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Message from Acharya Swamigal to NRI Devotees

Shruti Smriti PuranānāmĀlayamKarunālayam
NamaamiBhagavadpādaShankaramLokaShankaram
SadāshivaSamārambhāmShankarāchāryaMadhyamām
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Excerpts from Anugraha Bhashanam of HIS HOLINESS SRI SANKARA VIJAYENDRA SARASWATHI SANKARACHARYA SWAMIGAL on 14th April 2023

Long live Namasivaya, Long live the Holy Feet of God, Long live the Feet of Him who does not move away from my mind even for a second.

In our nation, Dharma is basis to goodness, a guide for a higher way of life and noble thinking. By following that virtuous life, the individual becomes better and the society becomes better and, in turn the region/nation is prosperous, peaceful and becomes a creatively thinking country. Therefore, following Dharma is helpful to all, useful and beneficial in the whole world.

As it is said that “As this world is not for those without wealth, so that world is not for those without blessings”, if we follow culture, dharma and righteous path, it gives Arul -blessings and Porul wealth. Based on our age old tradition and culture, we celebrate Tamil New Year every year. Each year is divided into two Ayanas, namely Dhakshinaya and Uttarayana, based on the movement of sun. Each Ayanas is of six months duration. Thus, we have transition from Subhakrit year and entering to new year Shobhakrit today. We shall celebrate the New year Shobhakrit by performing pooja's to Navagraha Devathas and reading Panchangam. By doing so, we shall have blessing of divinity. People's hardwork, sweet words, matured thinking, belief in God, respect for Sastras & religious texts and devotion are the main reasons for Global peace and Global welfare. The concept of devotion, spirituality, culture and service attitude can be found in the life of Alzhwars and Nayanmars. They have recorded these concepts in great Tamil texts Prabhandham and Thevaram. The people, who are living in the region from Kanyakumari to Thiruvathiyur are well known to respect the mother tongue and possess sharp intellect and constructive thinking.

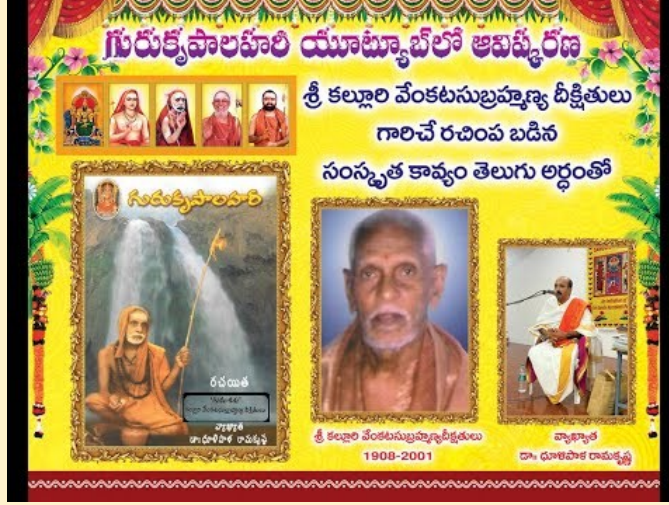
On this auspicious occasion, people should resolve to be hardworking, humble, of helping nature, possess good habits, cultivate a passion to protect Punyakshetras given to us by our ancestors, be passionate about preserving Sthalavrukshas and waterbodies which exhibit our environment friendly inherent nature. Devotion, culture, good actions which manifest through these, contribute to the welfare of everyone. Today, on Shobhakrit Tamil new year, I pray Goddess Kamakshi of Kanchi and Gurus of our illustrious Peeta to shower their blessings on people to lead a life filled with prosperity and affection.

Hara Hara Sankara Jaya Jaya Sankara



Editorial: Gurukrupalahari - Pravachanam series is now available online

Gurukrupalahari is a 302-shloka treatise on Kanchi Mahaswamy authored by Kalluri Venkata Subrahmanya Dikshitulu and Pravachanam rendered by Sri Prof Dr. Dhulipala Ramakrishna Sastry.



