

A World of Thanks

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For your time and presence here,
For the kindness that you share,
Let us offer you a world of thanks and say:

Mahalo, Grazie, Danke, Tak!
Merci, Nandri, Arigato, Salamat!

Mauruuru, Tatende, Zikomo, Xie Xie!
Mamnoon, Toda, Koloombo, Namaste!

Thank You!

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Translations, All the words mean “Thank You” around the world except *Namaste (see below):

Mahalo - Hawaii

Grazie - Italy

Danke - Germany

Tak - Denmark

Merci - France

Nandri - India (Tamil)

Arigato - Japan

Salamat - Philippines

Mauruuru - Tahiti

Tatenda - Zimbabwe

Zikomo - Malawi/South Africa

Xie Xie - China (Mandarin)

Mamnoon- Iran (Farsi)

Toda - Israel (Hebrew)

Koloombo - Yaka (Angola, Congo-Kinshasa)

**Namaste - India (Hindu) (means, I bow to you or I recognize the divine spark in you.)*