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The Gurmukh¹ comes to give salvation to the whole world.
The Gurmukh frees millions with a spark of Naam²
His resources are everlasting.

Sant Kirpal Singh

Our life's journey leads to numerous acquaintances. We meet and forget many, we love and remain with a few, and rare ones we remember forever.

It was a great fortune and God's blessing that during so many years of this journey we were accompanied and guided by perfect disciples of our Master Sant Kirpal Singh who had accomplished the path: Dr. Harbhajan Singh - Bhaji, and his wife Surinder Kaur who we used to call Biji - "Mother".

Though love wants to ignore that nothing is lasting in this world, there is no exception to the rule, and we now have to face the separation from both of them. On 19th March 2016, after a time of suffering but incredible strength, Biji Surinder Kaur left her body in the hospital in Chandigarh.

Since Bhaji left his physical body in 1995, Biji in an exemplary way had accomplished all the duties which he used to do beforehand. Her special care was focused on the project Kirpal Sagar.

If we look back to their lives, we feel that it is an unending example for us. There are no words to thank them.

1 Perfect disciple/conscious co-worker of the Divine Plan

2 Naam or Word – the God-into-expression power



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Everybody knows that letters of the alphabet cannot capture a human life. One can collect biographical data, refer to the most important decisions in a person's life, to anything he has created, and speak about the impact he had on others. Though all of this is not satisfactory, we will anyhow trace along this line.

Biji Surinder Kaur was born in 1940 in the village of Bhawalpur in today's Pakistan, where she grew up with two brothers and three sisters in a well-to-do family. The name of her father was Katar Singh and that of her mother Paronie Kaur.

Sardar Katar Singh was a noble and God-fearing person, who was dedicated to his country as a freedom fighter. The former colonial rulers imprisoned him several times. After India's independence, when the government wanted to honour him with an award, he declined stating: "Service to my country is my duty – I do not need a decoration or an award for it."

And to his daughter he gave the following advice for life: "We were born into this world to live for and serve others without expecting any reward from the side of worldly people."

During the Partition of India, the family had to flee from West Punjab to India. On the way, Biji's mother had an extraordinary experience, which made her belief in the Godpower unshakable. The whole family was saved and reached the surroundings of Amritsar, where they were allotted some land, as has been done with all refugees.

Biji's marriage to Dr. Harbhajan Singh had already been targeted by their mothers early on. Bhaji told about it:

There had been many suggestions about my marriage, and although I had really no desire in anything, it had been my mother's strong wish, so I followed her instructions. With His

Grace, God helped me through the shape of an astrologer who went to the house of my future wife, and also came to us to forecast that this relation was the right one. Later Master said, 'Do you know how you were married? God made this contact.

So both used to say, "God brought us together." After their marriage they settled in Nag Kalan – a village near Amritsar – where after some time they constructed their house with a medical practice.

Two children were born, a daughter, Parminder, and a son, Karamjit. The children got much warmth and love from their parents, whose love was also generously spread to the needy and sick. Often they accommodated young girls who were sick or had no parents in their house and later also at Kirpal Sagar. They looked after them like real parents, providing for their education and their marriage and did everything to give them a good start into life.

In 1961 Bhaji met Sant Kirpal Singh and followed the path; by seeing him meditating Biji recognized that this was also her heart's desire. Bhaji told about their beginnings:

In the early days I meditated as much as possible and devoted a lot of time. I had never asked my wife to get initiation, but when she saw me sitting in meditation, she was convinced that it was a good thing, the highest of all. She had not heard any Satsang³, but repeatedly asked if she also could get initiation. I told her, "Initiation is a must, but you should know all those things regarding spirituality and then get initiation."

After six months she was fully convinced that she also needed initiation. Without any theory she had full knowledge about everything.

³ Spiritual lecture



Sant Kirpal Singh

I had to go to Delhi to hear the Satsang of the Master, and my wife came along with me. After the Satsang, Master was asking every person who wanted to be initiated how many Satsangs they had heard. To one person who had only heard one Satsang Master told, “No, go outside please, you need to hear more Satsangs before you get initiation.” Lots of persons were rejected and were not given initiation. My wife also felt afraid, because she, too, had only heard one Satsang. However, when Master came to her, He only looked at her and passed on. He didn’t ask her anything. She was so happy that Master had accepted her. On receiving initiation, she rose above the body consciousness for quite a long time. When Master asked her about

her experience, He confirmed everything. Amongst other things, inside she saw a very big place under construction where lots of people were doing selfless service. There was a well, beside which lay a bucket tied with a rope. She saw Master untie the rope from the bucket and noted that the rope had some rust on it. She asked what this meant. Master explained that the meaning of the rusty bucket was that her selfless service was still needed. “You have much selfless service to do for the cause of the Master. You have much work in this world, but you are not bound to work as prisoners⁴, but free to work like doctors.”

⁴ Prisoner means to be bound in the karmic circle; a doctor treats prisoners, but is free to leave the jail.



The Ashram in Amritsar

Very soon Biji became one of the most advanced disciples of Sant Kirpal Singh. She told that as 'newcomers' they learned a lot by observing the few disciples who were obviously very close to Master, and recognized that those had reached Him by their devotional selfless service. From the very beginning, Sant Kirpal Singh entrusted Bhaji and Biji also with important duties which they accomplished hand in hand. Bhaji soon got responsible for the Ashram in Amritsar and it became a part of their daily life to go there in the evening and meditate with the Sangat⁵. Biji used to accompany Bhaji on His visits to Sant Kirpal Singh, witnessing innumerable incidences and His way to teach and to handle the situations

Bhaji: From 1961 to 1974 we spent a lot of time with Master and He gave so much, and a lot of things happened. We became very close to Master. He gave her (Biji) experiences which cannot be written in very big books. Master

⁵ All disciples of a Master, religious brotherhood

told us all to keep the self-introspection diary (which is the size of a page, where also the experiences in meditation are to be noted). But then she said, "Master, You give so much, where do I write all my experiences?"

We never demanded anything from Master; it was our only wish: "Keep us in direct touch with You." Shortly after initiation Master asked us, "Do you have any wish?" I asked, "Master, yes, I have one wish (for Biji), she must meditate!" Master answered, "It was my wish, too (for my wife), which was not fulfilled, but your wish will be fulfilled." And then Master turned to her (Biji) and asked her, "What is your wish? He has demanded a big thing for you," to which she answered, "Master, keep him in close contact with You." So this was our only wish, and I think, it didn't come from us, it was He who created this wish in us, and we could express it.

About six months later we were again sitting with Master, and He asked, "Is your wish fulfilled?" I replied, "Master, she is meditating a lot!" Master said, "She is not only meditating, but with the power of Master's Grace she is able to meditate for such a long time." Then I said, "Master, there is now one problem, she has become very strict, sometimes I feel that such strictness is not good." Master said, "This is a certain stage. Only one who meditates (on such a high level) knows such a stage. Whatever she sees within, she wants to see outside in the same way. But if this doesn't happen, she becomes annoyed and gets very strict, but this will be very helpful for you. Strong people are needed in the Mission - she will be able to achieve many things to make it run smoothly."

Once Bhaji asked Master, how one should lead his life to become near to Him. Master replied, "First of all, in the morning you should have only His picture before your eyes and keep Him within all the time. Then you should do your job and work for spirituality. Also care for your children and your family. If you do not become perfect in all matters, then your way will not be clear."

Taking Master's words to their heart, they made their day-to-day life a practical example. Biji herself told: When we were living in our village in Nag Kalan, nobody dared to come into our house and criticize, because all the time the remembrance of Master and the presence of Master existed there. As long as I was physically with Bhaji, I never allowed him to become weak – not even a little bit. If anybody came and tried to tell him any irrelevant things, I always told them, "Don't make my lion weak. He is always strong, and I will not allow anybody to make him weak."

Bhaji: Both our children used to sit with us and listen, so they knew the whole Mission right from the beginning. They knew about all the problems we had, and they even knew about the physical condition of Master (as Bhaji was always caring for Master's health). They also knew how Master was dealing with the whole situation, because this always concerned us in our lifetime. Master gave us practical things to do, which they knew about and they helped us, though they were still young.

Biji: Bhaji never made me only serve him. During his lifetime he always brought me forward in working for the Mission. Every time he asked me to sit for meditation, sometimes he even prepared tea for me. He always wanted to know the new message from Master. One time Bhaji told me, "You should also start something (to do for the Mission)." But I asked, "In which way shall I start to tell people about Master?" And Bhaji answered, "I don't like that you are only a housewife keeping the household – for this I can pay someone, but you should go out more." I then started to go to my daughter's school and always spent some time there talking about the competency of Master. Whenever there was free time, the teacher would send one child and I would go and talk about the Master. This was our way how we started with His teaching. And when Master came to Nag Kalan, the whole village came to Him, and the teachings are still in the heart of those people.

Often Bhaji said: If the wife is well developed in the house, she can develop everybody.

Master gave them many experiences, but according to spiritual law, it is usually not permitted to

tell them openly to others. But their intention was to reveal Master's competency. So when Biji was asked by Master not to tell the experiences she got inside, she replied,

"Whatever we are seeing – we will not hide Your competency, we will tell it very openly, even if we will go to hell, we will tell it."

And Master agreed.

Bhaji: Master said, "If such experiences are given (in meditation), it is for others, it is for everybody." So if I had any experience in my life, or my wife had, it was permitted by the Masterpower to deliver it everywhere. It was done with His due permission. If somebody asked Master, "They told such and such things", Master said: "You must believe it. It is from Him."

Once in Dehra Dun Master asked everybody to sit for meditation, and then Biji took Master's hand and said:

"Master, I don't want to have dirt on my eyes so that I can't see You." - Master has different ways to give His grace. He held her hand very firmly, confirming that He had cleared her glasses very nicely. Then all who were sitting for meditation also got up, and Master said, "When your face will be always towards me, your glass will never get dirty. Then this glass will reflect you – means you will see yourself – and you will also see me."

In Dehra Dun, at the foothills of the Himalayas, Bhaji and Biji used to do Seva⁶ in the upcoming Manav Kendra ⁷ together with the Sangat. But then Master told Bhaji to sit always with Him, insisting that he was His personal doctor. There

⁶ Selfless service

⁷ Man-making centre

was a unique love between them, and Bhaji was always very concerned about Master's health.

Biji: A time came, when Master guided Bhaji in this way: "Whenever you see any sickness or anything wrong with Biji's health, you should feel that the Master is suffering with some problem." So Master created such a near relation from heart that Bhaji could always feel the state of Master's health.

When in 1971 Master fell seriously sick, He refused to take any medicine, since He had determined to go back. Biji said, she could give her life, but Master should not go. Then she was asked inside, "What can you do to the maximum for your Master?" She replied, "I can meditate for the cause of the Master." When Master finally accepted the treatment by operation, she used to sit in front of the hospital meditating twenty-two hours a day in the scorching heat of the sun. The operation was successful, but afterwards Master still had to suffer. During this period Biji stayed with Bhaji many weeks and months with Master, away from home, worried about His health. These times had a special beauty – they could be close to Master who became more and more confidential with them.