The link contains 16 videos including inauguration programme (1st video) and Anugraha Bhashanam of Acharya Swamigal (2nd video) followed by Pravachanam videos.

Devotees are encouraged to send their queries on religious/spiritual matters to nrikanchinews@gmail.com and the team will consult with experts in the field at Sri Matam and facilitate response as appropriate in the subsequent editions.

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Jagadguru Vacanam

Acharya Swamigal is blessing us with many important messages in HIS Anugraha Bhashanam on various occasions. Sri Shaankari team has compiled many of them as short capsules (arulurai). Excerpts from Anugraha Bhashanam of Acharya Swamigal are shared as quotes and audios on regular basis.

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This issue covers the Holy Camp from **12th March 2023** by HIS HOLINESS PUJYASRI SANKARA VIJAYENDRA SARASWATI SANKARAACHARYA SWAMIGAL:

Period	Camp Location
10-Mar-2023 till 12-Mar-2023	Hukkumpet
13-Mar-2023 till 18-Mar-2023	Annavaram
19-Mar-2023 till 20-Mar-2023	Devarapalli
21-Mar-2023 till 04-Apr-2023	Sri Abayahasta Subrahmanaya Swami Temple, Pedaravuru
05-Apr-2023 till 09-Apr-2023	Sri Venkateswara Swami Temple, Labbipet, Vijayawada
10-Apr-2023	Sri Paramacharya temple, Chinna Kanchi, Nunna, Vijayawada
11-Apr-2023 till 13-Apr-2023	Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Sri Venkateswara Swami temple, Guntur
14-Apr-2023 till 20-Apr-2023	Sri Mahalakshmi Nilayam, Near Marichettu, Mangamur Road, Ongole,
21-Apr-2023 till 30-Apr-2023	Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Paduka Mandapam, Ramakrishna Marg, Vinayak Nagar, Tirupati
01-May-2023 till 03-May-2023	Jonnavada, (near Nellore)
04-May-2023 till 10-May-2023	Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Paduka Mandapam, Ramakrishna Marg, Vinayak Nagar, Tirupati

Devotees are encouraged to share spiritual/religious events in their respective cities which can be included in the subsequent edition. You are invited to get in touch with any one of the devotees comprising the editorial team of this issue of the Newsletter.

To make the future NRI Newsletters more informative and useful, we welcome your feedback.

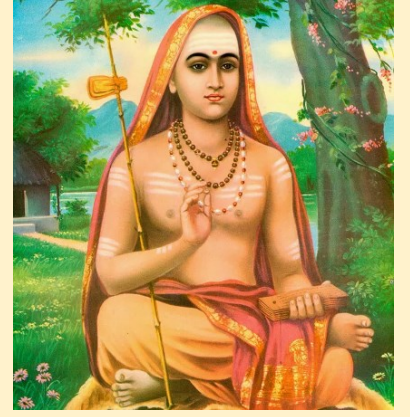


Kanikkai samarpanam can be performed through e-seva portal www.kanchimuttseva.org or by scanning the QR code.

Prashnottara Ratna Malika

This is the eternal and perennial wisdom of the great savant called Adi Shankara Bhagawat Pada in the form of searching questions and pithy answers. This literally means Garland of Gems of questions and answers

We encourage the younger generation (10 or above till 25 or so) to reach out if you have any questions and the answers to the same can be published in this section. You can submit your entries to nrikanchinews@gmail.com



Questions	Answers
What is Death?	Unintelligence
What is priceless?	That which is given at the right moment
What pains like a shaft in death?	The sin committed in secrecy
Where is effort ordained?	In learning, good medicine, charity
Where is indifference to be shown?	Towards bad people, another's wife, another's property
What is to be reflected on day & night?	The futility of life, not certainly woman
What is to be cultivated with affection?	Compassion towards the helpless, friendship with the good
Whose self can indeed never be chastened even at the cost of life?	The unintelligent, the doubting, the cheerless and the ungrateful.
Who is good?	One of good conduct
Who is said to be the lowly?	Certainly, the man of bad conduct
By whom is this world conquered	By the person who has truthfulness and endurance
To whom do Gods offer obeisance	One who extends pity
Which is to be shuddered at?	The noble-minded shudder at the jungle of life.
At whose control lies the community of creatures?	One who speaks the truth, kindly and is humble.
Where should one stick?	To the right path wherein the seen and the unseen profits abound
Who is blind	One who enjoys wrongdoing.
Who is deaf?	One who does not heed the good advice.
Who is dumb?	One who does not know how to use kind words at the right moment.



