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(Gnyān Swarup, Chicago)

Paramguru Shrimat Karunāsāgar Mahārāj is known by several identities. He is known as a 'Kaival Vettā' (meaning: He knows everything about Kaival Kartā). He is the Param Vishesh Ansha of Kaival Kartā (meaning: the most divine part of Kartā). Kartā sent Paramguru into the universe to give everyone the true and pure GNYĀN (knowledge) about Kaival Kartā and our universe. He teaches us that Kaival Kartā is THE one and only universal GOD. Paramguru traveled through various loks (worlds, galaxies, and planets) and the 6 dvips before he came to the 7th dvip (Jambu Dvip), which is our world with this knowledge. After leaving Jambu Dvip, he went straight to Kaival Dhām back to Kartā.

As Kartā was giving Paramguru the directive to come into the universe to spread Kartā's knowledge, Kartā said, "Kuver!" 'Ku' means why and 'Ver' means wait. "Why wait, go now!" Without a second's thought, Paramguru left the unparalleled and indescribable bliss of Kartā's abode to fulfill this directive.

In Vikram Samvat 1829 (1773 in Gregorian Calendar) on Maha Sud Beej, Paramguru was pragat (materialized) in a forest in the form of a child. This year we are celebrating 250 years of him being pragat in our universe.

Paramguru embodied a physical form that would transcend all time and space boundaries AND would make Him visible to other physical beings, like humans. This form is known as 'Divya Deh' (divine form) and was made especially and only for Paramguru. This 'Divya Deh' has 18 'chinho' (special markings) that symbolize 18 pious characteristics. No other entity has or could ever have such a form. Furthermore, Kartā blessed Paramguru with all 16 vibhuti (powers), 9 nidhi (intellectual wealth), 8 siddhi (special abilities), and all other true and pure qualities and characteristics.

Paramguru's 'Divya Deh,' along with His powers and abilities, allowed Him to move from lok to lok and from dvip to dvip with the simple act of appearance. He never had to take birth through a mother's womb, He was always 'pragat'. Paramguru illuminated every lok and dvip with His knowledge and divine actions as He helped countless devotees, saints, and humans. He has the unique ability to help anyone at any time in any place. Paramguru has composed 15 granths (religious scriptures) and has blessed His two main 'shishya' (students) to compose 3 granths as well. In the Aghādh Bodh Granth, Paramguru says, "Whoever reads all my granths, will have no question or doubts remaining in their minds or hearts."



:- સત કૃપા સારો:-

કૃપા શાન શીકાગો મંદિર માં દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ વિભૂતિઓ સરિત
વિરાજમાન થયા. તેને પંદર વર્ષ પૂર્ણ થાય છે.

દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ નું ૨૫૦ મું પ્રાગટ્ય વર્ષ પણ ચાલે છે.
અતિ ભવ્ય રીતે મહોત્સવ ઉજવાઈ રહ્યો છે. એ અત્યંત હર્ષની
વિન્યા છે. શાન સંપ્રદાય ના અનુયાયીઓ માટે અદભૂત, અનુપમ,
અને ગૌરવ અપાવે તેવો પ્રસંગ છે. મંદિર ની પ્રગતિ નો પ્રમાણ છે.

પંદર વર્ષ માં મંદિર ની ખૂબ જ પ્રગતિ થઈ છે.
નાની - મોટી સેવા આપનાર દરેક અનુયાયી ને ધન્યવાદ થઈ છે.

કૃપા શાન મંદિર નો આરંભ થયો ત્યાર થી કુરેલ નિઃસ્વાર્થ,
વિનમ્ર, નિષ્ઠાવાન અને ઉત્સાહી સેવકો ની ટીમ અને ભક્તોના
સાથ સદુકાર થી મંદિર નું સંચાલન સુંદર રીતે થઈ રહ્યું છે.

સર્વ ભક્તો દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ ઉપર અટલ જાહેદ્દા રાખી
સેવાનું કાર્ય કરી રહ્યા છે, એ પ્રશંસનીય છે.
વિશેષ તો બાળકો વિવિધ સાંસ્કૃતિક પ્રવૃત્તિઓ ઉમેગ અને
ઉત્સાહ થી કરી રહ્યા છે.

બાળકો ખૂબ જ સુંદર રીતે સંગીત ના સૂર સાથે ઉપાસના કરાવે છે.
અને ભજનોનું પણ ખૂબ જ સુંદર રીતે ગાન કરે છે.

