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On the completion of 81st birth anniversary of Shibendu Lahiri

The Cathar Prophecy of 1244 CE (A.D.)

The last of the Cathars was burnt by the Inquisition of the Roman Catholic Church (of Cruelty!) at Montsegur, Languedoc, France (South-west of France) in 1244, but they left this prophecy: That the Church of Love would be proclaimed in 1986.

It is indeed a strange coincidence that in 1986 began the process of Shibendu taking over the "Church of Love" – 'Satyalok' temple on the bank of holy Ganga river at the most profound pilgrimage city Varanasi (India) as the dynastic heritage from his father (Late Satyacharan Lahiri).

It is also quite fascinating that an ardent group of devotees of Lahiri lineage are most dedicatedly functioning in the field of authentic Kriya Yoga in a wonderful place called Ardesh in South-west France and have established a spiritual centre which is, of course, a "Church of Love". They hold programs and seminars every year and people from all over France participate and practice Kriya Yoga and share the essence of teachings.

The teachings of the "Church of Love" as were enunciated by **Cathars** are enlisted below: -

- 1. It has no fabric, only understanding.
- 2. It has no membership, save those who know they belong.
- 3. It has no rivals, because it is non-competitive.
- 4. It has no ambition, it seeks only to serve.
- 5. It knows no boundaries for nationalisms are unloving.
- 6. It is not of itself because it seeks to enrich all groups and religions.
- 7. It acknowledges all great Teachers of all the ages who have shown the truth of Love.
- 8. Those who participate, practice the Truth of Love in all their beings.
- 9. There is no walk of life or nationality that is a barrier. Those who are (*in this Energy of Understanding*), know.
- 10. It seeks not to teach but to be and, by being, enrich.
- 11. It recognizes that the way we are, may be the way of those around us, because we are that way. (Note by Shibendu: This is indeed most profound; for, if one is in the state of Yoga, one knows that all ARE verily that (just LIFE) - and yet, even if one is in the stranglehold of the separative consciousness, this statement is true for the ignorance that is separateness is the state of almost all but a few around us. Thus, this teaching is perhaps a succinct way of expressing the STATE of where most humans are as opposed to what they truly ARE)
- 12. It recognizes the whole planet as a Being of which we are a part.

- 13. It recognizes that the time has come for the supreme transmutation, the ultimate alchemical act of conscious change of the ego into a voluntary return to the whole.
- 14. It does not proclaim itself with a loud voice but in the subtle realms of loving.
- 15. It salutes all those in the past who have blazed the path but have paid the price.
- 16. It admits no hierarchy or structure for no-one is greater than another. Its members shall know each other by their deeds and being and by their eyes and by no other outward sign save the fraternal embrace.
- 17. Each one will dedicate their life to the silent loving of their neighbour, the environment and the planet, while carrying out their tasks, however exalted or humble. It recognizes the supremacy of the great understanding which may only be accomplished if the human race practices the supremacy of Love.
- 18. It has no reward to offer either here or in the hereafter save that of the unutterable joy of being and loving (*and living*).
- **19**. Each shall seek to advance the cause of understanding, doing good silently and only teaching only by example.
- 20. They shall heal their neighbour, their community and our Planet.
- 21. They shall know no fear and feel no shame and their witness shall prevail over all odds.
- 22. It has no secret, no mystery, no initiation save that of true understanding of the power of Love and that, if we want it to be so, the world will change but only if we change ourselves first.

ALL THOSE WHO BELONG, BELONG; THEY BELONG TO THE CHURCH OF LOVE, MOSQUE OF LOVE, TEMPLE OF LOVE, SYNAGOGUE OF LOVE.

This church is indeed the Church of Love. A dedicated French kriyaban couple (Jaime – Annette) maintain this Church of Love at Ardesh which is indeed the South-West of France.

Jai Church of Love – Jai Satyalok (Temple of Truth)