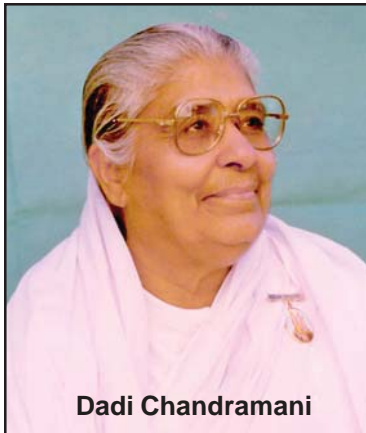


A tribute:

RAJAYOGINI DADI CHANDRAMANI

Dadi Chandramani was one of the prime jewels of Brahma Kumaris (the erstwhile Om Mandali) since its inception. She played very important role in spreading Godly services, particularly in Punjab Zone. Due to her fearlessness, she was called the Lioness of Punjab. **B.K. Surendran from Bangalore** shares his spiritual experiences with Dadi Chandramani.



Dadi Chandramani

Dadi Chandramani's childhood name was Mothil and she was a multifaceted personality. She had studied up to 10th standard. Though her family was not directly related to Brahma Baba's family, one of her *lokik* sisters got married in the Kripalani family and, thus, she was related to Brahma Baba. However, before coming to *gyan*, she had not met Brahma Baba. Since her childhood, she had special interest in yoga. She used to read scriptures on Sikhism. Those days, it was a routine practice to sing the prayer: 'Oh Lord, you are our father and mother and we are your children'. She

remembered God as father and mother. She had seven sisters and one brother who passed away then. The husband of her sister also passed away. Therefore, there was sorrowful atmosphere at home. One sister and her daughter used to visit their house to give them solace during those sorrowful days. They told her about the *satsang* of Baba. Then Baba was not staying in his own house, but in the house of his uncle (Father's younger brother) named Moolchand Ajwalla, where Baba was staying in a small room. When she went to see Baba, she saw that one sister there was lost in trance and was telling about Satyug such as aeroplanes etc., and instantly Dadi Chandramani also went in trance. She experienced that she got detached from the body. She did not know how long she remained in the state of trance. When she opened her eyes, she saw nobody there.

Subsequently, she accepted

Baba as her mother, father and everything. She felt a close feeling of belongingness with Brahma Baba. She shared that at that time, they did not have the knowledge that Shiv Baba descended onto the body of Brahma Baba. But, they felt a kind of magnetic pull towards Brahma Baba. His subtle stage and spiritual power attracted them. Brahma Baba did not have a worldly way of dealing even with his wife, daughter, daughter-in-law or other relations. Baba's *lokik* house didn't look like a householder's residence but like a godly family.

Her five generations came to *gyan*.

One day Dadi shared with Baba about the sorrowful atmosphere at her home. Then Baba himself visited their house and met her parents. Baba told her mother that if she came to the *satsang*, she would get a child like Sri Krishna. Then immediately her mother felt as if Sri Krishna was in her lap and became very happy. Seeing

this, Dadi Chandermani's father also started coming to *satsang*. He gave up eating non-vegetarian food and drinking. Subsequently, many of her relatives came to *gyan*. In fact, there are five generations from her family who have been in *gyan*. Some are dedicated and others are leading a lotus like life while being in household.

Yagya life and Spiritual Endeavours

Those days, there were around 400 brothers and sisters staying with Brahma Baba. There was very heavy workload in the ashram. Brothers were very few in number and many tasks, which were traditionally performed by brothers, had to be handled by sisters. Baba would say that what work was being done was not important, but with what mental state that work was being performed, was important. That is why they used to do all types of work together with love and harmony. When Baba would pronounce the sound of 'Om', all of them would go in the state of trance. Baba used to call them as 'Om' Mothi, 'Om' Radhe, 'Om Rama', to remind them that they were souls. Baba's house was known as 'Jasoda Nivas' which was converted into 'Om Mandali'.