Dr. Harbhajan Singh and Surinder Kaur at an early age



Dr. Harbhajan Singh and Biji Surinder Kaur



Dr. Harbhajan Singh
and Biji Surinder Kaur



In 1972, Biji made preparations for leaving her body forever. She had achieved what Sant Kirpal Singh and all competent Masters taught practically: To rise above body consciousness at will, means to learn what is called 'to die while alive'. By advancement on the inner way one becomes able to know the abode of the soul after death. Then there is no fear. When Biji got the inner message that her way was clear to return to the eternal home, she was overjoyed. First she dissembled it. Bhaji, however, remarked that she began to plant a flower garden. When he asked her about it, she replied: "So that you may always keep me in good remembrance." When Bhaji heard that both options were open for her – to leave forever as well as to stay – he requested the Masterpower to keep her in this world, because he wanted her further help in the Mission.

Once after speaking about this incident, Bhaji remarked: "And maybe now I have to go first and she has to go afterwards..."

Laying the foundation stone for the future Manav Kendra – Kirpal Sagar



Since Master's operation, the time with Him was lasting for a span of only three years more. During this period, important decisions took place in 1973, on His last tour to Punjab, Master laid the foundation stone for Bhaji's hospital in their village Nag Kallan. He stated: "This is the foundation stone for the future Manav Kendra."

Thereafter, during this journey, He gave Bhaji the duty and the Grace for Kirpal Sagar. What Biji told about this meaningful event may give an inkling about the source of power which makes today's Kirpal Sagar a safe anchorage of the Mission. Biji spoke in her own way of expression:

When the duty of the Saint is given to the Saint, He is not keeping this knowledge for Himself, He gives it also to all brothers and sisters. And when one gets the power from the competent Master, there is one wire from the physical earth till heaven. This power Sant Kirpal Singh gave in the centre of Pathankot.

When Master closed His eyes in His room and could see this star, this Grace from within, He told to make His bed in the open air and went out. He was then lying outdoors and the Sangat was looking from far, but did not come near. All were feeling that it was a special day. That time Master took Bhaji's hand very tightly in His hand and closed His eyes, but still with closed eyes He gave the light of His eyes to him.

As Master was catching the hand of Bhaji, in the same way He was getting the Grace from inside and in the same way He was pressing the hand of Bhaji, and it was difficult to take it away. When Master opened His eyes, He said to Bhaji, "Sahib, today I am giving you the tree of Sandalwood full with fruit. Nobody can make less fragrance out of it, it will only be increased." And after that, Master told, "I have given you one place to make 'the Bhawan of Sat Rang'⁸ – of seven colours – means, the Grace of seven stages."

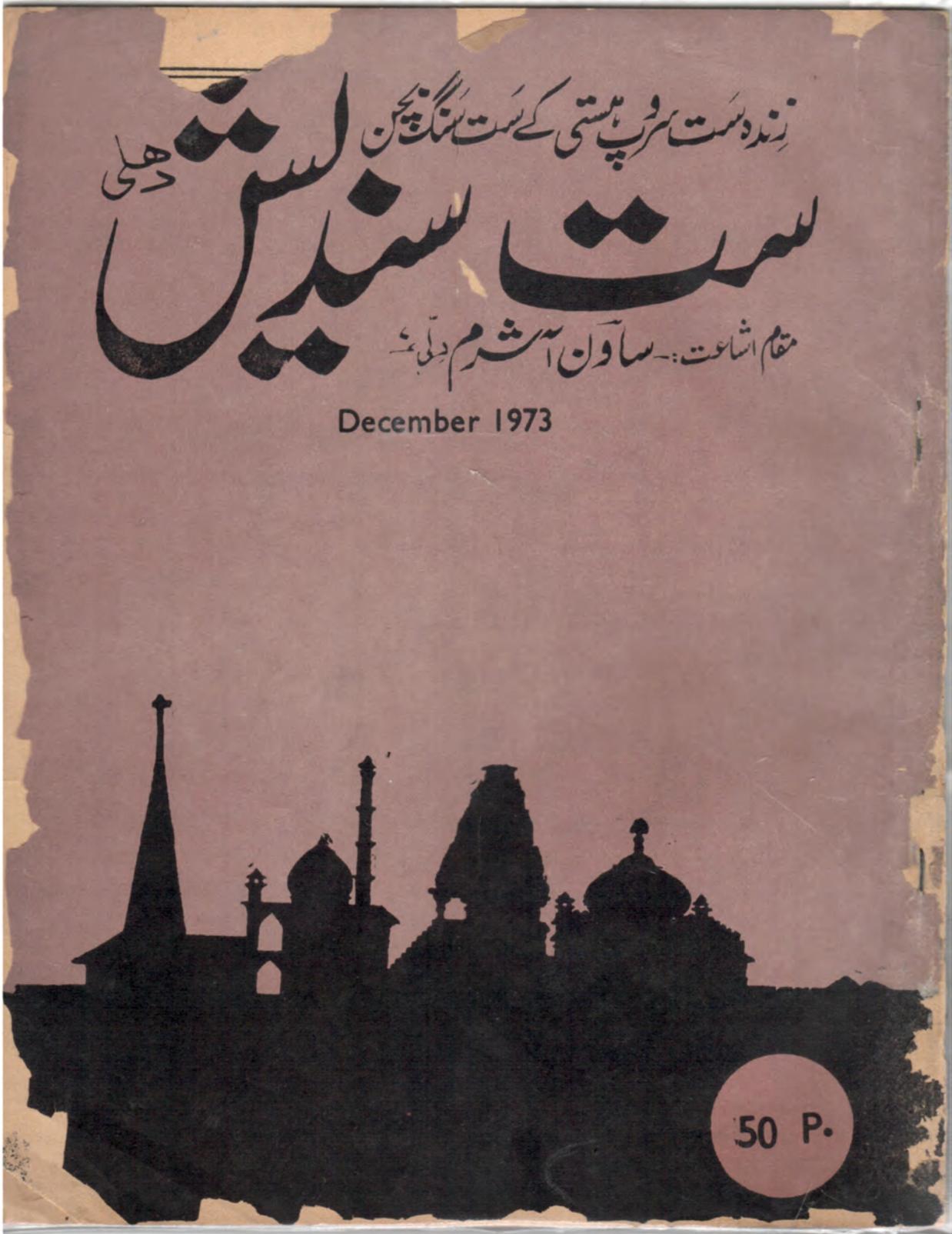
Whenever you see any holy place, or when any building is started anywhere, the preparation for the foundation stone is made a long time before, and then only one starts to build something. According to the time Master gives the colour, and by seeing the condition of the soul He gives the special grace. This is the Parshad ⁹ of Kirpal Sagar. First Master has got everything from inside and then He gave His blessing with one drop (from the inner ocean). Whatever He prepared from inside He gave us into the world. God told this earth that the Akal Purush¹⁰ has given the place where the 'Bhawan' of the Master – means Kirpal Sagar – will come up and there will be a colour which will never end – till centuries they will use this colour.

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8 Bhawan - house of worship

9 Blessed gift

10 The Lord beyond time (and space)



Sat Sandesh – monthly brochure in Urdu language

Sant Kirpal Singh himself designed a draft of the symbols in the 1950s, which from then on were printed on the title page.

At that time in Pathankot Master also said to Bhaji, “The year 1975 will not come”, means, only until 1974 they would be physically with Him. In this way Master already indicated that He was planning to leave the world.

This became fully evident when on 4th April 1974, Master had a ten hours talk with Bhaji about His future Mission. In the end, Bhaji spoke about Biji’s inner experiences, which Master always had confirmed, and asked Master:

“I have two things to place before your Holiness. Either to awake all brothers and sisters and show them what will happen in future, or to help us to work with You till it finishes and You ask all of us to go back with you.” Master happily agreed to the latter and said, “The Master is not the physical body, he will guide you both and you will then guide all.”

In the month of July, following an inner experience, Bhaji went to Dehra Dun to speak with Master about His medicine. Afterwards, when Bhaji begged leave to go back to Amritsar, Master in a moving scene gave Him a two-leaved twig of jasmine with two flowers and said, “This is for both of you. This is the everlasting Parshad which Master gives only one time in His life.”

Now the hardest time for a disciple was approaching – the physical separation from his Master. One and half months later, Sant Kirpal Singh left His body on 21st August 1974. He had instructed Biji to stay in Amritsar and Bhaji to come to Delhi before 20th August, where Bhaji then stayed at Master’s side till the end.



On 21st August 1974, dark clouds gathered on Amritsar's horizon. We could feel what had happened. Bhaji suffered a shock, but at the same time, he consoled everybody (after Master's physical departure). He himself was a very advanced, developed soul and this very heritage he wanted to share with others – and that is what he did. And those who have followed his words know about it. The Ocean of His Grace is full and every fish (every soul) can swim in it.

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The beginning in the West

Referring to the instructions Master had given him on 4th April, Bhaji explained everywhere that Master's work was not yet finished and that His Power was still working. In His day Sant Kirpal Singh repeatedly had told: "I want all of you to become my ambassadors."

Due to the law that the Master cannot speak about His own competence, not many among the disciples were conscious about it. They were not mindful either of Master's word: "Take heed, the Golden Age is approaching, when the water is passing under the bridge it is too late." With the end of the Iron Age the cycle of the four Ages is going to finish, and a Master of the highest order comes to bring the change and to help the souls to complete their journey back home. This is a great chance for the soul. When the Master leaves His body, a test is held to prove His competence. This difficult test Biji could win for the Masterpower.

Bhaji: It is a rare phenomenon that Master's Mission has entered into the Golden Age. It was the power and the Grace of the Master which helped His disciple to develop so that the disciple could take the test of the negative power and justified the Master on all the planes.

Sad to say that soon rifts came up in the Sangat and so-called masters claimed the successorship of Sant Kirpal Singh. It was hard to see how easily many were ready to follow them in lieu of our Master. Bhaji and Biji never claimed any position but relying on His commandments led everybody to Master.

Only a very few companions stayed at their side. Many turned their back on them, but they never blamed anybody. They used to say: "People are not bad. Times are bad."

After conveying Master's instructions in the Indian centres, they travelled to Europe according to Master's words: "Let us start in West Germany"

(Amritsar 1973). Again, a few people were ready to welcome them. But after some time, more and more came to know about them and were willing to listen. Not only old disciples – people who were in search felt Master's vibration in their presence. They were attracted by their modesty and deep love for Master, but above all by their spiritual competence, which filled the outer teaching with life.

During the following years, Biji accompanied Bhaji on many of his journeys to the West when he had his Satsang tours, and was involved in all affairs concerning the Mission. In the beginning, she preferred to remain more in the background, though ready to give advice if needed. But her spiritual accomplishment could not remain hidden. She was seen in deep meditation, transcending the body consciousness, and if she spoke, her words were impressive even without translation.

During the Satsang programmes in different cities they often were invited in private houses. Wherever they stayed they maintained their rhythm of life:

Biji: When we got up early in the morning at 4 o'clock or earlier, we always discussed what I had seen and what was the message of Master. And Bhaji used to leave the room around four o'clock and asked beforehand, "What is the message of today?", and this was our 'breakfast', means very regular.







The first centre in the West

In the 1980s, they brought up a centre for the West in Austria. In the beginning the premises were rented, in 1987 a centre could be purchased. It was a big success. Master had favoured a centre in Europe, but it was not possible to realize it at His time. Now there existed a place where people from everywhere could meet, attend the Satsang programmes, stay for a while and work practically together. With the centre, the Western Sangat came up, who was looking forward to Bhaji's and Biji's visits every year.



