



Vedanta Gesellschaft, Germany

PROGRAMME FOR 2012

(For current information, please visit our Website under page "Current Programme".)

Sunday programmes in Berlin

Swami Baneshananda conducts monthly Vedanta-Retreats in Berlin at 11:00 a.m. on Sundays (Please see dates below.) for about two hours in the meeting room of the vegetarian restaurant "Satyam", Goethestraße 5, 10623 Berlin, (U-Bhf. Ernst-Reuter-Platz or S-Bhf. Savignyplatz).

No Entry-Fee. All are heartily welcome!

Programme:

- (i) Opening-Bhajan;
- (ii) Reading, discussion, Question-Answer (about 30 minutes);
- (iii) Talk on the Yoga-Sutras of Patanjali (about 25 minutes);
- (iv) Recess for about 15 minutes;
- (v) Gayatri-chanting (about 5 minutes);
- (vi) Chanting of OM (about 2 minutes);
- (vii) Guided meditation (about 30 minutes);
- (viii) Closing song/reading.

Those who want to know more about the programmes may kindly contact Mr. P. K. Ghosh (Co-ordinator), Dahlemer Weg 161 a, 14167 Berlin, Tel.: (030) 8 17 44 52, Fax: (030) 84 70 70 98, E-Mail: pradeepk.ghosh@gmx.de

Dates for Sunday programmes at "Satyam", Berlin:

March 25; April 22; May 27; June 24; August 26; September 23; October 28; November 25.

Saturday programmes in Mühlheim am Main

We conduct regular Saturday programmes (Please see the dates below.) at Pestalozzistraße 2

Programme:

- 15:00 – Sanskrit class
16:00 – Tea
16:45 – Class on the Yoga-sutras/Bhagavad-gita
17:45 to 17:55 – Break
17:55 to 18:45 – Prayer and meditation

Dates for Saturday programmes at Pestalozzistraße 2:

February: 11 (Gita), 18 (Yoga).

March: 3 (Gita), 10 (Yoga), 24 (Gita), 31 (Yoga).

April: Yoga 21, 28.

May: 5, 12, 26.

June: 2, 9, Gita 23, 30.

July: 7, 14, 21, 28.

August: 4, 11 (Yoga), 25 (Gita).

September: 1 (Yoga), 8 (Yoga), 22 (Gita), 29 (Yoga).

October: 6 (Gita), 20 (Yoga), 27 (Gita).

November: 3 (Yoga), 10 (Gita), 24 (Gita).

December: 1 (Yoga), 8 (Gita).

Lessons in Sanskrit-language in Mühlheim am Main

Swami Baneshananda gives lessons in Sanskrit-language (Please see the dates below.) at Pestalozzistraße 2. The one-hour class begins at 3 p.m. For registration, please contact us. One has to oneself procure one's own book and other materials. The following books will be helpful:

- (i) A Sanskrit Manual: Part - I, by R. Antoine, published by Allied Publishers Private Limited, India;
- (ii) A Sanskrit Manual: Part - II, by R. Antoine, published by Allied Publishers Private Limited, India.

Dates for Saturday Sanskrit-lessons at Pestalozzistraße 2:

February: 11, 18.

March: 3, 10, 24, 31.

April: 21, 28.

May: 5, 12, 26.

June: 2, 9, 23, 30.

August: 11, 25.

September: 1, 8, 22, 29.

October: 6, 20, 27.

November: 3, 10, 24.

December: 1, 8.

Monthly Retreats at Bindweide

13 to 15 April: Retreat with Swami Baneshananda and Swami Bhaswatananda. *Topic: Understanding Life and Spirit.*

18 to 20 May: Retreat with Swami Veetamohananda of Centre Vedantique Ramakrishna, Gretz, France, and Swami Baneshananda. *Topic: Religion for Our Times.*

15 to 17 June: Retreat with Swami Dayatmananda of Ramakrishna Vedanta Centre, Bourne End, UK. *Topic: The Bhagavad Gita: Chapter 15.*

16 to 19 August: A **four-day** spiritual **Summer Camp** at Bindweide with **Swami Shivamayananda**, a senior monk and member of the Managing Board of the worldwide Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math, India, and **Swami Jyotirupananda**, head of Ramakrishna Vedanta Centre, Moscow. *Topics: (i) Vivekananda's Message; (ii) Vivekananda and the Worldwide Vedanta Movement; (iii) Vivekananda: His Holistic View of Mankind.*

The programme will include: 06:00 – Meditation; 06:30 – Singing and reading; 08:30 – Karma Yoga; 10:30 – Gayatri-chanting & Meditation; 15:30 – Discourse; 17:00 – Free time; 18:30 – Prayer; 18:50 – Meditation; 20:45 – Reading from holy books. A detailed programme will be issued in due time.

(Please book your accommodation before 6 August 2012 in order to help us arrange for your stay in advance.)

14 to 16 September: Retreat with **Swami Atmajnanananda**, Asstt. Minister, Vedanta Center, Washington DC, USA. *Topic: Vivekananda's Practical Religion and the West.*

12 to 14 October: Retreat with Swami Baneshananda and Swami Bhaswatananda. *Topic: Does Vedanta Offer Anything Special?.*

16 to 18 November: Retreat with Swami Baneshananda and Swami Bhaswatananda. *Topic: Has Religion Changed?*

28 December 2012 to 1 January 2013: A **five-day** intensive **Spiritual Camp** for 2012/13 with Swami Baneshananda and Swami Bhaswatananda. The programme will include, among other things, guided meditation, reading from the Bible and other holy books, spiritual discourses, devotional singing and silence. A detailed programme will be issued in due time.

(Since it is a very busy time of the year, we request you to book your accommodation before 15 December 2012 in order to help us arrange for your stay in advance. Those who want to leave on 1 January morning should arrange for their own conveyance.)

** Cancellation charge of any booking is € 10.

** For any programme in the ashrama, please book your accommodation well in advance.

Universal Prayers

May He who is the Brahman of the Hindus, the Ahura-Mazda of the Zoroastrians, the Buddha of the Buddhists, the Jehovah of the Jews, the Father in Heaven of the Christians, give us the strength to carry out our noble ideas! -Swami Vivekananda

May all be happy. May all be free from disease. May all achieve perfection in this life. May none suffer from misery in this world. -The Vedas

O Lord, please accept our offering. Bless us. Make us pure and all-loving. May we not accuse, demand or complain, but love, respect and cooperate with all. May we not find fault with others, but try to find our own faults. May we not treat others as strangers, but learn to make all our own.
-from the words of Holy Mother

Om peace, peace, peace be unto all!