Once, Dadi asked Baba whether she should give up further studies but Baba advised her to continue her studies. After six months, Baba opened a school for children and she was selected as English Teacher. As its principal, Brahma Baba used to visit different classes and taught different subjects. At the end of the day, he would ask for a daily report of the activities. He would advise the teachers not to scold the children but teach them with love and care. Baba was very particular about the children's mental and physical development. Observing her calmness and simplicity, BapDada gave her the spiritual name 'Chandramani'.

Dadi Chandermani used to visit Bangalore frequently for conducting special congregations like Bhatti etc., and also public service programmes because Dadi Hridyapushpa, who was her *lokik* elder sister, had become instrumental in starting the Godly Services in Southern India and she was the Zonal In-charge of Karnataka, with her headquarters in Bangalore. After Dadi Hridyapushpa left her mortal coil in 1995, Dadi Chandramani was entrusted with the additional responsibility to administer the

affairs of Karnataka Zone also.

Her achievements in Godly Service

After recognising God's divine task and the spiritual teachings, **she followed *Shrimat* strictly and upheld the divine code of conduct.** She became instrumental in spreading spiritual services in northern India particularly in Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and many other places in India. Due to her courage and fearless nature, she used to be deputed to solve problems in Godly Service, and she tackled the challenging situations with ease and poise. She was rightly given the title 'the Lioness of Punjab' by BapDada. She had absolute faith in BapDada and His mission to establish deity sovereignty. She led a simple life and was not interested in publicity, name and fame. Anyone could meet her without any formality. She was a keen student of Godly knowledge and Rajyoga. She spoke of God's versions and also gave lectures with deep conviction and determination which had unparalleled impact on the listeners.

Dadi Chandramani sustained Godly students with great care. She ascended to BapDada's lap on 11th March, 1997 when she

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flabbergasted. He applauded and rewarded the wise artist handsomely for depicting 'Time' in a realistic way.

The above story has great relevance to the present time, as it is the most auspicious time termed as 'The Confluence Age' or *Sangam Yug*, a period of dawn when the Supreme Soul incarnates in the corporeal form of Brahma, the father of Humanity to enlighten the souls with the Power of Divine knowledge and Easy Rajyoga. Everyday, He imparts the beautiful knowledge to liberate us from the hold of vices which have rendered us miserable, peaceless and made us orphans. Now, like a magician, the Supreme Soul is transforming us from thorns into fragrant flowers. The vices have made us dirty and God removes our dirt through the furnace of yoga.

We souls were once viceless like pure gold but due to the alloy of vices, the divine virtues which adorned the lives of souls got diminished and ultimately lost. Now, when God, the Almighty Authority, is getting this alloy removed and transforming souls to such a

level that they become worthy of living in paradise or Golden Age, it's time that we follow the elevated teachings of the Supreme Authority in our day to day thoughts, words and actions. We are fortunate to be the recipients of this divine knowledge and have Him with us, so we should not leave any stone unturned to remove the filth of vices. This is the only time in the whole cycle of 5000 years when we can experience true peace, knowledge, love, power, purity, bliss, prosperity and above all the enjoyment in companionship of God which cannot be expressed in words.

The peculiarity of this Confluence Age is that we can take as much inheritance as we want and enjoy constant health and wealth in future also. So when the bestower of peace is here on

this earth, playing His part of reformation of the hidden entity, i.e., 'soul', that desires constant peace and has been wandering here and there seeking from all available sources but in vain, isn't it a Golden opportunity for us to use every bit of it to enjoy the fruit showered by the sweetest Almighty Father in this 'Diamond Age'? If we overlook this special time of knowing the Almighty and obeying Him, we are bound to only regret and get into hot water. It will be too late. So why not wake up, be serious, follow the ultimate authority and adorn ourselves with the divine knowledge? By doing so, we can come up to God's expectations, accompany Him with pride and receive all His blessings.

Remember: Time does not wait for anyone; so make the most of it...

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was in Bangalore, to attend some spiritual programmes. Then she was not only the Joint Administrative head of the Institution, but also the Director of the Gyan Sarovar Academy for a Better world at Mount Abu. She was also in-charge of the training programmes for teachers. On her ascension day, we remember her last days in Bangalore and pay rich tribute to Dadi. ●