



English Version  
**PART 36**

# **DIVINE MANDATE OF TIRUMALA SRI VENKATESWARA**

The Serial of Divine  
actions of Lord Tirumala  
Sri Venkateswara in order  
to establish his  
“HARINAAMA  
KSHETRA” in Telangana  
as another TIRUPATHI.  
- Govinda Dasu  
(Pullagurta Sai Reddy)





# DIVINE MANDATE OF TIRUMALA SRI VENKATESWARA

English Version  
PART 36

The Serial of Divine Acts of Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateswara in order to establish his “HARINAAMA KSHETRA” in Telangana alike another TIRUPATHI.

“Servant of Sri Venkateshwara”  
- Govinda Dasu (Pullagurla Sai Reddy)

**Direction:** Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateswara decided to arrange his “HARINAAMA KSHETRA” near our “Garden well” in my native village Chinna Gundavelli, 7 km. away from Sidhipet. He directed me to construct at least the replica of Tirumala Temple upto two compound walls (Silver Doors). He assured me that He will stay here permanently forever in this area by himself and bless the devotees. Also He suggested to arrange Akhanda Harinam Smaran (chanting constantly) by various devotees in shift system with no break. He also informed me to get blessed by Bhagavataas (great devotees) in order to get eligibility to invite Lord from Tirumala besides rigorous practice (Sadhana).

Starting the training from April 2000, thro’ my dreams, He disclosed the actual matter in April 2022. In

addition to this, He ordered me to get the divine feelings published which were blessed by him in order to make the devotees as partners in this programme from April 2023. The publishing of present part-36 is its part only (May 2021 to August 2021).

**Telling me that I was living by using the puja room as my bedroom**

For the past several days, I had been repeatedly offering full prostrations to Sri Venkateshwara and to my father, earnestly praying that I be shown where the Hari Nama Kshetram should be established. I prayed in many ways, with utmost humility, devotion, and intense longing from the depths of my heart. Because of the COVID-19 lockdown, I was staying at home, and every moment I continued praying to the Lord.

I prayed again in this manner: in the past, even before I purchased my house and my office, the Lord had shown them to me in dreams. Now this Hari Nama Kshetram was even more important to me than those, so I begged Him to tell me - or show me - where it should be established. At this point, I had no interest in anything else; this alone occupied my entire mind. With the firm resolve to establish Tirumala Sri Venkateshwara’s Hari Nama Kshetram by any means, I began intense spiritual practice. I also started praying



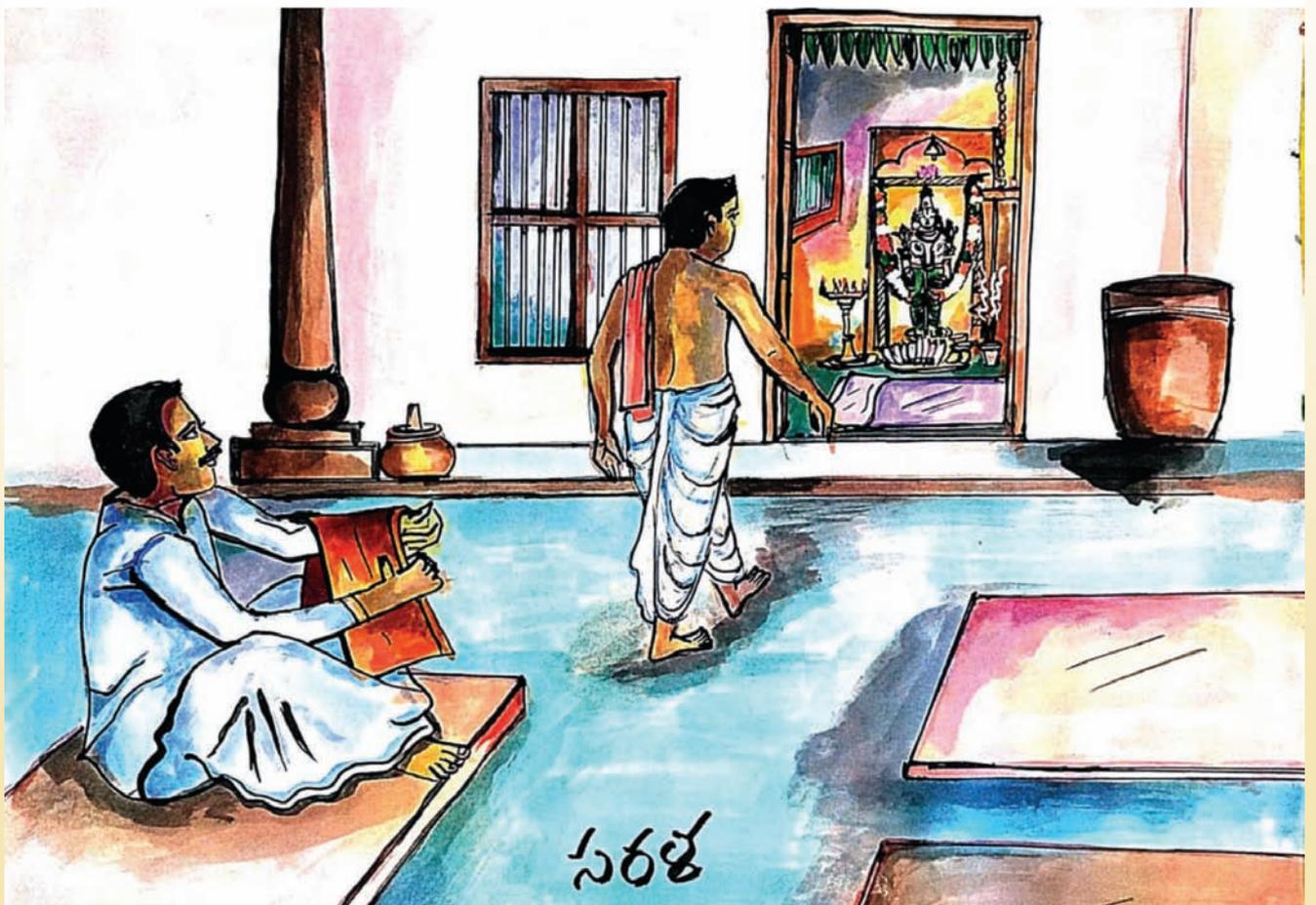
to Sri Venkateshwara ten times a day, asking Him to grant me my father's assistance as well.

