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Date: 08-08-25 Time: 6:00 PM - 9:05 PM EST

Palia- Bhakti Maa, Sibani M. Maa, Sibani D. Maa, Pallabita Maa, Tani Maa, Usha Maa, Biswajit B. Bhai, Rabi Bhai

8-18-25(ET)		Evening Session (6:00 PM – 9:05 PM)
6:00	Sibani M Maa Bhakti Maa Nihar Bhai Nirlipta Maa	Prateeksha (Sagara Belara Samuka Tie Mun) Prateeksha (Jhulana Purnima Dina Go) Prateeksha (He Nara Debata Asa) Prateeksha (Phula Sanja Bele Shri Charana Tale)
6:30	Sanujit Bhai	Aarati (Die Mu Aarati)
6:50	Smita Bai Maa	Bandana (Guru Naaraayan Kari Nibedan)
7:00	Biswajit Bhai	Stotra Bandana
7:15 -	Biswajit Bhai	Nigam Upadesha (Antima Upadesh - Tumara Laksya)
7:25	Milu Maa	Praarthanaa Sangeeta (Aaji Tuma Janmadina)
7:35	Saanvi	Jeevanee (Shri Shri Thakur Nigamananda - Brief Introduction)
7:45	Rabi Bhai	Nilachala Banee (24 Aug 1934)
7:55	Ashrita	Praarthanaa Sangeeta (Dhanya Hoila Dharani Tomar)
8:05	Bhakti Maa, Sibani M. Maa, Sibani D. Maa, Pallabita Maa, Tani Maa, Usha Maa, Biswajit B. Bhai, Rabi Bhai	Bhaaba Binimaya
8:50	Usha Maa	Invitation for Raatra Bhoga
8:51	Biswajit Bhai	Invitation for Next Janmotshaba Puja (2026)
8:52	Sreeja, Udita Maa, Monalisa Maa	Invitation for Next Sangha Puja (08/10/2025)
8:53	Biswajit B. Bhai	Praying for forgiveness
8:54	Rashmi C Maa	Bidaaya Praarthanaa (Debera Durlava Taba)
8:59		Jayaguru Naama Keertana, PraNaama and Closing of Aasana
9:05		Offering of Bhoga and Prasaad Sebana

Shri Shri Thakur Nigamananda Brief Introduction

"Guru Brahma Guru Vishnu GururDeva Maheshwarah Gurur Sakshyat Param Brahma Tasmaishree Gurubae Namah"

Guru is the portrayal of Brahma, the creator; Vishnu, the sustainer, and Maheshwara, the destroyer. Guru is truly the ultimate Brahman, and I bow at the feet of my Gurudeva.

Our beloved Guru, Shri Shri Thakur, guides us in becoming ideal human beings by inculcating good values within us. He always cares for our betterment and protects us at every step of life. On this auspicious day, as we celebrate his birthday, let us learn a bit about his life. The following is a short biography of our dear Thakur.

Thakur was born in 1880 A.D., in a village called Radhakantapur (now in Bangladesh) in the Nadia district of the then-undivided state of Bengal, India. It was the auspicious day of Jhulan Purnima (the full moon day in the month of Shravan, as per the Hindu calendar). His father's name was Bhuban Mohan Bhattacharya and his mother's name was Manika Sundari Devi. His childhood name was Nalinikanta, but he was fondly called Nalini by everyone. He was a very sweet child and was hence loved by all in the village. He was an elegantly handsome, slim, and radiantly fair-complexioned boy.

During his childhood, Nalinikanta had several supernatural experiences. One evening, being asked by his mother to light a lamp, he went to the altar, called Chandi Mandap, where his family used to worship Goddess Durga. Suddenly Goddess Durga appeared before him, and he was frightened. He ran home and narrated the incident to his mother, who explained to him that just like she was his mother, Goddess Durga is the Mother of the Universe.

When he was only thirteen years old, his affectionate mother passed away from Asiatic cholera. Nalinikanta could not meet his mother before she died as he was away at school. Her last message for him was "I am leaving this world, surrendering him on the lap of the Mother of the Universe (Goddess Durga). This is my last blessing to him."

At the age of seventeen, he got married to a thirteen-year-old exquisitely pretty and graceful girl named Sudhansubala. Sudhanshubala took charge of the entire household and proved to be a capable and ideal homemaker. She loved her husband selflessly and dedicatedly. After finishing his studies, Nalinikanta took a job as a primary school teacher and then as a supervisor in Narayanpur.

The next year his beloved wife passed away and this was a turning point in his life. He quit his job and started searching for a Guru who can show him the right path in the quest for spiritual knowledge. Under the guidance of four great gurus, Nalinikanta achieved perfection in all four ways of spiritual practices - *Tantra*, *Jnana*, *Yoga*, and *Prema*. All these were possible because of his strong determination, willpower, great efforts, and incessant devotion to his Gurus. Through the practice of *Tantra*, he was able to meet and interact with Goddess Tara. After achieving perfection in *Jnana*, he knew Brahman, the ultimate truth. This is when his Guru, Swami Satchidananda Saraswati, gave him *sannyas* and named him Nigamananda. However, just having the knowledge did not satisfy him, and he wanted to experience it. Therefore, he was directed by his Guru, Swami Satchidananda Saraswati, to practice Yoga.

After a lot of hardship, he met with his third guru, Sumeru Das ji, from whom Nigamananda learned the process of Yoga. Upon achieving perfection in Yoga, Nalinikanta attained *Nirvikalpa Samadhi*, through which he had the realization that he is the Guru. Then during the 1907 Kumbh Mela at Ujjain, being instructed by the then Shankaracharya of the Sringeri Math, Swami Satchidananda bestowed the title 'Paramhamsa' on Swami Nigamananda in the presence of leading sadhus and renunciates. Indeed, the Shankaracharya thoroughly tested Nigamananda to ensure that he had experienced the truth. Upon receiving the title Paramahamsa, he became known as Paramahansa Srimat Swami Nigamananda Saraswati Dev. His devotees call him Shri Shri Thakur with immense love and respect.

Afterward, while in Kashi, Nigamananda was directed by Goddess Annapurna to pursue the path of *Prema*, divine love. He then went to his last Guru, Gauri Maa, who instilled divine love in him, thus making Nigamananda attain perfection in all four types of spiritual practices.

Being obliged by the Mother of the Universe, Shri Shri Thakur Nigamananda came forward to guide people on the path of spirituality. He established several monasteries throughout Bengal. In 1922, Shri Shri Thakur Nigamananda came to Puri, Odisha to spend the last part of his life. On 24th August 1934, his auspicious birthday, Shri Shri Thakur Nigamananda established 'Nilachal Saraswat Sangha' with a view to uniting his disciples from Odisha. His primary instructions to his devotees were to lead an ideal household life, achieve spiritual progress through the power of *sangha*, and share spiritual experiences with each other.

We are blessed to have him as our Guru. He wants us to consider him as a member of our family and love him dearly. He had promised that he would help us achieve salvation provided we have faith in him, and we depend on him.
