



## BABAJI'S KRIYA YOGA ORDER OF ACHARYAS, INC.



**Mission:** To promote the dissemination of Babaji's Kriya Yoga throughout the world through lectures, public classes, initiation seminars, and retreats through qualified and authorized teachers ("acharyas"). Babaji's Kriya Yoga is a scientific art of perfect God Truth Realization. It is a practical side to all religions, and is therefore non-sectarian, suitable to everyone, regardless of their religious ideals. It represents the teachings of Satguru Kriya Babaji Nagaraj and the 18 Siddha Yoga tradition of India.

### History and current activities

Babaji's Kriya Yoga Order of Acharyas, Inc. was established in the USA, Quebec, Canada and India in 1997 and granted tax exempt status as a 501 (c) (3) educational charity by the Internal Revenue Service of the United States as well as by Revenue Canada and by India. It is a network of "acharyas" or expert teachers who, following a common set of standards for teaching, personal yogic practice and ethical conduct, reporting and coordination, promote the dissemination of Babaji's Kriya Yoga throughout the world via lectures, publications, initiations and retreats. The founder-president of the Order, Marshall Govindan Satchidananda was asked by Babaji and the late Yogi S.A.A. Ramaiah (1923-2006) to establish the Order in 1986. Yogi Ramaiah, a Tamil Siddha Yogi, was initiated by Babaji near Badrinath, in the Himalayas in 1954. M Govindan Satchidananda was trained in all aspects of Babaji's Kriya Yoga by Yogi Ramaiah from 1970 to 1988, practicing it for eight hours per day throughout this 18 year period.

The Order maintains ashrams in Quebec, Bangalore, two in Sri Lanka and a new one in Badrinath, in the upper Himalayan mountains of India. The ashrams accommodate serious students of yoga who seek an environment for intensive yogic practice. Babaji's Kriya Yoga ashram near Eastman, Quebec is one of the most beautiful Yoga ashrams in the world today. Founded in 1992, it offers year round retreats and seminars. It is located on top of a mountain, with panoramic views and pristine forest land. The 40 acre site includes a private lake, a mediation hall, access to hundreds of acres of forest trails, peace and isolation. Its comfortable facilities provide housing for up to 28 persons at one time.

The Order's 31 acharyas conduct free public yoga classes and initiation seminars in more than a dozen countries. The Order in India publishes and distributes the manuscripts prepared by the Yoga Siddha Research Center scholars. It also organizes pilgrimages to sacred sites associated with the Siddha tradition both in south India and the Himalayas.

Through a network of over 19,000 initiated practitioners in twenty countries, the Order also organizes numerous initiation seminars, retreats, trainings and group practice meetings in Babaji's Kriya Yoga.

### **Yoga Siddha Research Center:**

The Order has sponsored and guided the work of the Yoga Siddha Research Center in Chennai, Tamil Nadu India since 2000. This research center collects, preserves, transcribes, and translates the ancient palm leaf manuscripts of the 18 Yoga Siddha tradition of India, with commentaries. The Order publishes these works of the Center and distributes them throughout India and the world. It also sponsors the scholars working for the center at various academic conferences. Seven major books have been published to date. In 2010 the center has published a new English translation with commentary of the south India's most important text related to Yoga: the *Tirumandiram*, by the Yoga Siddha Tirumular in ten volumes, 3 780 pages. A new edition of it was printed in 2013 in five volumes. Dr TN P Haran prepared a Guide book to 750 manuscripts of Siddhas poems. We published these on an accompanying CD in January 2016.

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## Order of Acharya's: Annual report and plans for 2017

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TO PERSONS LIKE YOU ALL AROUND THE WORLD

This is a good time to consider making a donation to "Babaji's Kriya Yoga Order of Acharyas", to enable us to continue to bring Babaji's Kriya Yoga to persons who otherwise would not be able to receive it.

**In the past twelve months, since September 2015 the Order of Acharyas did the following:**

- \* Brought more than 140 initiation seminars to more than 1,000 participants living in 20 countries including Brazil, India, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Estonia, Spain, Colombia, Germany, France, Italy, Austria, Switzerland, Portugal, England, Australia, the United Kingdom, USA and Canada.
- \* Maintained an ashram and publishing office in Bangalore, India which organized eight initiation seminars all over India. Vinod Kumar, the ashram manager, conducted free regular public asana and meditation classes there. It published and distributed most of our books and tapes throughout India. It published a new Kannada edition of the *Kriya Hatha Yoga* book, the Tamil language *Treasure Trove of Tamil Yoga Siddha Manuscripts* with 650 manuscripts on an enclosed CD , and the Indian edition, in English of *Enlightenment : Its Not What You Think*.
- \* Maintained and developed the ashram in Dehiwala, Sri Lanka, where free public yoga classes and initiates satsangs are given weekly. Initiation seminar were given there. Distributed three of our books in Sinhala, and others in Tamil and English in record numbers.
- \* Completed the training of two Acharyas in Brazil, Annapurna and Kabir (Tadeu and Marica Arantes), and Gurudasan (Gowri Varadhan) in India. Continued the training of one Acharya in Austria, two in France, and one in Bulgaria. Completed the training in France and Estonia of two Acharyas in giving the third initiation of the 144 Kriyas.
- \* Completed the construction of the first phase of the new ashram in Badrinath, Himalaya, including eleven apartments, two meeting halls, office, bookstore and grounds, and half of the second phase, including two more apartments and a community dining room. Two pilgrimage groups lead by five members of the Order resided there in the fall of 2016.
- \* Sponsored free bi-weekly public classes in Babaji's Kriya Yoga, and kirtan events, in 2016 at the Quebec ashram.
- \* Conducted a two week Teacher Training in Kriya Hatha Yoga for 23 participants at the Quebec ashram.
- \*Conducted a two day Gathering of 48 initiates near Blois, France.
- \* Co-sponsored International Yoga Day, June 21, in northern Sri Lanka, attended by 1,500 school children.
- \*Added the Grace of Babaji's Kriya Yoga correspondence course to the curricula of Tamil University, Thanjavur, India.

**In the year 2016 - 2017 the Order plans to do the following:**

- \* Bring initiation seminars to most of the above named countries.
- \* Conduct free bi-weekly public asana and meditation classes at our ashrams in Quebec, Bangalore and Dehiwala, Sri Lanka.
- \* Conduct 300 hour trainings in Spain, Switzerland and Quebec of teachers of Kriya Hatha Yoga.
- \* Publish the book *Babaji and the 18 Siddhas* in Malayalam and Kannada, the book *Voice of Babaji* in Marathi and Kannada, and its second volume in Hindi, and the book *Kailash* in Hindi.
- \* Complete the construction of the Badrinath ashram.

**The 31 volunteer Acharyas of the Order and many other volunteer organizers need your support to fulfill this program for the year 2016-2017. Your contribution is tax deductible in Canada and the USA. Send it by December 31, 2016 if possible, and receive a receipt for your 2016 Income tax return. Use your credit card!**

**Our work is financed entirely by your contributions.** There are many persons all over the world waiting to receive initiation. We will send acharyas as we receive the funds needed to pay for travel expenses.

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