Master saw our love and blessed us with His Centre in St. Gilgen.
He sees the heart and the wish of the child, and also gives the way.

Harbhajan Singh



Centre for the West – St. Gilgen

Travelling with Bhaji

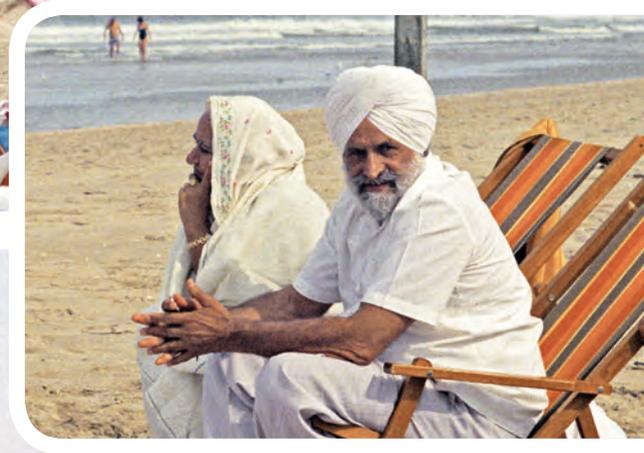














Starting the work in Kirpal Sagar

In India, in the years between 1982 and 1995, Bhaji and Biji committed all efforts to build up Kirpal Sagar according to Master's wish – without substantial means, but full of faith in His word. They were supported by volunteers from East and West. Even so they had to meet all types of problems. The Punjab was shaken by terrorism during a period of ten years and became a restricted area. Companies left the place and all materials had to be brought from far away, and many more problems were to be solved.

In spite of the difficult time, a hospital was developed, a big building for the Langar¹¹ with rooms and offices established, the Kirpal Sagar Academy was brought on line and the Library for the comparative study of religions completed. An important part of the Sarovar, the oval-shaped basin with the surrounding corners got ready, forming the heart of the project.

¹¹ Common kitchen

Sarovar under construction



Digging of the Sarovar, the oval-shaped water tank



Meeting in the Ashram in Amritsar, 1983

Master said about “Seva”, selfless service: “To serve selflessly was my inner desire. I did the work out of this inner desire – with full love and concentration. I took Seva as Bhakti (devotion). Seva was my Bhakti, my way of devotion, my meditation.”

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World Conference on the Unity of Man, 1994

In 1994, in the course of the 'World Conference on the Unity of Man', the foundation stone of the building in the middle of the Sarovar was laid, and a big hall for Satsang and conferences, the Home for the Aged and the Guesthouse were inaugurated. Bhaji and Biji met this giant task working together as one – like the twig of jasmine with two flowers.



Laying the foundation stone for the building in the centre of the Sarovar





The second storm in Biji's life

It was the second storm in Biji's life when Dr. Harbhajan Singh left the world on 25th September 1995. Bhaji knew the date and the time before and did everything to hide it from Biji as long as possible. In the end, the day before he left, she asked him: "What about me?" He only gave the advice, "You should surrender everything to Master, you do not need to worry. I give you in the hand of a good Sangat."

During the years with Bhaji, Biji had become the mother of the Sangat. Now all disciples stood by her. Biji took up the work with full energy and developed and beautified whatever Master and Bhaji had started. In her capacity as president of Unity of Man she had to manage the project Kirpal Sagar with all its facilities and charitable activities. Bhaji had taught her everything practically in Kirpal Sagar – how to judge the quality of the marble, how to recognize well-baked bricks, how to sign a cheque, and so on. When she asked him why he explained her all these things, he replied, "One day you will need it."

Biji had also to continue the Satsang work in East and West. According to her own words, she was then more familiar with individual talks or talks with the ladies about spiritual issues than to sit in front and hold Satsang. Moreover, in the West always a translation was needed, since she only spoke Punjabi.

When in 1996 Biji came for the first time without Bhaji to Austria, the sadness still in her eyes, we saw her fully surrender to Master before she spoke, and her Satsangs touched us already before translation. It was even for native speakers not easy to translate, because she often used words of an inner language for which no parallel existed in English. But the presence of the Masterpower was felt so deeply that during her stays in Austria people from far away came regularly on weekend to attend the Satsangs and to meet her personally, be it for short time only. Just a moment with her gave a boost.

When we came into her little room upstairs in the centre, she had always note-books beside her in which she used to write on inner subjects, and off and on would read out something to us. This was her spiritual diary – her experiences filled books. She was a source of inspiration for the Sangat, competent to speak about the greatness of our Master and always concerned to flourish His Mission.



Biji had an exceptional love for Bhaji. They had pledged before Master that their love inside and outside should be suchlike that some day, when one of them would leave the body, each of them would be able to help the other one if needed. Biji had found a note in Bhaji's diary:

From marriage till today I have pledged along with my companion to serve the Master. Master assured that we will go together, we will be at the service of Master after our physical departure, along with my companion Surinder Kaur (and) all others who are working with us in the Mission of the Master.



Unforgettable years





















From the end of the nineties further centres in Europe came up which she often visited in summer seasons to meet the Sangat in this area. The further development of Kirpal Sagar reached a peak in 2007, when the Symbols of Unity were inaugurated during the 'World Conference on the Unity of Man'.

In India, Biji also created more centres and increased the charitable programmes. This led her to found the Biji Surinder Kaur Welfare Society to give help to the needy not only in Kirpal Sagar, but also outside. She would not stop to plan. In the last time, her full attention was lying on the hospital which is projected for a capacity of 500 beds. It is intended to become a specialized hospital with Medical College, accommodating also needy persons who cannot afford the treatment. This had been Master's and Bhaji's dream, and she had determined to realize it.

Biji: I used to travel with the two – Master and Bhaji – and both are today in the radiant form (within). And now I am travelling alone, but still I get the stream, the power from within. And all the time I pray before Master and Bhaji that whatever Parshad (task they were blessed with) we have got from the Master, with pride we say we will fulfil it, even when the body will not help – our soul will still do the work for His Mission, and we will complete His Mission.

This became reality – more and more her body withheld its support. In the teaching of the Masters the soul is compared to a princess, driving the carriage of the body. We witnessed Biji as a queen of spirituality, mastering a body which during the last two and a half years suffered to the utmost from the effect of the inner burdens she had taken upon herself to help others. After Master had confirmed years ago that her way inside was free, she sometimes remarked that she would have to suffer at the end of her life. It became true as everything she saw before. For our hearts it was too hard to see her in this painful condition, but for the spirit it was a victory. The soul is the life, independent of the body, and through the eyes the soul speaks. Biji's eyes were so beaming that one physiotherapist seeing the expression of her eyes felt absolutely sure she would get fully healthy.

Until the last days, Biji continued to fulfil all her duties in spite of a type of tumour that normally weakens patients to an extent that they are at pains to handle their daily life. She visited the West, held Satsangs, lovably received and advised permanently people, directed big programs in Kirpal Sagar, and started new projects for the future, undergoing medical treatments in between. In July 2015, on her visit in the centre in Austria, she had to undergo an operation, about which she also spoke in her last Satsang in the West on Sunday, one day before Baba Sawan Singh's¹² birthday:

12 Sant Kirpal Singh's Master



Returning from the operation



The Sangat bidding Biji farewell

Last Satsang in the West – 26th July 2015

We all brothers and sisters are sitting together to celebrate the birthday of Baba Sawan Singh. Today is not 27th July but my Hazur, Sant Kirpal Singh, told, 'Even when this month (of July) starts, then the (Indian) month of Sawan starts', means He started to remember the day of His (Master's) birthday. So for us, it is just one day before. And all Parshad whatever Master has given, He told, one gets on this day, when it is the birthday of such a great Power.

Master said that these photos which are hanging on the wall are not only pictures. He is the living Master, He is the competent Master and whatever I have seen, I wish that all brothers and sisters should get in the same way. Don't think that He is far from you – He is very near to you! And on 27th July, Sant Kirpal Singh told: "My Master is so near that even the clothes of my body are far from me." And my Hazur has also shown it, and I could see that when you go within, then you see that there is no more cover on your soul. So Master has shown practically in His life that He removes all the curtains from the soul.

What is Satsang? Satsang means to go very deep to know about your own life; so that the curtain can be removed from your (real) life. And with this we can learn how to live in this world.

How has Master prepared His ocean of unity? Like Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji told His son how to prepare the 'land'; means He spoke about the outer land, but in reality He was speaking more about this body. And He explained how one should prepare it: We should always give the water of humility to this body, and we should plough this 'field', so that mind can be taken away or be pulled out, means, it can be dug up and put away.

And there should be an equipoise stage in us so that the land lies flat and all the pieces of the ego can be destroyed. In the same way Master once was asked by someone how many Gurdwaras ¹³ He had made. And Master gave him the example that there are already many old wells; so it is not needed to dig a new one. If we clean the old wells, we can get the pure, clean water and our thirst can be quenched. So it is not needed to have the new one. Then Master told him: "I have just made one little cottage or little tent so that we can sit together and can make Satsang, and can have His remembrance. And Gurdwaras are for this purpose". So we should not be in doubt and think that the Master is too far from us. He is too near to us.

When Master had to undergo the operation, (He was to be given anaesthetics) and they gave Him the injection, so that they could start operating Him. But the doctor could not be successful. Then Master asked: "What's the matter? Why is it not going on?" They replied: "You are not getting unconscious!" Then Master said: "How can the one who is conscious become unconscious?"

And I would tell to the Sangat that what was my wish, I could see, and I could be very happy to see it.

On 25th, Bhaji was prepared to go within. I have not seen how Master left His body, but I have seen Bhaji, how he prepared himself before going within; it was on the evening of 24th September, and Paramjit was with me. First he brushed his teeth, then he changed His clothes, and then I asked him: "Why are you doing all these things so late now?" And he answered: "I was living in this physical world, so some smell is there and I want to change my clothes to be fresh so that my Master should not get any type of smell (of the world) from me!" Again I asked him: "What are you saying?" and he just changed his bedside and was going to sleep on that side where I used to sleep. I asked: "What

¹³ Houses of worship of the Sikhs

are you doing?” He told: “I did some mistake, because the doctor told to be careful, but I was not caring! So now it is too late!” (Actually he had determined with Master the date he would go back, and therefore did not spare himself.) Then I asked him: “And what about me?” And he told: “I leave you in the hand of a good Sangat!”

Now my Master has shown all and He proved whatever word he (Bhaji) has given!

How can one recognize the competency of the Master? Only when He makes the Gurmukh as He is! And I am so thankful to Master that whatever happened to me was prepared before by Him, so I could not get affected by any outer things. And whoever was coming to me, I could see all.

One time one lady came and was sitting with me, and she asked if I needed anything. I told: “Now I only ask for the Mission and I only need the Mission.”

When I was in the hospital, someone came –may be a helper, or nurse, or doctor - and told: “Now is the time to go for the operation!” I could see everything, Master already had taken me inside, but I could also see all who were with me. And I saw that Jasmine (Biji’s granddaughter) was making Simran¹⁴ and she always put her hand on my face. When we entered the operation room, the doctors did not allow her to go further and Jasmine told to Walter (a doctor from the Sangat, who assisted): “You should keep Biji’s hand in your hand and you should always put your hand on her face, so that she can feel some nearness.” And when Walter came, I could see him from up to down, but then I could see the place (where the operation was done) and thereafter I did not feel anything more (outside) – Master took me above and started to show me all the inner things. And then Sri Guru Teg Bahadur came - it was at the same time when Walter took my bed and took my hand - and they (Master and Guru Teg Bahadur) started to show me what is going on in the world, how one is suffering with the fire, and how much heat is coming up, because one hates the other.