Observing all this, Sri Venkateshwara became pleased and further encouraged me by also granting my father's support. In a playful, affectionate manner, He remarked, "You are living as if you have turned the puja room itself into a bedroom," and showed me the following divine act.

**Dream of 07-05-2021:** In this dream, we were in our old house in our native village. My father was also alive. All of us were living together in that house. At night, everyone would spread their beds and sleep in their respective places within the house. It was nighttime. All of us were spreading out our beds and getting ready to sleep. My father, too, was spreading his bed and preparing to lie down. I saw him clearly -

he had the same features, dressed in a dhoti, appearing as he did about twenty years before his passing away. In the entire house, there were four or five members - my mother, my sister, my father, one more person, and myself. Except for my father, everyone else appeared in an invisible form. The circumstances felt like the days when I was in my tenth standard or intermediate. We were all in the hall, having spread out our bedsheets, chatting about something and feeling cheerful.

In our house, at the southwest corner, there was a 10' x 8' room dedicated to God. This room was used only for rituals and worship, and never for any other purpose. We open it only during the time of worship. Yet, at this moment - around 9:30 to 10:00 at night, the time for going to sleep - I saw that this room was open. My bedding had been spread inside that





room for me to sleep. Everyone else was preparing to sleep in their respective places, chatting among themselves. Just then, a disembodied voice asked, “Where is Sai Reddy sleeping?” At that moment, my father replied, “He is sleeping in the puja room.”

Even though it was nighttime and the time to sleep, I was walking toward the puja room as though I were going there to perform worship, wearing a dhoti. Before entering the room, I noticed that my bed had already been laid inside it, and I was stepping in. I appeared in my present-day form, wearing a dhoti, as I entered the puja room. The dream ended there.

Here, it was shown that I was living with my bed arranged in the puja room itself. And since I had prayed to my father for help, he extended his assistance to me. Now, all that remains is the command of my Lord, Sri Venkateshwara. This incident filled me with great joy and encouragement. In a way, I felt that The Lord had playfully encouraged me by saying, “You are living as though you have turned the puja room into your bedroom.” It also gave me the confidence that I was moving in the right direction toward achieving my goal.

### **Prayer to make my life’s purpose bear fruit**

**Date 31-05-2021:** Today, 31-05-2021, was the day of the Sravana nakshatra. For the past few months, I have once again developed the habit of lighting a ghee lamp and praying to The Lord at 3:00 a.m. on every Sravana nakshatra day. In the past, before establishing the mahamantrapeetham, I used to do this and would pray that I be granted the fortune of serving Him. At that time, He granted me service exactly as I had prayed for. Later, I stopped this practice. Since last year, I had started it again. Perhaps due to the effect of this practice, I received the service of performing 111 kalyanas for the Lord. Even so, I have continued lighting the ghee lamp. I wish to receive even more opportunities to serve Him - especially to establish the *Hari Nama Kshetram*

and arrange uninterrupted chanting of His holy names there. Moreover, this is my life’s mission. I must establish it, and I was requesting Him to help me do so. I lamented that if I failed to establish this, my life would have no meaning and I would be someone who had failed in this lifetime. As days pass, my lifespan is diminishing, and I have a strong desire to conduct His uninterrupted name chanting for many years. The later I begin, the fewer years I would be able to carry it on for. Therefore, I repeatedly begged Him not to delay, to help me immediately, to show me where this should be established, and to grant me the strength and capacity required to carry it out. Yesterday, I prayed thus with tears flowing from my eyes.

Although Sriman Balaji had conveyed that The Lord had said that this program would begin after two more tasks were completed, I have been unable to remain calm until then and have been praying to the Lord every day.

### **Standing before the Lord as an offender**

Today, that is, on 31-05-2021, I prayed to The Lord to either punish me or show me an immediate remedy. This was because, due to COVID, shops and printing presses in the city were closed as per government instructions. As a result, I could not publish the June 2021 issue of the Sri Venkatesham monthly magazine. In fact, the DTP personnel and the printers had said they would somehow manage and provide it. But I stopped it, thinking that since there was no market and because of the lockdown I could save money. Later, I regretted it. I, who had promised that I would not commit even a single mistake, was now committing mistakes one after another. If it were one or two mistakes, I might be forgiven, but one who keeps repeating mistakes should not be forgiven. Again and again, I pleaded that I be punished or that an immediate corrective path be



shown to me. I pleased to the Lord saying, “this offender stands before you, confessing his faults, begging you to punish him in whatever way you deem fit, since I deserve punishment”. I stood before The Lord and began to wait. Just as I had assumed the Lord would punish me, He sent police and intimidated me. That divine act unfolded in the following way.

**Date: 01-06-2021 – Dream:** In this dream, I was studying at Osmania University Engineering College and staying in the hostel. Some old students had come for some function. In this hostel, the rooms are on one side and the bathrooms are separately on the other side. I went to take a bath, holding a bucket, and entered many bathrooms. Since there was no water in any of them, I kept going to other bathrooms. Finally, searching for water, I came outside the hostel. At that time, an old student - who is now in an IPS rank - came wearing

white clothes. Along with him were a few other old students. That is all the dream contained.

I assumed that The Lord had sent an IPS officer either to threaten me or to punish me. Since the thought of saving money had arisen in me, I considered this to be a fault on my part.

### **Indication that I was being trained**

**Dream dated 13-06-2021:** Sometime earlier, around the year 2009, in order to impart knowledge to me and to show me that I had not yet given up the sense of “mine,” The Lord sent a Guru from Tirupati. Perhaps I am now living in the very house that this Guru had indicated and continuing my education there. To test how much progress I had made in this learning, the same Guru has now come again from Tirupati. He examined me in a classroom.



After that, the Guru's elder sister is also living here. I am staying in her house and continuing my studies. It seems that I myself had given her a house that I had built for her to live in. She is residing in that house. It is a simple, unostentatious house - one large hall, a kitchen on one side, a dining hall, and a bathroom on the other side, all with cement flooring. This house is like the kind meant for practitioners - Gurus and Brahmins plain and simple, without any show or luxury.

