

Happy Guru Purnima!

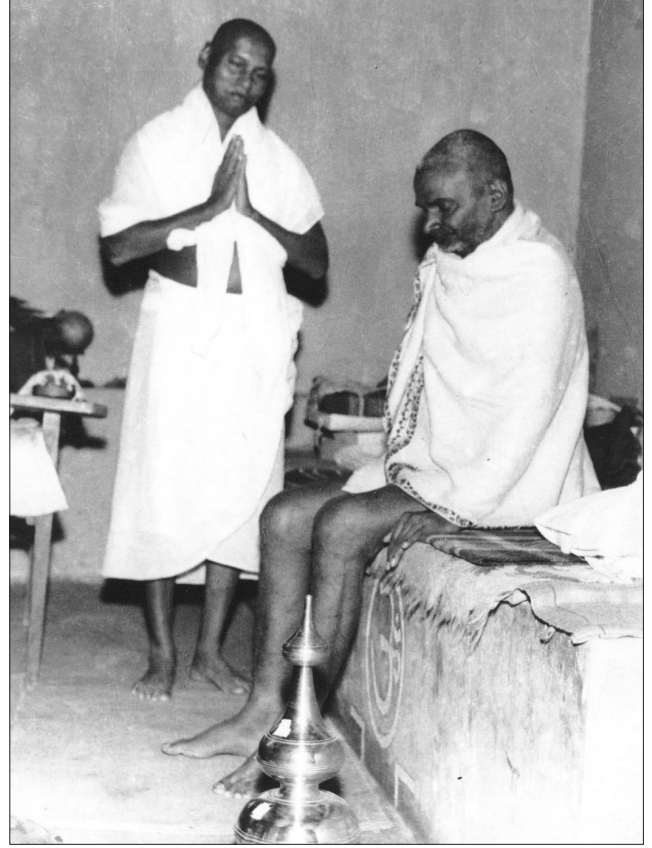
Dear friends,

The full moon in the Hindu lunar month of Ashada (June/July) is celebrated as Guru Purnima, or the Guru's full moon day. This year Guru Purnima falls on July 8, 2017 in the U.S..

One celebrates Guru Purnima to honor and express their love and gratitude towards their Guru. Our Babaji, Swami Muktananda, celebrated Guru Purnima each year with great love and enthusiasm in honor of his own Guru, Bhagavan Nityananda.

In answer to a question on the importance of a Guru, Baba once said:

“The Guru bestows his grace on the disciple. That means he imparts his energy (shakti) into you, and awakens your own inner energy. The energy which he has awakened works independently; it becomes the Guru. When a disciple understands that the Guru and the inner energy are not different, then the energy acts as the Guru and guides him from within.”



Baba with his Guru, Bhagavan Nityananda

Baba would often say that the only way to repay the debt we incur after receiving something from the Guru, is to imbibe his teachings fully, and by achieving oneness with him. Therefore may everyone achieve the awareness of oneness with the Guru.

Sadgurunath Maharaj ki Jai!

Paramgurudev Nityanandaya!

Sadgurudev Muktanandaya!

With great respect and love,
Swami Prakashananda