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Dear Sir:

I graduated with honors from The University of Maryland - BA English class of 1956. I am married, the mother of 5 children and have been self-employed as a writer and the owner of several successful small businesses which I began and then sold as my husband's career opportunities would necessitate moving.

In Panama City, Florida I owned and operated a private kindergarten as well as hosting a one-woman talk show on one of the local TV stations. In Washington, D.C. I had an advertising specialty company. In San Juan, Puerto Rico, I founded the "Shopper's Guide To Historic San Juan" a very successful Tourist Guide which is still being published by my ex-partner.

I have had country-western songs under contract to every major record company. My articles have appeared in the N.Y. Times & the Boston Globe newspapers. For the past three years, until my move to California, I own and operated Ad-Mail, an advertising company in New Jersey. From 1981 until this last move, I was a member of Pavlin-Lunger, a management consulting firm in New York. My associates in Pavlin-Lunger were mostly psychotherapists and

clinical psychologists. Our clients included
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith and
Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company.

It was at one of the meetings of Pavlov-Tenggen
that I came across my first book by
Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh. As a writer and poet,
I was immediately impressed by the majesty and
simple beauty of his style. But more than this —
this message of hope and the possibility of real
individual freedom in today's world not only
stirred my heart, it gave me practical advice as to
how to obtain that freedom for myself.

I became a disciple of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh on
May 8, 1983. It was too late for me to hear Bhagwan
speak as he had already begun the phase of his work
in which he remains silent. But my communion
with him nevertheless seems complete. He guides
me in my spiritual quest. And if he is departed,
he will continue to guide me. So far myself I'm
not worried.

But what a waste! What other work will not
occur here, what other opportunities for America
will be lost if this immense intellect is turned
away because of ignorance and prejudice.

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