Then Master showed me all the five planes from within. We always say ‘five planes’, but it is so huge, so many things are inside that you cannot explain it - so many things are there.

Like Baba Jaimal Singh: He was caring His old mother who was not initiated. So she said: “Hai”, which is an expression of pain, but that Power (Baba Jaimal Singh), He was always saying: “Wahe Guru, Wahe Guru, Wahe Guru¹⁵” and in the end, His mother started to use the same words. So the competent Master can change everything and can give help even in the last moment.

So my Master really has given me in the hands of a good Sangat, the Sangat has proved it.

Master has given also the ocean of unity. Whoever comes in this house, means in the Satsanghouse, in the centres, they take food from the Langar (common kitchen) and the Langar (the blessed food) should be prepared in His remembrance, in such a way that everybody whoever takes the Langar can get something from within.

Master told, what we have inside of us: Only the seed of Naam and we only need to give the water and food to the seed so that it can flourish and we can help ourselves and can give help to the others as well. As we are living in this world, we also have to recognize that we are disunited (from God)

¹⁴ Repetition of the Holy Names

¹⁵ “Hail to the Master”

while we are living here. So Master has blessed us with the Naam Dan, He has given us the initiation, but once we have to leave this body, our book will be opened when we enter the Bhanwar Gupha¹⁶. And this book will be kept for a long time, till everything is clear.

Once at the time of Master, while Satsang was going on one aeroplane was crossing and someone asked: “Master, is there any Bhagat¹⁷ of the Guru (sitting in the plane)?” Then Master told: “This aeroplane is now full of passengers, but what about the aeroplane of my Master? - It is still empty!” So as we are sitting here to celebrate the birthday of Baba Sawan Singh, we should prepare and also really decide by heart to sit in Master’s plane. And I wish that my brothers and my sisters should also have the Darshan of Master from within, they should also see Him as I do.

So I give thanks to Master for all whatever happened, even what I really did not like to get (means that Master was caring too much for her when she got operation.) How Master prepared for me each and everything, I cannot explain. When I came down, means when the operation was over, I saw that my hand was in Walter’s hand, then I felt that Master had already sent His children to help me even outside.

One sister (from the Sangat) came yesterday, and she told: “Even if the costs would be hundred thousand Euros we would have arranged for the operation over here!” So Master sees the heart and He sees the book of the heart. So, when Master is already giving the proof of so nice things (in the Sangat), we should not go into little, little minor things and lose the good things.

Master told that one part of the spirituality is below (here in the world) and more is still above. And in 2017, Master told, two parts will come down (will be revealed in the world).

Hazur’s name resounds in Khand Brahmand¹⁸ as ‘Jai Kirpal’, means the victory of Kirpal, the praise of Kirpal. And I wish, as it is in the Khand Brahmand, there should also be the victory, ‘Jai Kirpal’ in this world - His name should be everywhere. He comes for everybody, for the good people, for the bad people, and for the sinners, and even the sinners He can bring back.

Today, when we came into the Satsang, Master took up the subject that we should sit in the Satsang in this way that our matter can be solved, means that we can learn the purpose for what we have come over here.

So Master is giving the help from outside and from inside. He is the living Master, He is the competent One, He is the food of our life. And He gives life to our life. Like I suffer much with this body, but on the other hand Master always makes the soul stronger.

If we get from Khand Brahmand only one drop from His ocean, it is sufficient for us. And I have no words to thank the Sangat. When Master asked: “What is your wish? What is your hunger?” I told: “My hunger is to see the Sangat, I want to have the Darshan of the Sangat!” And with this I finish and we will see us again.

16 Inner region, fourth plane

17 devotee

18 The inner regions

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Farewell to the West

Often, when Biji just entered the Centre or was going to leave it, she would speak some words which were always a precious message. It was the same on the day before her return to India in 2015. She said:

The Langar of Guru Nanak should go on for all the times to come as it was at His time. I can only pray to Master that He may take all along with Him and that He shows them what He has shown to me.... Master will bless everybody. The inner Sagar, the inner Ocean is surging and all should be able to swim in it. I wish that the Sangat is flooded with Master's Grace and the Mission is going on and on.





Back in Kirpal Sagar

Biji returned to Kirpal Sagar on August, 3rd. Many people from the West met her again during the Bhandaras on August, 21st and September, 25th, the anniversary of Bhaji's departure. As every year, there were celebrations on the occasions of the Kirpal Sagar foundation day on November, 16th and on Bhaji's birthday, December, 10th. In February 2016, during the festivities for Master's Birthday at Kirpal Sagar, Biji presided the Working Committee and the General Council which she had founded in 2013 in order to consolidate the international cooperation for the constantly growing project Kirpal Sagar.

Biji underlined her long-time plans which she wanted to be realized in Kirpal Sagar, first of all the extension of the Hospital which by and by is to be upgraded to 500 beds. Furthermore, she wanted to extend the College of Education to intensify the agriculture, and to build the street outside of the centre of Kirpal Sagar, so that the core of Kirpal Sagar is kept calm and quiet. Inside of the Sarovar, the Parkarma¹⁹ is waiting for repairs as well as the Symbols, and the cement-made railings around the basin are to be exchanged into gold-looking brass. She encouraged all:

When we speak about such great projects it looks like a dream, but if we start to put it into action it has a special meaning.

Everybody enjoyed those days, meeting the people who had come from Europe and Overseas, and all felt happiness in Biji's loving presence.

At the end of that month, Biji held a Satsang programme together with a medical camp in Zirakpur near Chandigarh, and on 6th March she visited Amritsar after a longer absence. In this centre Biji and Bhaji had started to work for Master, and old and new companions over there were overjoyed to welcome her. Biji held Satsang and said, "Listen attentively, who knows who will sit here next time." At nighttime Biji was sitting with the helpers and told them in detail what was to be renovated or newly built.

¹⁹ Circuit around the Sarovar basin



February 2016









Days of Farewell

For 10th March, Biji's Birthday, a varicoloured programme was prepared in Kirpal Sagar. Biji always took her birthday as an opportunity to do something for others. One of the functions was the annual programme on the occasion of the Punjab-wide day of the "Daughters of Punjab", which coincides with Biji's birthday. On that day she carried out her last official programme, and it shows her dedication and love in fulfilling her duties. Though she did not feel well, responding to the loving expectation of all, she held a Satsang in the morning with firm voice as ever, recalling the starting time of Kirpal Sagar.

The next programme on that day was the opening of two new buildings of the mushroom-farm, and not even the alarming results of the blood test arriving from the doctor could hinder Biji to cut the red ribbon, which was pulled straight through the car. Though Biji's condition deteriorated progressively, she still attended the stage performances of the "daughters of Punjab day" for about an hour.



10th March 2016, Biji comes to hold Satsang



Excerpt from Biji's Satsang of 10th March 2016

Dear Sangat,

Today we got together at this place where we were also together on Bhaji's birthday. Once Bhaji said, "Today you are celebrating my birthday, but we can only be happy if we become one ray of His sun."

Bhaji said, "This Sagar is the picture of my life, it is a glass through which I can see myself and try to recognize myself, who I am."

In the beginning when the Seva for digging the Sarovar was going on, first of all we were sitting for meditation and even Master used to give His Darshan (appeared) to someone. I told it many times - I think there is not any girl from that time sitting here: Once the masons were working, and they wanted to make competition with the young people of the Sangat. They demanded bricks and bricks, again and again. There was one young girl who could drive the tractor, so she just took some children along to fill the trolley with bricks and they brought a heap of bricks. That time it was a special fragrance, and even the children were getting a special grace.

This Seva can also be done today in the same way... That time the fragrance of spirituality was very strong. The girl driving the tractor brought so many bricks that the masons could not keep up with them. In the night the masons came to Bhaji and asked which fault they had committed. Bhaji told, "You started a competition. And one of my 'soldiers' is working like a lion."

In the beginning of Kirpal Sagar we started with the Satsang of Bhaji and Master. A Farmer nearby who was watering his fields heard it. Hazur pulled him to Him and he came running and asked, if there was every day Satsang. Then he came regularly to Satsang with full devotion until he left the world. -

I wish that the fragrance of Kirpal Sagar should be so strong that everyone who hears the voice of the Satsang gets intoxication.

Today you are very happy – it is my birthday and I am also happy – but I want that Kirpal Sagar shall shed a fragrance like Jasmine.





While the beautiful birthday programme was going on, hardly anybody noticed the condition of Biji's health and the great discipline with which she attended the functions in order to express her love for everybody by her presence. Her condition grew worse and worse. Around noon it was so critical that she inevitably had to be brought to a hospital in Chandigarh, where she was admitted as an in-patient.

There Biji insisted again and again to be brought back to Kirpal Sagar. Though this was not advisable at all, the doctors showed understanding. So she returned to Kirpal Sagar on 16th. It was a moment of happiness for all to meet her again. But she soon had serious difficulties in breathing, and in spite of getting oxygen she could not stay longer, as our own hospital did not yet dispose of the necessary equipment. Biji wanted the devices to be purchased for the further use in the Kirpal Sagar hospital, but the same night there was no way out than to bring her back to Chandigarh where she was admitted in the Intensive Care. Many of the Sangat accompanied her, but had to wait outside as only twice a day a single person was allowed to meet her.

Meanwhile in East and West all were anxiously waiting for news. During this time, in India, Desraj, who has the duty of holding Satsang, saw in a vision Biji walking in a street, Master and Bhaji at her sides. The street was free, and they were walking together onto a hill, from where such a strong white light emanated that he could not look into it. Enveloped into this light all three ascended above. Desraj then said to his wife: "Whatever people may say, for sure Biji has decided to go."

In the morning of 18th March, Biji was very unwell physically. In the afternoon, her condition improved and she was very calm and relaxed and asked for her daughter. It was to become their last conversation. Parminder asked,

"Has Master come?" Biji told, "Yes." "Has Bhaji come?" Biji answered, "Yes." "Are you happy?" She answered, "Yes." "Really happy?" Biji began to smile and said, "Yes." "Do you have pains or any other physical problem?" Biji slightly shook her head and gave a sign, meaning 'no'. She was already more inside and her eyes were half open.

Parminder then told her, "Please convey Master our message: "We will all work together with the Sangat for Master's Mission." Please tell Master: "We will not fail in Your Mission." Biji said: "Yes." Then Parminder only said: "Kirpal, Kirpal." Thereafter Biji did not speak any more.

On 19th March, Biji's condition deteriorated severely. When the doctors considered administering mechanical ventilation and contacted the family by phone, Biji rejected it with a definite gesture of the hand and left her body forever at 11.15 a.m. Indian time.

In the afternoon, Biji's body was brought back to Kirpal Sagar in our own ambulance. During a vigil in the Langar building, all could take a last farewell. The cremation took place on 20th March behind Bhaji's Samadhi place²⁰. Just next to it, Biji shortly before had directed to plant one of the international gardens she had planned for Kirpal Sagar. According to fixed traditions, in a solemn ceremony the ashes and remains – called "flowers" in Punjabi – were gathered on 22nd March.