Vijaya yatra- visits to temples in Tuni (15-Mar-2023)

Acharya Swamigal visited Sri Balaji Swami Temple and Sri Umarama Lingeswara Swami Temple in Gavrapet Tuni. After pujas, Acharya Swamigal blessed devotees with Anugraha Bhashanam.



Maharudram Poornahuti at Annavaram (16-Mar-2023)

Uttarashada nakshatram Jayanthi of Acharya Swamigal- as per Chandramanam. In the early hours of the day, Pujiyashri Acharya performed Abhishekam and sahasra archana puja at the Sri Annavaram main temple. After Sri Chandramouleswara puja (afternoon), Maharudra Homam purnahuthi was performed at shrimatam camp at Pampa Satram, Annavaram.



Anugraha Bhashanam for Kumbabhishekam of Sri Padmavati Amman temple at Chennai (17-Mar-2023)

Acharya Swamigal blessed today's Sri Padmavathi Ammavaru Kumbhabhishekam held at the new TTD centre in T Nagar, Chennai. Pujya Swamiji had performed Bhumipuja at the site on 13-Feb-2021 before embarking on Rameswaram Yatra. Currently camping at Satyanarayana Swamy Temple, Annavaram,

Anugraha Bhashanam in Telugu & Tamil (video)



Shashti - Abhishekam and Visesha pujas to Sri Subrahmanya Swami at Peddaravuru (27-Mar-2023)

Abhishekam for Sri Subramanya Swamy was performed at Sri Abhaya Hasta Subramanya Swamy Temple Peddaravuru (current place of Shrimatam camp) in the presence of Acharya Swamigal followed by Vasanta Navaratri day-6 puja and homam.

Pedaravuru is a serene village near Tenali. The Sri Subrahmanya Swami temple is in the midst of lush green fields and is the present place of Shrimatam camp.



Sri Rama Navami celebrated at Pedaravuru (30-Mar-2023)

Sri Rama Navami puja was performed by Acharya Swamigal at Shrimatam camp at Sri Abhayahasta Swami Temple in Pedaravuru village near Tenali in Andhra Pradesh.



Sri Rama Navami Mahotsavam - Sri Rama Pattabhishekam performed (31-Mar-2023)

Sri Rama Shadakshari Homam Poornahuthi (Vasanta Navaratri Purni) and Sri Rama Pattabhishekam was performed at Shrimatam camp at Pedaravuru (Tenali). Acharya Swamigal performed pujas to Sri Ramachandra Murti. This was followed by abhishekam to Acharya Swamigal with the kalasa teerthams, and pushpabhishekam.



Ishti homam commences at Vijayawada (06-Apr-2023)

Vijaya Yatra update- Acharya Swamigal blessed the homam dravyas used for ishti homam for loka kshema sankalpam which is being performed at Sri Venkateshwara Swamy temple, Labbipeta



Veda Sadas held at Vijayawada (07-Apr-2023)

75th Annual celebrations - sadas & regional Vedic conference of Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan, Ujjain pariksha and felicitation of all the pariksha Purthi patta achievers and all other veda pandits of Krishna Mandala Vidwatpravardhaka Sabha group was held at Shrimatam camp at Vijayawada with blessings and presence of Acharya Swamigal followed by anugraha bashanam and prasadams.



Shrimatam camp at Chinna Kanchi (10-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal blessed all the purohiths, veda pandits & vidyarthi and all devotees with teertha prasadam at Vijayawada camp and arrived at Chinna Kanchi camp at Nuna the previous day in a procession followed by anugraha bashanam. On 10th April, abhishekam and archana of Sri Subramanya Swamy was performed by Acharya Swamigal at Chinna kanchi followed by darshan and blessings. Camp moved to Guntur by evening after the trikala pujas.



