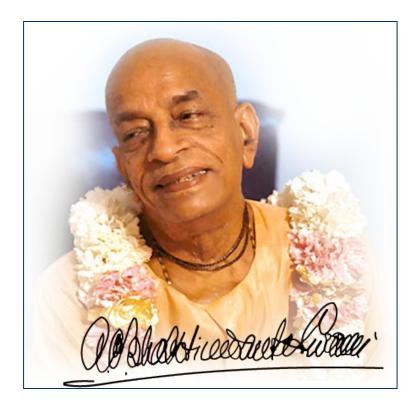
### ALL GLORY TO SRI GURU AND SRI GAURANGA



Your ever well-wisher...

-His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada Founder Acharya: International Society for Krishna Consciousness

"Through astrology one can know past, present and future. Modern Western astrologers have no knowledge of the past or future, nor can they perfectly say anything about the present." (CC Adi 17.104, Bhaktivedanta Purport)

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... and your life will be sublime

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## Dear Prabhus,



Dandavats to the Vaishnavas and welcome to the issue. We are already in the month of Phalguna, the holy month under which the Golden Avatar and Supreme Personality of Godhead Sri Krishna appeared. The Moon is already waxing and we are just days away from the Lord's advent ceremonies on Phalguna Purnima. We join together with the worldwide community of Vaishnavas and pray for each one of you

to continue your blessed service to the Lord by the grace of His prophet Srila Prabhupada. We wish to extend our thanks to each of you for your many kindnesses, generosity and support. Your grace and friendship is our very mainstay. Thank you.

For some insightful articles on the horoscope of Lord Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu, please check out these links; <a href="http://www.dandavats.com/?p=8193">http://www.dandavats.com/?p=8193</a>; <a href="http://www.dandavats.com/?p=9050">http://www.dandavats.com/?p=9050</a>; Enjoy the issue.

Always wishing you the very best,

Patita Pavana das Adhikary, Ed

### From a conversation recorded 5 July 1977 in Vrindavana.

Bhakti-prema das: It is written (that) the world... the earth is round and flat.

Srila Prabhupada: Hmmm?

Bhakti-prema das: Earth is round and flat both, together.

Srila Prabhupada: Yes.

## **Clock Mechanisms and the Flat Earth**

## Abhaya Mudra Dasi



Installed in 1410, the Orloj is Prague's chief tourist attraction

#### Take Another Look at Your Clock

Ample proof that the Earth upon which we live and breathe is flat lies all around us. Take, for example, the clock. From ancient times people have used various forms of clocks to measure time. Let us examine the origin of the clock, and those elements of the heavens that have inspired the earliest development of an instrument we all take for granted. The hour hand was



instigated by the movement of the universal timekeeper, Lord Surya the demigod of the Sun. Next the minute hand represents the movement of Lord Chandra, the Moon. The second hand complies with the changing ascendants or *lagnas*, the rising signs that are continually coming up in the East. Finally, the flat round body of the clock represents the Earth.

Now let us examine more closely the celestial origins of the common wall clock. Just as the Moon sometimes moves behind the Sun when it is waning and sometimes before the Sun when it is waxing, in the same way the minute hand moves behind or before the hour hand. From Aries to Pisces there are 12 signs or *rashis* of the zodiac just as there are 12 hours on the clock.

### The Mystery of 60

The 24 hour format fits perfectly into the 12 signs of the zodiac since each one of these dwadasha rashis spends around 2 hours rising upon the Eastern horizon within each 24-hour period. As far as the ascendant is concerned, the relation between the 12 hour cycles to the 60 minutes of each hour and to the 60 seconds of each minute is based upon a 60-year astrological cycle of Jupiter. Astronomically, Jupiter has a very accurate 60-year cycle of movement through the zodiac. Each one of these years is named after this 60 year cycle of Jupiter, and—as per mundane astrology—each Jupiter year creates different effects for the world. Jupiter or Brihaspati travels through the 12 signs in around 12 years which he accomplishes in 5 different ways as denoted by the 5 elements. Thus the grand cycle of Jupiter is not 12 years (which is the length of time it takes Jupiter to circle the zodiac) but rather it is a 60 year cycle (5 elements X 12 = 60). It is because of these 5 elements (earth, water, fire, air and ether) that the clock is marked every 5 minutes. The place where the hands combine is the place of the observer. The clock is a simplified universal map whereupon from the relatively flat surface of the Earth the both Moon and Sun are seen as moving within their respective orbits.

