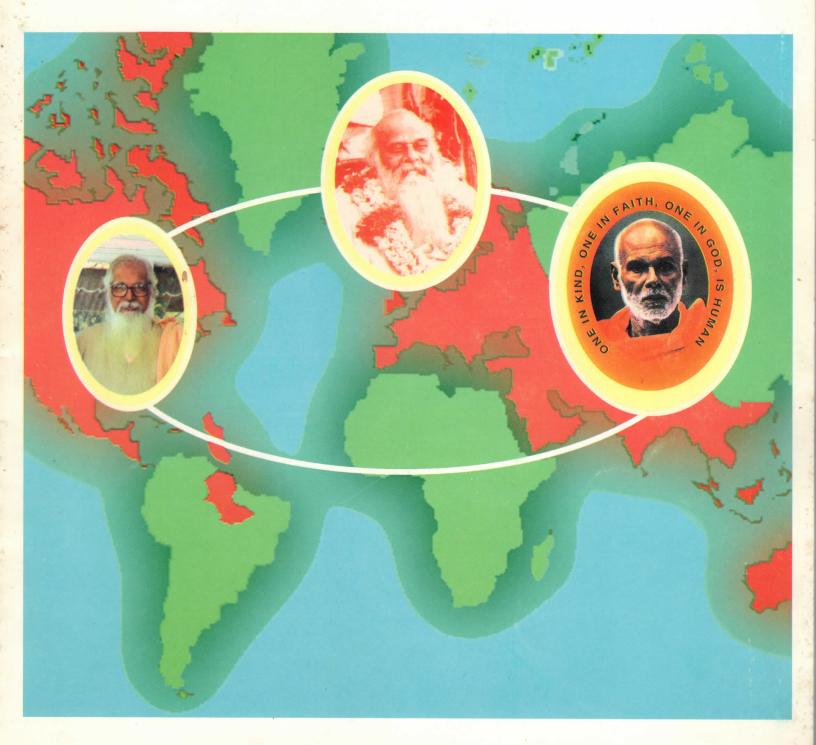
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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

This Gurudavajayanthi we celebrate is a unique one, because this is the last Gurudavajayanthi before the new millennium. I welcome you all to this years Gurudavajayanthi and Onam celebrations organized jointly by the Sree Narayana Association of North America and SNDP Yogam.

As we are entering the 21st century the Sree Narayana Association will mark its 20th birthday. I am very proud to say that highly dedicated members and supporters have contributed a great deal to the success over the years. This year, for the first time in the history of the SNA we were able to organize religious services outside New York. That was held in Washington DC. The turnout for this event was higher than expected. We also arranged the graduation award ceremony for the younger generation again. The attendance for this function was tremendous, and the enthusiasm shown at these and other events is evidence of our progress in the right direction. We shall not stop until we accomplish our goals.

May 1999 was a sad month for many all around the world and for Sree Narayana Association in particular. Guru Nitya Chaithanya Yathi's demise was a very difficult time for our members and supporters. Let us take a moment and pray for Guru Yathi's soul.

Today, I have great privilege in asking all Sree Narayana devotees to take-up the challenge and work hard for our onward journey to the $21^{\rm st}$ Century. The success of the association depends on our younger generation. I invite them to be more involved in the future of this organization.

Let me conclude this message with a few words from Guru's teachings, "There is an unlit lamp that always shines within, witnessing everything that is happening"

May the blessings of Almighty God and Sree Narayana Guru Swami be with you always.

A. Venugopal Chairman, Board of Trustees

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