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To whom it may concern:

I became a Neo-Sannyasin in July 1981, a few months after Bhagwan went into silence.

I heard of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh while experimenting with various meditation techniques, as I participated in some Rajneesh Meditation and Group Programs. I went on to read his books and listen to his taped discourses. Visiting the Rajneesh Sannyas Ashram in Hamburg, more and more I felt something very special in this, an atmosphere of love, joy, and relaxation from the people living and working there. Bhagwan's presence was very evident and it did not matter to me that I could not go and see Him or listening to Him, as He had already left Poona, India.

Actually I came to see Him after being a Sannyasin for one year, in 1982 at the Festival in July in Oregon.

During that one year, a deep change happened within me, as Bhagwan's love and His message transformed part of my old conditioning and habits.

Sitting together with Him in silence at Satsang during the Festival was a beautiful gift. By sharing His and our love in His presence something is happening what is beyond words. It is a deep experience within each of us, His lovers.

There is nothing more to say for Him now, as he had often said in his discourses that

His talking to us is only a preparation for something deeper, something beyond words.

Now one year later I am visiting here again. I would never like to miss the most beautiful time of the day, when Bhagwan comes for his ride and we are all greeting Him at the road. Each day this is something what keeps me so totally connected with Him and this commune, that it changes the whole quality of my and our being here. The work I see being done here becomes worship, as his vision of the new religious man living in harmony with nature is happening here in reality.

And this is what it is all about: each day feeling the presence of an Enlightened Master who changes our lives completely, filling it up with love by his mere presence. For me, Bhagwan is the greatest religious teacher that has ever lived, and this great experiment called Rajneeshpuram and all the other Rajneesh Meditation Centers throughout the world are the seeds for our new religion.

Love

Ma Jovam Archa

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