An old example of the planetary movements upon the dial of a clock in the form of a clock can still be seen in Prague, Czech Republic. This marvelous clock was created by the astronomers Mikuláš of Kadaň and Jan Šindel and installed in 1410. Known as the Orloj it is on the south side of City Hall in the Old Town Square. It is Praha's number one tourist attraction and is the oldest astronomical clock in the world still in working order. The Orloj has three main components. First, an astronomical dial represents the positions of the Sun and Moon and includes many other fine details of astrology and astronomy. Second, there is an hourly show of moving religious sculptures as well as the grim reminder striking the time in the form of a skeleton representing Death. Third, there is a calendar dial with medallions representing each of the months.

Tropic of Cancer 24 Hour Clock (12+12) Daytime Zodiac Mean Ecliptic Ancient Equator Czech Planetary Place of TIP/ **Ecliptics Planetary** Border Setting Twilight Daybreak

Star Time

(Siderial

Time)

Mean Revolutions

of the Moon

Astronomical

Tropic of

End and

Start of

Ancient

The following diagram gives some insight into this remarkable instrument.

Through a relatively simple mechanical device, the Orloj inspires wonder at the workings of the universe. Clearly visible on one hand is the Sun and on the other is the Moon. In the 1970's then-new electronic clocks with LCD digit displays became so popular that it appeared the analog dial clock would become lost in the mists of time. In fact today the old fashioned dial clock far outsells the display variety which indicates the sense of reality that clocks with hands give the viewer. The clock is a subliminal reminder that there are forces that connect us to the mysteries of the Universe, to space and to the Supreme Lord in His form as time. The next time you glance at your watch or clock, take a moment to reflect that these devices we usually take for granted can connect us to Lord Sri Krishna.

Below is the lower part of the Orloj which clearly displays the zodiac. The symbols for the 12 signs of the zodiac are shown in the inner rim. The larger spheres along the outside depict the activities of mankind while the Sun moves through the signs. Beside Leo are two people engaged in harvesting their crops. Alongside Libra a man is sowing seeds for the next year's crop. The very outer rim is like a clock that has stopped on the present season. There are tiny indications for every day of the year and its significance. The clock is made of fine materials and guarded by sculpted

angels. The Orloj stirs the imagination, but only the enlightened devotees can recognize the obvious fact that the clock is a mechanical representation of the subtle energies of the Supreme Lord Sri Krishna. • -written 23 Feb. 2012



The astrological calendar was added in 1870

For more on the Orloj, see this article: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prague\_Astronomical\_Clock

To see the stunning  $600^{th}$  anniversary show of the Orloj filmed in 2010, see this:  $\frac{\text{http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u4LVEAiZJyg&feature=related}}{\text{http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u4LVEAiZJyg&feature=related}}$ 

To see a computerized explanation of the Orloj, watch this: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCtml57GjYk">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCtml57GjYk</a>

For a tourist's view of the Orloj, see this one: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h25UOCtniZI

<sup>\*</sup>Special thanks to Sriman Trilokatma das Brahmachary of ISKCON's Czech Yatra for showing us the Orloj and so wonderfully hosting us at Prague's beautiful ISKCON center last summer.

