



Guru Purnima 2025

**Gathering of Babaji's Kriya Yoga Practitioners
July 8–15, 2025**

Initiation into Babaji's Kriya Yoga

A **First Initiation** (guided by Sita) will be offered between **July 9–10**, held separately from the main group activities.

Arrival and Stay of Acharyas

- **Satchidananda:** July 8–15
- **Siddhananda Sita:** July 8–15
- **Neela:** July 8–15
- **Jnanaskandar:** July 8–15
- **Niranjana:** July 9–13
- **Chaitanya:** July 9–13
- **Arjuna:** July 10–13
- **Vivekananda:** July 10–13
- **Gayatri:** July 10–15
- **Shivadas:** July 12–15
- **Satyananda:**
- **Nithyananda**
- **Tara**
- **Chandradevi**

Most participants will attend primarily over the **Guru Purnima weekend**. Fewer people are expected to stay for the entire retreat.

Proposed Program

July 8 – Arrival Day

- **Afternoon:** Arrival & accommodation setup
- **6:00 PM:** Introduction to the retreat program
- Chanting / Tribute to the 18 Siddhas
- Group reflection and personal **Sankalpa** (intention) setting for the Tapas period
- **Evening Puja / Sadhana**
- **7:30 PM:** Dinner
- Followed by **karma yoga**: clean-up and organization
- **Free time:** Participants may gather by the fire for chanting or quiet reflection
- **In parallel:** Introduction to Kriya Yoga for new initiates (in a separate space)

Daily Schedule (Sample Days: July 9–14)

6:00–8:30 AM – Morning group Sadhana

8:30–10:00 AM – Breakfast & karma yoga

11:00–12:30 PM – Teachings/Intense awareness practice led by an Acharya Satchidananda on “Who am I?”

1:00–3:00 PM – Lunch & rest

3:00–4:30 PM – Afternoon workshops (by Acharyas or trained KHY students)

5:30–6:30 PM – Evening Sadhana

6:30 PM – Dinner & karma yoga

8:00 PM – Evening reflections, satsangs, or themed talks (e.g., Bhakti, the Guru)

Themes and speakers for evening talks will be selected in advance by the Acharyas who are giving the lectures.

Special Night of Guru Purnima – July 10

- **Evening YAGNA** ritual
- **All-night gathering around the fire**, with continuous chanting in shifts
- Option to stay the whole night or join for a portion
- **Video projection** setup to follow celebrations in India, Sri Lanka, and North America (time zones adjusted)
- **Important:**
 - Phones must be off or on airplane mode during practices
 - No photos during pujas, yagnas, or sacred moments

July 11 – Morning After Guru Purnima

- **6:00–8:30 AM:** Closing Sadhana
- **Morning Rest:** Free time until lunch
- **1:00–3:00 PM:** Lunch
- **3:00–5:00 PM:** Afternoon workshops
- **Evening:** Sadhana, Dinner, Free time by the fire, Evening sharing or talk

July 12–14 – Continuing Practice and Workshops

Structure similar to above, with added focus on:

- **Kriya Hatha Yoga Practice** (Afternoon sessions)
- **Evening Satsangs or Talks** by Satchidananda or some (4) other Acharyas
- **Workshops** may include:
 - Review and practice of techniques from Initiations 1, 2, and 3
 - Themes such as integrating **Bhakti** into all Kriya branches, **Shuddhi**, and **Nithyananda**
 - Vedic chanting, posture variations, yogic anatomy, etc.

July 15 – Departure Day

- **6:00–8:30 AM:** Final Morning Sadhana
- **8:30–10:00 AM:** Breakfast & karma yoga
- **Departures**

