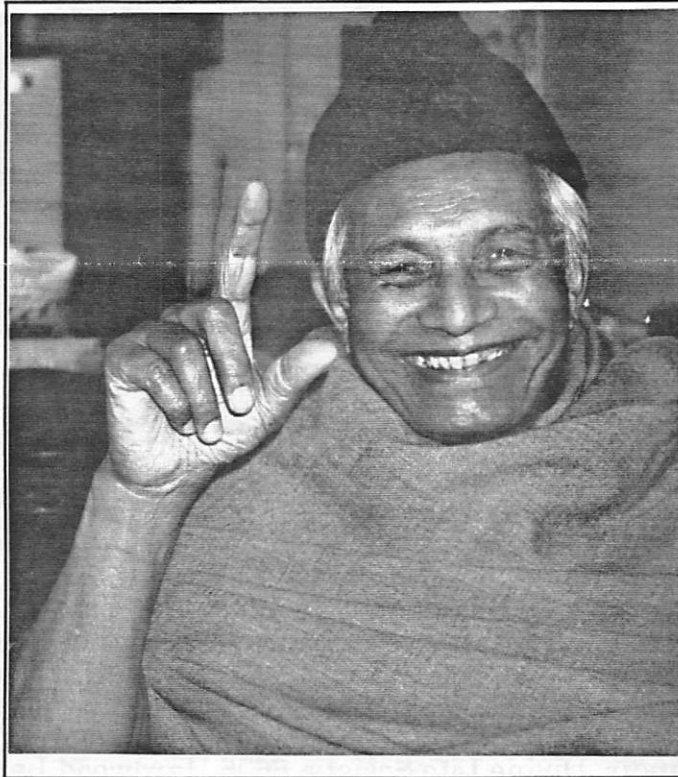
Persons desiring to attend, who do not know how to find Rancho Ancon, may write to the Wisdom Wave address or call Sandy at 986-9772 or Gabrielle at 471-6557 to leave your phone number and an address where we may be able to mail you a map.

THE CHOICE IS LIFE!

Pure instinct is distinct from other instincts. What I mean by other instincts are instincts cultivated by desires and conditional circumstances that appear every now and then in the world of chaotic innuendoes and internal turbulence. When you have what I term as pure instinct you're obviously extinct. Pure instinct is the ground for real meditation in which the meditator is absent. The meditator is not in the meditation, the meditator, being in usual terms the "I" or the ego centered personality. In a sense, ego is not bad but when one becomes a slave to the outgoing maneuvers of the ego, it becomes corrupt and takes a collision course. As has been said in many religious texts one should have a mastery over the ego. Yet this may cause a friction between and the ego and the wielder of the ego. So it is always better to say, "let it be." If you reflect, a bit of the ego slips off, and if you understand the ego, it loses its hold on your life. Then in an enduring fashion, it involves itself completely in the process of life and there is a chance that it may become a sharing and caring partner of the emerging universal consciousness. This needs a great choice to be made, and that choice is the choice of life. All these years, I have been telling you that you have no choice, therefore you do what you do because you have no choice. Since we don't operate with pure instinct, we

cannot make choices because the only choice, which is the choice of life, comes from the pure instinct rooted in the core of your being. This instinct really makes a choice and that choice must be life. Whenever something emerges from the core in a pure form it has great energy because it has to pass through the dark matter of one's being, which is dense and locks in the light of intelligence. Like a rising sun, something emerging from the core dispels darkness and one can see the brilliant sunrise in oneself with all its beauty and bounty.

If you think again in saner circumstances, you realize that we make choices that are not needed to conduct life in its glorious movements because, in the first place, we do not make a choice of life. We have the capacity and the intelligence to understand the implicate order that governs the explicate movements functioning as the expression of life's growing forces. If once a person makes a choice of life there is no way that a person



could go wrong or do harmful things. Everything will fall into place beyond one's comprehension and no other choice is necessary to continue with the progress of life. The power to make choices depending upon circumstances is the instinctual ability propelled by intelligence, the birthright of every human being. If there is a choice of life, there is life and everything will flow with

activities are detrimental to health and happiness. With right thinking comes clarity of thought which will culminate in the goodness of all thoughts. Then only we can free our imprisoned will from addiction, affliction, ambiguity, adulation and acrimony. We can live a life above judgment, self-aggrandizement, lethargy, loneliness, and the brutality of being disrespectful for other life. Here comes the reality of life in full bloom and we feel we are greater than what we were in mind and heart. The pure instinct that brings about change is soulful because it is the basic builder of life.