## What Year of Jupiter Were You Born Into?

## Patita Pavana das Adhikary

As described in Smt. Abhaya Mudra Dasi's article above, the Vedic Calendar rotates on a 60-year cycle measured by the "Years of Jupiter" or Guru Samvatsaras. As seen in the table below, these yearlong or samvatsara cycles of Brihaspati begin from the Prabhava Year and end with the Kshaya year. Jupiterian years usually begin around March-April each year with the start of the lunar month of Chaitra, and do not depend upon the actual changing of Jupiter into his next rashi. Though Jupiter stays in a sign for around twelve months, his year is considered in much the same way that a lunar tithi is calculated. Just as a tithi is considered from the point of Sunrise, so each Jupiter year is considered from Chaitra. In the following table which names the different years from 1900 till 2020, you will find general descriptions for those who are born in each year of Jupiter. These descriptions also provide clues as to the nature of each samvatsara, and the effects they bring the world. These bona fide descriptions are taken from the *Jyotish Shastras*. But we present them herewith with one caveat; that they should not be taken too literally. No single factor in astrology determines the conclusion.

These latitudinous results for each Guru Samvatsara serve only as a general guideline. Astrology begins from the broadest of strokes, then gradually focuses deeper and deeper into the refined details of a horoscope. India's ancient astrologers could ascertain the differences in the *karmas* of *indragopa* germs whose entire lifespan has been measured at  $1/18^{th}$  of a second. Everything born into this mustard seed of a Universe—which at once is so vast and substantial yet so insignificant—rests upon individuality. That is because everything has emanated from Lord Sri Krishna, the Supreme Individual. It is He Who is guiding each one of us, His parts and parcels. As stated in *Bhagavad-gita* 15.15 *sarvasya chaham hridi sannivishto mattah smritir jnanam apohanam cha*. "I am seated in everyone's heart, and from Me come remembrance, knowledge and forgetfulness."

The ultimate value of astrology, as seen through the divine lens of Krishna consciousness, lies in understanding the science of eternal individuality. The individuality of the embodied *jiva* born into this temporary *jagat* has been reflected into this or that material situation as read trough the stars.

Whatever the condition, the fettered *jiva's* imposition onto this gross physical plane merely serves to verify the existence of the eternal soul within a body. Astrology relates to the gross physical shell that confounded living entities mistake to be their very selves. Yet astrology relates to the soul within that *sarira* both indirectly and indirectly. The eternal uniqueness of each and every soul proves the existence of the Supreme Soul Sri Krishna, for Who else but He is maintaining each one of us? If the Maintainer were not an Individual, from whence has originated our own uniqueness? Astrological analysis therefore only serves to unravel to some degree the *jiva's* entrapment within the modes of material Nature, which also finds origin in the Supreme Lord. Though each *jiva's* situation in his eternal march through *samsara* is unique, the solution to Maya is universal. Sri Krishna instructs Arjuna (*Bg* 18.78):

sarva-dharman parityajya mam ekam sharanam vraja aham tvam sarva-papebhyo mokshayishymi ma shucah

"Abandon all varieties of religion and just surrender unto Me. I shall deliver you from all sinful reaction. Do not fear."

He who attempts astrological judgments without seeing the full picture of the entire chart and ignores the variegated factors—whether from the particular year of Jupiter (as given hereunder) to the precise second of birth (as read in sub-divisional charts like the *shastiamsa*)—has not understood astrology. As far as the following list is concerned, some very bad persons have been born in good years and vice versa. It is in that light that we present the following interesting results for each year of Jupiter.

Clients who have downloaded the astro-software we provide with readings can easily see their Guru Samvatsara on the front page along with their lunar month. It is marked as "Lunar Year - Month" (though it should probably read "Jupiter Year - Lunar Month")." • -written 24 Feb. 2012

From our Bhrigu Project:

## Sri Brihaspati Samvatsara

or

# The Years of Jupiter\*

(\*Each Jupiter year begins from around Mar.-April)

