

Maitreya and related historical figures

This brochure sheds light on Maitreya and his relationship to well-known figures such as Krishna, Buddha, Jesus, Babaji, Sai Baba, Krishnamurti and others. The information is excerpted from books by Benjamin Creme and retrieved from the Share International web site (www.share-international.org).



Maitreya as he appeared in Nairobi, Kenya in 1988. He spoke for 18 minutes, and many of those near him were completely healed. (1)

Maitreya, the World Teacher

Maitreya, the World Teacher (living in London, 1977 to present). He has been expected for generations by all of the major religions. Christians know him as the Christ and expect his imminent return. Jews await him as the Messiah; Hindus look for the coming of Krishna; Buddhists expect him as Maitreya Buddha; and Muslims anticipate the Imam Mahdi or Messiah.

Although the names are different, many believe that they all refer to the same individual: the World Teacher, whose personal name is Maitreya (pronounced my-tray-ah). Preferring to be known simply as the Teacher, Maitreya has not come as a religious leader or to found a new religion, but as a teacher and guide for people of every religion and those of no religion.

At this time of great political, economic and social crises, Maitreya will inspire humanity to see itself as one family and create a civilization based on sharing, economic and social justice, and global cooperation.

He will launch a call to action to save the millions of people who starve to death every year in a world of plenty. Among Maitreya's recommendations will be a shift in social priorities so that adequate food, housing, education,

and medical care become universal rights. Under Maitreya's inspiration, humanity itself will make the required changes and create a saner and more just world for all.

On his "Day of Declaration," television networks worldwide will be linked together, and Maitreya will be invited to speak to the world. We will see his face on television, but we will hear his appeal telepathically—each person in his or her own native language. Even those who are not watching television will hear his words inwardly. This will re-enact the true happenings of Pentecost on a global scale.

On this day Maitreya will speak heart-to-heart. He will talk about the history of humanity, the high source from which we came, the evolutionary process, the Law of Re-birth, and the need for harmlessness. He will address the needs of the world, outlining our major problems and their solution through sharing—and creation, therefore, of justice and peace.

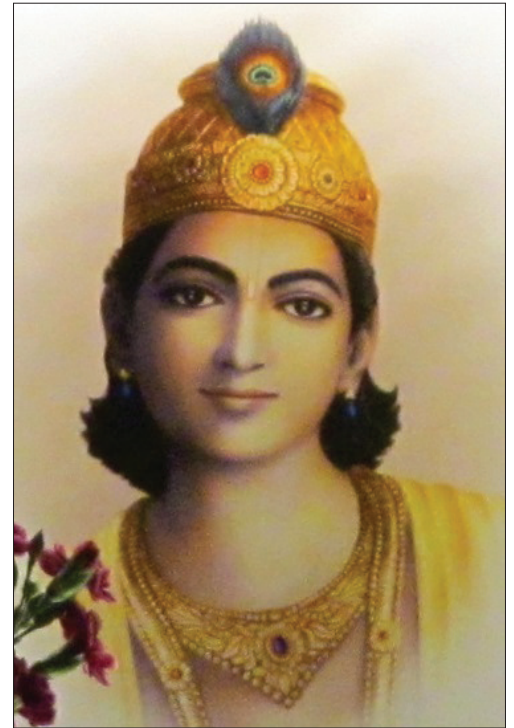
At the same time, Maitreya's energy of Love will enter the hearts of all, galvanizing us to make the choice to save the world. Hundreds of thousands of spontaneous healings will occur. In these ways we will know that this man is the World Teacher for all humanity.

Maitreya and Major Religions



Maitreya and Enoch (Judaism)

Enoch, first Self-realized person (no date available). According to Jewish tradition, Enoch, who had maintained the line of righteousness, was taken up into heaven. He was the first fully Self-realized person—that is, one who experiences the Self as an immortal being rather than as body, mind, or spirit. He became, upon his transfiguration, the great being Metatron, also called the Teacher of Teachers. Note the similarity between the consonants (vowels are not written in Hebrew) in Metatron (MTTR) and Maitreya (MTR), as well as the office—namely Teacher of Teachers. Metatron was Maitreya. (2)



Maitreya and Krishna (Hinduism)

Sri Krishna, Avatar (c. 3000 BC). Maitreya overshadowed* Sri Krishna. Despite the discoloration that has occurred by its dissemination over the centuries, the Bhagavad Gita remains a fairly accurate allegorical statement of his teaching for that time.

