Dev dev Shivananda (God of gods Shivananda)

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(Here is a prayer addressed to the great Teacher Swami Shivananda, who lived in Haridwar and established the divine life society, there. This prayer has been taken from the prayer book published by his Ashram.)

Mangalam yogi varyaya, mahaneeya gunabhdhaye, Ganga theera nivasaya, Shivanandaya Mangalam.

Let all the good happen to Shivananda, Who lives in the shore of Ganges, Lat all the good happen to the great Yogi, Who is great and a treasure of good qualities.

Dev dev Shivananda dheenabhandho pahi maam, Chandra vadana manda hasa prem swaroopa raksha maam, Madhura Geetha gana lola Jnana roopa pahi maam, Samashtha loka poojaneeya mohananga raksha maam.

Take care of me, God of gods, Shivananda who is friend of the oppressed Look after me Moon faced one with pleasant smile and love personified Take care of me, Sweet voiced one, who is moved by music and wisdom personified, Take care of me, one who is worshipped by whole world and one who is handsome.

Divya ganga theera vasa dhana sheela pahi maam, Papa haran punya sheela parama purusha raksha maam, Bhaktha loka hrudhaya vasa swaminadha pahi maam, Chithswaroopa chidanand Shivanand pahi maam.

Take care of me one who lives in the shore of Ganges and who is charitable by nature, Look after me one who removes sins who is of good nature and a divine man, Take care of me one who lives in the heart of devotees and is the lord of God, Take care of me one who has divine form . has divine joy and is Shivananda.

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