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MATA AMRITANANDAMAYI

Ammachi (Mata Amritanandamayi) is touring Australia in November 1995

“Smiling, the Divine Mother became effulgent and merged in me. My mind blossomed, bathed in the many-hued Light of Divinity and the vents of millions of years gone by rose up within me. Thenceforth, seeing nothing as apart from my own self, a single Unity, and merging in the universal Mother of Bliss, I gave up all notions that there is happiness apart from the Self.”

It is these inspiring words that the Holy Mother, Mata Amritsnandamayi, describes her realization of oneness with the Divine while yet in her teens.

From her childhood itself, she out the Divine Mother and Father even without a guru. Treated as a menial servant by her family, the Mother continued in that role until her continuous absorption into the bliss of God-Realization made it impossible for her to discharge her onerous duties. Crazy to all appearances, the Mother spent her time in devotional singing, dancing and samadhi, or God-Consciousness. In due course, many sincere seekers of God-Realization sought her out in her remote village in Southern India, and found guidance and gained strength to walk in the spiritual path. Millions have come for a glimpse of the Holy Mother and received comforting reassurances and love.

So open is she, so approachable and accessible, that people have come to realize that her archetypal, universal “Mother-Love”, at once a personal yet boundless like a vast ocean, beating softly on the shores of troubled minds and searching hearts. People from all walks of life seek out the Mother, as she affectionately called. She receives everyone in the same loving way, regardless of their religious faith or non-belief. She welcomes all alike from the wealthy executive to the leprous beggar, for the hostile detractor to the ardent admirers. As an untiring servant of all people, her time and life are dedicated solely to removing the suffering of humanity. No one’s concerns are insignificant to her. All find that her compassion and knowledge unflinching guide them in their uncertain lives, and her motherly affection is a soothing balm to their afflictions. Taking each one to herself without reservation, she moves like a mother with her children, bringing solace and peace of mind to all. This familiar closeness is so deeply moving that many burst into tears as they experience the radiance of her divine love and compassion, and attain a glimpse of their own true divine nature. She teaches by the example of her own life and conveys the highest spiritual truths in the simplest language. An inspiring example of humility, compassion, simplicity and patience, she has infused devotion to God, love for fellow beings and the spirit of selfless service into the hearts of millions.

Ammachi is touring Australia in November 1995 and she will be giving free seminars and lectures in Sydney, Byron Bay, Melbourne and Somers, one hour’s drive from Melbourne.