



End of the Year Letter

From Gita Saraydarian

Reflecting on 2019

Dear Friends:

In November, we celebrated **Torkom's 102nd birthday**, and **TSG's 32nd anniversary**. So much of our day-to-day activity is at our desks, in our offices, and out-of-sight of almost all the people who engage with us. I wanted to outline some of the work we have done this year and show you how your love, financial and moral support, and your trust in our work helps us daily to accomplish so much. I ask you to please read this letter in its entirety and share in my excitement and faith and hope as the future unfolds in ever-greater work. I know that with your continued support, we will do all of this and much more. The possibilities to serve humanity are endless. Together, we will have new opportunities for service as we complete and move into our new **TSG Center**.

Let me outline what we have done this year:

I. Book Publishing

On the home front and focusing on the primary objective with which we started TSG thirty-two years ago, we have been very busy with the publishing of Torkom's books. The finish line is now visible. This year we released the completed book *Hidden Wisdom of the Lotus Sutra* and then have been working feverishly on these books and their working titles:

1. *Comments on the Bhagavad Gita* chapters (to be added to meditation lessons.)
2. *The Importance of Family*
3. *World Discipleship*
4. *Idea, Ideals, Thoughts* (The Evolution of Thought)
5. *The Seven Rays*



We are planning to start releasing these in 2020-2021. What is left after these are some instructional materials, letters and the like from Torkom.

Meanwhile, we have been working on the previously released books. This means putting books into updated software, proofing them once again, and making sure they can be ready for re-printing when the time comes.

In the translation division:

Spanish: We have a team of volunteer translators doing incredible work in Spanish. So far, we have the following books available in professional, beautiful-quality translation: *Battling Dark Forces*, *Understanding the Secret Doctrine*, *Family Series booklets*, the *Autobiography of Torkom*. I am thrilled. The team is comprised of great disciples from the United States, Peru, Mexico, Columbia, and Spain. Join them on Facebook “Torkom Saraydarian en español” for latest updates.

French: In Paris, France, the French translation of *Joy and Healing* is ready to be published. This book is needed in every place on earth.

Indian Dialects: Our friends in India have translated and published in the Telegu dialect a total of twenty-two titles, including the latest one, *Creating a New Vision for Humanity*. This will be translated and published in two parts.

We also have eight booklets translated and published in the Hindi dialect and *Breakthrough to Higher Psychism* in the Kannada dialect.

Thank you to all our international disciples whose dedication to the Teaching is steady and growing.

II. International Brotherhood Fund

This fund was established to help pay for books and shipping for anyone in the world who needs a little extra assistance with finances. **This year we raised \$2,768.45** and were able to send thirty-nine books and booklets to India; thirteen books to Spain; and helped with the shipping and book costs for a number of individuals and libraries. With greater funding, we can distribute the Teaching with greater ease.

III. TSG Center for Spiritual Development

After almost two years of planning and design work, we are close to beginning the site work. The permitting process is in full swing. Our design team has completed the interior and exterior designs. Landscaping and finishing touches are exquisite. **Please see our specially dedicated website www.tsgcenter.com** for photos, stories, and updates. Every time you go to our website and share in our expectancy, you empower the work. Please visit this site often and say a prayer for the work. See how our Center is emerging from the blank slate of the desert to a carefully planned design and details into our new and magnificent home.



IV. Library

In 1994, Torkom once said to group members: “Maybe we will build a big library, a big study place, . . . We are going to advance. Think great!”

Torkom’s vision is coming to fruition in a beautiful, serene **library at the new Center**. The collection’s organization and entry into a reference database is almost complete. A new phase has begun with the archiving of handwritten manuscripts, historical editions of Torkom’s books, and other materials related to both Torkom’s and TSG’s creative labor.

V. Events at TSG

We are still working out of a little house, and we are almost busting at the seams! But, that has never stopped us, and we have **Wisdom of the Zodiac monthly classes** and **Monthly YouTube recordings** with focus on the “practicing disciple of the Ageless Wisdom”; **Joyful Sunday events**; **Seed Thought Meditation Workshops**, and for those with deep study interest, we have twice-monthly **Stepping Into the Teaching Workshops**. Check out our calendar or contact us for events.

VI. Meditations and Study Courses

We offer many wonderful and uplifting individual and group study courses online. Our excellent **TSG Spiritual University catalog** has been updated and is available free online. Contact us and we will be happy to consult with you for the best course to study. Each course is magnificent and is built on the original courses formulated by Torkom Saraydarian. You will love them.

Our **Annual Conference at Wesak** has been held nonstop since May 2000. All participants engage in group seed thought meditation prior to attending the Conference. You, too, can be a part of this group event by preparing for it. Contact us for details.

Our strong group of meditators is doing a great job of digging deeply into the Teaching and mastering the art of seed thought meditation. As we learn how to think, we clarify the thought world of humanity and radiate loving and unifying energies.

VII. Outreach Newsletter

We have brought our **Outreach newsletter** back with wonderful articles, updates, and insights on the Teaching. It is free online. If you wish to have a printed copy, please contact us and we will gladly put you on our mailing list.



VIII. Finances and Needs

This is important. Finance is the fuel of our work. No amount of creativity, dedication, and hard work suffices if we do not have the funds to pay our expenses. Continuing our work, building a new Center, offering programs, scholarships, gift books and shipping expenses, special events, publishing and re-publishing books, safekeeping and archiving, all need financial support and stewardship of resources. Our Board of Directors, staff, and accounting and shipping departments all work with total integrity and dedication. Your financial support is used in the best and most economical way possible.

We need your continued help and welcome your financial support. We cannot do this work without you. I look forward to receiving your financial blessings this year and for many years to come. Please take a few moments to identify your favorite part of our work and dedicate your donation toward that specific program. Or, give to the general fund and we will use it where it is most needed.

IX. Contact Us

If there is anything I have missed, or if you would like to consult with us or be part of our TSG meditation group, call or e-mail us. We would love to hear from you.



What is our work about?

We teach people how to think, how to be creative thinkers, how to understand the Teaching, and how to spread the message of universal values. Our principles are: Beauty, Goodness, Righteousness, Joy, Freedom, Striving toward perfection, Sacrificial Service.

Don't let the last living principle scare you! **Sacrificial Service is the core of a disciple's life. It means to dedicate yourself to the sacred in life, to finding what is the need and making plans and goals to fulfill that need. It means to serve the highest in human values. These are the principles we try to live by and serve by.**

Thank you for the opportunity to sacrifice and to serve the Teaching.

With love and dedication,

Gita Saraydarian
Founder and President
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