The Guru's sister was living in this house. She appeared to be around 45–50 years of age. The Guru himself appears to be around 30–35 years old. He is about 5 feet 9 inches tall, wearing jeans and a blue shirt with white stripes. After my examination, the Guru came to his sister's house to rest. Sitting on a chair, he was reading some book.

Meanwhile, after finishing my class, I too came to the same house. But my appearance was not as it is now. My present age is 60 years. In the dream, however, I was of the age of a child studying in the 9th or 10th standard - about 15-16 years old - wearing trousers and carrying a schoolbag on my back as I entered the house. At that moment, I appeared like a high-school student. As soon as I entered the house, the Guru was seated on a chair, reading something. His elder sister was seen engaged in some work. Since this was my own home, without any hesitation I went straight into the bathroom and washed my feet. I suffer from diabetic neuropathy, so I always wear socks on my feet. This time too, I went into the bathroom wearing socks and washed my feet over the socks themselves. I noticed these socks distinctly. After that, I went into the house. The dream ended.

That is to say, I learned the etiquette of washing one's feet immediately upon entering the house. And I am living in a gurukula, studying in the presence of the

guru. My Lord keeps examining and assessing my progress in learning from time to time. Whether this guru who appeared now is the same guru who came a few years ago was not very clear. I did not carefully compare them, but their features appeared to be the same.

Overall, it seemed that the Lord has affection for my education. It appeared as though I was being trained in order to carry out a certain task. And it also appeared that the guru was satisfied.

### Inviting Guests

**Dream dated 16-06-2021:** In this dream, I was in a hostel attached to an engineering college. The college authorities were organizing a large festival. For this, many outsiders had come from various places. Since the program was to last about two or three days, the people who had come from other regions were given accommodation in our hostel rooms themselves. Those who knew them hosted these outsiders in their respective rooms. Our rooms were very large. Each room already had four to six of us staying there. The room I was in was also large. An ex-MLA known to me, Shri Prabhakar garu, had also come to this gathering along with his friends. Since he was known to me, he came to my room, finished his bath and other routines, spread his bed on the floor itself, and lay down. We were talking about various things. My room was full of people. Altogether, it seemed that several thousand people had come for this function. Meanwhile, as it became 4:45 a.m., the alarm in my room rang and the dream ended.

**The meaning of this was:** This indicated that during festivals one should invite many acquaintances and must certainly arrange food and accommodation for them. I felt that this was perhaps guidance on the practices to be followed after the Hari Nama Kshetram is established.

## **Running the Magazine with Available Writings**

After failing in my resolve, my determination to obey whatever the Lord said rose to an extreme level. I vowed that I would continue running the *Sri Venkatesham* monthly magazine until the Lord Himself said “enough.” I apologized for not publishing it for one month during the COVID period. However, of late, good articles have not been coming for the magazine, and not many readers are reading it. This made me unhappy. Therefore, I repeatedly prayed to the Lord to arrange for good articles to come to the magazine and for more devotees to read it. This happened yesterday evening, i.e., on 17-06-2021.

In response to this, today morning at 5:30 a.m., while I was practicing pranayama, the Lord granted me a divine act visible only to me.

**Divine act dated 18-06-2021:** In this act, the Lord showed me the incident that instructed me to start the *Sri Venkatesham* monthly magazine. The entire scene that had earlier been shown in a dream came alive again before my eyes - where I was taught to look only at Lord Venkateswara on the hill, and even if I fell down, to get up without even dusting off the dirt that stuck to me, and to proceed without paying attention to injuries. Not only that, it felt as though some power had entered me. While mentally witnessing those events, I loudly spoke, as if telling someone else, that even if one falls down or gets hurt, one should not bother and should move forward with the same speed, going ahead on one's knees. These words came out of my mouth spontaneously. And the entire scene of that day appeared again before my eyes.

With this, my duty became clear. That is - no matter whether good articles come or not, I should not lose heart, but should carry on running the magazine by managing with whatever material is available. This was the command I understood.

Thus, for the question I asked regarding *Sri Venkatesham*, the Lord gave the required answer within 12 hours.

## **Madhu's Dream – Renewed Enthusiasm**

With the sole aim of pleasing the Lord, I have been engaging in rigorous spiritual practice for the past several months. In particular, I have been praying that the Kalyanam programs should begin soon. I have been strictly preventing my mind from wandering toward unrelated matters. Since I have been doing this continuously for many days, I became somewhat exhausted. Noticing this, the Lord bestowed a dream upon one of His devotees and had it shared with me, thereby filling me with renewed enthusiasm once again. That divine episode is as follows.

**Dream dated 20-06-2021:** I have a friend named Madhu. Today he called me and narrated this: around 5 a.m. the other day, he had a dream. In the dream, Madhu, along with his wife and children, had gone to Tirupati. They were standing before the Lord at Ananda Nilayam for His darshan. At that time, he saw me enter the sanctum sanctorum of the Lord and perform worship to the presiding deity like a priest, with his own eyes. In the dream itself, he wondered why I was there. He said the darshan was very satisfying. After that, the dream ended.

He told me, “I saw you very clearly in this dream - inside the sanctum of Lord Venkateswara. The Lord's grace upon you is abundant.” He also said that he felt very happy.

After hearing this dream, the discouragement within me vanished and I felt filled with fresh energy and vigour. Enthusiasm surged again. It felt as though the Lord was observing my every movement and guiding me.



## Warnings

Whenever my mind strays from the path like this, the Lord begins to warn me through His divine acts. I saw two such dreams, as described below.

**Dream dated 22-06-2021:** In this dream, I saw a photograph of Lord Jagannatha on a wall. The photograph appeared very close and clear. After that, I saw a few more divine acts, but I forgot them.

**Dream dated 23-06-2021:** In this dream, Lord Krishna was playing as a little child. No matter how much a man in the house tried, he was unable to control Him. But a woman - probably Yashoda - was able to control Him very easily. As soon as she arrived, Krishna stopped His mischief and followed her. The dream ended.

I saw dreams like these. Perhaps this is an indication that work gets accomplished when one deals with the Lord with love and affection.