So all life will have to merge and flow into the Overlife, or the Greater Life. Life is a living, dynamic choice that meets every situation adequately. Pure instinct in a human being is like the holy instinct that has created this vast, immeasurable universe. There is hope and prosperity in this holiness, this immeasurable energy and indestructible instinct. The sacred task of the human being is to live in this holiness as whole as possible.

(combined from two of Dr. Shyam's talks: June 27, 1993 in Santa Fe, NM and July 24, 1993 in Oklahoma City, OK. Editor: P. Brown)
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Dr. Edith Wallace and Dr. Shyam after the retreat at Rancho Ancon in Nambe (Santa Fe), New Mexico; June 19, 1993.

RETREAT REALIZATIONS:

Dr. Edith Wallace and Dr. Shyam engaged in spirited dialogues and illuminating interchanges during the "Psychospiritual Symphony" on June 18th and 19th, attended by artists, musicians, thinkers and folks of myriad persuasions. Attendees journeyed from places far and wide, from Canada to the East and West coasts, although a Southerner did protest the exclusionary emphasis upon the East and West! Many persons reported unusual internal visions and healing during the retreat weekend, and much of the fun and joy of the experience came in the form of deep, inner realizations.

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life like a river heading toward the ocean of grace and grandeur. In this flow, there is neither stagnation nor impediment. Whatever choice one makes without making the choice of life, which is the only choice, amounts to anti-life choice, not conducive to the caliber of life. One need not die to make the choice of life.

Choice of life is a live transmitter of good tidings. If we don't make the choice of life, we are dead, which means that we are not living, we just exist. When something exists in a frozen condition, it doesn't have life instinct.

Human life, as a matter of fact, is bound to have pains and afflictions, but suffering is an option. When we make the choice of life, it means we embrace everything that changes, everything that harmonizes, everything that composes in the center and reconciles to natural phenomena. Slowly and steadily, we come in touch with ourselves with clarity and "esse" (Latin, for essence). We have tremendous power inside of us. We have faculties and permeating qualities. In a sense, each and every human being is a reservoir of abundance. The Self is the Self-abiding Self, independent but interconnected. One has the capacity to scan and touch every point of life in the universe and elicit meaning and

information from each touch. The ego which clings to everything as "mine," in its narrow and limited approach, will explode into myriad colored

lights and each and every spark from it will brighten every obscure point not only in oneself but even in the universal. We are not small beings. We are what we are and our point is the point from which comes joy and zest. Every point is a star. We are the firmament of stars and galaxies. Nature is the inspired language

of Spirit, and the Universe speaks in terms of symbols and mathematics.

Making the choice of life is the ultimate growth process. One grows without impediment in that process. It is not the growth of the body that counts but the all-sided growth of life that makes a difference. Diseases appear as the

resisting forces of the ego and as a result, we indulge in anti-life activities. In a chaotic state of these anti-life activities, whatever spiritual practices we undertake amount to an escape, leading to

deterioration and decadence. Therefore, my fellow human beings, it's our bounden duty to make the choice of life. Once we open up the floodgate of life, it flows and flows and flows continuously toward the ocean of mercy. When once we take a step into the flow, we need not enter it again. We step into magnificence and glory. We carve our own boundaries as a river carves its own boundaries. Its direction is clear and beckoning. It cannot flow any other way except the only one way, and that way is the way to the ocean. In other words, life has to flow toward its Source. If and when we try to change the flow, we don't flow. There comes a drought in life where nothing flows and every attempt becomes non-productive. The fount of life dries up and the flower of life withers away.

Negative or wrong instincts bring about grief, depression and dead memories. They block everything necessary to life. I presume you're all twenty and onwards.. In the cosmic sense, even a

hundred years may be less than a fraction of a second. You have a lot of years of life left. If you are in touch with the cosmic proportions and calculations hidden within each and every one of you, every cell of your being may reflect the whole cosmos with all its intricacies, complexities, beauty and bounty. Anti-life

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