મંદિર માં દર રવિવારે ગુજરાતી કલાસ, સત્સંગ કલાસ, સંગીત કલાસ,
વિગેરે અભગ - અભગ પ્રવૃત્તિઓ પણ ખૂબ જ સરસ રીતે ચાલે છે,
તેમા અનેક બાળકો જોડાઈ ને તેનો લાભ લઈને પોતાનું ગુણ
સુંદર બનાવે છે.

અમેરિકા ના મારા પ્રવાસ દરમિયાન મારા મનમા કૃપા શાન મંદિર માં
દૈદિવ્યમાન સ્વરૂપમાં વિરાજેલા દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ ના દર્શનની અભિલાષા
અંતર માં અચૂક થાય છે જ તેથી સમય ન હોય છતાં એકાદ
દિવસ તો ગોઠવુ છું. દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ ના દર્શન કરતા જ અંતર માં
એક અનેરો આનંદ ઉભરાય છે.

કૃપા શાન મંદિર માં ઉપાસના પૂજા વિગેરે ખૂબ જ સુંદર રીતે થાય છે.
કરદા જુલ્લા ના સાપર ગામના વિદવાન, કુધાકાર, સંગીતકાર
બાલાશંકર પડ્યા મંદિર માં ઉપાસના પૂજા - વિધિ કરાવે છે.

પરમગુરુ ખીમા ઉરુણ સાગર નો દર્શાવેલો જ્ઞાન માર્ગ છે. સત્ગુરુ નું શુદ્ધ જ્ઞાન છે. મંદિર દ્વારા જનતા ને સત્ગુરુ નું સાચુ શુદ્ધ જ્ઞાન પ્રાપ્ત થાય જેના વડે સૌ જનો અંધ જાદેદા અને અજ્ઞાન માંથી મુક્ત થઈ મુમુક્ષુ અને તે આશા થી મંદિર નું નામ પણ કૈવલ જ્ઞાન મંદિર રાખવામાં આવ્યુ છે.

મંદિર ની ઉત્તરોત્તર ખૂબ જ પ્રગતિ થઈ રહી છે. બાળકો, યુવાનો, ભાઈઓ તથા બહેનો સૌના માં ખૂબ જ સારી ભાવના છે. સ્વયં સેવકો નો ઉત્સાહ, અનન્ય ભકિત, બાળકોની નવીન શીખવાની વિશ્વાસ અને બધાને લીધે વિદેશની દરતી ઉપર કૈવલ જ્ઞાન મંદિર એક તીર્થધામ બની ગયુ છે.

દશ વર્ષ થી દર પૂનમ પછી નો પહેલો રવિવાર મંદિર માં અષ્ટાંક દૂન નું આયોજન કરવામાં આવે છે. અનેક ભક્તો તન - મન - દિન થી યોગદાન આપે છે, તે સૌ ભક્તજનો દિન્યતા ને પાત્ર છે.

સૌ ભક્તજનોમાં સેવા, સર્મપણ અને ધર્મની પવિત્ર ભાવના વધતી રહે અને દિવ્ય પરમગુરુ ની અસીમ કૃપા દર રહેંશ રહે એવી પ્રાર્થના.

સૌને આશીર્વાદ સહીત સત કૈવલ સાહેબ.

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FOUR TIRTH DHĀMS



There are 4 Tirth Dhāms in our Gnyān Sampradāya, all located in the state of Gujarāt. A Tirth Dhām is a holy place where miraculous events or something of great importance have occurred.

Gurugādi Sārsāpuri - Sarsa, Gujarāt

This is the main seat of our Sampradāya (organization). Established by Paramguru, it follows the traditional guru - shishya paramparā (teacher – student tradition). Each Āchārya (head of the organization) is responsible for organizing, maintaining, and growing the Sampradāya while on the Gādi (seat). Each Āchārya is also responsible for appointing the next Āchārya. This was the second mandir built in our Sampradāya. It was designed and established by Dvitya (Second) Kuverāchārya Shri Nārandāsji Mahārāj. This mandir was built in the exact location of the ‘Bitter Nimb Tree,’ where Paramguru did Satsang while He was on Earth. Shri Nārandāsji Mahārāj started the work for this mandir in Vikram Samvat 1934 (after Paramguru went to Kaival Dhām) and he did the Paramguru Prān Pratishthā on Vaishāk Sud Purnimā in Vikram Samvat 1946.