No.	Jupiter Year	Characteristics of one born under this Guru Samvatsara
1	Prabhava	The first year is a fortunate one. You may have a long and happy life; will be a collector of valuable articles; will
	1927, 1987	have good children.
2	Vibhava 1928, 1968	You will be born rich and blessed with artistic talents. You will become learned.
3	Shukla 1929, 1989	You will be very handsome and attractive; will have a healthy family life; and will be of great character.
4	Pramoda (Pramodhati) 1930, 1990	You will be helpful, famous and well-honored throughout your life.
5	Prajapati 1931, 1991	You will be honest; will benefit your society; and you will be respected.
6	Angirasa 1932, 1992	You will be proud yet lucky. You will have male children.
7	Srimukha 1933, 1993	You will be very intelligent; will learn many sciences; and will achieve great success.
8	Bhava 1934, 1994	You are generous and will enjoy a good life. You will earn fame and will be helpful to others.
9	Yuva 1935, 1995	You will be known as brilliant; you will be successful and will enjoy a long life.
10	Dhata 1936, 1996	You will be a success in business; you will be proficient in winning over your adversaries. You will manage your funds and affairs wisely.
11	Ishwara 1937, 1997	Though you may be short-tempered, you will be proficient in many vocations. You are well-liked and personable.
12	Bahudhanya 1938, 1998	You will be successful in military science and will be associated with vehicles.
13	Pramadi	You will be successful both in business

	(Pramati) 1939, 1999	and in agriculture.
14	Vikrama 1940, 2000	You are courageous and will achieve great success.
15	Vriksha (Vrisha) 1941, 2001	You will take your time in whatever you set out to accomplish. You may be called lazy and may be forced to mostly serve the needs of others.
16	Chitrabhanu 1942, 2002	You will be highly moral, will have high intelligence and will be learned.
17	Swabhanu (Subhanu) 1943, 2003	You will be liked by those in power. Though you will be powerful and fearless at times you may resort to low acts.
18	Tarana 1944, 2004	You will be of fickle-minded, and if you are tempted to perform acts your reputation will be sullied.
19	Parthiva 1945, 2005	You will be lucky and will enjoy a good position. You will socialize with the powerful and influential.
20	Vyaya 1946, 2006	You will be poor and may migrate from your homeland to settle abroad.
21	Sarvajita 1947, 2007	You are a hard worker with many interests. Your success might be found in the sciences.
22	Sarvadhari 1948, 2008	You will have many servants, will lead a life of luxury and enjoy life to the fullest.
23	Virodhi 1949, 2009	You will travel much and will face many great oppositions in life.
24	Vikriti 1950, 2010	You may be lean and dark in complexion with a defective limb, at times reflecting a hard-hearted attitude.
25	Khara 1951, 2011	You will have lung troubles and will be passionate.
26	Nandana 1952, 2012	You will be happy and content throughout.
27	Vijaya 1953. 2013	You are learned and respected. Your mind and powers of reason are highly

		logical.
28	Jaya 1954, 2014	You are successful and valorous.
29	Manmatha 1955, 2015	You will acquire precious articles and wealth. You will enjoy with the opposite sex.
30	Durmukha 1956, 2016	You may tend to be harmful to others; to keep company with the lower rungs of society and be vulgar of speech.
31	Hemalambha 1957, 2017	You will have good character; will be rich; will enjoy luxurious possessions; and will lead a comfortable life and.
32	Vilambha 1958, 2018	You may tend to be greedy, lazy and somewhat stingy.
33	Vikari 1959, 2019	You will be fickle-minded, unwise and suffer from false pride. You may do anything for your self-gratification.
34	Sharvari 1900, 1960, 2020	You are passionate, sexually active and incapable of doing anything on your own.
35	Plava 1901, 1961	You will be indecisive even in your daily affairs and may wander here to there.
36	Shubhakrita 1902, 1962	You are always a person of principles who is bent on doing good for others. You will learn many sciences and live long.
37	Shobhakrita (Shobhana) 1903, 1963	You will be a successful, high-soul individual with a good personality and a fine character.
38	Krodhi 1904, 1964	You will always be in such a rush that you risk spoiling your own undertakings. Your moral fiber may need strengthening.
39	Viswavasu 1905, 1965	You lead a life of luxury, choosing the best things in life. You are eventempered and of good character.
40	Parabhava 1906, 1966	You will have extra-marital affairs, may lose money and suffer poverty.