Kalki Avatar, for Hindus, is the avatar (meaning an incarnate divine teacher) for the coming age or yuga and is synonymous with Krishna. Maitreya overshadowed Krishna, so for Hindus, Maitreya is Kalki Avatar for “the Age of Righteousness.” It will be the age in which for the first time on a mass scale the spiritual essence of humanity demonstrates. (2)



Maitreya and the Buddha (Buddhism)

Gautama Buddha, Avatar (c. 563-483 BC). The Prince Gautama was overshadowed by the Buddha. Gautama Buddha foresaw Maitreya: “Now in those days, brethren, there shall arise in the world an exalted one by the name of Maitreya (the kindly one), an Arhat, a Fully Enlightened One, endowed with wisdom and righteousness, a Happy One, a World-knower, the Peerless Charioteer of men to be tamed, a Teacher of the devas (angels) and mankind, Exalted One, a Buddha like myself.”

The Buddha and Maitreya were among the first group of our humanity to take initiation and have been at the forefront of humanity ever since. The Buddha overshadowed Mithras, Memnon and Gautama, and now dwells in the highest center of our planet, Shamballa. He acts as the Divine Intermediary between Shamballa and Hierarchy and is deeply engaged in the process of Maitreya’s mission as World Teacher. He will send two initiate disciples to reform Buddhism. (2)

* Overshadowing is a process whereby a greater consciousness works through one at a somewhat less developed level to bring the higher consciousness to humanity.

Maitreya and Jesus (Christianity)

Jesus of Nazareth (24 BC-AD 9). The Master Jesus, as he is now known in the hierarchy of Masters, has been living in the outskirts of Rome since 1989. He was among the first group of Masters to come into the world with Maitreya, the Christ. Our Spiritual Hierarchy consists of 63 Masters who oversee the evolution of our planet. Through many lives, they have learned all the Earth experience has to offer, have become Masters of Wisdom, and do not require further incarnation. However, about 40 of them will ultimately come back into physical form to assist Maitreya in guiding humanity through its current crises and stimulating a vast spiritual transformation.

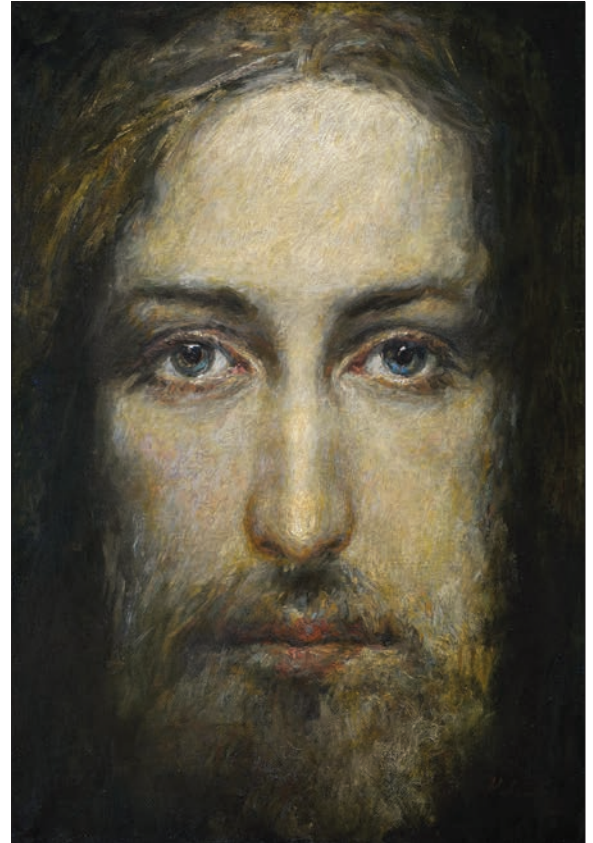
The Christ and Jesus are not the same individual. The Lord Maitreya embodies in his own Being what is called the Christ Principle, the Christ Consciousness, the second aspect of the Christian trinity, the energy of love. He overshadowed and worked through his disciple Jesus for three years, from the baptism to the crucifixion. For these three years, the disciple Jesus became Jesus the Christ or the Messiah. Overshadowing is the age-old way for the Teacher to appear in the world, as a cyclic event. What we are witnessing today is the return, according to cyclic law, of the Teacher (Maitreya)—this time in full physical presence and not overshadowing a disciple, as has been the case until now.