FOUR TIRTH DHĀMS



Samādhi Mandir – Sarsai Bāg - Sarsa, Gujarāt

- The Samādhi Mandir (a place to Āchārya honor who went to Kaival Dham) is located behind our main mandir in Sārsā. It was established by Shashtam (Sixth) Kuverāchārya Shri Shitaldāsji Mahārāj. It contains the Samādhi of all the Kuverāchāryas who have gone to Kaival Dhām, including Paramguru.
- It is also the location of the 'Akhand Divya Jyot.' When Paramguru took Samādhi and went back to Kaival Dhām, a flame sparked from the big toe of his right foot and His body turned into a bed of rose petals.
- Pujya Shri Nārandāsji Mahārāj lit a 'divo' from that spark and preserved it. That divo is still lit today and it is known as the 'Akhand Divya Jyot.'



Bālkuver Mandir – Kāsor, Gujarāt



- Pujya Shri Shitaldāsji Mahārāj (our sixth Kuverāchārya) found the exact location of Paramguru Prāgatya in Kāsor, Gujarāt and he established a mandir in that definite spot.
- In this mandir, there is a Bāl Svarup (child form) murti of Paramguru.
- Pujya Shri Avichaldāsji Mahārāj has opened a children's school adjacent to this mandir, which provides education to poverty stricken children. He has also started annual pad yātrā (walk-a-thons) to Bālkuver Mandir from Sārsā Mandir. Thousands of devotees take part in this blessed event every year.

Amar Dādhām – Fājalpur, Gujarāt

- This mandir was established by Saptam Kuverāchārya Shri Avichaldāsji Mahārāj. It is the place of the great 'Amar Dādam.' When Paramguru was doing Kaival Gnyān Prachār (spreading Kaival knowledge), He went to a devotee's farm in the village of Fājalpur. While He was there, He sat under a Dādam nu Vruksh (pomegranate tree) and performed a great miracle. Because of this divine energy, Paramguru proclaimed that the Dādam nu Vruksh had become 'Amar' (immortal). This tree has been there for over 150 years and continues to give devotees fruit and blessings. Āchārya Shri Avichaldāsji Mahārāj has begun doing annual pad yātrā (walk- a-thons) to Fājalpur from Sārsā.





GURUJI GĀDI ABHISHEK MAHOTSAV

His Holiness Āchārya Shri Avichaldāsji Mahārāj (Pujya Guruji) was born on September 24th, 1951 and is from the village of Hathipurā. As a young boy, he was clever, active, bright, and obedient. He was always ready and willing to serve others and he was a devotee of Shivāji. At the young age of 17 in March of 1969, he renounced all worldly attachments and relations and went to Sārsāpuri to do sevā and learn about Kartā.

Pujya Shri Shitaldāsji Mahārāj (6th Kuverāchārya) accepted Pujya Guruji as a shishya (student), sent him to Kāshi (Banāras) to study the Sāshtas (religious teachings), and gave him sādhu-dikshā (formal right of passage) on Jeth Sud Purnimā of 1969 (May 31st, 1969). Shri Shitaldāsji Mahārāj had Pujya Guruji learn the Nyāya Sāshtā (ethics and morals scripture). After seeing Pujya Guruji's sincerity, truthfulness, faithfulness, and devotion, Shri Shitaldāsji Mahārāj appointed Pujya Guruji as the Saptam (Seventh) Kuverāchārya of the Sampradāya. January 14th, 1972 (Uttarāyanna) marks Pujya Guruji's 'Gādi Abhishek Din' (the day he became the head of the Sampradāya). This year we will be celebrating his 50th Gādi Abhishek Anniversary.



In the past 50 years, Guruji has made every effort possible to do Paramguru's Gnyān Prachaar and has helped tens of thousands of bhaktos connect and build their faith. He continues to lead by example and continuously teaches us the importance of our faith, our community, and our environment.