On this occasion, an exceptional sign for Biji's life-task showed up: In India it is a known fact that Saints carry a special message on the plate of their forehead, which remains intact after the cremation. In Biji's case, a miniature outline of the Symbols of Unity could be clearly seen.

²⁰ Cremation place

Conscious people leave the body but are not forced to leave the body.

Leaving the body is more enjoyable for them than to stay in the body.

For them death is not the final phase of their life, rather it is the beginning of the eternal life.

Harbhajan Singh

Everywhere people gathered for Satsangs and meditation. One brother from Europe wrote an experience he had at the day of Biji's departure:

When we meditated in the Satsangroom while the body of Biji was burned, I thought I would still have liked to have a heart-to-heart talk with Biji – when a voice from above told: “Whenever a great soul leaves the body, the inner door is wide open and any question can be put – it will be answered.”

Then there was a great door – somehow transparent and behind it all light, one could see the rays of light shining through the door. Suddenly I was sitting in front of Biji and she told: “We will meet again.”

Then I saw that beside me someone else was sitting and she (Biji) told: “Work together.” Then I only saw the great door and only heard that voice – it was as if the voice of Biji merged into the voice of Master. It was not only one voice, it was Biji and Master (but without form).

There were five questions – only one of them was from me – the others were rather answers – without me asking the questions.

My own question in the end was: “What will be with Kirpal Sagar and the Mission?”

And this voice (now it was clearly the voice of Master) told: “There will be no problem – and this Mission cannot be stopped.”

An elderly Indian woman who had been working with Bhaji and Biji for a long time, was sad that Biji had left the body. Suddenly somebody was patting her on the back. When she turned around, she saw Biji behind her. She said: “Be strong!” And: “I am very proud of my Sangat, because they are cooperating just as I ever wished.”

People who have higher consciousness know when they will leave their body, but they give only rare hints before, in order to avoid any interference in the natural course of events. There was a woman from Amritsar who had cried bitterly after Bhaji had left the body. She now remembered Biji saying to her at that time already: “Why do you weep, I will be here with you for twenty years.”

In a long convoy the ashes and remains were brought to Kiratpur, Hardwar, Rishikesh and Beas and immersed into the rivers by the family and the Sangat. The ashes were not only immersed at Kiratpur according the custom of the Sikhs, but also at Hardwar and Rishikesh, which are pilgrimage places of the Hindus, and in the natural surroundings of the riverside of the Beas river. This was in order to show that Biji was not bound to any outer denomination, but had realized the inner core of all religions and lived in unity with God - corresponding to the significance of the symbols.

On the way to the rivers we heard about Peem, a former cook in the centre in Amritsar, who now lives in Nepal. When he was called up with the

news that Biji had left the body, he said, "I know this already, she gave me a hint from inside that she will be going on 19th."

On 26th March, the closing ceremonies were opened by the recitation of the Guru Granth Sahib, followed by the reading of the Ramayana, until on 28th March the final ceremony was held in Kirpal Sagar's Satsang hall. More than two thousand friends, relatives, guests and politicians of all parties were present to honour Biji, and the press and television covered the event. There were so many speakers that time ran short, and everybody spoke of Biji with deep respect and love.

More and more from everywhere reports about personal experiences are coming in, expressing our inner relation with Biji, who guides, consoles and supports her Sangat. One brother from the West wrote:

I just had a vision (in a dream): Biji came to me and said goodbye. She was so happy and her whole face was shining. I never saw a human being so happy. She told to me that she is now looking forward to the final ceremony and that she is thankful to all, she got so much love from all. I then burst in tears and woke up....Everything was so clear and real.

A woman, also from the West, wrote:

I was so sad until I came to Satsang yesterday. We could all feel the same - a strong vibration and we could feel Biji! Then through the window I saw Master walking through the lavender field and then also Biji came. She was so young and shining and she was so happy! They looked together like ...that I cannot explain: that kind of relationship they have, I never saw on earth. It was so special, but it is very difficult to explain because it cannot be said in words. We all feel that

we will work together and will do our best. There is so much love in the last few days! Thank you, dear Biji, for all you did for us!

When Biji's son and daughter came to St. Gilgen, Karamjit told that each time before Biji travelled to the West, she used to visit the centre in Amritsar. Parminder and Karamjit wanted to follow her example. The night before they started for Amritsar, Karamjit was very concerned because it was the first time they would be going there alone before departing for the West. The whole night he was unable to sleep nor to meditate. In the early morning he finally fell asleep and saw Bhaji in his dream. He at once asked him about Biji, how she was doing. Bhaji replied, "Your Bibi is so happy, she is always at Master's side, they are working together." Bhaji used the name "Bibi" just as he had previously called Biji in front of the children. Karamjit got sad and was weeping and at once Bhaji got sad, too, and Karamjit could understand that they also suffer when we are suffering. He asked, "Did you leave us alone?" Bhaji answered, "No, Master commissioned your Bibi directly with the Mission. You should all work hard outside."

Several years ago Biji told in a Satsang before leaving Kirpal Sagar:

When we were about to depart from Kirpal Sagar, one lady sang a poem: "Biji, our love will bring you back soon." And I replied, "Yes, but this very love is also waiting on the other side (in the West)." And then Master gave the message, "There is still another love waiting for you. It is a long time ago that I sent you (into the world) and I want to have you back again."



Milestones

First Filling of the Sarovar

Before Bhaji had left the body, he had already announced in Summer 1995 that the Sarovar would be filled with water on Sant Kirpal Singh's birth anniversary on 6th February 1996. Until the festivities started on 3rd February, the tiling and sealing work of the water basin was done and the building in the middle of the basin was completed.

As a special gesture, water from five holy rivers and holy places had been brought to Amritsar in brass pitchers and from there it was taken to Kir-

pal Sagar in a solemn procession. On 6th February, at four o'clock in the morning, Biji and the representatives of different religions gave their speeches from the bow of the "ship" to the people crowding around the Sarovar. Then the brass-pitchers were taken to the bridge from where the water was poured into the basin. Thereafter, Biji pressed the button to open the lock and the water was gushing into the Sarovar.









Extending the Work in the West

In 1996 Biji came for the first time without Bhaji to the West. From 1999 onward she visited different places in Europe, England, America, Taiwan and Canada. Many new ones could meet her personally and have heart-to-heart talks with her and hear her Satsangs.

Between 1999 and 2000, four new Centres came up in Europe – two Centres in Germany, one in France and one in Croatia. During her summer stays Biji visited each centre as often as possible.



Sonntagssatsang im Zentrum St. Gilgen

Why do we create holy places, the Centres, in His name?
So that He can come near to us.
When He creates the Centres, He will bless us with His colour.
I would only say to all of you, we should pray to Master
that we should live with love – be one!

Biji Surinder Kaur

Pforzheim Centre









Ferch Centre near Berlin









Schoenenbourg Centre









Rovinj Centre









From 1999 onward Biji visited Taiwan, USA and Kanada. Here, too, people had the opportunity to meet her and to talk to her personally as well as to listen to her Satsangs.

Again and again it could be witnessed how the Godpower brings those into contact who are longing for God. 2013 in a Satsang in Canada, Biji took up the example of an incident which happened at the time of Baba Sawan Singh at the very beginning in this country:

Kehar Singh was the first disciple of Baba Sawan Singh living in Canada. Once he travelled to America, and, while he was on a walk, one couple - Mr. & Mrs. Brock - could see that there was constantly some form, a Power above him. They slowly approached him and asked him, "Who is this power, who is travelling with you?" Kehar Singh told, "He is my Murshid, my Master." By seeing Kehar Singh's eyes, the couple could get some vibration from him.

Over a short time this couple began to grow closer and closer to Kehar Singh. They got so well prepared by him that they got yearning and desire to receive initiation.

Then Baba Sawan Singh commissioned Kehar Singh, "In the same way you were given the initiation, you can give the initiation to them, but don't let yourself come in between.

²¹With the Master's radiant form they will be

²¹ Such authorized persons only give the initiation instructions, it is the Masterpower within who connects with light and sound.

blessed with the same experience that you received." It was a hidden Power working in them which they could feel and could experience once they got the initiation.

Something similar happened one year later, while Biji's stay in Toronto. The Satsangholder from Toronto reported:

Today we have had a wonderful experience with someone who told us that he had wholeheartedly prayed to God for help and guidance at night time. He said that he could not go on living as he did by now.

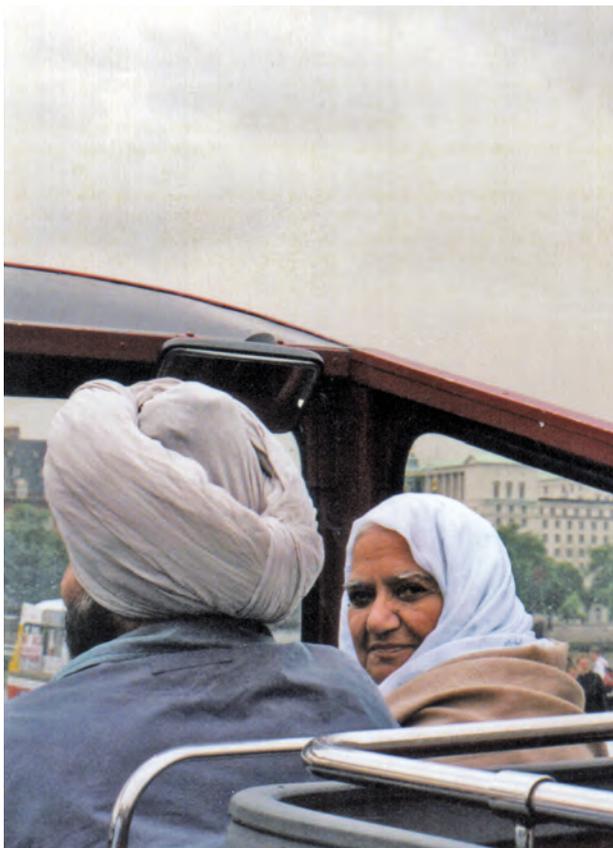
In the morning, in order to bring a change in his life, he searched on the internet for a Master in the area of Toronto and directly came across a calendar of events where the Satsang of the Canadian Satsangis was announced. Sant Kirpal Singh's photo was among all other photos the only one that he could accept at once, as well as what was written there. Just two hours later he joined the Satsang at 10 o'clock.

According to his words, he wants one thing only: the truth and to live for it. He added to say that he is not able to express in words what had happened to him that day.

