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Truth, Simplicity, Love



Welcome to the American Haidakhan Samaj



"To live in Truth, Simplicity and Love is man's highest duty. Since all religions lead to God, follow the religion that is in your heart. Work together for the benefit of humanity. Find your duties and perform them with love and devotion, dedicating everything to God."

Haidakhan Babaji

The American Haidakhan Samaj is a national membership organization open to all who want to have a connection with Babaji and community. Our mission is to practice, share and promote Babaji's teaching of Truth, Simplicity and Love. We support the Babaji community through newsletters, annual meetings, workshops, and family activities, the publication of books and printed material, the maintenance of a web site, the growth of Haidakhan Universal Ashram, an environmentally sustainable ashram in Colorado, educational and public support of regional Babaji Centers and participation in world-wide projects.

We support Babaji's home Ashram in Haidakhan, India, its hospital and the associated Ashram and Charitable Hospital in Chilianaula. And, at times we address worldwide disasters. All people are welcome to share in this work.

More information about the **American Haidakhan Samaj**, the Haidakhan Universal Ashram and Babaji Centers can be found on the web at: <http://www.babajisamaj.us>

All donations are valued and appreciated. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit service organization, so your gift is tax-deductible. Gifts can be sent through PayPal via the Samaj website or mailed to:

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About Haidakhan Babaji

Babaji appeared in the public arena from the 1840s until 1922. Because He was first seen in and around Haidakhan, a small village on the sacred Gautama Ganga River in the Kumaon region of the Himalayan foothills, He was called Haidakhan Wale Baba - the Baba from Haidakhan. He built a small Shiva temple there. After disappearing in 1922, a number of Indian and Western scholars maintained that he was one in the same as Maha Avatar Babaji, the timeless yogi Christ of India made famous by Paramahansa Yogananda in his 1946 memoir "Autobiography of a Yogi". Some stories of the "Old Haidakhan Baba" are recounted in the book: "From Age to Age: Stories of Haidakhan Babaji", by Giridhari Lal Mishra, published by the American Haidakhan Samaj.

By the 1950s an Indian Saint known as Mahendra Baba predicted the physical return of Babaji. Mahendra Baba established temples, ashrams and sacred music dedicated to Haidakhan Baba and founded the original Samaj (organization).

In 1970, the devotees of Haidakhan Baba and Mahendra heard stories of a dazzling youth who had appeared in Haidakhan. Through word of mouth, dreams, visions and writings, people were drawn to visit Babaji in Haidakhan. During His ministry, not only were people moved to grow spiritually by His extraordinary love and presence, He broadly expanded the Ashram in Haidakhan, inspired new Ashrams in India and around the world, and wove together an international community of people from all faiths. After fourteen years, Babaji declared His work to be nearly finished. His heart stopped on Valentine's Day of 1984. Shree Muniraji, Babaji's appointed spiritual director, guided the International Samaj until he passed in 2012. Although Babaji is no longer physically present, He continues to make His presence felt in various ways, including through His Ashrams, Centers and individual devotees.

The Teachings

Babaji's timeless message has reached around the world. People of all faiths have found a resonance of deep love for both His physical and spiritual presence. He encouraged people to "follow the religion that is in your heart", as He affirmed that all religions can lead to God.

The central message of Babaji's teachings is about giving service to humanity and making the world a better place. The direct transmission of His presence was and still is an extraordinary and transformative experience. He repeatedly spoke of Truth, Simplicity and Love - to live in the truth of the simplicity of love for all people. To counter the selfishness of "me and mine", Babaji asked people to embrace work as worship "Karma Yoga". Karma Yoga is service to the divine, performed in harmony with all creation, remembering God, rather than the ego-driven or conventional reasons.

As a means of prayer and conscious engagement with the Divine, Babaji taught the universal repetition of the mantra "Om Namah Shivaya" - I take refuge in/ surrender to God. The repetition or japa yoga is, according to Babaji, "water to cleanse the mind".