SRI SATHYA SAI CENTRAL COUNCIL OF SOUTH AFRICA National Spiritual Wing

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SPIRITUAL 11 – VERSION OF "OM TAT SAT":

The Sarva Dharma Prayer (all faiths prayer), also known as Om Tat Sat, is an important universal and all embracing prayer. It is usually sung during public devotional singing (bhajan) programmes. It is a universal prayer to God, using many of the names by which we call God, teaching us that God is One. It is very good for propagating tolerance and the universal acceptance of the multitude of diverse faiths.

Bhagawan says, "Let the different faiths exist, let them flourish and let the glory of God be sung in all the languages and in a variety of tunes. That should be the ideal. Respect the differences between the faiths and consider them valid, as long as they do not extinguish the flame of unity"

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The original of this prayer that is used internationally including India (as well as the educational institutions in Parthi itself) is given below, taken from the website of the Prashanthi Books and Publications Trust: http://www.sssbpt.org/Pages/Specially/SarvaDharma.htm

Appearing on the right (below) next to each line is a translation culled from various websites and then checked with various people in the Organization. Know its meaning and dwell on the meaning while singing and it becomes devotion.

Om Tat Sat Thou art THAT

Sri Narayana Tu Thou art Naryana, God in the form of man

Purushottama Guru Tu

Thou art the Embodiment of Perfection and the Perfect Master

Siddha Buddha Tu Thou art Siddha (of the Jains) and Buddha

Skanda Vinayaka, Thou art Subramanya, Ganesha, the remover of obstacles;
Savita Pavaka Tu Thou are the energy of the sun, which nourishes and purifies
Brahma Mazda Tu Thou art Brahma, the Creator, Mazda, the Great One

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Jehova Shakti Tu

Thou art the Father of Jesus and Divine Power

Yesu Pita Prabhu Tu

Thou art the Lord, father of Jesus

Rudra Vishnu Tu

Thou art Rudhra, the Transformer and Vishnu, the Preserver,

Ramakrishna Tu Thou art Rama and Krishna

Rahim Tao Tu

Thou art Rahim, all kindness, always giving and expanding

Sai Rahim Tao Tu and the Tao of all knowledge

Vasudeva Go Thou art Vasudeva, the Sustenance of all

Vishwarupa Tu
Chidananda Hari Tu
Advitiya Tu
Akala Nirbhaya

The universe is Your Body
Thou art Consciousness and Bliss
Thou are One without a second
Thou are beyond all time and fear

Atmalinga Shiva Tu (3) Thou art Shiva, Creator of the lingam (Symbol of formless absolute)

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At your centres, should you sing this prayer then sing this version. Audio version is available on: http://www.srisathyasai.org.za/index.php?option=com_fabrik&view=table&tableid=2&calculations=0&resetfilters=0&Itemid=69

However, it is up to each centre to decide whether they will include this prayer in their bhajan programme. Throughout the world, some centres sing it and other don't.

Sai Love

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