**24-06-2021:** Whenever I become bored and place my mind on unrelated matters instead of focusing on the Lord's objective, the Lord changes my mind by one means or another. If I ignore this and continue in the same way, physical discomforts begin. Eventually, I surrender and return to the original state. This has happened many times. What can we do, for the mind does not remain in one state forever; new thoughts keep arising, and if there is pleasure in them, the mind gets stuck there. For the past two or three days, different thoughts have been arising, and I became immersed in them. Unexpectedly, starting from 3 a.m. today, a neuropathic problem began in my left foot, like repeated electric shocks. As this occurred two to three times every minute, I could not sleep. Finally, I surrendered to the Lord and prayed, asking Him to forgive my mistake. After that, I fell into a deep and peaceful sleep.

Later, I received an inner message from the depths of my heart: "You must always keep your focus only on your goal and remain absorbed in thinking about it."

## Earnestly Praying for Protection

Over the past few days, my mind has occasionally strayed onto side paths, and knowing that this has displeased my Lord caused me great anguish. To remove this tendency permanently, I prayed to the Lord in the following manner.

**25-06-2021:** Today, I conveyed my condition to the Lord with utmost humility. I told Him that at times my mind becomes unsteady, that it is drawn toward worldly interests, that I begin to feel it would be good to secure them, and that the very thought of them brings pleasure. Because of this, I drift away from the remembrance of the Lord. I admitted that although He has told me many times not to do this, it sometimes happens without my conscious intention. I explained that for four to six days after receiving His divine signs and experiences, I remain steady, but afterward I forget again; worldly matters resurface in my mind, and I begin thinking, "It would be nice if it were like this, or like that." Finally, I prayed that He protect me from such delusive thoughts and begged Him, with deep humility, to ensure that my mind remains entirely fixed on His lotus feet. Tears streamed from my eyes as I pleaded with complete surrender.

By the Lord's grace, I then emerged from that disturbed state and began praying to Him with great affection and joy.

## Acceptance of the Second Vow

I accepted the performance of Srinivasa Kalyanams as the Lord's second resolve for me. Since the vow of japa-offering began in Dussehra 2002 and concluded in September 2020, I felt that I must remain eternally indebted to the Lord, and so I considered this

second vow to be in effect from Dussehra 2020 onward. According to this resolve, I would have to perform at least seven Kalyanams by Dussehra 2021; otherwise, I would certainly fail in this second resolve. There were only three and a half months until Dussehra. However, the impact of COVID on the world has not yet fully subsided. People fear even looking at one another. The government has prohibited spiritual gatherings. Although idols have been made, the required thrones (simhasanas) are still not ready. The workers have been bringing up many difficulties. Some time ago, I prayed to the Lord to begin this program soon. Then the Lord told me, “You yourself are the one holding it back.” The meaning was: “Prepare the necessary materials; once you do that, I will arrange the circumstances for conducting the Kalyanams.” Accordingly, I set out to prepare the items that were my responsibility - thrones, stage, banners, ornaments, and so on. But despite repeated efforts, I was unable to move even a single step forward. Fear gripped me that I would fail in this vow. My hands and feet began to tremble. Therefore, I resolved to hold firmly to the Lord in prayer until the Kalyanam program begins, and I started praying intensely.

### **A Special Mode of Mental Worship**

After praying to the Lord throughout the day, in the evening at my office I began to worship Him in my mind in a special way. First, I would pray to the Lord with deep anguish and invite Him to come before me. Then, imagining that the Lord was standing before me, I would clearly see His dark-coloured feet. Next, with the intention of washing the Lord’s feet, I would pray to Brahma and take Ganga water from his kamandalu; I would pray to Manasa Sarovara and take some water from there as well, and wash the Lord’s feet. After that, I would pray to the celestial cow Kamadhenu in heaven and collect some milk to wash His feet again. Then I would worship His feet with fine honey, sandalwood

paste, and fragrant substances. Again and again, using water, milk, and honey, I would lovingly massage and wash the Lord’s feet with both my hands, to my heart’s full contentment. Finally, I would pray to Indra, offer Parijata flowers from heaven along with Tulasi leaves and rose flowers, bow at His feet, and pray. Due to this method of prayer, I would be filled with overwhelming joy. While washing the Lord’s feet, tears of bliss would inevitably flow from my eyes. For the past twenty days, this practice has been proceeding beautifully.

After performing the foot-worship in this manner on **01-07-2021**, I asked the Lord for a boon. What I asked for was this: I requested Him to grant me **the same boon that Sanjaya received in the Mahabharata**. That is - wherever I may be, once a day, or once a week, or whenever He wishes, He should appear clearly to me as He is in Tirumala. Wherever I may be on this earth at that time, I should be able to clearly see Him in Ananda Nilayam for about ten minutes. I prayed earnestly for this boon. I named this request the “**Sanjaya Boon**” and began praying to the Lord for it every day. Until the upcoming first Ekadashi, i.e., **20-07-2021**, I intended to wash the Lord’s feet daily and pray in this manner to receive the boon. I believed that if I had the eligibility and merit, I would certainly receive it. By doing so, I did not receive the Sanjaya Boon; however, due to COVID and certain other obstacles, the fear that my second vow would not be fulfilled disappeared, and the **Kalyanam program began**.

### **Commencement of the First Kalyanam**

**06-07-2021**: For quite some time, my efforts to begin the Kalyanams were not bearing fruit. Finally, **05-07-2021** arrived - a day of immense significance for me. On one hand, it was my birthday according to the English calendar. On the other, it was the day when



the Lord addressed me saying **“Saireddy is Mine.”** It was also the day I resolved to construct the **Sri Venkateswara Mahamantra Sthupam**, and the day I was blessed with the opportunity of serving the Lord. Therefore, yesterday, i.e., **05-07-2021**, I prayed to the Lord in many ways and begged Him to help me. I told Him that I had no strength of my own; that every bit of my strength and every thought belonged to Him alone; that without Him, without His bestowal of power, I could do nothing and would be no more than a blade of grass. I also told Him that in the past He had granted me opportunities to serve until I was satisfied, that even now I had a deep desire to continue serving Him, and that with this intention I had resolved to conduct **111**

**Srinivasa Kalyanam** and to establish **Hari Naama Kshetrams**.

I explained that although I had been trying for some time to accomplish these two goals, I was unable to move forward, and therefore I humbly prayed that He help me and make arrangements for these programs to happen soon. Just as I had prayed for, from the evening of **05-07-2021**, signs began to appear that the work would proceed quickly. The artisans preparing the thrones brought some completed pieces on the morning of **06-07-2021** and said they would finish everything by **15-07-2021**. The curtains were being made.

