SPOTLIGHT ON ECK FAMILIES



The role of the parents is to show the children how to come to the temple within themselves, even when they're young; to show them how to work with the sacred names of God and come to this Sound and Light of Divine Spirit.



—Sri Harold Klemp, Journey of Soul, Mahanta Transcripts, Book 1, p. 178

How do you LEAD YOUR CHILDREN TO THE TEMPLE WITHIN THEMSELVES?

Adventures of an ECK Family

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Tgrew up in an ECK family. My parents and my four siblings are all ECKists, and my father instilled the ECK teachings in us. Experiencing the ECK together as a family was beauti-

ful. And I dreamed of raising an ECK family of my own. Happily, I married an ECKist, and together we decided to raise our children in ECK.

Now we have a boy and three girls. When they were born, I started singing HU into their ears as soon as the doctor entrusted them into my hands. They each went through the ECK Consecration Ceremony, linking them up further with the Inner Master. We helped them under-

stand the importance of singing *HU* and encouraged them to write their initiate reports to the Master, posting their letters unedited. This is to help them establish a one-on-one relationship with the Mahanta, the Living ECK Master.

The children also study the youth discourses and attend the youth Satsang classes. However, we know we must also live and demonstrate the ECK at home. Although I can be a very busy mother, the children all know that if it concerns reading or explaining the works of ECK, mummy will always pay attention.

In 2017, our family decided to attend an ECK seminar in Minneapolis and, most importantly, see and hear Sri Harold Klemp, the Mahanta, the Living ECK Master. But we didn't have

funds to travel to the ECK Springtime Seminar. My husband and I were concerned because the children's visas would expire at the end of 2017, and unused visas can cause complications. So,

we aimed for the ECK Worldwide Seminar.

When we spoke with the children about our seminar plan, they were relaxed and told us we would all be there soon.

They were very sure they would see the Master. Eventually, to our surprise, it became possible, and we found ourselves in Minneapolis attending the 2017 ECK Worldwide Seminar!

After the seminar, in a family meeting, the children shared

their secret. They had been singing *HU* together after the family HU song. They took turns conducting their own HU song every day of the week.

After the HU songs, they would have dreams where they would go on outings at the seminar with the whole family. They each wrote down their dreams, and their individual experiences were almost the

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We are grateful to the ECK and say, "We love you, Wah Z!"

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