Here are just a few of the remarkable things our Pujya Guruji has done in the past 50 years:



- He has established a Yuvā Mandal (young adult organization) in Sārsā to mobilize young people in sevā, bhakti, and gnyān.
- Pujya Guruji has made significant efforts to encourage education in rural areas by establishing several schools for children in villages like Sārsā and Bālkover for kids from all surrounding villages.
- In 2001, as a part of Pujya Guruji's 50th birthday celebrations, a Suvarna Tulā Mahotsav was arranged to raise funds to establish Sat Kaival Eye Hospital. This Eye Hospital provides eye care to poverty-stricken people free of charge.
- In addition to the service for eye health and care, Sat Kaival Eye Hospital provides a freezer box service to poor families who have experienced death in their families and need time to make funeral arrangements.
- Pujya Guruji has taken a firm stance against dowries and has started a program which allows for girls from poor families to get married without the stress of dowry. For the past 20 years, he has been helping poor families marry their daughters into good homes. Each year, he helps at least as many families as his age in years. This program is called "Sat Kaival Samuh Lagnotsav."
- In 2010, Pujya Guruji started leading health-spiritual events by organizing bi-annual walk-a-thons with thousands of devotees. In conjunction with the walks, Pujya Guruji organizes awareness programs for social and environmental issues like climate change.
- To further his environmental goals, Pujya Guruji has started a greenhouse project so they can create a safe space to grow plants without pesticides. Furthermore, as a part of the 'Vruksha Ropan' program, under the guidance of the National Service Scheme, Pujya Guruji mobilized Sārsā mandir devotees to plant trees for our environment!



MANDIR INAUGURATION

JULY 2007 (KGM Foundation)

CAROL STREAM, IL

In 2004 - 2005, Chicago trustees and Board approached Guruji and asked for a mandir to be built in the Chicagoland area. With Pujya Guruji's blessings, the first Kaival Gyan mandir outside of India was established. Guruji and a few trustees searched for a perfect site to be converted into a mandir. Once the site was found, the next step was obtaining necessary funds in order to make a deposit.

A Paramguru Mahapuja was organized at Itasca Swaminarayan Mandir in 2006 to help collect the necessary funds while allowing satsangis from across the US, Canada, and the UK to dedicate their tan, man, and dhan to this amazing seva. Many satsangis, however, were worried that we would not collect enough for the deposit for our mandir. Such a large amount would be difficult to collect and the plan for our mandir would have been on pause till the funds were collected.

Nonetheless, our Pujya Guruji had faith that Paramguru would make everything work out. As the Jagata Vandare stuti was sung, money was collected and within 20-30 minutes, a mandir fund of 2 million dollars was brought together! This stuti is now sung every day at our mandir, which is not done anywhere else in our Sampradaya as it is specially admired by the Chicago community. After the deposit was put down, the site was converted from a church to the mandir we cherish today by consecrating Paramguru's murti and performing various forms of bhakti.

A grand 3 day Pran-Pratishtha Mahotsav was held in July 2007 with devotees and Santos attending from across the US, Canada, the UK, and India. This Mahotsav was the first of its kind for our Sampradaya. Pujya Guruji did the Vedic Pran-Pratishtha Vidhis.





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On behalf of Kaival Gyan Mandir, we would like to sincerely thank all our donors for their generous seva. Any donation big or small is Paramguru's seva. May Paramguru bless you all and keep you in His seva.



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Kaival Gyan Mandir's Walk-A-Thons

Our very first Walk-A-Thon was held in 2008. These Walk-A-Thons help raise funds for our mandir youth or for various charities like the Sat Kaival Eye Hospital and the American Diabetes Association.

In each of these Walk-A-Thons, up to a hundred of our mandir community members and youth have attended. It was a great way to spend time with Guruji and with our friends and family. Participating in the Walk-A-Thon was also a great way to engage in physical activity.

2008



KAIVAL GYAN MANDIR BLOOD DRIVE

2009

On August 30, 2009, Kaival Gyan Mandir hosted its first blood drive. A blood drive helps collect blood and plasma for patients in need of surgeries, medication, and more.

Each blood donation helps save up to 3 lives. Blood drives are an easy and effective way to have a greater impact on our community. This is one of the many ways Kaival Gyan Mandir helps address our community's needs.





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The 2010 Walk-A-Thon at Kaival Gyan Mandir was held with a 'Mission for Vision.' Funds raised from this Walk-A-Thon went to Sat Kaival Eye Hospital in Sarsa, Gujarat, India. Our Pujya Guruji established this eye hospital in 2001 to provide free care to underserved communities and tribal areas in Gujarat in need of medical eye treatments. This event has a special place in our hearts, knowing the impact this Walk-A-Thon had on the lives of many.



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Shashtipurti Dhoon

2011



In November 2011,
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Mahārāj's 60th
birthday.