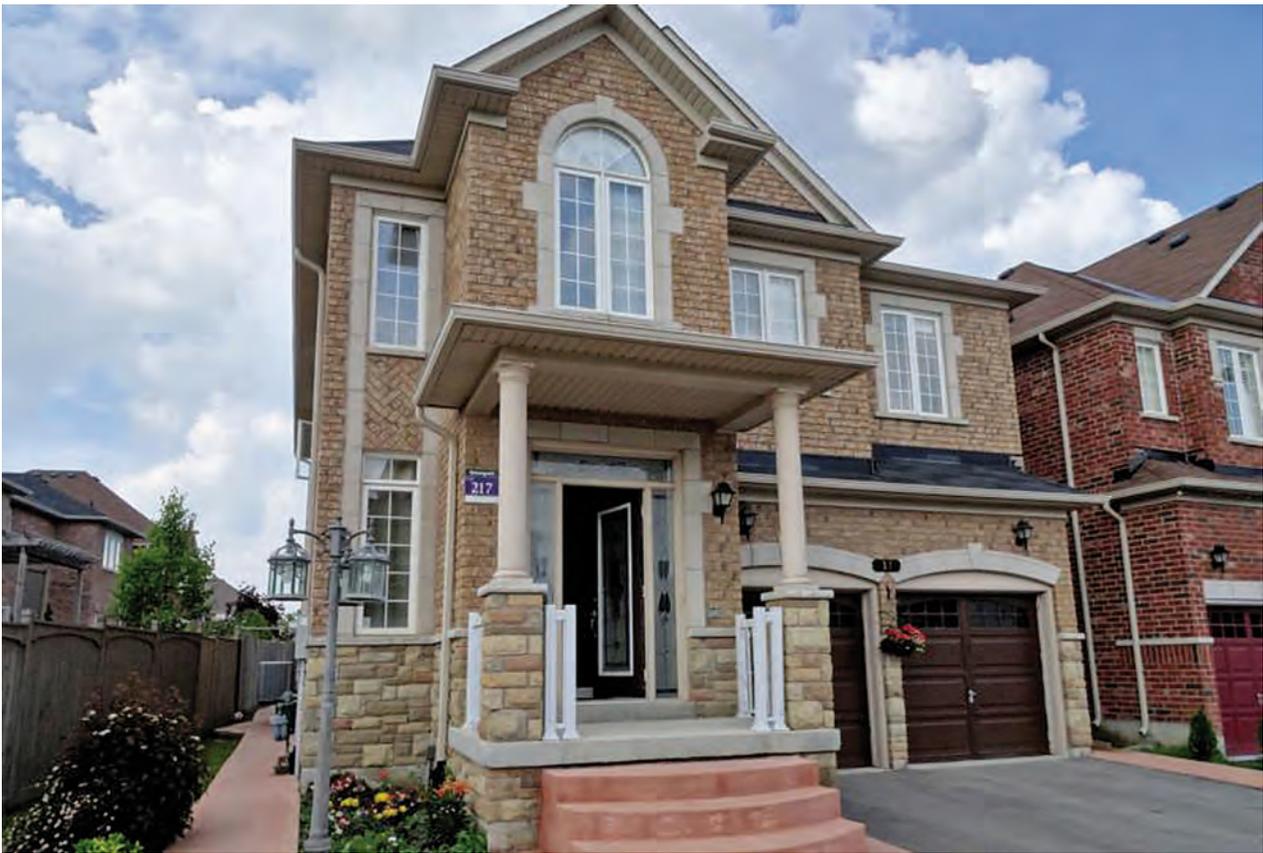
In Taiwan



In London



In Canada



May joy shine like a ray of the sun; may each heart be filled with light. Wrath and hate shall leave us. We are all one. This we should recognize. We are the symbols of oneness.

Due to our weakness we have divided mankind in classes and different faiths, so we lost ourselves and forgot the unity. We have to know ourselves and to know the truth. We are soul, we are one, and we are a drop of the Oversoul.

God is beyond all our words, He is the true source giving us fresh nourishment. He is everywhere in the creation. A fish can only survive in water, but yet it asks, "Where is the water, where is the ocean?" Similarly we ask, "Where is God?" though He is in us. To know ourselves and to know God we have to overcome our delusion. Only then we are able to know the unity of man with God.

Biji Surinder Kaur

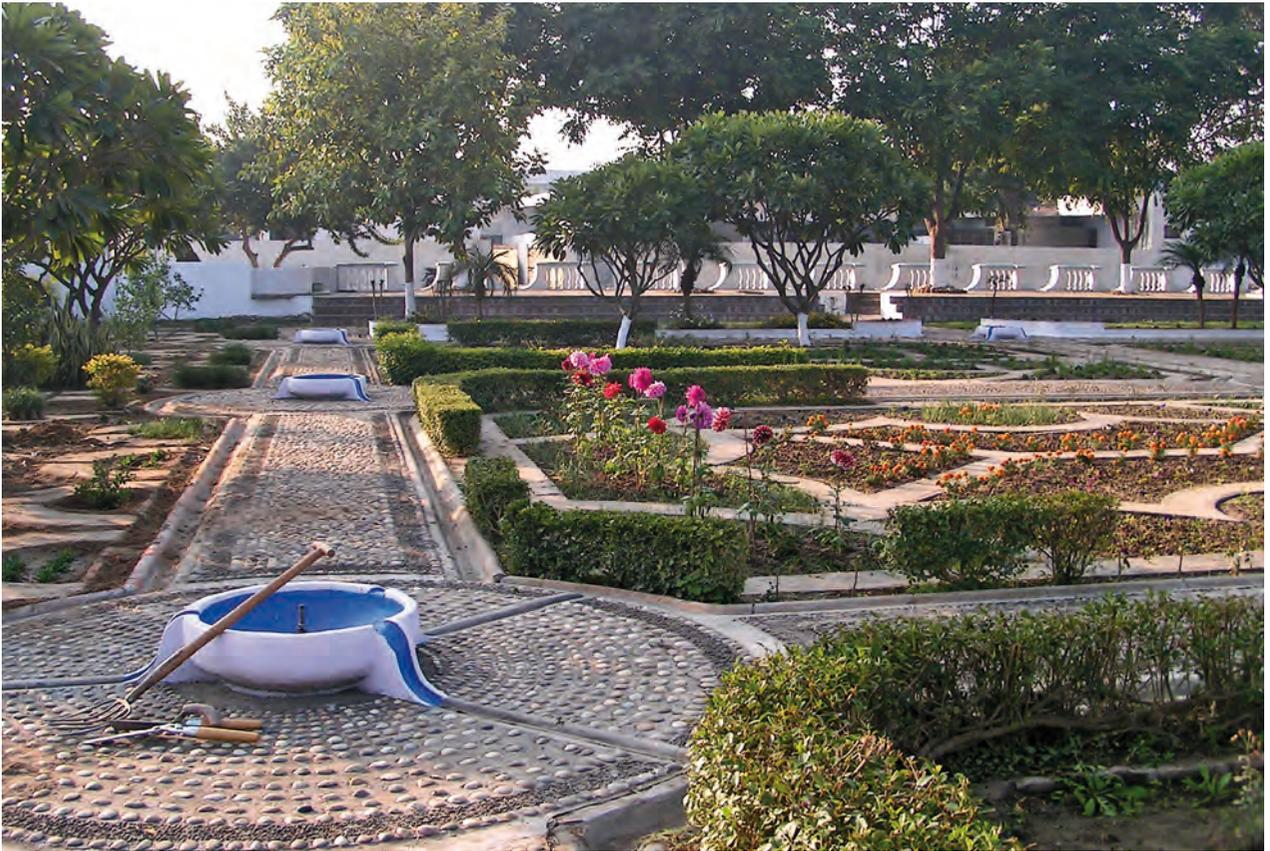




Kirpal Sagar is flourishing

Biji steadily developed the different facilities in Kirpal Sagar and continued the regular Satsang work in Kirpal Sagar and outside. Several new Indian Centres of Unity of Man were brought up.





At Biji's request these flower beds were made during her last time





Picture 1 + 2:
The Kirpal Harbhajan (KH) Public School

Picture 3: Kirpal Sagar B.Ed.College



The Dr. Harbhajan Singh Sports Stadium

In honour of Dr. Harbhajan Singh, annually in December a Volleyball tournament is taking place here, where teams from all over India are participating.



Langar – common kitchen

Especially the Langar was very dear to Biji and she often emphasized how helpful it can be for the soul if the food is prepared in loving remembrance of God.





Biji in the Langar



Improving the farming

According to Bhaji's words 'There are diamonds in the earth', the farming was improved and enlarged.





Social Activities

Biji was continuously enhancing the social activities in Kirpal Sagar. Additionally, she founded the Biji Surinder Kaur Welfare Society which is fostering education and medical care with a special focus on the education of girls and women. A mobile clinic has been purchased to be able to extend help to people at distant places.



Unity of Man sponsors weddings and donates basic household equipments for needy couples





Distributing handicapped vehicles



Free medical checkups





20th Anniversary of Kirpal Sagar

From 15th – 17th November 2002, the 20th Anniversary was celebrated with a manifold programme.

The programme started on 15th November with different speeches. On 17th November, as the highlight of the celebrations, the foundation stone of the Symbols of unity was laid on the top of the central building in the Sarovar.

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the foundation of Kirpal Sagar representatives of the four main religions of India – Sikhism, Hinduism, Islam and Christianity spoke about “Unity in the Holy Scriptures” and “How peace can be cemented in the world”.



Laying the foundation stone of the Symbols of Unity

On 17th November, the whole day was dedicated to the laying of the foundation stone of the Symbols of Unity.

These Symbols show models of a Gurdwara, a Temple, a Mosque, and a Church. Each of them symbolizes the human body, which in the scriptures is called the 'true temple of God'. Means, whosoever attained revelation has achieved it by tapping inside – in Orient and Occident, independent of time and place. Outer rites and rituals are preparatory steps only. Built side by side, the Symbols remind that God made man and man made religions.

The celebration started with a meditation. Thereafter all walked along the Parkarma surrounding the Sarovar. In every corner building prayers of the respective religions were performed and all paid their respect to each religion.

In her presidential speech Biji said:

It was Bhaji's dream that on the occasion of this celebration people may witness the essence of his life. Bhaji has put into practice the golden words of his Master that a common ground should be created where people of different religions can sit together, and today he looks upon us from above and sees how the foundation stone is being laid according to His instructions.

Sant Kirpal Singh gave the nectar of this Parshad for Kirpal Sagar to Bhaji and said, "Make it such a place where the whole world can do its prayer."

He spoke a few words to Bhaji about the Symbols which will be built here and which were mapped on the title of the magazine 'Sat Sandesh'. Master said that no one so far had been able to make them so far. Bhaji answered, "Master, they will surely be made, they are the light of Your inner eye. Even if I have to sacrifice myself, I will do so."

Biji Surinder Kaur



When we were walking up the stairs towards the place of the future Symbols, it was like a new light to the world.

Biji Surinder Kaur



World Conference on Unity of Man 2007

In 2007, the 25th Jubilee of Kirpal Sagar was celebrated with the “World Conference on Unity of Man” on the occasion of the 75th Birth Anniversary of Dr. Harbhajan Singh. His birthday on 10th December was dedicated to the inauguration of the Symbols on top of the central building of Kirpal Sagar.

This event brought together people from all over the world committed to creating a peaceful future, based on spiritual and ethical values. More than

thirty invited speakers - religious leaders from different religions, representatives of inter-religious organisations, human rights activists, social reformers and personalities of the public life - treated various aspects of world peace and universal brotherhood.

A further field of attention was the charity programme, which was to set a practical example: Good will should lead to action.







Inauguration of the Symbols

The core of the Conference was the unveiling of the Symbols on top of the Sach Khand Bhawan, the central building in Kirpal Sagar in the midst of the beautiful lake, the Sarovar.

The day of the inauguration of these Symbols had been eagerly expected. Twenty-five years had passed by since the first cut of the spade had started the work for the Sarovar at the time of Dr. Harbhajan Singh. The inauguration of the Symbols was the crowning achievement of years of work on behalf of Sant Kirpal Singh.

