

THE YUNUS EMRE FARM'S RE-OPENING

Spring has come and it is a delight to see flowers sprouting everywhere... Nature explodes with thousands of forms, colors, fragrances which vibrate all around...



My little house although not fully finished has been a cute and cosy shelter during winter... another delight !

Again and again, huge thanks to ALL of you.

The final touches to the house, are due for this summer (painting, floor, and lots of little things and big cleaning)



The news in Images ..

-- DURGA the roof : thanks to YOUR DONATIONS we where able to cover the roof with tin sheets (January 2014)



THE BIG DURGA - YOGA SHALA now under its own shelter is protected from rain :o))

-- LAW SUIT:

The case continues, very slowly. Expertise, audiences follow each other, yet nothing seems to really change. The whole legal process of the case that the farm has started depends on a larger governmental law suit. Thus putting use in a waiting game. Hopefully the outcome of this larger case will benefit ours.

Next audience is on the 3rd June.

Our lawyer, Mr Stephane Gürhan (Gürhan Law firm- Istanbul) is very positive ; according to the Law we should win. Yet he also admits that it may take ... time.... lots of time...

So good energies to help are really welcome !!



--- FINANCIALS :

As you know, from zero, the financial situation of the farm moved up thanks to YOU.

Also thanks to the Yoga Studyo's income, that comes as a real help although it is still only the start.

However the situation remained very unstable this beginning of 2014, and is becoming even worse because of more expenses for the court case, and a huge increase of the exchange rates between dollar and turkish lira which makes life drastically more expensive at all levels...

Thus we had to postpone a lot of the planned projects and concentrate on the essentials such as survival.

I'm trying to find solutions, maybe a financial partner, maybe an investor...

Ultimately, Mr Stephane Gürhan himself - the farm's lawyer- accepted to support me and the farm by a kind transaction :

He has kindly accepted to buy the « Moon Garden », however, we have agreed mutually a special contract allowing the Farm to still use the field as if we still were the full owners and it during 10 years.

The money we got now will not allow any other construction, but help us to sustain the farm for one or two more years, allowing time for the Yoga Studyo Antalya to develop and bring more incomes..

So this is a big HELP. And a BIG relief.

Mr Stéphane Gürhan is a lawyer and businessman, yet his heart resonated with the Yunus Emre farm and I am infinitely grateful to him.

Thanks to his help, I can dedicate my energy to other works, like the opening of the « Boutique »!



- AFTER THE FIRE : CLEANING OF THE FIELDS STARTED and may take long time..

First, in January, BURNED TREES of the farm have been cut : 3 big pine trees, turned in to heating wood.



The huge triple pine tree will also have to be cut.
Because it is definitely burned.

Cutting these huge trees is a difficult work.
Here Alim is precisely cutting the tree so that it falls
at a specific place. And he got it spot on !





Even the big fig tree had to be pruned. What a look !
Fortunately it is alive and will continue to give delicious fruits:o))

Two big olive trees also had to be pruned. Olive tree, symbol of peace :o)



Here we see that four main branches are left, they will grow and hopefully give olives in the future ...

BORDERS OF THE FIELDS - CLEANING

Because they had been devastated by the machines during and after fire, the borders had to be re defined...

Then rangers came to clean up and burn the huge amount of cut branches which were remaining.

There is still lot to do to clean the fields, machines will be needed, so I hope to receive help either from the Forest departement, and/ or from the Dam construction site... lets see and hope...



Sometimes i feel as if everything had to be restarted since the beginning - replayed.
Interesting experience, which i try to live with faith and trust in Life,
and with the conviction that EVERYTHING happens for our GOOD.

And most of all, that EVERYTHING that we REALLY need, comes at the right moment.
So the « inner work » follows the « outer work ». always.
A big purification...

- PLANTATIONS -

Winter is the ideal time for plantations in the farm.

Mild temperatures, rains allowing the roots to grow and the plants to become ready to face summer draught...

Prickly pears (Opuntia) got from Antalya - (thrown away by people on the roads !!)

They already decorate the farm's fields everywhere and have new « leaves » growing !!

(little protrusion visible here)



Bottom pictures :

Poplar branches taken from adult trees.

Sukers taken from the big fig tree.

Almost all branches have been placed in big pots, waiting for next autumn to be planted, once the fields will be cleaned.

Here on the right, poplar branches already giving leaves !...



-- YUNUS EMRE FARM : A SHY RE OPENING !

So the « re opening » is planned now - but it will be very slow...

Jah, young french- english friend has arrived and will stay for two months, half volunteering half studying the wild plants of the area.

According to him, as a herbalist, the area reveals to be particularly rich in rare wild plant species, so his studies are going well !

Besides, we also work to improve the farm's condition, building, chopping, digging, and of course we also look after the animals and plants...

Thank you Jah for giving your young energy to the farm and sharing your precious knowledge!



Gladiolus anatolicus



Muscaris muscarimi



Tulipa sylvestris



Already beautiful pathways, little steps, and soon a large terrasse !



THE FARM's PROGRAM will start with

the « OPEN DAY » which will take place on the 11th may

In the spirit of Yunus Emre,
fantastic poet, troubadour, sufi.

I hope it will once more be a warming moment of sharing,
with friends and their families...



here « PHOENIX DAY » in may 2013 with farm 's friends from Antalya:o)))



then we shall
have

a Cleansing weekend with the Yoga Shatkarma :
Jala Neti, Kunjal Kriya, et Shankaprashalana,
A big cleansing of the digestive system.