Everyone, young &
old, participated
and took turns
doing Akhand
Dhoon. It was a
celebration for
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2012

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5TH PATOTSAV

JULY 13-15, 2012

Murti Pran Pratishtha is a religious consecration ceremony, where several vedic rituals are performed to invoke the "Divine" into murtis (idols) in a mandir. In 2012, Kaival Gyan Mandir celebrated its second consecration ceremony (the first one being the Paramguru Pran Pratishtha in 2007), consecrating the murtis of Hanumānji, Rām-Sitā, Rādhā-Krishnā, Shiv-Pārvati, Ambā Mātā, and Ganpatiji.







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SAT KAIVAL YOUTH SHIBIR

2013

Our first ever Sat Kaival Youth Shibir (SKYS) was held in 2013. With the blessings of Paramguru and guidance of P. P. Shree Avichaldāsji Mahārāj, our yearly youth shibir was started to help youth from all around the world learn about Paramguru's message of strengthening their faith, connecting to Kaival Karta, and the importance of selfless service and self-development.

Throughout the years, interactive games, workshops, lesson plans, and team building activities from shibir have helped our youth learn how to take on challenges and accomplish goals.



8

In person SKYS

3

Virtual SKYS

7

Host Cities

150+

Attendees/year



WHY?



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All attendees get to do lots of bhakti throughout shibir through upāsānās, bhajans, stutis, and much more!

FUN



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#ACTIVELIFE 2014

In 2014, Kaival Youth started the #activelife initiative.



This initiative aims to promote an active, healthy physical lifestyle through social media campaigns, 5Ks, basketball tourneys, and group HIIT workouts for youth & adults.

Kaival Youth believes that an active lifestyle is not only important for our physical health, but also our spiritual and mental well being.

So far we have hosted four basketball tourneys, one 5K walk/run, and multiple HIIT workouts.



How can you get involved and stay connected?

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

2018 - PRESENT



In 2018, Kaival Gyan Mandir officially launched our outreach initiative to address the needs of our local community. One of the first events held was at Feed My Starving Children where KGM volunteers helped a local organization package food to be sent to kids in developing countries to help eliminate malnutrition and starvation. Thus far, KGM has held two events with Feed My Starving Children, overall packaging ~48,000 meals which fed ~130 kids for one year. Our Paramguru teaches us in Sandhya Saakhee:

*"Chaarā Chinha Hari Bhakṭa Ke, Pragata Dekhaavana Deta;
Dayaa Kshamaa Aora Deenata, Para Dukha Ku Hara Leta.."*

Meaning, a true bhakta (devotee) of Paramguru, should have these four qualities: Sympathy, Forgiveness, Empathy, and the ability to take someone else's sorrows away.

Another outreach event KGM held was a Food Drive in 2020. Volunteers came together and collected non-perishable food items such as, juice, coffee, white rice, canned veggies, fruits, beans, boxed cereal and much more. The food collected was donated to Carol Stream Lutheran Church of the Master.

Volunteers also packed meals at Raise Against Hunger twice to address a high demand of food during COVID. KGM's volunteers packed about ~3,600 meals. These meals went straight to children in developing countries.



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5K RUN & WALK

2019



#activelife

As a part of Kaival Youth's #activelife initiative to promote an active and healthy lifestyle, Kaival Gyan Mandir and Kaival Youth hosted a 5K Run/Walk in May 2019.

Our fitness enthusiast youth led everyone in a warm up session before the start of the run/walk.

The path led walkers, joggers, and runners through the Village of Carol Stream into the West Branch Forest Preserve's nature filled trails.

Then, in true Gujarati spirit, everyone cooled down with garba in the parking lot.



