

**SWAMI BODHANANDA**  
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**Sambodh Institutions in India and the USA**  
(short bio)



**Swami Bodhananda** is the Chairman and Spiritual Director of Sambodh Society Inc in the US, and the Sambodh Foundation and its sister organisations in India. Swami Bodhananda teaches Advaita Vedanta, Yogasutras, Bhagavad Gita, Upanishads and scores of other Vedantic texts. Swamiji's teachings are imbued with a quality that at once takes the novice listener and the committed student to the sacred space of the higher self.

Being himself an embodiment of detachment and compassion, his words guide us patiently to the wisdom of the yogic traditions. In India Swamiji has trained many students and guided them to the pinnacle ashrama of Sannyasa. Some of these students are today well-known Sanyassins in Kerala and other cities in India.

Apart from his erudition in Vedantic texts, Swamiji is a well known management guru, having his master's degree in economics and political science. He is an avid reader and is well-versed with the contemporary challenges that the corporate leadership and corporate management face. Swami Bodhananda is the author of several books: His latest book is *Indian Management and Leadership*. Other books include *Meditation: The Awakening of Inner Powers*, *Happiness Unlimited*, *Seven Hindu Spiritual Laws*, and *Management and Mahabharata*. He has also authored two conversation-styled books, one with a scholar of consciousness studies in India, and the other with a young Indian-American lawyer in the United States. These books are "Dialogues: Philosopher meets Seer" (2001) and "Irreverent Spiritual Questions" (2004). Swamiji can be contacted at [swami\\_bodhananda@charter.net](mailto:swami_bodhananda@charter.net)  
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Swami Bodhananda is the Chairman and Spiritual Director of Sambodh Society Inc in the US, and the Sambodh Foundation and its sister organisations in India. In United States the headquarters of Sambodh is in Kalamazoo Michigan which has an Ashram in a wooded area of thirty-two acres, and in India the head-office is in New Delhi. These organisations and its mandate are inspired by the teachings and guidance of Swamiji. Swamiji teaches Advaita Vedanta, Yogasutras, Bhagavad Gita, Upanishads and scores of other Vedantic texts. Swamiji's teachings are imbued with a quality that at once takes the novice listener and the committed student to the sacred space of the higher self.

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In India there are twelve Centres of Sambodh that work under the spiritual guidance of Swami Bodhananda. Of these one of the most beautiful Ashrams, with a full-fledged facility for its guests and students to stay, is located in the banks of a river in a place called Kalady in Trivandrum, Kerala. Folklore says that Adi Sankaracharya had visited Kalady in Trivandrum.

Another Ashram which is situated in the outskirts of Bangalore, “Sambodh Centre for Living Values” is guided by Swamiji teachings for a green, self-sustained and simple living. The Sambodh Centre in Bangalore has its focus in tree planting, medicinal farms, organic farming, protection of cows, and helping the poor and the downtrodden through its charity programmes. Every year studious but underprivileged school students are selected for the Sambodh scholarships that support their education.

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