41	Plavanga 1907, 1967	You will be hard working and helpful to others but may suffer from ill health.
42	Kilaka 1908, 1968	You will have little luster to your personality but speak authoritatively. You may have a bad temper.
43	Saumya 1909, 1969	You will be learned, rich and enjoy the high life. You will respect your elders and the Supreme Lord.
44	Sadharana 1910, 1970	You will commit vile acts. You may be forced to leave your home and suffer on account of some illicit affair.
45	Virodhakrita 1911, 1971	You will be oppose society and even your parents and may suffer as an outcaste.
46	Paridhavi 1912, 1972	You are highly intelligent and will become learned. You will enjoy success in business.
47	Pramadi (Pramodisha) 1913, 1973	You will oppose your family, your very house may face disasters and you may harbor ill will towards society.
48	Ananda 1914, 1974	You will have a good family life with good children.
49	Rakshasa 1915, 1975	You will be happy but may be a source of distress to others.
50	Nala 1916, 1976	You will be a good business man and will become rich.
51	Pingala 1917, 1977	You will suffer from ailments that afflict the head.
52	Kalayukta 1918, 1978	You will be artistically inclined and rich. You will be a great friend, will earn a good name, and will enjoy a long life. You may have health problems.
53	Siddharthi 1919, 1979	You will be a great and sincere friend and will earn a good name for integrity. You will enjoy a long life and well-earned riches.
54	Raudra 1920, 1980	You will have a heavy physique and will have a short life and. You may be inclined to perform sinful deeds and

		may become a menace to others.
55	Durmati	You may be inclined to selfishness, harmful to others and not particularly helpful.
56	Dundubhi 1922, 1982	You will be enthusiastic in your daily activities and will be celebrated.
57	Rudhirodgari 1923, 1983	You may be inclined to perform unholy acts; you may suffer from one or more illnesses and may undergo surgery.
58	Raktaksha 1924, 1984	You will have an even temper, always kind and helpful to others.
59	Krodhana 1925, 1985	You will tend to cheat others, will be lethargic and will do harm to others.
60	Kshaya 1926, 1986	You may loose your ancestral property and may do anything to gratify your needs.



Brihaspati, the deity of planet Jupiter, departs the court of King Indra, who has offended him. (SB 6.7.10) Painting: Sriman Jnananjana Das Prabhu

purodhasam cha mukhyam mam viddhi partha brihaspatim

"Of priests, O Arjuna, know Me to be the chief, Brihaspati, the lord of devotion." (Bhagavad Gita As It Is 10.24)

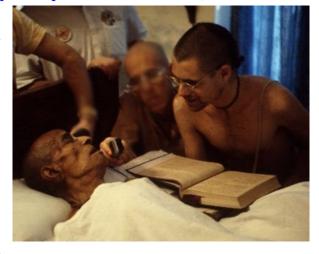
## Srila Prabhupada on Astrology

From: Memories of Srila Prabhupada, Anecdotes of a Modern Day Saint

Srila Prabhupada often called Pradyumna das Adhikary his "Panditji." Beginning from 1968 Pradyumna was the first among the Western disciples to learn Sanskrit. Under the guidance of his spiritual master, he lent his expertise into all of Prabhupada's literary projects. A natural scholar, Pt. Pradyumna Prabhu traveled the world with Srila Prabhupada carrying any number of weighty tomes with him. He assisted with the *Bhagavatam* project right until the last days of the pure devotee's earthly manifest appearance.

The following conversation with Pradyumna was recorded several years ago by the innovator of the *Memories* series, Sriman Siddhanta das. (See Tape 16, Order here: <a href="http://prabhupadamemories.com">http://prabhupadamemories.com</a>)

Pradyumna: Once in Hyderabad Ι asked Srila Prabhupada about astrology. I interested in Indian astrology and I was trying to understand how one's life is determined or not determined. what you can and what you can't read in a chart, what was there and what was not there spiritually. I asked Prabhupada, "What about astrology? Is it



part of Vaishnavism? Do we use astrology?" ...Because Nilambara Chakravarty, Lord Chaitanya's maternal grandfather, did an accurate chart for Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu. Srila Bhaktisiddanta Saraswati and Srila Bhaktivinode Thakur also knew astrology very well. "What's its validity?" Prabhupada said, "The Vaishnava attitude and *siddhanta* is whatever may come, may come. We don't care. But if you know it's going to rain, it's better to have an umbrella." Again he repeated it, "So our philosophy is as Maharaja Kulashekhar said, 'Whatever may come by Your mercy, let it come.' That's our philosophy. That's our *siddhanta*. But if you know it's going to rain, it's better to take an umbrella." •