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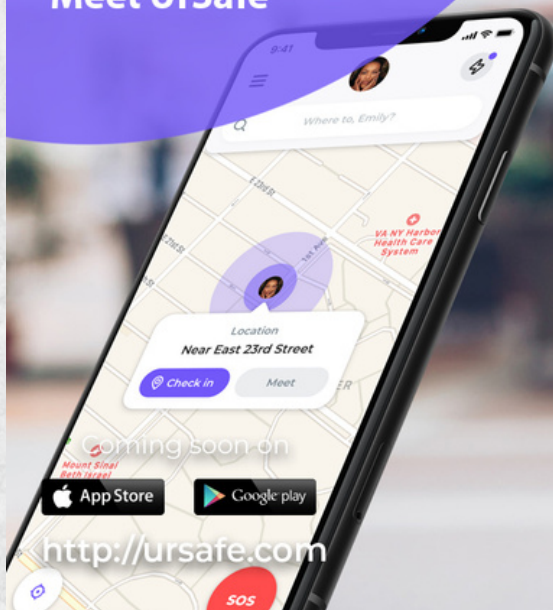
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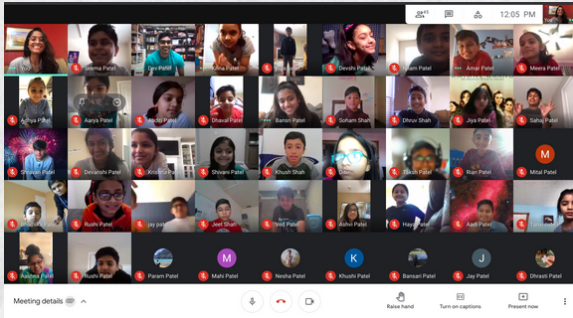
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Adapting to COVID

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After cancelling all in-person events in mid March 2020, Kaival Gyan Mandir and Kaival Youth hosted 75+ virtual events like satsang sabhas (spiritual assemblies), monthly Akhand Dhuns, two youth webinars, and several festival celebrations like Gurupunam, Janmashtami, Navratri, Diwali, Mahibij, & Holi.



As regulations changed, Kaival Gyan Mandir adapted to hybrid and in-person activities.

Community Outreach

continued throughout the pandemic

- Kaival Youth collected hundreds of *homemade masks and respirators* to donate to local hospitals in need. We ran the *#PensToPoliticians* campaign to urge lawmakers to take swift action on the urgent PPE needs.
- Additionally, messages in English and Gujarati and a special podcast episode were created to give our community accurate information and reduce panic.
- COVID testing was made available to the local community
- In May 2021, the *#HealingHope* campaign was launched to collect funds to send oxygen concentrators and other medical supplies to India.
- Sat Kaival COVID-19 Quarantine Center was set up to provide a safe place for underprivileged individuals to isolate and get proper nutrition and treatment.
- A special 24hrs Akhand Dhun (prayer) was performed for this cause.
- Multiple webinars related to COVID precautions and vaccines were held



We encourage everyone to get the COVID vaccines & boosters and follow local guidelines



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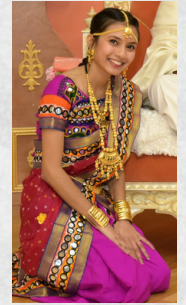
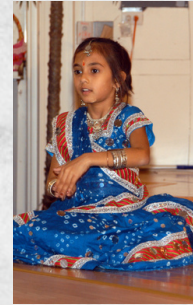
Read about our Kaival Gyan Mandir's Kaival Youth members' experience on the role that Mandir has played in their lives

Neha Patel (21)

Sat Kaival Saheb. There honestly isn't enough I could write to fully explain how Kaival Gyan Mandir has impacted and changed my life. It has allowed me to find a greater purpose, beyond what is temporary and provisional, and has opened my eyes to what is truly important, Karta. I believe I am the best version of myself because of the knowledge I have gained about my faith and religion. I have found a home and a family through this mandir and will be forever grateful to it.

Sandhya Sākhi - "Guru Ki Kije Bañidagi, Koṭi Koṭi Paranām;"

We will do Paramguru's 'stuti' and prayers; and bow our heads millions of times for what he does for us



Keval Amin (26)

Sat Kaival Saheb

Mandir can be defined as a place where the mind and spirit are at home, a place where one feels comfort and peace. In the past fifteen years, Kaival Gyan Mandir has been exactly this for me. It has been a place of exploration, education, and most importantly, a place where I can connect to my Paramguru. Growing up, we would partake in cultural programs. We would spend our days helping with decorations, practicing for dances/plays/speeches, learning stutis, singing Upasana, implementing satsang, and more. At the time, I did not realize the value of these things. Mandir is what gave me the confidence today to be able to speak to any size crowd. I was able to explore my creative side, which inspired me to pursue my career. I gained discipline and a positive work ethic to help me achieve my goals. It is what has allowed me to stay connected to my roots and culture.



