

JUNE 2025

ALL EVENTS IN PERSON AND ONLINE

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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HOLLYWOOD TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 1 **Ramakrishna Vivekananda Tradition**
 Swami Shantatmananda
 Head Gurugaon, New Delhi
- 8 Processes of Purification
 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 15 Sri Ramakrishna and Sri Aurobindo
 Swami Medhananda
- 22 Freedom is Non-attachment
 Swami Vedarupananda
- 29 **Message in the Fifth Chapter of the**
 ***Gita*—Swami Baneshananda**
 Head, Berlin, Germany

Classes

Tuesdays 4:30 PM

- 3, 24 *Srimad Bhagavatam*
 Swami Sarvadevananda

Tuesdays 7:30 PM

- 3, 24 *Svetasvatara Upanishad*
 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 10 Letters of Swami Vivekananda
 Swami Mahayogananda
- 17 Soul-Realization
 Swami Medhananda

Wednesdays 7:30 PM

- Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*
4 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 11, 25 Swami Medhananda
- 18 Swami Mahayogananda

Thursdays 7:30 PM

- 5, 26 *Hymn to the Universal Mother*
 Swami Mahayogananda

- 12 Swa words in the *Gita*
 Pravrajika Vidyaprana
- 19 *Patanjali's Yoga Sutras*
 Swami Medhananda

Fridays 7:30 PM

- 6,13,27 Teachings of the Disciples of
 Sri Ramakrishna
 Swami Atmavidyananda
- 20 Crystal Bowl Meditation
 Atmavidyananda and Alok

OTHER EVENTS

7 **Saturday**
 6:30 pm Ram Nam

14 **Karma Yoga Day**
 9:15 AM – Noon

27 **Friday Vigil 7 AM**

- 14, 21 Saturday 2:30 – 4 PM online only
 Pr. Dayaprana Chanting Class
- 14 Saturday 6 – 8:30 AM online only
 Antaryoga Retreat: Swamiji's Words
 Register by June 12
 Contact: dayaprana@vedanta.org

Sundays 9–10:35 AM Online Only
Sanskrit Class by Sukirtha Alagarswamy
Contact: sukirtha@vedanta.org

HIGH DESERT – PIÑON HILLS

- 1 Saturday 10 am – 1 pm
 Gita readings, meditations, chanting
 1:30 – 2:30 pm vegetarian potluck
 lunch and discussion
 Contact: arupeshananda@vedanta.org
- 28 Saturday 9:30 am – 4 pm
 In Person and Online
 Antaryoga Retreat: Isha Upanishad
 Register by June 26
 dayaprana@vedanta.org

SANTA BARBARA TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 1 Ah What Grace!
 Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 8 Taking Refuge
 Swami Mahayogananda
- 15 Just Do It
 Pravrajika Krishnaprana
- 22 Are You There, God?
 It's Me, ChatGPT
 Swami Medhananda
- 29 Processes of Purification
 Swami Sarvadevananda

Classes and Other Events

Wednesdays 5 PM

Glimpses of a Great Soul:
A Portrait of Swami Saradananda by
Swami Areshananda
Pravrajika Krishnaprana

14 **Saturday**
 Karma Yoga Day
 9 AM – Noon

Saturdays 5 PM

- 7, 14, 21 *Gospel of Ramakrishna*
 Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 28 **Swami Baneshananda**
 Head, Berlin, Germany

SWAMI VIVEKANANDA HOUSE
SOUTH PASADENA

- 8 **Sunday Spiritual Retreat 4 – 6 PM**
 Swami Sarvadevananda

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

Trabuco Canyon, Orange County

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 1 **“Come Unto Me, All Ye**
 That Are Heavy Laden”
 Swami Atmarupananda
- 8 The Peace Pilgrim: An American Saint
 Swami Medhananda
- 15 Freedom is Non-attachment
 Swami Vedarupananda
- 22 Processes of Purification
 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 29 The Freedom to Choose
 Swami Dhyanyogananda

Wednesdays

6:30 PM In person and online Arati
7:30 PM Satsanga with the
 Trabuco Brothers

SAN DIEGO CENTER

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 7 From Multiplicity to Unity
 Swami Atmavidyananda
- 14 The Contemplative Life as
 Survival Strategy
 Peter Bolland
- 21 Processes of Purification
 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 28 Know Yourself, Know Your Path
 Swami Harinamananda

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VISITING HOURS AND CONTACTS

HOLLYWOOD CENTER

1946 Vedanta Pl.

Los Angeles, CA 90068 (323) 465 7114

Temple Hours

6:30 – 7:45 AM Noon – 1:15 PM

6 – 7 PM (Class nights to 8:30 PM)

Sundays 10:30 AM – 1:15 PM

Bookshop Hours

Thurs. – Fri. 11 AM – 1 PM, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

Sat. 11 AM – 5 PM

Sun. 10:30 AM – 2 PM

Closed Mon. – Wed.

