



Keeping the Flame Alive *International Celebrations of Torkom's Continuing Legacy*

Celebrations to honor Torkom will take place starting on November 1st. It is the international celebration of Torkom's birthday and the celebration of the rich legacy that he left for all humanity. We encourage individuals and groups all over the world to organize an evening honoring this beautiful soul during the month of Scorpio. Each year we have celebrations taking place in Cave Creek, Los Angeles, Peru, Argentina, Denmark, Germany, Mexico, and United Kingdom. We are hoping that eventually, celebrations will be held in all parts of the world and this world-class teacher is honored by people everywhere.

Each event last year was organized specifically to fit the needs and expressions of the particular group. They were solemn, beautiful, had prayers and candlelight meditation, songs, readings from the Teaching, as well as commemorative comments by individuals.

It is important to celebrate the birthdays of great teachers. Torkom writes about the importance of festivals, parties and entertainment in a spiritual group. These events are organized to offer the beauty of the group and the work that the group offers. They are given with solemnity and high-level communication between all the participants. Here are wonderful excerpts regarding celebrations:

“Organize birthday parties and other festivities to love and be loved. Organize the festivities with the purpose to serve a cause and try, try very hard to become lost in that cause. Be a little wheel in a greater wheel.” “...Great Ones crated festivals—festivals celebrating Their birthdays, celebrating the remembrances of Their great works and Initiations, festivals celebrating Their sacrifices and ‘death.’” (*Leadership volume 1*, Torkom Saraydarian, pp. 435 and 431.)

- In our Cave Creek Center, we post the celebration online. Please check our calendar for date and time. Also, check the website of other groups and affiliates for their celebrations.

If you would like to organize a celebration for your group, write to us and tell us where it will be and we will be happy to post it on our website. Share with us what you will be doing and how you will celebrate. If you need any guidance, we will be happy to help you. We would love to hear from you and would love to post your thoughts online or in our newsletter.

With appreciation,
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