

True Freedom is not a matter of practice, purification, or transformation. Importantly, It can never be taken away, as it is not a quality that is restricted to or even found within the confines of space and time. The more that relative freedoms are tampered with, the more this Ultimate Freedom exerts itself. It is the very touchstone upon which living beings seek and gauge such basic mainstays as success, satisfaction, and happiness in their lives.

--Babaji Bob Kindler

**THANK YOU TO OUR
SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES:**

PHOENIX Rising Transitions
ROAR (Reentry Organizations And Resources)
Living Yoga ~ Street Yoga ~ Bella Giola, Cucina Italiana
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Lan Su Chinese Garden ~ Morning Dew Farm
Heaven-Earth Acupuncture, PC ~ and more...

BENEFIT GOAL: \$8,000

Some Statistics for 2010: Babaji & volunteers expect to give 54 classes at 5 prisons.
Teaching time: over 130 hours ~ Travel time: 148 hours
Class size: 8 to 15 students.
Throughout the year there are about 55 active students.
SRV corresponds with prison students each week via U.S. mail.

SRV offers Vedanta at:

Oregon State Penitentiary (OSP), Salem ~ Coffee Creek Correctional Facility (CCCF), Wilsonville ~
Two Rivers Correctional Institute (TRCI), Umatilla ~ Deer Ridge Correctional Institute (DRCI), Madras ~
Warner Creek Correctional Facility (WCCF), Lakeview

Proceeds support:

Over 50 classes for more than 50 students ~ Provide private meetings for spiritual guidance ~ Establish and enhance Vedanta libraries at 5 to 6 prisons ~ Provide spiritual books to indigent prison students ~ Distribute Nectar of Nondual Truth, an interfaith journal to inmates and libraries ~ Correspondence with prison students via U.S. mail ~ Train qualified volunteers ~ Make possible the intangibles: hope, trust, faith, spiritual self-effort, resolve to attain noble goals, purification of mind

SRV 'SERVE' ASSOCIATIONS PRESENTS:

**TRUE FREEDOM
INSIDE & OUT**

A FREE EDUCATIONAL EVENT &
BENEFIT FOR SRV PRISON MINISTRY

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SRV'S PRISON MINISTRY

SRV ("serve") Associations has been committed to bringing the life-transforming teachings of Vedanta and Yoga to men and women in Oregon's prisons since 2002. We offer classes, spiritual guidance, provide books, Nectar (an inter-religious magazine), and audio teachings to chapel libraries and individuals. In this spirit, the service of God in mankind, we are asking for your support by attending and sponsoring SRV's Prison Ministry fund raiser for the 2011 program.

During this informative and inspiring event you will hear about the spiritual services and resources offered by SRV and other spiritual groups involved in prison ministry. You will also hear first hand accounts from prison students, guest speakers from related community organizations, enjoy live music, and more. Please join us for this meaningful event.

To advance oneself towards freedom, physical, mental and spiritual, and help others to do so is the supreme prize of man.

-Swami Vivekananda

From a student-

"I usually do not comment on the teachings you give, but just absorb them. But I must write and say that they are life-transforming for me. The Vedanta teachings you recently gave here at DRCI about Satya, Truth, grace my everyday life inside - my conversations, my activities. Even when I slip out of synch now, I only return quickly, using the help of your teachings."

-Student at Deer Ridge Correctional Institute

EVENT DETAILS

WHEN:

Sunday, October 24, 2010

VENUE:

Bella Gioia, Exquisite Regional Italian Cuisine in the Pearl District
1134 NW Everett St., Portland, OR

TIME:

4:00pm to 7:30pm

TICKETS:

\$50 per person, \$200 table of four, \$300 table of six

CONTACT:

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SCHEDULE (times may vary)

FREE PUBLIC PORTION

4:00 - 4:45 PM

Information tables and representatives of prison ministry offered by community groups, documentaries, silent auction, raffle, live music

4:45 - 5:45 PM

Guest Speakers:

Babaji Bob Kindler: True Freedom
Spiritual Director, SRV Associations

Emily Brault: Unique Benefits of Spiritual Programs
Chaplain, Department of Corrections, CCCF (women's prison)

Harry Olsen: Spirituality and Transformation
Founder, PHOENIX Rising Transitions

Personal reflections by those who have served time in prison.

5:45 - 6:00 PM

Silent Auction Winner announcements

FOR TICKET HOLDERS

6:00 - 7:00 PM

Regional Italian full-course vegetarian dinner and live music

7:00 - 7:30 PM

Raffle Winner Announcement & closing