Maitreya and Jesus have worked closely together for many centuries. The Master Jesus seeks to save Maitreya time and effort whenever possible. This collaboration, no doubt, will continue. In the Christian churches, the energy of the Master Jesus or Maitreya magnetizes the wafers at every Eucharist service. The responsibility for the Christian Church lies with the Master Jesus, whose task will be to purify the teachings of the manmade dogmas and doctrines which condition it today.

With his disciples 2,000 years ago, Jesus the Christ enacted a dramatic symbolic episode which pointed to his future work in Aquarius. Before the Last Supper he instructed the disciples to go into the city, where they would meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. They were to follow him to the upper room and there prepare for the communion meal. This ancient symbol for the sign of Aquarius (the water carrier) has been well-known in the East for centuries. Many statues and paintings of the awaited Bodhisattva show Maitreya carrying a water jug.

Also in the New Testament of the Bible, according to the Epistle to the Hebrews, Jesus is identified as “a priest forever in the order of Melchizedek,” and so Jesus assumes the role of High Priest once and for all. Maitreya has been seen as the Representative of Shamballa (i.e., where the “Father” resides) and given the name Melchizedek.

The Master Jesus and the other incarnating Masters will make themselves known after Maitreya’s Day of Declaration, some immediately and others as they enter the world.



Andrey Mironov’s painting based on reconstructions from the Turin Shroud image; (2)

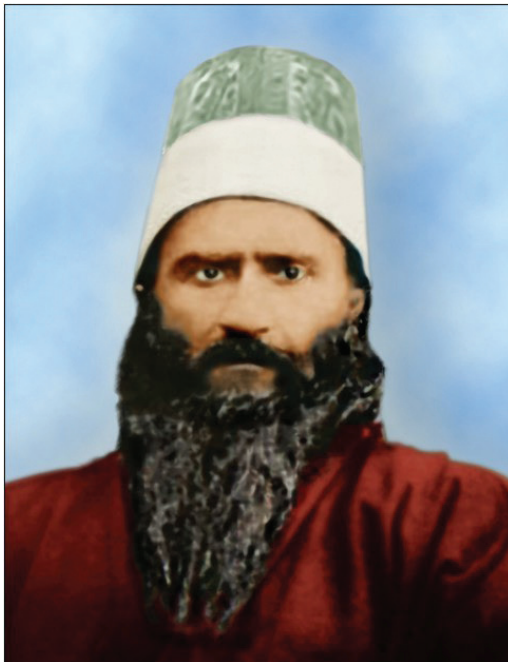
Jesus and all of his original disciples have become Masters since their incarnations in Palestine, though not all remain on earth. Besides Peter and John, the disciples Matthew, Mark and Luke are still in our Hierarchy and have important roles to play in the coming time. The Apostle Paul will be in the first group to emerge. The mother of Jesus (i.e., the Virgin Mary) is now a Master and not in incarnation at this time.

Maitreya and Jesus (American Indian, Polynesian and Mormon Traditions)

Jesus taught the Native Americans in the sixth and seventh centuries, predicting the coming of a great teacher from the east (i.e., Maitreya). Various forms of the name Jesus were known, at least until recently, in the oral traditions of the tribes, north and south. He later went to Polynesia and taught the people of these islands. The only group Benjamin Creme encountered who knew these facts were the Mormons.

Maitreya and Muhammed (Islam)

Muhammed, Prophet (570-632). For four years, Jesus overshadowed Muhammed, just as Maitreya overshadowed Jesus for the last three years of his life. In presentations to the Pakistani community in London on the teachings of Islam, Maitreya has said that Allah made it very clear that we should work together, share together. This is a basic principle in the Koran. If we have anything in excess, we should share it among our fellows, who are our brothers and sisters. Another important principle made clear to Muslims is that no interest on capital should ever be charged to anyone, because that would defile the Islamic faith and destroy the individual and the nation. If Koranic principles are observed by individuals and nations there is no seed for war. In addition, Maitreya has said that in the Muslim world people do not personify Allah, and this is their great contribution. (2)



Maitreya and Baha'u'llah (Baha'i Faith)

Baha'u'llah, founder of the Baha'i Faith (1817-1892). The Baha'i faith teaches the essential worth of all religions, and the unity and equality of all people. Established by Baha'u'llah in 1863, it initially grew in Iran and parts of the Middle East. Currently it has between five and seven million adherents, known as Baha'is, spread out into most of the world's countries and territories. It grew from the mid-19th-century Babi religion, whose founder taught that God would soon send a prophet in the manner of Jesus or Mohammed (i.e., Maitreya, the World Teacher). Baha'u'llah was mentally impressed by Maitreya with the Baha'i teachings and also was a disciple of the Master Jesus. (2)

