

BACK TO SRILA PRABHUPADA-HOW TO WORSHIP THE ACHARYA.

Worship of the fully realized pure devotee Acarya is recommended in all scriptures. The Maha-Bhagavata pure devotee is worshiped as good as God, because of his exalted position of being the representative of Lord Krishna and a fully realized pure devotee.

-Position of the Maha-Bhagavata, pure devotee.

"... a pure devotee always engages in the service of the Lord taking shelter of His lotus feet, and therefore **HE HAS A DIRECT CONNECTION WITH THE SAFFRON MERCY PARTICLES THAT ARE STREWN OVER THE LOTUS FEET OF THE LORD.** Although when a pure devotee speaks the articulation of His voice may resemble the sound of this material sky, the voice is spiritually very powerful..."

(Srimad-Bhagavatam 4.20.25)

-Worship of the pure devotee, Acharya.

"... mad bhaktiya pujabhyadhika. Krishna has said also that Anyone who is worshiping my devotee, pure devotee, that is better worship than one who is worshiping me directly..."

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"... He is seen in His eternal form of Shyamasundara, situated within the heart of the devotee..." (Brahma-Samhita 5.38) Pure devotees realize dealings with the Lord on the transcendental plane, but because the devotees are still in the material world, they think that these are dreams. The Lord however, talks with the advanced devotee, and the advanced devotee also sees Him. It is factual; it is not a dream..."

(Sri Chaitanya-Charitamrta Antya-Lila 3.31)

-Result of staunch faith in the Acharya and Krishna.

"... by staunch faith in the spiritual master and the Supreme Personality of Godhead, one not only controls the senses but also realize the Supreme Lord. yasya deve para bhaktir..."

(Srimad-Bhagavatam 7.15.28)

All Prabhupada Anugas members and followers of the International Nama Hatta accept and recognize the unique and very special position of our spiritual master, His Divine Grace.A.C.Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, especially on the basis described by Srila Prabhupada Himself in his February 1967 letter.

"... I wish that every center shall keep their separate identity and cooperate, KEEPING THE ACHARYA IN THE CENTER..."

As such the Prabhupada Anugas and members of the International Nama Hatta agree to the following basic fundamental points and procedures.

1) All the Prabhupada Anugas and members of the International Nama Hatta shall offer distinct and audible obeisances to Srila Prabhupada, the Acharya, upon entering the temple room or any worship premises, with the following pranama mantras.

Nama Om Visnu padaya Krishna presthaya bhutale
Srimate Bhaktivedanta Swamin iti namine

Namaste Sarasvate deve Gauravani pracarine
Nirvisesa sunyavadi pascatya desatarine

2) All kirtanas shall begin with the chanting of "Jaya Prabhupada", or with the two mantras mentioned above. It is also recommended that all kirtanas ends with "Jaya Prabhupada".

3) The Jaya Dhvani prayers (respectful obeisances at the end of the Kirtana) shall be recited starting with obeisances to His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada and the predecessor acaryas and the other standard prayers as shown by Srila Prabhupada.

4) The parampara worship on any temple and personal altar shall begin with the photograph of Srila Prabhupada on the left side accompanied on His left side by His predecessor acaryas, Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Sarasvati Thakura Prabhupada, Srila Gaura Kisora Dasa Babaji, Srila Bhaktivinode Thakura, Srila Jagannatha Dasa Babaji, the six goswamis, the Panca-Tattva or any bona fide predecessor acarya of the Brahma-Madhva-Gaudiya Parampara prior to Srila Prabhupada. Only those Acharya pictures shall be placed on the altar except for the photograph of His Divine Grace Sriman

of any Prabhupada anuga temple and ...the International
small asana (style to be determined at the discretion of the local temple
president or devotee in charge) for the speaker or any devotee a class
on the Sastras [based upon Srila Prabhupada's books], who should be a
Vaishnava in good standing, should be made available.

6) Srila Prabhupada's appearance and disappearance day festivals,
as well as the festivals of the appearance and disappearance
(whenever applicable) of the great acaryas, and the appearance
festivals of Lord Krishna, Lord Chaitanya and other incarnations,
shall be observed by all members. Srila Jayananda Prabhu's
disappearance day festival shall be observed every year one day
before Nrsimha's appearance day.

7) The offering of Prasadam shall be done in the following
manner, using the following mantras, each three times.

Nama Om Vishnu padaya.... Namaste Sarasvate deve

Namo maha badanyaya Krishna prema pradayate
Krishnaya Krishna Chaitanya namne Gaura tvise namah

Namo Brahmanya Devaya Go Brahmana hitaya cha
Jagata Hitaya Krishnaya Govindaya Namoh Namah

8) Scriptural classes given from the Bhagavad-Gita As It Is, the
Srimad-Bhagavatam, Sri Chaitanya-Charitamrta and any of Srila
Prabhupada's books shall be given as far as possible from first
original, unrevised printed editions of these books.

9) All Prabhupadanugas and members or followers of the Nama Hatta
International must read Srila Prabhupada's books at least one hour
every day, and chant 16 rounds of the Maha-Mantra, and follow the
four regulative principles as delineated in Srila Prabhupada's books.

10) In addition every member shall make every reasonable effort
to have or acquire some of Srila Prabhupada's books for public
distribution, and to distribute His books to whomever one meets.
All member shall make every reasonable efforts to attend and
observe the major Vaishnava festivals and Ekadasis and to
participate on Hari Nama public sankirtana on a regular basis.

**HE LIVES FOREVER BY HIS DIVINE INSTRUCTIONS AND THE FOLLOWER
LIVES WITH HIM**