Earlier, in a conversation with **Dr. K. V. Ramanachary**, I had told him that I had taken a vow to conduct **111 free Srinivasa Kalyanams** and requested his help in fulfilling it. Today, Dr. Ramanachary informed me that the **first Kalyanam** should be conducted on the upcoming first Ekadashi, **20-07-2021**, along with *Bhaja Govindam*, at the **TTD Hall in Himayat Nagar**. He also took responsibility for arranging the TTD Hall. This filled me with great happiness, and we began preparations for the Kalyanams.

Earlier, the Lord had given certain instructions regarding who should do what in arranging these Kalyanams, and I had also written some points down. These included:

1. Along with the Lord and the Kalyanam materials, we should proceed in the “Namo Venkatesaya” chariot.
2. This chariot should be received with musical instruments and rhythmic music.
3. Our people designated to serve the Lord should follow a proper traditional dress code and participate in the procession wearing Hindu symbols such as the conch and discus.
4. When the Lord arrives as the bridegroom, His feet should be washed in front of the stage.
5. The Kalyanam should be conducted strictly according to Tirumala tradition, following the Vaikhanasa Agama, in a scripturally prescribed manner, including “Laja” Homam, and the philosophy of the Lord should be explained intermittently.
6. The Kalyanam should not be restricted to a small number of sponsors but should be conducted as a mass Kalyanam, allowing a large number of devotees to witness it. Therefore, it should not be held inside a house but in a spacious open area.

7. The Kalyanam should be conducted free of cost. This includes taking the Lord in the Namo Venkatesaya chariot along with the designated serving people, arranging the stage, and bearing the expenses for Brahmin honorariums ourselves. In a sense, this would be a Kalyanam jointly conducted by us and the sponsors. It should be held on a date convenient to the sponsors and at a location suggested by them (though we decided it would be within Hyderabad and surrounding areas).

Overall, our primary resolve was that, along with the sponsors, a large number of devotees should become recipients of the Lord’s grace and blessings. These were the rules and principles we established. However, Sri Venkateswara, in addition to these rules, specially granted - through the following divine act - an arrangement for my wife Surekha to organize and manage the materials on the Kalyanam stage.

### **Surekha’s Responsibility – A Dream**

**On 20-07-2021**, the first Ekadashi of the year, we intended to conduct the first Srinivasa Kalyanam as part of the total 111 Srinivasa Kalyanams that we had resolved to perform. However, we had never conducted the Lord’s Kalyanam in this manner before, and until then nothing had been prepared. No arrangements had been made - not even buying clothes or any other essentials. Yet, we strongly wished to perform the Lord’s Kalyanam on 20-07-2021. We sent invitations to acquaintances and to the Sri Venkateswara Bhakta Samaj in Hyderabad, informing them that this was the first Kalyanam among the 111 we had vowed to perform, and that the remaining Kalyanams should be conducted by them in their respective localities. I requested them to come especially to witness how grandly the Kalyanam would be performed. As the time drew near, Surekha became anxious, worrying about



how the Kalyanam could be conducted when nothing had been prepared. Observing this state of mind, the Lord showed the following divine dream to her

**Dream dated 17-07-2021:** There was a wedding of a very close relative of Surekha, and she alone was responsible for the entire arrangement. However, she had not bought any items nor made any preparations. While she was still thinking about what to do, the moment of the wedding arrived. On the wedding stage, there was no grandeur at all. She was not even wearing a new saree - only ordinary household clothes. There was no decoration, no arrangements of any kind. In a short while, the wedding rituals were about to begin. Meanwhile, the priest on the stage began asking for the ritual items one by one. Surekha became confused and anxious, not knowing what to do, as nothing had been arranged. Noticing this, the priest gently and calmly said: "There is no need to worry. We will conduct the ceremony with whatever is available. Do not be anxious, dear." He then rearranged whatever items were available on the stage, placing them appropriately here and there. That was the end of the dream.

The Lord, having observed our mental state, encouraged us to move forward without hesitation. This dream made Surekha very happy, and within two days we enthusiastically gathered all the necessary arrangements.

The meaning of this dream did not end there. In the subsequent Kalyanams, Surekha herself began, with great enthusiasm, to personally arrange the items on the stage. In other words, the Lord entrusted the responsibility of arranging the ceremonial items on the Kalyanam stage to Surekha.

## Action initiated on the second resolve

### The First Kalyanam among the 111 Kalyanams for the Lord

As part of my resolve to perform 111 Kalyanams for my Lord Tirumala Sri Venkateswara, which I had been waiting to perform for almost a year, the first Kalyanam was conducted on the first Ekadashi, 20-07-2021. It was held with great grandeur in the TTD Kalyana Mandapam at Himayat Nagar, Hyderabad, in the evening. From 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM, *Bhaja Govindam* was rendered, after which the Kalyanam was conducted under the auspicious blessings and direct supervision of the Sri Sri Sri Pushpagiri Peethadhipati, Sri Vidhushekara Bharati Swamiji, Dr. K. V. Ramanachari, Dr. Puligadda Vijayalakshmi, Sri Kasireddy Venkat Reddy, and Sri Maringanti Kulashekhara Acharyulu delivered discourses. Subsequently, under the leadership of the chief priest Sri Prahladacharyulu, the Kalyanotsavam was joyfully conducted. More than 400 devotees attended the ceremony. For this Kalyanam, Sri Venkateswara along with Sridevi and Bhudevi were taken in procession from our home in the "Namo Venkatesaya" chariot, accompanied by auspicious musical instruments. We reached the hall at around 3:00 PM, and the main program commenced from 5:00 PM.

The Kalyanam was conducted very smoothly, joyfully, and to everyone's complete satisfaction. A new chapter in my life began. While serving my Lord, He granted me the opportunity to enable others also to partake in the blessing of service. At least 7 Kalyanams every year, and a minimum of 111 Kalyanams in total, must be performed. This program was initiated in my mind on Vijayadashami in 2020, but the first Kalyanam took place on 20-07-2021. To fulfil this resolve, I was entirely dependent on my Lord. That this day was the first Ekadashi, my birthday, and the day on which the



Lord called me “His own” is my great fortune. Thus, with great difficulty, we commenced this Kalyanam service. However, the anxiety that at least 7 Kalyanams must be completed before the coming Vijayadashami (15-10-2021) - failing which I would fall short in this second resolve - continued to trouble me. Therefore, I humbly prayed to the Lord to protect and guide me.

