

August Newsletter 2018
Perth Meditation Group of Self Realization Fellowship



Brother Chidananda, President of SRF

Prior to her passing in 2010, SRF President Sri Daya Mata expressed her conviction to Mrinalini Mata that Brother Chidananda should succeed Mrinalini Mata as president and spiritual head of SRF/YSS. Mrinalini Mata confirmed this before her own passing on August 3, 2017, and affirmed to the Board of Directors her agreement with Daya Mata's recommendation. Thus Brother Chidananda became president on August 30, 2017.

Sunday, August 5, 8-11am: Long Meditation. On the first Sunday of each month, we meditate for three hours. We chant on the hour, so if you are unable to join us at 8am, you are welcome to join in at 9 or 10am.

Saturday, August 11: As the special Friday evening **Satsanga with SRF President Brother Chidananda will be live streamed from Convocation at 10.30am Saturday Perth time**, we thought it would be lovely to have a "mini Convocation" in our Perth Chapel and watch it together (*who knows, we may see a familiar face or two in the crowd?!*) Some of us plan to meditate at the Temple from 9.15am until 10.15am, that our hearts and minds may ideally be more attuned to Brother's message. There will be a short rest break before switching to the live cross at 10.30, so feel free to join us when you will and afterwards, if you can spare the time, stay for a light brunch. Please RSVP asap to Cate (snowdunder@hotmail.com) The live streaming link to Bro Chidananda's talk is <https://www.youtube.com/user/YoganandaSRF/live>

Tuesday, August 14, 5:45pm: We'd love it if you can **help us clean our chapel** before the 7pm evening service, and also on **Sunday August 26, from 11am.** Can you spare an hour?

New Role for Perth's Monastic Advisor Brahmachari Jason: Br Jason and **Bro Nikhilananda** now join **Bro Tyagananda** as official Centre Department Supervisors. Among other things, Br Jason will be supervisor for Asia, Australia, New Zealand and the United States. **Bro Sarvananda** has stepped away from this role but will continue to be available to them in an advisory capacity. **Nothing changes for Perth.** Br Jason will continue to serve us directly as the Monastic Counsellor, as well as being the overall Center Department Supervisor. He has asked for this to be announced to everyone at the group, adding that any prayers for this added responsibility would be most appreciated!.

Deadline for our next Shoalwater Retreat, October 12-14 is **Tuesday August 7.** **\$255** covers vegetarian food and cosy accommodation opposite the ocean at this silent weekend getaway. For payment details, please contact Nicola Ohly-Smith, our Retreat Coordinator, on 0400 410 800, or email nicolasmith@outlook.com.au

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"When I am no longer in this body, this organization will be my body. As you have helped me, and served this form while I am here, so serve this organization. Always be one who is willing." **Paramahansa Yogananda**