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For three weeks in May 2004, I witnessed what the world will soon behold as one of the most remarkable stories of modern history – the spiritual awakening of the Russian people. Spirituality is not new to Russia. Their culture is as steeped in devotion to Saints as its churches are studded with icons. But it has been buried under years of oppression. Just as the beauty of the fabled Moscow metro lies hidden from public view, so too the spirit of the people lay beneath the surface just waiting to burst forth.

Imagine a script that has Russia leading the world back to loving God and putting humanity squarely on the path to peace and prosperity. A country that just 15 years ago, the U. S. cast as an "evil empire," and whose people were shunned as atheists, is literally celebrating their freedom to praise God. What's more they are looking to spiritual truths to gird their social, business, and governmental policies.

The focus of this most recent outpouring of love was the long awaited return of the legendary visionary and healer, His Holiness Baba Virsa Singh, of Gobind Sadan, India. Since his last visit in 1989, when on Soviet National Television he foretold the breakup of the country, Russian people have been streaming into his spiritual community to seek his guidance and ask him to return.

This trip was made possible by an influential group of intellectuals, "Peace through Culture" who sponsored Babaji's program under the title "Sacred India – Blessed Russia." There has long been a mystical tie between India and Russia. Babaji has shared that he saw in a vision over 40 years ago that Russia would become the most "God-loving" country in the world.

His hosts saw Babaji's visit as a pivotal point in Russia's future, and spared no efforts in welcoming him. From artists and writers, leading entertainers, business and government leaders, healers and scientists, the Russian people opened their hearts and embraced Babaji as one of their own. They didn't see him as a religious leader from a different tradition or a foreign country, but as the embodiment of the ancient Saints who brought light and healing to Russia. His visit opened with a press conference at Domjournalista, the National Press Club of Russia, where he told a packed house "I have full faith that Russia will lead the world in spirituality and show the world the way to peace and prosperity." His message was carried by TV, radio, and the popular press.

One television producer asked, "Why do you farm? Isn't this unusual for a spiritual leader?" He replied, "I am the son of a poor farmer. We had to work our way up from the bottom. I've always felt that a man of God should develop resources to help people. With God's grace, our land which was previously useless has produced enough income to feed thousands every day, and support large celebrations to honor the holy days of all religions." Babaji is recognized the world over for overcoming the conflicts spawned by poverty and religious hatred.

Babaji observed that it has always been the clerics who opposed the prophets in all traditions and stir up conflicts between people of different religions. "No one religion is best," he said. "God has made them all, and as every prophet has taught, God resides throughout the cosmos. "My program is to increase your love for whatever religion you follow. Whatever holy place you go to, study love there. God's Light is always falling on the whole world, but only a few pick it up." The Mayor of Moscow, Yuriy Luhschkov, hosted Babaji with full pomp in his magnificent historic offices and greeted him saying, "Just as I had to tear down some old buildings to widen Moscow streets, please breakdown the old buildings of our minds to widen our thoughts."

Babaji was then invited to the Duma, where Mr. Tyagunov, Chairman, Deputies' Group on Relationships with the Parliament of India introduced him: "We're very glad that such a great person has come to our country and is sitting in our Parliament."

To large gatherings, Babaji advised: "meditate to control your thoughts." "When a river overflows its banks it does great damage to the surrounding areas. But when a person's mind is not controlled, he can destroy entire countries." To those who sought healing, he blessed small silver crosses and bade them look to Jesus to heal them. But no one wanted to leave his presence until Babaji placed his hand on their heads.

Just as children seeking their parent's love, the Russian people are turning to God. Svetlana Smirnova, one Duma representative who came to see him off summed up the visit this way: "I think Babaji gives the Russian people hope—hope for the future, and hope for themselves. I believe that everything Babaji said will come true. I want so much for our Russian people to be happy and comfortable. I think our people need it, and they deserve it."