On the occasion of beginning this second resolve, I once again reflected upon the divine acts shown by the Lord in relation to the Kalyanam programs, as follows:

**24-07-2021:** From 2002 to 2020, over a span of 18 years, we offered seven crore written recitations of the divine name each year to the Lord. Because the merit of two years was transferred to my mother, a 16-year resolve took 18 years to complete - that is, it concluded in 2020 instead of 2018. Furthermore, when I completed 60 years of age on the first Ekadashi of 2020, I prayed to the Lord to grant us some additional service within our capacity and to allow us to continue in His service. In accordance with this prayer, we resolved to conduct a total of 111 Kalyanams, to be performed through various devotees. To conduct this program in a dignified and proper manner, special

Kalyana thrones (simhasanam) were also made. Ultimately, this Kalyanam program formally commenced with the first Kalyanam on 20-07-2021, the first Ekadashi. However, the program had already been mentally inaugurated on Vijayadashami 2020, and it was credited to the account of the Sri Venkateswara Maha Mantra Peetham.

For the purpose of conducting the Kalyanams, I had beautiful idols made at Kumbakonam, and they were gold-plated as well. In Hyderabad, we had Kalyana simhasanam (ceremonial thrones) made and brass coverings prepared for them. Behind the thrones, in the manner followed at TTD, we had a fine muslin cloth prepared bearing the symbols of the conch, discus, and the sacred forehead mark. Permanent arrangements were made on the kalyana stage to place banana plants. On the stage, fittings for flowers and the muslin backdrop were designed with a nut-and-bolt system, so that they could be assembled and dismantled whenever required. The simhasanam too were constructed permanently using the nut-and-bolt system. Further, in a manner pleasing to the Lord, so that The Lord, his consort the mother goddess, and all the deities would appear most graceful, radiant, and beautiful, we purchased exquisite ornaments.



Thus, I spent every day absorbed in thoughts about this program. Considerable travel and effort were required for the manufacture and collection of these various items. At every stage, my desire that my Lord and the mother goddess should look perfect, and my deep yearning for them, filled me with joy and bliss. I repeatedly prayed to the Lord to allow this Kalyanam program to begin at the earliest. However, circumstances seemed unfavourable. As the COVID-19 pandemic was at its peak, delays increased, leaving me breathless with anxiety, unsure of what to do. I took refuge in the Lord alone, praying continuously and repeatedly begging Him to set right the circumstances and bring about conditions for the program to be conducted soon.

Finally, hearing my plea, the Lord once revealed the following in a divine act on 24-10-2020: "First, complete the simhasanams and the other materials that you are preparing. Meanwhile, I will set the circumstances right. You are behind; I am ahead."

In accordance with this divine indication, I reflected upon the first Kalyanam held on 20-07-2021. Around that time, the government relaxed COVID-19 restrictions just a few days earlier, permitting spiritual gatherings. However, the Kalyana simhasanams I had planned were still not fully completed. The muslin backdrop was finished only a day before the event. Ultimately, with great difficulty, the simhasanams were used temporarily and without polish for the first Kalyanam. Materials for placing the banana plants were brought from outside. The stage setup system was finalized just one day prior. Thus, exactly as the Lord had stated and guided, the first Kalyanam took place.

As for my own condition, it too aligned precisely with the Lord's guidance. The instruction to remain completely immersed in His service and set aside family matters suited my mental state. Because of the deep

impact left on me earlier due to my son's rejection, I resolved to perform the Lord's service with even greater intensity, without holding back in financial matters. I do not find satisfaction in performing The Lord's service easily or comfortably. I impose upon myself stringent, razor-edge-like disciplines, and humbly pray to the Lord to help me fulfil them. Only then do I feel satisfied.

### **Our Service – A Divine Play**

In this manner, my mental state was well aligned with the guidance given by the Lord. Moreover, I was pursuing not only the Kalyanam program but had also added the resolve to establish a Hari Nama Kshetram. Perhaps it was this combined resolve that pleased the Lord greatly. Portraying all of this as a divine play, the Lord showed a beautiful divine act to my wife Surekha, as described below.

**Dream of 03-08-2021:** I dreamt that I had constructed a new house to live in. Even while the old house was still there, I told my wife that we should build a new one and move into it. We selected an auspicious day, fixed an auspicious time (*muhurtham*), and were ready to shift into the new house. Surekha asked why we needed a new house when the old one was perfectly fine. But I insisted, saying no, no - we must live in the new house, and I somewhat forced the decision to move there. Yielding to my words, Surekha made all the arrangements to shift into the new house. The house-warming ceremony was to be held the very next day.

Meanwhile, I suddenly began making arrangements to build yet another house, saying that the present one was not acceptable. I even started construction on this second house. Surekha was completely confused. She felt the first house was good, yet I said we should build a second one and move there; and just when it was time to move, I rejected it again and began constructing a third house. She questioned

me, asking what all this meant. Then I told her that this third one was the final house and forced her to accept it. Eventually, Surekha agreed according to my insistence. The dream ended.

The true meaning of the above dream is as follows: Earlier, we were engaged in the service of Japa Samarpana. Now, I had compelled Surekha to shift into the new service of Srinivasa Kalyanams. Meanwhile, the Lord indicated that there was yet another service, namely the Hari Nama Kshetram, into which we might move - or which I was attempting to take up. While doing DTP work on this section, a second interpretation also emerged: We currently have a good house in Hyderabad to live in. However, at this point, after persuading Surekha, while renovating the house in our native place, we may also attempt - according to the Lord's command - to construct another house near the Hari Nama Kshetram.

### **Mental Turmoil**

As part of my spiritual practice, for the past few months, on every Shravana Nakshatra, I had been waking up at 3:00 a.m. and offering a ghee lamp to the Lord in prayer. Since 21-08-2021 was the day of Shravana Nakshatra, I was to light the lamp in the puja room at home at 3:00 a.m. However, the evening before, on 20-08-2021, while at my office, I was seized by the following mental distress.

