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SWAMIJI



„FROM HEART TO HEART“



## Beloved Swamiji

It was about the time of your beautiful concert in the Tonhalle Zurich where I dreamed:

"I'm standing on the edge of the world in a mountainous landscape. It was night. The full moon was shining. I stood there and did not know what to do. Then you appeared, dressed in your pink sari, which looked magnificent in the dark blue night, and you said: "Come, I want to show you something that interests you." Right now you are on your way - I followed. We went for hours. And it was pretty exhausting for me. Then we came across a pass and on the other side I looked into a big plane. In it, as big as a mountain, a head. The head of a hero. I was scared. I stammered to the head "what happened to you". The head (next to it was a sword adorned with gems): "I have traveled all over the world and won all the battles. Then I came here and was fascinated by the beauty of this place. I stopped and did not notice how I slowly sank into the sand. "I then looked around for you to ask how this guy can be helped. But I only saw how you disappeared behind a hilltop."

I knew who the hero was. And I told myself, so I have to help myself. And I knew you would not let me down.

When we first met in Mysore, you said, lovingly looking at me "Vedanta". I had no idea about it. But Datta's temple attracted me magically. Later I read the words of the Enlightened One:

"Just as one cannot separate  
water mixed with water,  
so are mind and matter  
not different for me. "

That became my credo. And as an architect, I'm not interested in mere building. My actions must fulfill the philosophy of this sloka. The draft The Mandala Monument of Peace was written after 9-11-01, where I wondered what a building should look like, the only function of which is to remind people that peace, world peace, is a desirable goal.

Now I have looked after the project for 16 years. The encounter with the outer world was unavoidable. And I agree with your message "Peace should be everywhere, it does not need a special place for it". But is not every temple such a place? Every pooja room? Any encounter with you?

To what extent our hero was able to free himself by engaging in this project Mandala Monument of Peace or whether he is now flooded, I do not know. He just wants out of gratitude for your guidance and testimony to his efforts to lay this documentation at your feet. It honors me to do this. And my thanks are endless.

JGD Hans Imesch



SRI DATTATREYA:

WHATEVER I DO

WHATEVER I SACRIFICE

AND WHAT I GIVE AWAY

NONE OF THIS IS MINE

AVADHUTA GITA

## THE MANDALA MONUMENT OF PEACE