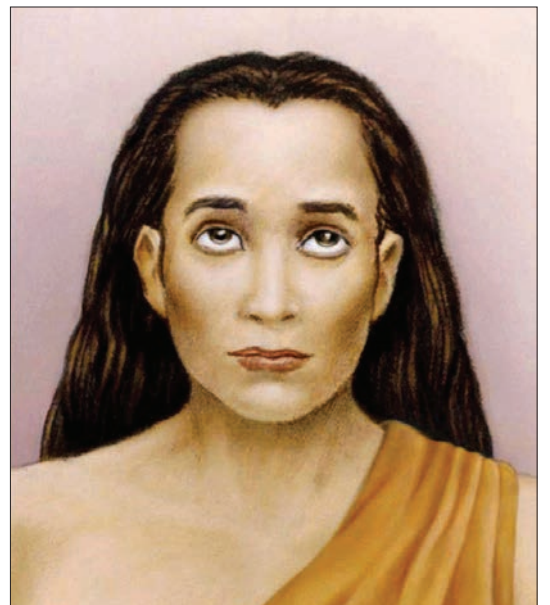
Maitreya and Babaji (Self Realization Fellowship)

Mahavatar Babaji, Avatar (no date available), is written about by Self Realization Fellowship founder Paramahansa Yogananda in his book, *Autobiography of a Yogi*. Like Sai Baba (next page), Babaji is a cosmic avatar, while Maitreya is a planetary avatar. He dwells in the Himalayas, is teacher to a group of disciples, and has been on this planet for many thousands of years. He is said to have vowed to remain here until the end of this world cycle. His primary relation is to Sanat Kumara (i.e., the "Father" in the Bible), the Lord of the World. His relationship with Maitreya is that of an advisor. (2)

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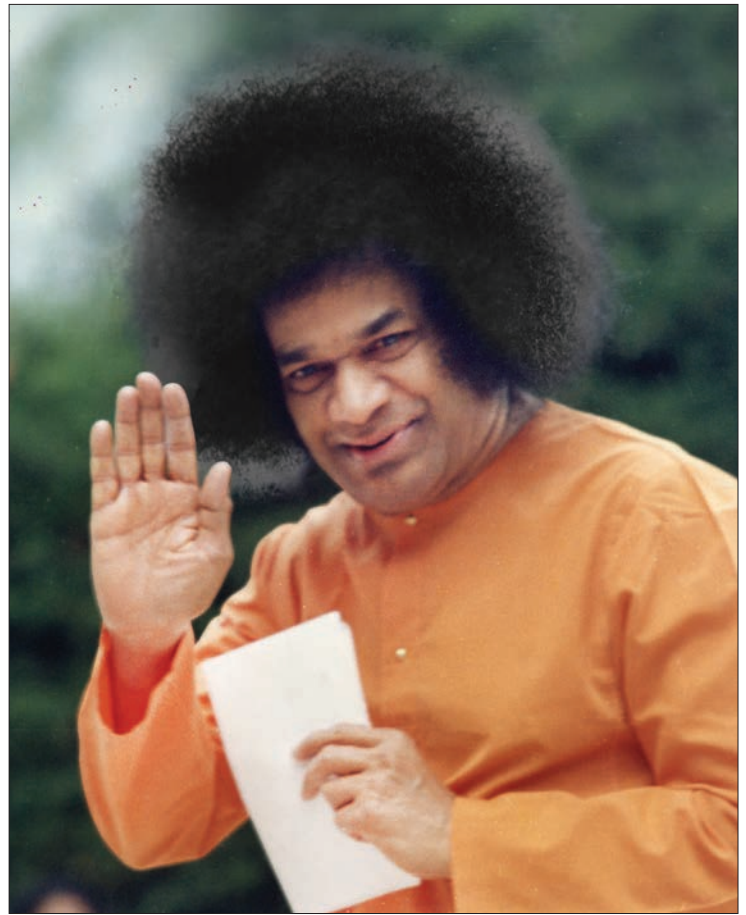
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Maitreya and Sai Baba (Sai Baba International Organization)

Sai Baba, Avatar (1926-2011), was a teacher or guru in south India with an enormous following. Hundreds of thousands, perhaps one or two million people from all over the world would claim to be his devotees. These followers see him as God, the creator of the universe. He is a cosmic avatar, and this was his second incarnation. He came first as Shirdi Sai Baba and will return for his third and final incarnation as Prema Baba. Sai Baba and Maitreya both embody the same energy—what we call the Christ Principle, the energy of Love—Sai Baba at the cosmic level, Maitreya at the planetary level.