All the events of the past suddenly resurfaced in my mind - how the Lord had chosen me and asked me to fulfil a resolve; how I had grieved when I failed in that resolve. Finally, I remembered how the Lord had said that I attained success due to the blessings of the Lord's devotees. Since they were the true cause of that success, I had asked that the fruits be shared with them. I then prayed for another resolve, and as a result, the Lord granted me the Kalyanam program. But I realized that I had not deeply engraved all this in my heart. I had

forgotten it. Once again, the past came rushing back. The feeling that I had failed in my resolve and had not truly attained the Lord burned within me. Recognizing my own incompetence, I felt as though I had suddenly fallen into the depths of despair. Intense sorrow overwhelmed me.

A sense of utter helplessness took over - along with the thought that I was utterly useless. I felt that I had no strength or capability whatsoever. I considered myself utterly unfit, unworthy to be a servant of Tirumala Sri Venkateswara, the Lord of Lords. And yet, despite my unworthiness, He continued to keep me as His servant - this itself showed His immeasurable compassion. Otherwise, I felt, He would have abandoned me. I lamented, saying: "Lord! I am incompetent. I failed in my resolve. I have no strength, no ability, no intelligence. I do not know how to do any task properly. If You keep me as Your servant, it will only bring dishonour to You." At that moment, a sudden thought struck me: What if the Lord were to abandon me? What would become of me then? I imagined my condition and was filled with grief. Tears streamed from my eyes as I pleaded, crying aloud: "Do not abandon me, Lord! Please give me strength. Please allow me to continue in Your service."

At that time, my mental state was such that I felt myself to be utterly insignificant in this world, a person with no strength or capability, entirely dependent on others - one hundred percent. This feeling was so strong that I physically lost strength, could not stand steadily even once, and stumbled. Somehow, I managed to steady myself at the office and return home. That night, I went to sleep burdened with sorrowful thoughts. In the early hours of 21-08-2021, Shravana Nakshatra day, I woke up at 2:30 a.m., completed my bath and rituals, and at 3:00 a.m., I prayed to the Lord with intense anguish, invoking His presence. While standing in the puja room to light the lamp, humbly begging



forgiveness as a helpless soul, the Lord - perhaps seeing my condition - granted a beautiful divine act, visible only to me, as described below.

**Leela on 21-08-2021:** While I was lighting the lamp and praying to the Lord with deep humility, I clearly saw the Tirumala Sri Venkateswara Temple. I was standing alone in front of the Maha Dwaram (the main gateway). The gateway was open. The Maha Dwaram and the entire temple surroundings were shining brilliantly, radiating divine splendour. I felt as though the Lord was inviting me to come inside and have His darshan. But I continued to stand outside the main entrance, offering my salutations to the Lord, imagining Him inside, and remaining immersed in sorrow. "O Lord! I am not worthy enough to cross your threshold and enter inside. I have lost that eligibility due to my own incompetence. That is why I am offering my salutations from outside. Please accept my salutations," I pleaded again and again. Calling myself unfortunate, reproaching myself, and grieving deeply, I remained standing outside the threshold. That was all. This was not a dream. This was a vision that appeared clearly before my eyes while I was fully conscious and praying.

I then prayed again as follows: "O Lord Sri Venkateswara! Even though I struggled for 18 years in my resolve to offer You 111 crore repetitions of your name, to place the sacred mark on your forehead, to invite you to our home, and to worship your feet, I failed in that resolve due to my destiny. In the end, even though You lovingly said that I attained success through the blessings of your devotees, those blessings themselves came only by Your grace! In truth, I failed. Therefore, I cannot behave like one who has succeeded in his resolve and say, 'Lord, I have fulfilled my resolve and offered You 111 crore recitations,' apply the sacred mark, and invite you. I have lost the capacity to invite you. If You still choose to grant my wish, come

to our home, accept our worship of your feet, bless me, and depart - it will be solely a testimony to your grace and your boundless affection for devotees, not to any achievement of mine. This is the truth - true, true, absolutely true."

As tears streamed down my eyes, it was already 3:00 a.m., so I lit the ghee lamp, finally offered aarati, bowed once more, and came out of the puja room. I resolved that I should never again ask the Lord to fulfil my wish on the grounds that I had succeeded in my resolve. Only if He shows mercy, only if I am fortunate, will it ever come to pass. Ultimately, I am merely an incompetent servant - this conviction settled firmly in my mind. With this thought, I lay down again. But sorrow kept welling up repeatedly, and only after some time, did I finally fall asleep.

### **Reading the Experiences Gained After Realizing My Unworthiness**

#### **Letting Go of Anxiety**

Earlier, when I was grieving over having failed in my first resolve, the Lord, through a divine act, arranged for Tirupati laddus to be gifted to me by many devotees on 22-12-2020. But unable to understand its meaning, I suffered for many days believing that I had failed. Finally, on 13-02-2021, I understood why the Tirupati laddus had been given as a gift. I realized that I had not won through my own strength, but had succeeded through the blessings of the Bhagavatas. Therefore, I made a vow that the entire merit of this result belonged to every devotee who had participated in the 18 years of the 7-crore japa each year, and I dedicated it wholly to them. I also prayed to the Lord to allow this merit to be shared among those devotees. Yet, I failed to truly imprint this realization in my heart. It did not transform me at my core. The pain that I had laboured day and night for 18 years and yet had not attained God never left me internally.

From 13-02-2021 to 20-08-2021, for nearly six months, this pain lay within me like fire covered by ashes. Finally, on 20-08-2021, it burst forth. Tormented by thoughts that I was useless, incompetent, unworthy of calling myself a servant of the Lord, and a wretched failure in my resolve, I was consumed by inner anguish. Perhaps this feeling had been deeply embedded within my mind. And so, it surfaced all at once and caused me immense pain. Observing this, Sri Venkateswara, on 23-08-2021, instilled a profound inner realization within me and permanently removed this sorrow.