Ralph Singh
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THE LONG-AWAITED RETURN OF THE LEGENDARY VISIONARY
BABA VIRSA SINGH TO RUSSIA MAY 12TH TO 30TH 2004



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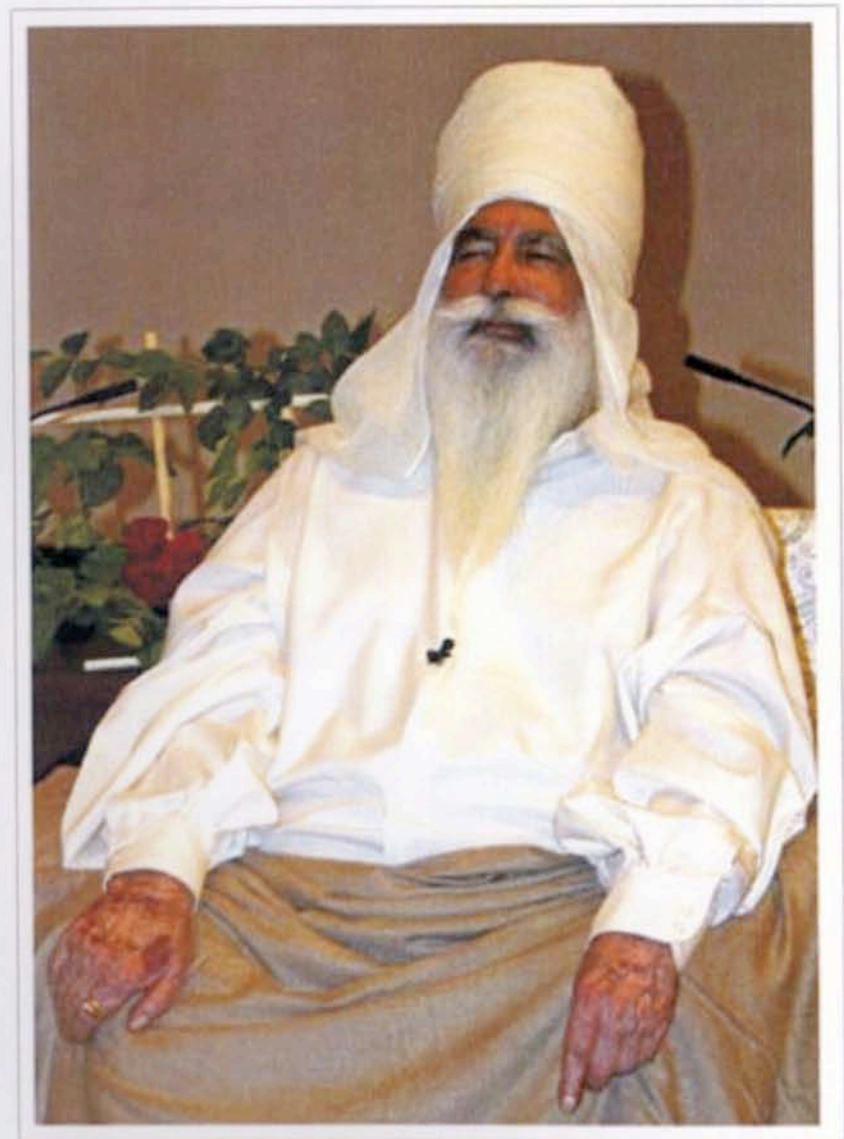
“WE’RE VERY GLAD THAT SUCH A GREAT PERSON HAS COME TO OUR COUNTRY AND IS SITTING IN OUR PARLIAMENT. YOU BRING VISION AND HEALING TO OUR COUNTRY.” ALEXANDER TYAGUNOV, CHAIRMAN DEPUTIES GROUP ON RELATIONS WITH INDIA



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JAAP SAHIB AND THE LIGHT OF THE SACRED FIRE





**A COLORFUL
"THANK YOU"**





Ambassador of the Russian Federation

New Delhi, February 20, 2003

Your Holiness,

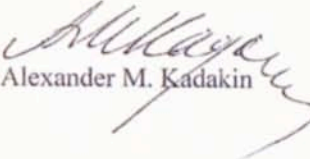
Please accept my hearty felicitations on your birthday along with sincere wishes of good health, many years of life and new spiritual revelations.

Your many years of service to the cause of faith and righteousness in the interests of spiritual co-enlightenment and unity of various nations and religions, imbibe hope, light and harmony into our world.

On behalf of all Russians who benefited from interacting with you and those who only heard about your enlightened spiritual activities, may I convey to you warm words of recognition and gratitude for many years of fruitful service to the cause of peace, truth, goodness and international cooperation.

With warm personal regards,

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