## Life on the Moon?

US Presidential hopeful Newt Gingrich has promised that by his second term there will be a permanent American lunar base. The only hitch is that he needs to be elected twice. But it might be a good idea, because the Moon would make a great place for a thriving community of America's lunatic politicians. http://news.yahoo.com/gingrich-space-plan-promises-moon-literally-lunar-2020-003603224.html

Meanwhile, the following interesting video from Japan "proves" that the Moon is already heavily populated. Some readers may find it interesting. We certainly did. <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7KI0VIUVkSg&feature=player\_embedded">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7KI0VIUVkSg&feature=player\_embedded</a> •

## Karma on the Move



ishvarah sarva-bhutanam hrid-deshe'rjuna tishtati bhramayan sarva-bhutani yantradhani mayaya

"The Supreme Lord is situated in everyone's heart, O Arjuna, and is directing the wanderings of all living entities, who are seated as on a machine, made of the material energy." (*Bhagavad-gita* 18.61) •

## **Letters to the Editor**

(Edited for brevity)



#### "Has Been Benefited"

Dear Patita Pavana Prabhu,

Please accept my heartfelt good wishes. I have benefited, & will continue to benefit from the advice you have passed on to me in my recent reading.

Yours always in service in God, & His servants. HR (Australia)

### "Work is of Superb Quality"

Hare Krsna,

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. Both of your work is of superb quality with much attention to detail and *shastra* and your devotion shines. I am grateful for the time and care that you both have shown me. I will be in touch and surely I will have questions...

I remain in gratitude Your servant, SD (USA)

## "Whole Hearted Approach"

Dear Patita Pavana Prabhu, Dear Patita and Abhaya,

Thank you for your kind service. It is incredible to be able to stop, raise above and look at where you are on your journey. Your whole-hearted approach is very touching. I would be happy to serve you in any way, although you know that the best way I could serve would be the devotion to the Absolute.

Thank you, guys. Let God's grace be always with you. JB (Australia)

## "Newsletter is Eye-Opening"

Hare Krishna dear Patita Pavana Prabhu dear Abhaya Mudra Mataji, Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

Thanks so much for this eye-opening and informative newsletter. Always very enlightening. I hope for your effort developing this newsletter that you will continue to find the time and money. In regard to the new year and the wandering of the sun, what about December 21<sup>st</sup>, it is said it is the "Sommersonnenwende" so the change of the sun, how to deal with this detail?

Thanks again.

Your servant

DG (Deutschland)

Apparently the festivities of late December were Christian adaptations of the Makara Sankranti Mela held in India each year on 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. The church in an effort to propagate that pre-Christians were "heathens" simply adapted the ancient festivities of Europe (that had origins in Vedic tradition), concocted new meanings for them and miscalculated the dates, too boot. Who was it who said, "The winner writes history?" There is a link to an article on Makara Sankranti in our greeting on p. 2. -Ed.

### "Motorcycle Yoga"

Dear Patita Pavana das Adhikary Prabhu,

I have been reading your book a little at a time and must say I am enjoying it immensely. It brings back a lot of memories and I can relate to it a great deal. The scooter I traveled about on wasn't quite an Enfield but it certainly gave many adventures out on the road, exploring the surrounding country with Krishna's Name as my only companion. These days I am on a pedal bike but is still a lot of fun. Give me two wheels over four any day. I have very fond memories of that morning and reading about your adventures to Bheda Ghat brought back many of those memories (and others). Thank you.

Love and respect, MJ (UK)

#### "Vaishnava Calendar"

Dear Patita Pavana Prabhu.

