

Swami Deva

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To whom it may concern,

Twenty years ago I obtained work as a commercial tire fitter. It's a pretty tough dirty job and after a couple of years I wearied of it and set off to seek my fortune in other cleaner, less physically demanding ways. Since then I've been an actor, a singer, I've driven tractors, I've been round the world a time or two and now here today in Rajneeshpuram I am again back in my old trade, I am again putting on and (taking off) those big heavy tires. With all the heavy equipment school buses etc we use here on the ranch someone was needed so I rolled up my sleeves and put my old skills to good use.

But here with Bhagwan Shri Rajneesh even tire fitting is difficult. The work is still hard but now I do it with joy. Knowing that each time I get a vehicle back on the road it's a link in the chain that keeps this community wheel turning brings a sense of fulfillment hitherto unknown in my life.

Here with Bhagwan we work not for gain or power. The work

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we do here is done simply out  
of love for each other and for the  
vision that Bhagwan has given us.  
I could tell you about the  
great influence and benefit Bhagwan  
has been to many many people the  
world over. I could tell you of his  
intelligence, his wisdom, his humor. All these  
things are true, yet the best thing I  
can do is to simply tell you that  
this man has changed the way I  
live my life. He has opened up doors  
that I didn't even know existed. I:  
his presence, whether he's speaking or silent  
I am a positive more joyful content  
human being. What more could one  
ask for?

Bhagwan has a deep understanding  
of mankind, he knows our games,  
our needs, our weaknesses and what is  
more important our potential.

His knowledge goes far beyond  
anything we have been taught in  
schools or universities.

His influence and guidance is felt  
in every field of activity here on the  
ranch, whether it's building, baking bread  
or fitting tires. He has given

us the insight and the courage  
to experiment with new ideas, to  
create new ways of dealing with  
even the most seemingly mundane  
everyday tasks. With Bhagwan life  
is not a problem, it is not a  
fight. It is a joyous journey,  
a celebration.

This man Bhagwan is with us  
now. Such a man is very, very  
rare.

They don't come by too often.

Yours Sincerely

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(Andrew Ktovi)