Sai Baba in all his incarnations is a Spiritual Regent, a “stand in” for Sanat Kumara, the Lord of the World (the “Father” in the Bible, or the one we would consider God). By awakening the love principle in humanity, Sai Baba will prepare people for the Christ, who will lead humanity gradually out of the strictly human kingdom into the Spiritual Hierarchy, the Kingdom of Souls, or the Kingdom of God. That is his major work in the coming Age of Aquarius. These two Great Ones work together in daily contact, complete harmony and shared purpose in the evolution of mankind. (2)



Maitreya and Helena Petrovna Blavatsky (Theosophy)

Helena Petrovna Blavatsky (1831-1891) was a Russian philosopher and author who co-founded the Theosophical Society in 1875. She gained an international following as the leading proponent of Theosophy. The existence of the Masters of Wisdom and the World Teacher (Maitreya) was first made known to the general public by this Russian noblewoman, who received her information directly from these perfected, omniscient men. In *The Secret Doctrine* and *Isis Unveiled*, Blavatsky revealed that the Masters, together forming the Spiritual Hierarchy of our planet, have guided humanity from behind the scenes of everyday life for countless millennia. Periodically, at times of great human crisis, they send one of their own into the world to show humanity the way forward. (2)

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Maitreya and Helena Roerich (Theosophy)

Helena Ivanovna Roerich (1879-1955) was a Russian theosophist, writer, and public figure. In the early 20th century, she created, in cooperation with the Teachers of the East (Masters of Wisdom led by Maitreya), a philosophic teaching of living ethics called Agni Yoga. She cooperated with the Masters of Wisdom and made their views known to a wide spectrum of highly influential people around the world. Helena recorded the teachings of Agni Yoga in over a dozen books (including *Leaves of Morya's Garden*), and the letters of Helena Roerich to friends, followers, cultural workers, and political figures were published in nine volumes. (2)



Maitreya and Alice Bailey (Theosophy)

Alice Ann Bailey (1880-1949) wrote between 1919 and 1949 a series of books dictated telepathically to her by a Master known as the Tibetan or DK. Within the vast body of information given about the world and its future, the Tibetan revealed that the Masters of Wisdom—led by the World Teacher (Maitreya)—had decided to return to outer roles in the world sometime between 1975 and 2025. With Maitreya's decision to reappear, he was granted the right to use—for the first time—the Great Invocation, an ancient mantram given by the Tibetan to Bailey. It was first used by Maitreya in June 1945 and released by him to humanity, to enable us to invoke the energies which would make possible his return with his group of Masters. (2)



Maitreya and Krishnamurti (Krishnamurti Foundation)

Jiddu Krishnamurti (1895-1986) was one of a small group of disciples who were being prepared as possible vehicles through which Maitreya could manifest. However, when Maitreya decided that he would come himself, he no longer required a disciple to overshadow. Krishnamurti established himself as a great teacher in his own right, with a tremendous following throughout the world. In *Share International* magazine, one of Maitreya's associates has said: "He was a true disciple of Maitreya. The teachings of Krishnamurti are the teachings of Maitreya." Krishnamurti was expected to reincarnate before the end of the 20th century. (2)



Maitreya and Benjamin Creme (Share International)

Benjamin Creme (1922-2016) was a Scottish artist, author, esotericist, lecturer, and editor of *Share International* magazine. In January 1959, Benjamin Creme was contacted telepathically by one of the Masters of Wisdom, and three months later by Maitreya himself, who offered Creme the task of making his return known to the public. Maitreya explained: "I myself am coming, sooner than anyone thinks possible. It will be in about 20 years, and you will have a role to play in my coming if you accept it." Consenting to the unknown challenge, Creme began an arduous period of training to prepare him for the work that would ensue. From 1974 through 2010, Benjamin Creme traveled the world speaking on the emergence of the World Teacher. Through hundreds of public lectures and radio, television and newspaper interviews, he delivered his message of hope as broadly as possible. In response to his work, groups have formed in over 25 countries to further bring the message to the public. Creme's 17 books have been translated into numerous languages. The magazine he edited, *Share International*, continues to be published and is distributed throughout the world. In addition, Benjamin Creme introduced Transmission Meditation, given from Maitreya and the Spiritual Hierarchy for humanity. (3)