Vishva Patel (25)

Starting when I was in middle school, through graduate school and now working full time, mandir has played a major role in my life. Being a part of KGM has impacted me unquantifiably. I have learned to be confident in my choices and unwavering in my beliefs. I've gained communication and leadership skills. And most importantly, the ability to face life challenges with faith that Paramguru will always do what's best for me. Sat Kaival Saheb!



Vraj Patel (24)

Sat Kaival Saheb,

From elementary school to post-college life, there were many changes in my life; from attending 3 different high schools to always moving around the US, I never had a place to ground myself. They say change is the only constant in life and in the ever-changing chaos of life, I found it hard to create a constant identity of who I am. However, mandir has been that constant for me and has become a part of my identity. What I have acquired from my time at mandir ranges further than solely religious knowledge; it has shaped me to become a more independent, self-aware, confident, and responsible individual. I am able to appreciate mandir for being the one constant that has helped me cope with the changes in my life as well as provide me with transferable skills that has made me a well rounded person in today's hectic world.

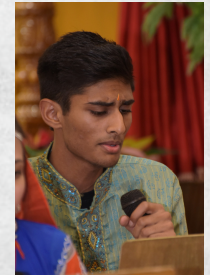




Dipali Patel (20)

Personally, mandir has influenced my life the most through satsang. Attending Sunday Satsang has strengthened my faith and has become the foundation of my life choices. Satsang forces me to reflect and create a positive environment for myself, regardless of the situation I'm in.

Sat Kaival Saheb!



Raj Patel (24)

Mandir is a place that keeps me grounded in my faith. The lessons I have learned at mandir have been helpful in guiding me through life's challenges and big moments. Through mandir, I have become a part of a positive community that continues to grow. Sat Kaival Saheb.



Sakshi Patel (20)

Sat Kaival Saheb

Mandir has impacted my life through the concept of Satsang. Satsang is the idea of surrounding yourself with good company, and in my own words, Satsang is going to mandir. Attending mandir for the past 13 years, I have surrounded myself with people who have made me a better version of myself to building strong connections with others. Mandir has given me a second family; without them, I wouldn't be who I am today. Mandir has also taught me so much from learning about my culture to teaching dances on my own and learning how to speak in front of an audience.

Aastha Patel (19)

Sat Kaival Saheb

Mandir has had a great impact on my life. I have been going almost every single Sunday for over 10 years and because of that, I call it my second home. I have met many incredible people who I call family. Through the various activities and programs, I have obtained skills such as public speaking, teaching, singing, and even playing different instruments. I have also learned how to be a responsible individual at a young age. The satsangs have taught me a lot about our dharam, and most importantly, have caused me to be reflective of my everyday actions. Mandir has helped me grow closer to my Paramguru and, slowly but surely, build on my faith.



Krunal Patel (24)

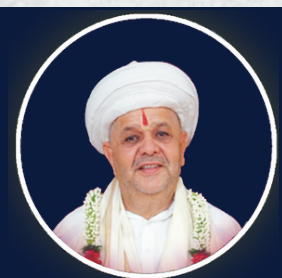
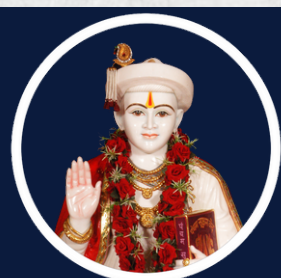
Sat Kaival Saheb,

Since middle school, throughout high school, college, and now as a working professional, mandir activities are something that has remained constant for me. The values, skills, and gyan I have obtained from various mandir activities have not only helped me grow spiritually, but also personally and professionally. In 2012-2013, mandir led to the founding of our national Kaival Youth organization. Kaival Youth allows youth and young adults like me from across the US and Canada to connect with each other and come together as a community. Doing seva for our Kaival Youth organization is truly a blessed opportunity to help the upcoming generations connect with our faith and carry on our traditions and culture.