While on top of the building helpers started to remove the white cloths hiding the Symbols, four commemorative tablets near the door were unveiled and several pigeons were set free as a sign of peace.

Uncovered, the Symbols were gloriously shining in spite of the cloudy sky. It was an auspicious and in some way unbelievable moment.



On these blessed days we all have got the way of happiness and the darkness has vanished. Now the sun of the ocean is shining (outside). Master has blessed us with the inner radiation of the Symbols. Our inner darkness has vanished and we are blessed with the symbols of light which is now shining before all of us... The flame of Satguru's inner knowledge started shining on 10th December 2007.

O disciple, you should search for it. He has showered His blessing upon us and opened the door of Sat Marg (the way of Truth). He has given the treasure of His Ocean to all, he is filled with the inner intoxication and with the inner consciousness.

This Sagar is full of love, take as much as you can and share it with others.

Biji Surinder Kaur







Conference 2008

In the month of December 2008, people from all over the world met again in Kirpal Sagar for a supplementary conference to emphasize the message of the World Conference on the Unity of Man 2007.

So the same subjects were taken up. Meanwhile the library offering literature for a comparative study of the religions had been fully renovated and was presenting a photo exhibition about the

life and work of Sant Kirpal Singh and Dr. Harbhajan Singh with an outline of the history of Unity of Man.

On the farm a photo gallery was opened, showing the background of the location from the time of the Masters Baba Jaimal Singh, Baba Sawan Singh down to Sant Kirpal Singh's visit of the farm in 1973.



Inauguration of the newly renovated library



Extension of the Kirpal Sagar Hospital

In the last years, the further extension and modernisation of the Kirpal Sagar Charitable Hospital was Biji's greatest concern. It is planned to be developed step by step into a Medical College, and is being built up unit by unit for a final capacity of

500 beds and various special departments. A unit of 50 beds already exists, and a dialysis department is at work since 2011. Regularly operations and checkups for needy persons take place.





Biji – the Mother of the Sangat













Pearls from the Spiritual Treasure

Message for March 10th, 2000

On 10th March the love of the Sangat reached me in terms of sweet remembrance of Master, like the ray of the sun in the darkness. This love of the Sangat gave a boost to the soul (Atman), so the inner fountain of the inner Bani overbrimmed which brought Master near.

With the help of Naam we accomplish our soul's journey in this world in the remembrance of the Lord, seeing His radiant sunlight falling on us.

Words of love coming from a pure heart are coloured in God's colour. We turned our face towards God's messenger, who brings us His message, and fills us with His happiness.

Remember, if you keep your heart pure and climb the first step of the ladder leading to the fort, you can go within where the stream of inner life and His love are overbrimming. Thus our heart flourishes and the clear stamp of eternal life we got from Him appears.

One feels the awakening of love for Him like a stream. All should travel by singing the virtues of the Satguru. If we are in a state of inner love for Him, the Bani of the Saints, or Naam, opens the way to the inner path. Do not live in delusion and don't forget that Master is the unseen, overbrimming Ocean, wherein there is even much more hidden.

The whole mankind got lost in the taste of the world. To those who are used to this taste, the world is very near, but one day it will be far away. If He bestows His grace on us, He embraces us, just like putting His arms like a garland around our neck, and presses us to His heart. But this only happens when our attention is towards Him, if our life is only dedicated to Him. Otherwise what does this world matter, where even your loved ones and friends get strangers? We should live as His beloved ones. Our eyes, our attention should be towards Him. He always sees us.

I gave Him my life. In this time while I am here in this world, I am ready to work day and night, I have no problems. I follow His footsteps, this makes me happy and my field gets green, too, because the fresh water comes directly from the fountain. His stream flows directly from Sat Lokh. This water of that stage one cannot attain as long as one is still imprisoned in Ego.

I simply talk about that what touches my heart. If you follow this request, you can reach your goal. If we remember Him with painful heart, His Grace can make our broken boat cross over. He who bestows awakening comes Himself to awake us. He Himself gives the oil and kindles the light.

“O you, who are giving the light in the darkness, please come again and again very close to us.”

From my side I send the whole Sangat my love,

Your Biji

And a boost for your soul you get from your Bhaji

Message, September 25th, 2015

We are the children of Shabad²² Guru Sant Kirpal Ji. Shabd shows us the way to reach the Godpower. So it is the true Bhakti to be united with Shabd. It should be our prayer that when we are tired from this worldly journey, He can say to us: "I am with you." If this is our prayer, He will surely listen to us. This is the prayer of the Bhaktas, they have got the food of life, the food of spiritual knowledge.

"Fill our thirsty eyes with your radiant colour. By getting your Darshan, one gets the intoxication and our eyes get cool." A Sadhu is one who is getting his heart and eyes cool and intoxicated by sitting in the lap of God and singing the virtues of God. Then the Sadhu feels, "This is Kashi (pilgrimage place), the river Ganges and the Mandir (temple) for me."

"O dear ones, let our soul take the bath in the coloured water of God's Naam." That is our true bath. Wait for God's grace. The Satguru is always residing in the heart of those who keep their love and faith always very strong.

His teaching is for those whose ears are always open to hear the inner melody. Their time and effort does not go in vain. The thirsty heart surely gets the coolness, the Amrit nectar. There is no one except Him who can give the coolness of His tree and can cut the chains of separation.

"O Satguru, there are many in the dark cottage who have yearning and suffer to attain you." If patience, contentment and faith are in the disciple, these can suppress the mind, and then the fragrance of Bhakti will increase.

If you don't get any time to sit for meditation, simply sit for few minutes in His sweet remembrance and pray to Him, "Whatever you are seeing in me, forgive me," and repent for it. Then the power who is sitting in you will surely listen to your crying and will see your tears. That power can wash all your mistakes and sins.

He will surely show the inner way by hearing our prayer. He will open the inner treasure, and our Bhakti will increase. He will unite us more within. But when we are not controlling our mind and doing the same mistakes again and again, the mistakes of mind increase and its roots spread. Then it is very sure that we are without the inner Shabd and our wishes of this world are developing.

Hazur told, "My sleep was finished when I was in the 7th class." He withdrew His attention from outer things and started to enter the inner world. He got very deep peace and coolness by entering the inner world. O children of that light, today you are listening the Satsang of that Power. Do you have the respect of that voice of Khand Brahmand?

²² Inner sound current

“I know your heart, I know the heart of all, you want to meet me,” Master is telling, “but that Power you can only meet by rising above the earthly body.” Sometimes the Guru is showing His competency through His Sadhus, Bhaktas and Gurmukhs. He prepares them so that they can know about the future spirituality.

Raja Ram and Tai Ji came to Kirpal Singh for condolence when His third son left his body.²³ At that time Raja Ram did not know about Master’s inner condition and competency. It was his first meeting with Him. When he reached the house of Master, he saw many people coming and going. Then Raja Ram saw that one spiritual eye was looking at him (it was Baba Sawan Singh). When Raja Ram came nearer to Master, he saw that the white dressed power became one with Him. After that, when Raja Ram wanted to touch His feet, Master took his hand and embraced him. Everything was very beautiful and unique for Raja Ram. When he started to speak about his son, Master told, “He came to finish his give and take process, and when it was over, his soul went to his real house. Then why weep?”

After such a beautiful meeting Raja Ram went to Baba Sawan Singh Ji and told, “My attention and love is increasing towards Kirpal Singh Ji.” Baba Sawan Singh Ji replied, “My condition is also the same.” Then Raja Ram told to Baba Sawan Singh, “In future the power will work through Him.” Hazur answered, “There is no doubt.”

The competent Power always gives power in happiness and sadness. We all are the children of that Power. If we all spend the time in His remembrance, we will always get His grace, and His fragrance will be always with us.

I hope we will never forget the night of separation and Hazur will always shower His blessing upon all.

In your love,

Yours

Bhaji and Biji

²³ At that time Master was still disciple of Baba Sawan Singh



May God live in your hearts forever

Satsang with Biji 20th June, 1999

Dear brothers and sisters,

we all just listened to the tape of the Master and came to know the importance of a Saint - who the Saints are. And who was Sant Kirpal Singh? He was the ocean of Grace. The competent Saints come from such a high place that they are constantly in the equipoise stage; they always go on with love and Bhakti. They get the light of the competent Saints and then they speak to us.

By their hardship, the Saints have become one with the Master, with God. They cross the Kanth Chakra²⁴ and leave this body, they get the equipoise stage and meet the (inner) Master; then they are called 'Sant Guru'. At this stage, with Bhakti, devotion, the Sant Gurus get the contact with the Almighty and then teach us to swim in this ocean.

When these Saints are going inside on each stage and come (back), they simply speak soft words coming from inside; each word is connected with meaning. Saints do not have any property here, they only bring love into this world, and their lovable Bhakti takes us away from Maya, illusion.

We live in this world which is destroyable and where there is no love from person to person. In us, there is a wall of attachments. The Master destroys this wall, gives us colour and prepares us; then we are able to see Him inside. In the company of such Saints, by the Grace of such Saints, we get this colour.

What is (meant with) this colour? He sends His blessing to us. On the places He selects we come together to get His blessing, as we are sitting here right now. He comes to help us. The Sant Guru works for the Almighty and brings us out of the entanglements of this world, and at the same time when we come into this world, He comes with us to bring us back.

There is no place without Him, every soul is created by Him, but those who see Him are saved from all the diseases (weaknesses) by Him so that they are not affected by this world. To save us, He uses His power.

And it is said that the souls of those disciples - Gurbhagats or Gursikhs – who come directly from inside to help the Guru to work are already coloured, and happiness and sadness are equal for them. They are blessed with His food from inside, and therefore they always live according to His will.

In whatever condition they are, they always wish to extend the nights to stay in the remembrance of their Beloved, so that the (inner) journey with Him should be longer. Such a disciple never gets tired to see Him, to have His Darshan. He always prays, "I do not want to spend my nights like a dead body, and it should not happen that any Master or any Power stands before my door and I do not recognise Him."

The soul begs for Grace from His treasure, by getting which one can get salvation. The soul speaks, "Don't give me such a sleep which is a 'small death'²⁵ ; if you go a little away from me, I feel like a

²⁴ Throat

²⁵ Unconscious sleep

dead body, and this body is only like an (empty) cottage.” The soul cries, “Without Your Simran, O Hari, (God), I cannot cross this journey, I need your Grace. So long the competent one has not His hand on me, I cannot meet my Pritam²⁶, who is separate from me since ages. While living far from you, everything is dark in this world.

Without the Malik²⁷, the Masterpower, everything is darkness in this world. Fortunate are the very rare Gurmukhs who get the knowledge of Your true house.”

You should not wander like a silly and ignorant child. Without the competent Master you cannot finish your hunger.

Every soul has this pain to get Him, in every house there is this pain, as long as we do not meet the Master, who is the Giver. Without Him we cannot reach Shangar Desh - the place of inner beauty. What is Shangar Desh? Where there is light without outer light, burning since the beginning without oil or electricity, where His own beauty shines without any painting or anything. To reach that place we need the Sant Guru, who gives us Maha Ras (the highest nectar) and takes us to that place.

Who is that highest and pure Bhagat? Who made his Hari reside in him forever. He is my highest king of the kings, God who has given me the Bhakti of His love and Naam (initiation), who has shown us the way to meet Him. By doing the hardship of Naam (meditation), this Bhagats get the Nectar of Naam, they get the highest bliss and then live in His circle.