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to you! All glories to Srila Prabhupada! First of all, happy Vedic new year on this auspicious Makara Sankranti day! I have been using the windows Software "Vaishnava Reminder 0.65b" set to my location and the ISKCON Option so far, to get reminded of Ekadashi and other important days. (It can be downloaded legal and free

at  $\frac{https://sites.google.com/site/srilaprabhupadamercy/home}{directly \ https://docs.google.com/open?id=0B6YaxaeNCn40ZWE3MWU5MjctOGJmMi00NjEwLWI2NWEtNGZjNThhOGViZDk5})$ 

Recently I discovered the website <a href="http://www.vaisnavacalendar.info">http://www.vaisnavacalendar.info</a>. The web servant of the website claims his calculation is right according to the GBC Calendar committee.

So I am perplexed now. Could you kindly explain to me, which software is accurate?

Furthermore I finished reading your book *Motorcycle Yoga* which I obtained from www.royalenfieldbooks.com I was a very pleasant read teaching many important lessons about India. After reading it, I am happy to be able to practice Krishna Consciousness in a comfortable 1st world country!

With kind regards,

#### BR (Deutschland)

We gratefully rely on the Vaishnava Calendar. We usually check it out on the same astro-software we provide out clients with and we have found it accurate. -Ed

#### "Dedication is Obvious"

#### Hare Krishna Prabhus.

Please accept my humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada. I wanted to thank you for the reading that you prepared for me last month and apologize for taking so long to write. It has only been this last week that I have been able to devote adequate time to read and digest the work that you put together for me.

Your work on my chart was very much appreciated and provided many insights for me. I was especially appreciative of your Krishna conscious demeanor and how comprehensive it is. Your dedication to your art is obvious and your ability to be true to the principles of your practice was very refreshing, thank you again.

We were wondering if it was possible for you to complete a similar chart for our daughter? If this is not possible we will have to wait until the end of March when she is back home with us. Thank you once again for your dedication and devotion, Your servant,

DD (USA)

### "Helpful in Making Decisions"

#### Hare Krishna.

Thank you so much for the wonderful description. It will be really helpful to us in making the right decisions. I hope this meets you in great and cheerful mood. Thank you again.

SK (India)

## "Amazing Insight"

Amazing insights Prabhu. I will do as you say. It is a shame the devotees are getting mixed up with these western astrologers, *mayavadis*, and new-agers in the name of preaching. I really admire your and Abhaya Mudra Mataji's sincere dedication to the order of your spiritual master, Srila Prabhupada. All glories to your service Prabhu.

Your grateful servant, VJ (USA)

## "Astounding"

My obeisances. Glories to Prabhupada.

Wow, still trying to digest it all! The first thing that comes to my mind though is how kind you have been. The time and energy you have put into it is astounding within the time frame. We have unlimited appreciation for what you have done and obviously you see this as an emergency situation and have thus acted accordingly. Thank you so much. Be in touch,

Your servants,

YD (New Zealand)

### "Nodding and Agreeing With Everything I read"

#### Hello!

Hope this finds you and Abhaya well. First, I want to commend you on your work on my reading. It was really amazing, I just found myself nodding and agreeing with everything I read. Such accuracy and detail into my inherent personal traits has been invaluable to me. It is now clear to me that I have been born in auspicious circumstances, blessed by Lord Krishna himself, and I will have many obstacles, but hopefully also many triumphs. The events that have transpired in my life are much clearer now and I feel much more prepared to progress forward in my service to the Lord. I must thank you both again for your service.

Second, I was wondering if you know of any ashrams of a Gaudiya spiritual master that will accept a neophyte like myself into their service. Doesn't matter the country. I have already given up a lot of my material attachments and don't really have any personal attachments anymore (few friends), so I don't think it would be too hard of a shock taking on austere life. Basically, I feel isolated and alone where I live now and I really want to make spirituality the core of my life, so if you could help me in this regard that would be great.

All the best,

DH (Canada)

We will definitely introduce you to some of our Godbrothers. Krishna matir astu. -Ed.