### **Divine act dated 23-08-2021**

A deep inner prompting arose within me: "Hey! Immediately read all the experiences you have had since you realized your unworthiness in the resolve." Since the Lord Himself instructed me so, I read them at once. Then I understood the truth. On 13-02-2021, I had already offered the entire fruit of my resolve to all those devotees who had been participants in the seven-crore japa each year for eighteen years. Later, when I again began to hope for that fruit on 20-08-2021, I realized that such expectation was unwise. I resolved firmly that such thoughts should never arise in my mind again. Earlier, perhaps because I had not fully remembered or internalized this, the Lord of Tirumala again brought this realization to me. By making me reread all the experiences I had gone through since feeling defeated in the resolve, He enabled me to truly understand myself. Immediately, I prayed to the Lord with humility. I begged Him for forgiveness. With utmost supplication, I requested Him to share this fruit immediately with all the devotees who had written the japa. I also vowed that I would never ask for it again. In a way, it felt as though this transformation had now occurred at my very root.

That night, I reflected deeply within myself: Do I even have the right to grieve that I "failed" in the Lord's resolve? I am the Lord's servant, one who has surrendered his individuality, one who lives as Govinda Dasa, having vowed that I belong to Him and that I will move only according to whatever impulses or feelings He instils in me. How, then, can I again try to preserve or assert my own individuality? Why should there be sorrow over "failure"? It was the Lord Himself who initiated this resolve of offering the japa. I merely functioned like a tool. He chose to bestow the entire fruit upon His devotees. What objection can I possibly have to that? Since I myself had written the japa and was a participant in it, I had assumed that I would receive the fruit of the resolve in proportion to the japa I had written. But on the other hand, even a servant has a mind. In the past, the Lord brought me joy in accordance with the feelings of my mind. Now, though I feel sorrow at being restrained from attaining Him, I decided to accept this as Sri Venkateswara's command and bear it upon my head with reverence. I resolved firmly to focus only on my present duty.

### **Distributing the Prasadam to Devotees**

So that I would not again suffer by having such feelings, the Lord distributed the fruit of the earlier resolve to His devotees on 25-08-2021. That divine act unfolded as follows.

**Dream dated 25-08-2021:** It was a Sri Venkateswara temple complex. It appeared to be similar to the Sri Venkateswara Temple at Nacharam, Hyderabad. A grand festival - perhaps something like Brahmotsavam - had just taken place. The entire temple was beautifully decorated with canopies, banana leaves, and flowers. A large number of devotees had come, wearing traditional attire, especially silk garments. They bore neat traditional marks on their faces and were witnessing the festival. Afterwards, they were leaving,



each carrying a specially prepared prasadam box in their hands. I clearly saw Sriman Venkataratnam garu, who lives in front of our house, also attending the festival. While returning, he was clearly holding a box of prasadam. After the festival concluded, devotees were taking prasadam as the Lord's blessing. This prasadam was being distributed by the chief priest of the temple. I saw that chief priest clearly - it was indeed the chief priest of the Sri Venkateswara Temple at HMT Nagar, Nacharam.

However, I did not witness the moment when the prasadam was being given. For some reason, I had gone to another Sri Venkateswara temple and returned, causing me to arrive a little late. By the time I came back,

I saw Sriman Venkataratnam garu and a few others leaving from the rear side of the temple with their prasadam boxes. All the devotees had already departed. Noticing this, I felt that I had not come in time. I also sensed that prasadam had been prepared for me as well, but I had not yet taken it. That is to say - In receiving prasadam, the devotees come first. The devotees are primary; you are second. This is what the Lord conveyed to me. That is all. This was the dream.

Perhaps, just as I had prayed yesterday, the Lord distributed the complete fruit of the earlier resolve to His devotees. And He ensured that I would not once again desire this fruit. I too decided to set aside my likes and dislikes and to act strictly according to the Lord's command.

## **An Analysis**

When the Lord told me on 13-02-2021 that I had “won” by the grace of the devotees’ blessings, I immediately asked that this fruit be shared with them. However, since this feeling had not yet transformed my very core, the Lord did not distribute the fruit for six months. But on 23-08-2021, because this transformation occurred at my root, He distributed it immediately. Thus, the Lord always expects that whatever He desires should first bring about a change at my very core.

**My Current State** – The Lord encouraged my spiritual practice. My training was taking place, and He kept infusing me with renewed enthusiasm from time to time. Eventually, the Kalyanam program began. The fruit of the first resolve was distributed to the devotees. We ourselves conducted the first Kalyanam.

## **Kalyanams Conducted During This Period:**

From the 1st Kalyanam to the 4th Kalyanam, a total of four Kalyanams were conducted.

**Blessings of devotees:** As ordered by the Lord Tirumala Venkateshwara, with the only intent of gaining your benediction and to make you all a part of the Lord’s mission, even if it is just for you to receive His blessings, we are publishing all these Divine Acts of the Lord. Hence, we request every devotee who has read these Divine Acts, without any regard to age or gender, to remind yourself of the Lord and bless that we succeed in our mission at the earliest.

## **NAMO SRI VENKATESAAYA**

Servant of Sri Venkateswara  
**Govinda Daasu (Pullagurla Sai Reddy)**  
1-1-53, Habsiguda, Hyderabad.  
Phone : 040-27175250



Email: [srivenkatesham@gmail.com](mailto:srivenkatesham@gmail.com)  
Visit: [www.srivenkatesham.org](http://www.srivenkatesham.org)



## “Divine Mandate of Tirumala Sri Venkateswara and my Condition”

Those who require hot copy of these unique Feelings and Experiences, being published every month in Telugu are requested to join as subscribers as informed in monthly Magazine **Sri Venkatesam**



	Rs. P.
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 years	500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 years	1,000.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifelong subscription	5,000.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Doners (Poshakas)	10,116.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Top Doners (Raja Poshakas)	50,116.00

### Cell : 93482 12354

Credit thro' PayTM/PhonePay/GooglePay to numbers

And intimate us along with your address

Or send MO/DD/Crossed Cheque or

To **Sri Venkatesam** A/c no. S.B. 11002191002593

(IFSC Code:PUNB0110010) Punjab National Bank,

Habsiguda, Hyderabad - 500 007.

Make online payment and intimate us.



Our Address:

**Sri Venkatesam**, Spiritual Monthly Magazine

H.No.1-1-53, Street No.1, Habsiguda,

Hyderabad-500007,

Ph: 040-27175050, Cell: 9348212354

Email: srivenkatesham@gmail.com.

Website : www.srivenkatesham.org