SANTA BARBARA CENTER

927 Ladera Lane

Santa Barbara, CA 93108 (805) 969 2903

Temple Hours

Daily 6:30 AM – 7 PM

Bookshop Hours

Thurs.–Sat. 11 AM - 5 PM

Sun. 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

ORANGE COUNTY CENTER

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

19961 Live Oak Canyon Rd

Trabuco Canyon, CA 92678 (949) 858 0342

Fri.–Sat. 9 AM – 11:45 AM

Sun. 10 AM – 1:45 PM

Bookshop other hours: Call (949) 326 3067

SAN DIEGO CENTER

1440 Upas St

San Diego, CA 92103 (619) 291 9377

HIGH DESERT PIÑON HILLS RETREAT

PO Box 720575; 720 Sage Rd

Piñon Hills, CA 92372 (949) 326 2009

SOUTH PASADENA VIVEKANANDA HOUSE

309 Monterey Rd

South Pasadena, CA 91030 (323) 254 1546

Visits by appointment

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The Vedanta Society of Southern California was founded in 1930 by Swami Prabha-vananda. The Society maintains a temple, convent, and monastery in Hollywood and Santa Barbara; a monastery and shrine at its San Diego and Orange County centers; and the Vivekananda House in South Pasadena. There are a number of official Vedanta societies in the United States and worldwide. Although the societies are under the spiritual guidance of the Ramakrishna Order of India, each is an independent unit.

Membership is open to those who are seriously interested in the teachings of Vedanta and have attended lectures and classes for some time. In addition, an interview with Swami Sarvadevananda is required. Applications are available in the Society office and/or bookshops.

Private instruction in spiritual practice is available by appointment from Swami Sarvadevananda to those who have attended classes and lectures for some time and want to deepen their spiritual life in the path of meditation. There is no charge for this instruction. Appointments may be made at the local centers

Information and a large selection of books on Vedanta and other religions are available at the Hollywood, Trabuco and Santa Barbara bookshops. Some books are also available at the San Diego Center. Some of our centers maintain a lending library for the use of members.

VEDANTA TEACHINGS

Vedanta teaches that humanity’s real nature is divine, that the true object of human life is to unfold and manifest this divinity, and that truth is universal. Vedanta accepts all the religions of the world and reveres the great prophets, teachers and sons of God, because it recognizes the same divine inspiration in all.

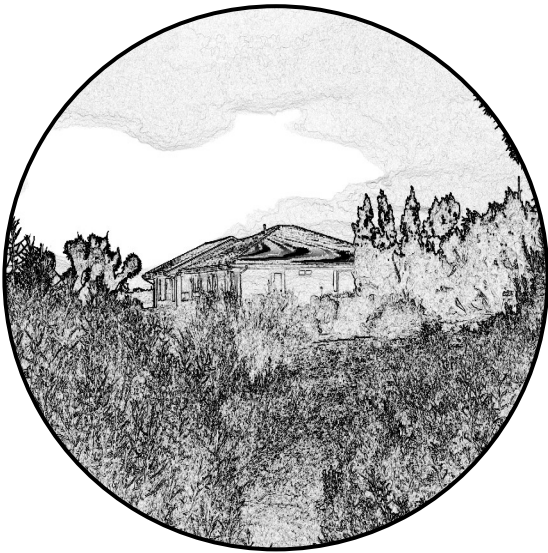
Quotes for the Month

From the *Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*

What is the significance of the Gītā? It is what you find by repeating the word ten times. It is then reversed into ‘tāgi’, which means a person who has renounced everything for God. And the lesson of the Gītā is: ‘O man, renounce everything and seek God alone.’ Whether a man is a monk or a householder, he has to shake off all attachment from his mind.

Chaitanyadeva set out on a pilgrimage to southern India. One day he saw a man reading the Gītā. Another man, seated at a distance, was listening and weeping. His eyes were swimming in tears. Chaitanyadeva asked him, ‘Do you understand all this?’ The man said, ‘No, revered sir, I don’t understand a word of the text.’ ‘Then why are you crying?’ asked Chaitanya. The devotee said: ‘I see Arjuna’s chariot before me. I see Lord Krishna and Arjuna seated in front of it, talking. I see this and I weep.’

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Piñon Hills Retreat

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