It is the most difficult, the highest hardship by which we reach the House of Sahaj (equipoise stage) and when we reach that house, we have no fear of the attachments of the world, we cross all attachments and go above.

Doing the hardship (of meditation), one lives a higher life while living in the world, as the lotus in the water is not affected by the water. Such is the condition of the Bhagats. It is said that while living among the worldly people, such Sikhs, such Bhagats give His fragrance to the others. From their (the Bhagats’) fragrance they get the colour, and then they come to the Satsang.

Nobody can silence the voice of such Bhagats and Gurmukhs, nor can you keep the voice of the Gurusikh or Bhagat in a little circle, and when Master pulls them, they automatically reach His house.

For one who has the link with Him, this teaching, this knowledge is like an arrow which attacks the heart. One was separated from Him due to the Pralabdh Karma²⁸, and when reunited with the teaching, one gets the fruit out of it.

Those Bhagats got this hardship and give this knowledge outside, so their aim of coming into this world is solved; otherwise it is of no use.

When the soul comes into this world and falls asleep in the entanglements of this world, this Power in the form of the Sant Guru awakes the sleeping ones.

26 Beloved, God

27 Beloved

28 Cause of his present life

From time to time, Bhagats and Masters come into the world to take us out of it. In the same way Farid Sahib was sent into this world: “Go and awake the sleeping world.” When Farid Sahib came into this world, the whole world was sleeping. Then Farid Sahib gave the inner message: “O Farid, awake from sleeping, and burn down the candle of mind.”

(Biji quotes a poem of him): “Who can find the inner way, as long as we do not tear down the wall of the mind and do not light the candle?”

Only He can kindle the light who is the Soami (Lord) of the highest place, the competent one. Only one whose Master is awakened can awake the sleeping one. The awakened Guru lightens the candle inside. He takes our arm and brings us inside. (Biji is again reciting a poem:) “That lady has no fear whose husband is awake and near to her, and one who has an awakened Master has no fear.”

Do not sleep an animal-like sleep – sleep in such a way that while these two eyes take rest, the inner eye should be open to Him. O Manmukh²⁹, the Gurmukh never sleeps in such a sleep; whenever he sleeps, he only makes this body rest, (but he still works, and thinks about) those who are attracted by the world, how to bring them out of this net.

You cannot sleep in such a sleep (like an animal) because your Beloved is awake and standing before your door. He has opened His door to you so that no thief can come inside to steal something. If the thieves³⁰ come, they cannot enter, because they would have to pass Him by.

To save this house (body) He has given us the water of life, because He has solved the mystery of death (and teaches us to solve it). He is very kind to us, He has saved us from the burning fire and from the attachments. With the gold (from His spiritual treasure) He has given us, He made us shining and gave us inner beauty. He has washed our inside with His soap and brings us to His house.

The competent Master sent us into this world and gave us awakening so that we use the property of Naam in this world and do not waste it, and do not let thieves take it away from us, leaving us behind empty. When the soul comes into the Satsang and gets consciousness and awakening, the Masterpower shows us the scene of this world, how destructive it can be. It is a very hard duty for Him to prepare us according to our condition and take us inside.

When the soul is developed Master gives the light, means, the awakening: “O soul, you have got this house made of straw and, like a bird, you are living in it; and from morning till evening the Masterpower is always along with you. And when you are asleep in the small death at nighttime, He goes away.

The competent Master has given us the breath, and He knows how many breaths He has given us. We have got them like an account (of breaths), and when this will be spent, the bird will fly away and the cottage of straw will remain here. As long as this friend, your soul, is in the body, everyone respects you and you have many relatives and friends, but when this friend, the soul, is leaving, they will not keep you at home even for one moment.

²⁹ Slave of the mind

³⁰ Five thieves: lust, anger, greed, attachment and ego

The Sant Guru, Sant Kirpal, is the ocean of Grace, and when we develop in His company, we take a bath in this ocean. The Sant Guru gives His message of the Almighty power to us, and when we go inside, we see that both are one.

The competent Master develops His child so much that the child can see like in a mirror: 'Who am I now, what have I been before and what do I have to become.'

One can only get His knowledge when one goes inside; if we are bharmukhi, means when our attention is directed towards the world, we cannot get this knowledge. It is very difficult to swim (in the ocean of) in this world, a blind one cannot show you the way, only one whose eye is awakened and knows how to swim can help you to swim.

To reach this power is very difficult while living in this world. One only knows His power through His Bhaktas, through His Gurmukhs, like Bhaji, who got Him and went on His way. They show us the way and we follow them. They bring His message only according to His wish. One cannot get it while seeing with the outer eyes, only when one sees with the inner eye, when one gets consciousness to understand His message.

We have been suffering for ages and only our friend who lived with us, who worked with us, and who loved us, showed us the way when He went - how we can follow Him to reach that place (where He is now).

There is no high or low in this world and no new or old ones, all are His children, only according to His time all meet; only with His commandment, with His wish all get together.

It is the cry of the soul before the Master, "I have to accomplish my worldly journey, but something I have lost." One feels that something is still missing, and only when this feeling comes up in someone, Master makes the contact with those who are already connected with Him. And this is the stage to come together.

Sometimes according to the background, according to the company (one had) with the Sangat, Master shows even in dreams the way to come on this path.

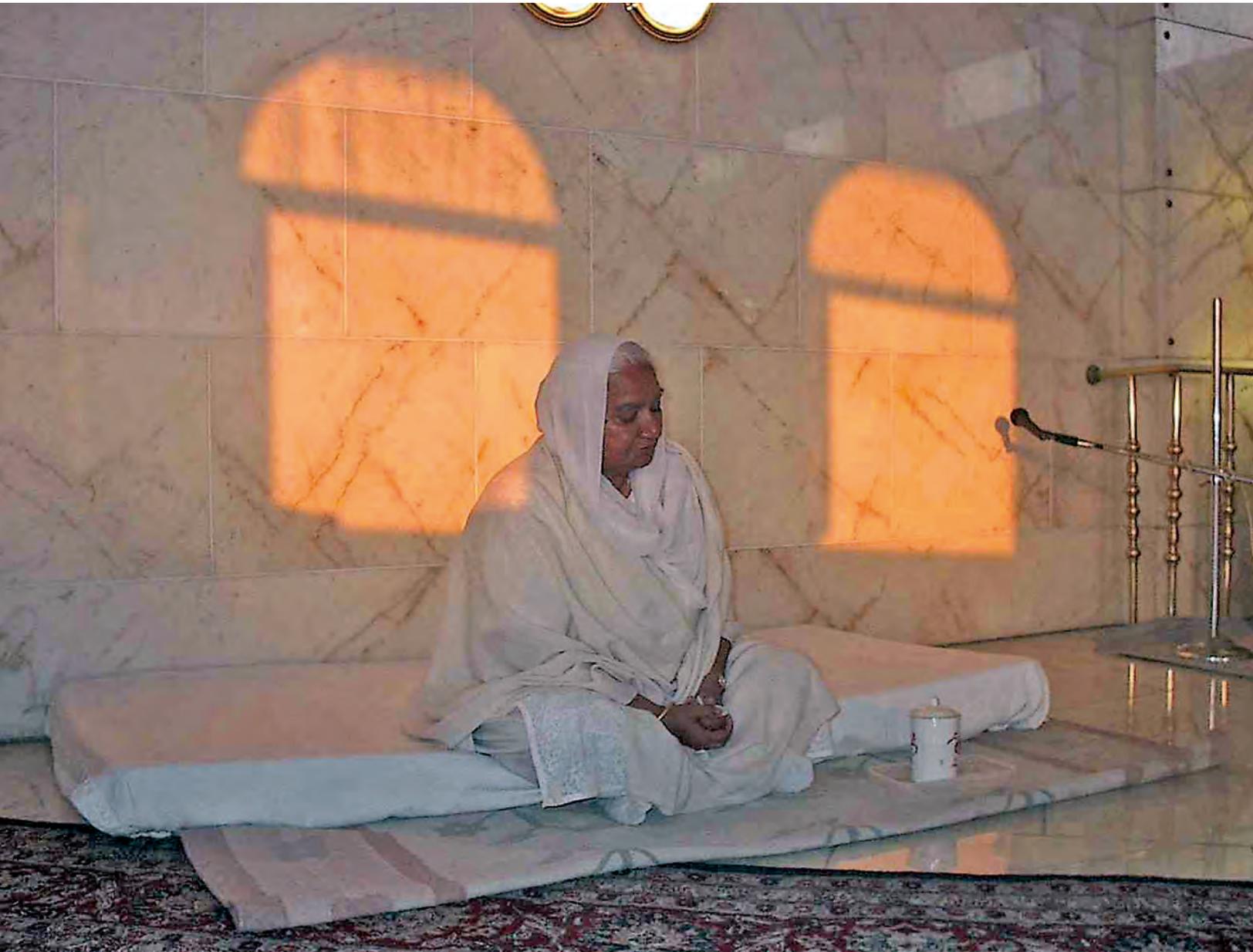
When we come into this world to accomplish our journey, the Hauka (bellman) is always with us, and He gives the Hauka (call), "O soul, you have come only for four days, time is short, it is passing by and we have to get the victory."

Sant Kirpal Singh told that if one thinks 'I am developed, I am now competent in my way', he is still in darkness, because one can still learn a lesson even two hours before he completes his journey.

It is the teaching of the Master that it is not sufficient to have listened to the Satsang and to think we can cross (our life journey) with this. We must give water to our life through the treasure He has given to us, His treasure of Naam, so that we learn to live in His strong fort.

Sant Kirpal Singh told that it is not difficult to attain the Masterpower, it is difficult to develop ourselves, that is the point. And I only tell how I could attain Him through Bhaji - this is my experience, how I got Him.





It is a significant feature of Masters and great souls that they are simple and natural in their behaviour and appearance so that they are not always recognized. This notably applies to the Gurmukhs - those disciples the Master could develop up to His own level. Although they share their spiritual wealth with all, they would speak little about themselves. If they do so, it is not about them in person, it is their concern to convey the beauty of the relation between disciple and the Master, who unlocks the world where we once descended from.

Bhaji used to state, "My relation to you is that of a brother. We are sitting in the same class, no high, no low." However, sometimes he made indications about Biji, and Biji about him. By speaking about one of them, we cannot but mention the other one. All those scenes and incidences with Bhaji and Biji which can be read here cover many years which in reality embraced essentially more – very deep things. What can we finally say about them? They were sitting together with us and told us about our Master. They were one with Him, and where they were, He was. So a very unique love was arising which will ever hold us tight. This love stands forever.

*Who shares my secret
Alone knows, o friend,
The mystery of my homeland.*

*Where rain pours down
Drops with a divine taste,
Neither salty nor sweet;
Where in the mansion of Sunn
Endless reverberate
The sonorous melodies
Of kingri, sitar and been.*

*Who shares my secret
Alone knows, o friend,
The mystery of my homeland.*

*Where all the lights of the world
Put together, fade with shame
Before the light of the region of Brahm.*

*Beyond that, beyond, in the realm
Of the Inaccessible, the Boundless,
Is the land where lives Kabir,
But only a Gurmukh will,
Through love, reach my home.*

*Only he who shares my secret
Will know and attain
That homeland of mine, o friend.*

Kabir



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