And then summer will come ... and we shall see ..



-- THE « YOGA STUDYO ANTALYA »

Yoga classes continue in Yoga Studyo Antalya, and I wish to thank all the yoga students who do their best to come regularly to the Satyananda yoga classes and allow me to share the precious teachings I received.

Once a month, a **SUNDAY YOGA PROGRAM** takes place, where we go a bit deeper, further in the study and practices.

PREGNANCY YOGA also started, in english and/or french.



Everyone knows nowadays at which point yoga might be beneficial at all levels, however, we also know how difficult it is to allow time for our own practice, be it at home or once a week in the yoga studyo.

That is why I always wish to keep in mind these words from the Great Soul, Mahatma Gandhi, who, when asked how he could manage his own practices with his extremely busy days, would always answer :

« **PRECISELY**, this is when i am extremely busy and caught into work
that i have to practice even **MORE** »

and **THIS** is the key.



- The YOGA STUDYO 's BOUTIQUE : YOGA BOOKS and ORGANIC FARM PRODUCTS

The boutique just opened in Yoga Studyo Antalya :



Organic products from the farm : at present delicious marmelades, soon dry tomatoes, figs ...

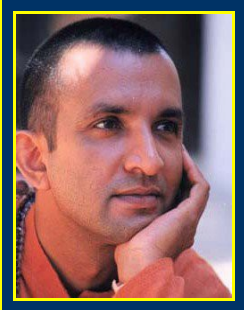
Already Yoga Books in Turkish and English are on sale.



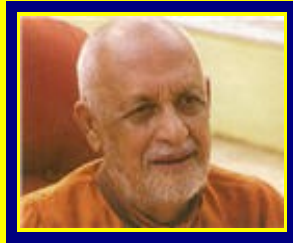
For the time being, books from Vivekananda University, from Purnam Publications, and other authors from India, translated into Turkish by Ayça Gürelman.



Very soon Books from BIHAR SCHOOL OF YOGA, the BIHAR YOGA UNIVERSITY , books by Paramahansa Satyananda, Swami Niranjanananda, Swami Satsangananda, and other Swamis from the Saraswati lineage will also be available for sale.



Swami Niranjanananda



Paramahansa Satyananda



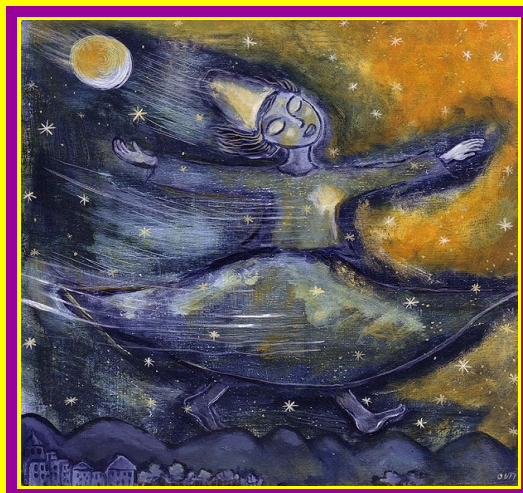
Swami Satsangananda



Soon, a LIBRARY will give the possibility to borrow the farm's yoga books, in English, French, Turkish.



Up coming : yoga practices recorded on Cds will be available, Yoga nidra, Meditation practices...
And in the future, other products like calender, receipes book, handy craft etc...



To end up, let me thank you for having read the e-gazete up to this point !



Thank you for your support and interest.

Know also that the farm is searching for **partners, long term residents, yoga teachers, who would be happy to take part in the evolution of the farm and/or the Yoga Studyo, in a way or another.**

Every suggestion will be studied with the highest attention.

Examples : (non exhaustive list !)

- possibility to give yoga classes in Antalya living in Antalya...(turkish or/and english speaking)
- possibility to live several months a year on the farm, either as volunteer/ karma yogi, or partner in the project, at different levels of involvement...
- possibility of partnership in the farm's project, to join the venture and increase the energy into a creative and strong synergy ...
- note that it also could be possible to have an independant activity on the farm's fields, (renting part of the fields for example) like organic agriculture, animals, turism, importation, exportation, handy craft ...

The Yunus Emre farm contains a huge potential that is still awaiting to be revealed.

So if you feel motivated by the possibilities, do not hesitate to contact me, I would be happy to give you more details.

Finally, I do hope that I wont have to do another crowd funding campaign to sustain the the farm's activities, yet it is obvious and clear that kind donations will always be welcome!

Whole heartedly, thank you to all of you who read the e-gazete, and support the project in a way or another.

Next, you will find links to web sites and articles related to the farm and yoga studyo, which are regularly updated.

Have a lovely spring and see you in the warmth of summer !

Om shanti

Isabelle

LINKS



Yoga Studyo Antalya : web site :

<http://yunusemrefarmyogastudioantalya.eclublog.com/>

Yunus Emre farm :site in english :

<http://yunusemrefarm.eclublog.com/>

Yunus Emre farm « renaissance » : web site :

<http://yunusemrefarmrenaissance.eclublog.com/>

Yoga Studyo Antalya : the boutique :

<http://yunusemrefarmyogastudioantalya.eclublog.com/boutik-store-boutique-c25031776>

photos and médias :

<http://yunusemrefarmfotos.eclublog.com/>

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Om shanti