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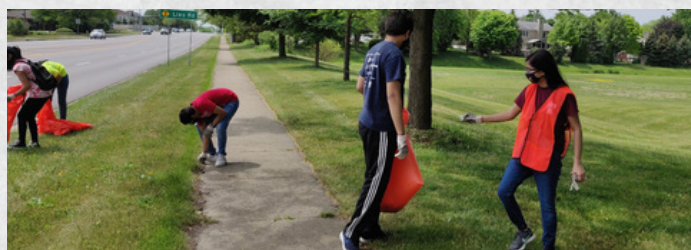
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This is a prayer to Paramguru Shri Balkuver composed by our Pujya Guroji, Shree Avichaldasji Maharaj. It is believed that whoever does this prayer with full faith and devotion, has their wishes fulfilled, especially related to children. It encompasses Paramguru's departure from Kaival Dham and Pragatya on Earth along with His Gyan Sandesh (knowledge & message)



He Karunānidhi Karunā Ke Sāgara, Puri Sārsā Kinhi Ujāgara;
Kaivala Dharma Dhurandara Svāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...1

Kaivala Kartāne Āgnā Dinhi, Parama Vishesha Āpa Shisha Linhi;
Gnāna Ki Jyoti Jalā Do Gunnagāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...2

Chaudaloka Me Gnāna Gangā Bahāi, Sapta Dvipa Me Karunā Barasāi;
Surinara Munijana Samare Shishanāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...3

Māgha Shukla Duja Athāraso Untishā, Pragata Prabhu Bālakuvera Jugadishā;
Hetabāsuta Mātru Rakshaka Svāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...4

Murti Manohara Dise Bahu Pyāri, Saumya Svarupa Sadā Sukhakāri;
Koti Surya Sama Teja Bahunāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...5

Bālakuvera He Bālayogi, Gnāni Dhyāni Name Sidhdha Jogi;
Pragata Purusha Baithe Padmāsana Dhyāni, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...6

Divya Drashti Se Jag Ujiyāre, Kai Janmoke Pāpa Tāpa Tāre;
Rakshā Karo He Karunāsāgara Svāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...7

Kaivala Dharma Ki Jyoti Jalāi, Moha Māyā Se Mukti Dilāi;
'Avichal' Pad De Kaivala Padagāmi, Bālaka Rakshaka Bālakuvera Svāmi...8

SĀKHEE

Bālakuvera Ashtaka Yaha, Padhe Nitya Jo Koi;
'Avichala' Gnān Rahdaye Dhare, Parama Pada Pāve Soi...1

Yaha Ashtaka Shradhdhā Sahita, Janani Padhe Jo Koi;
Bālakuvera Rakshā Kare, Shatam Jive Suta Soi...2

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Pangu Padhe Meru Chadhe, Krupāvanta Guru Hoya...3

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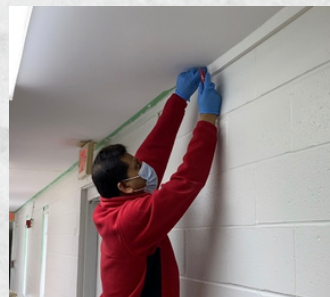
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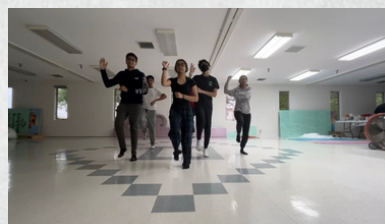
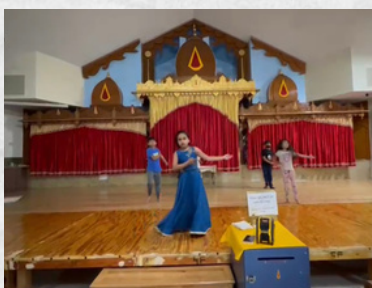
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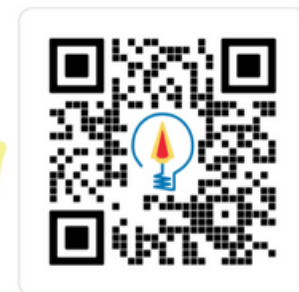


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This Mandir helps bring our community members, young and old, together to learn and grow spiritually and in many other ways. Our Kaival Youth has been greatly involved in our Mandir since the beginning. They have taken the lead in organizing our three annual cultural programs, developing lessons for kids of all ages to learn about spirituality, culture, morality, and Gujarati, and organizing community engagement events. Since 2013, our Guruji has conducted Sat Kaival Youth Shibirs across various locations throughout the US, sponsored by various generous donors to engage with and educate kids across the US, UK, and Canada.

This Mahotsav is truly a once in a lifetime occasion for us all. On this momentous occasion, I pray to Paramguru and Pujya Guruji, Shree Avichaldāsji Mahārāj, that our community continues to grow and develop spiritually, and we stay blessed with the opportunity to do their sevā.

May Paramguru bless us all,

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