Poornahuti performed Dharma Prachara Ratham inaugurated (10-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal blessed poornahuthi of anusham homam and performed puja to Pujya Mahaswamigal at ChinnaKanchi camp. Acharya Swamigal blessed the new Prachara ratham vehicle which will be touring through villages and towns for Dharma Pracharm. Pushpanjali was performed to Acharya Swamigal followed by blessings to the devotees with anugraha bashanam, after which the yatra proceeded towards Guntur.



Acharya Swamigal blesses the release of book Venkatadri Mahatmyam at Guntur (11-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal blessed the release of the book "Venkatadri Mahatmyam" followed by anugraha bhashanam and visited Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Maruti Temple at maruti nagar and Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam Gayatri Temple at A T Agraharam Guntur followed by blessings to the devotees with anugraha bhashanam and prasadam.



Visit to Sri Vinayaka Swami temple Enroute to Ongole

Enroute to Ongole from Guntur, Acharya Swamigal visited Sri Vinayaka Swamy Temple and Sri Lalitha Peetam and blessed devotees with anugraha bhashanam and prasadam.



Tamil New Year - Shobakrut - Anugraha Bhashanam (14-Apr-2023)

Tamil New Year - தமிழ் புத்தாண்டு - Shobakrut - Anugraha Bhashanam of Acharya Swamigal (Video)



On the occasion of Vishu (Tamil New Year), Chaitra masam , Shobakrut varsham, Acharya Swamigal blessed the devotees with prasadam at Shrimatam camp at Ongole.



Acharya Swamigal visits ancient Shivalayam and Sanatana Dharma Seva Graham School project site in Podili (15-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal visited the project site of upcoming "Sanatana dharmam Seva Gramam" school at Obulakappaly Podili Ongole district, and the 100 year old Shivalayam at Podili with devotees according welcome in a grand procession. This was followed by visit to Shivalayam at Rama Theertham Ongole.



Shankara Jayanthi Vaibhavam performed at Ongole (19-Apr-2023)

Shankara Jayanthi Vaibhavam performed at Ongole camp. Acharya Swamigal graced the Shankara Vijayam - Natya Nataka Samarpanam at Srimatam Camp at Ongole. The programme which was about an hour and half covered all the significant events in the life of Jagadguru Adi Shankara concluding with Sarvagnya Peetharohanam at Kanchipuram. Acharya Swamigal then blessed the team which gave a very impressive performance.



Veda Poorthi Pariksha Certificate function (25-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal distributed the Veda Poorthi Pariksha Certificates to the Veda Vidyarthi on Sankara Jayanthi day - 25th Apr 2023 at the Mahati Auditorium in Tirupati.

Acharya Swamigal conferred His Blessings to the Vidyarthi and their Gurus. Vidyarthi from various patasalas pursuing studies in the different branches of the Vedas had participated in the examinations conducted at Srimatam by the Veda Rakshana Nidhi Trust. Every year, the certificate distribution takes place twice - on the Shankara Jayanthi day and on Vijayadashami day.

Acharya Swamigal blessed the devotees with an Anugraha Bhashanam, after which the Veda Vidyarthi were blessed to receive their certificates from the Divine hands of Acharya Swamigal, and along with them their families received Prasadam.

Tirupati MLA Sri Bhumana Karunakar Reddy (formerly in charge of the Sri Venkateswara Bhakti Channel - SVBC), Prof. Dr. Prafulla Kumar Mishra Vice Chairman Ujjain Maharshi Sandipani Rashtriya Veda Vidya Pratishthan, Prof. Rani Sadasiva Murti, Vice Chancellor of Sri Venkateswara Vedic University, Prof. Kutumba Sastri and other eminent scholars spoke on the occasion.



Acharya Swamigal performs Kumbabhishekam at Bugga Shankara Matam (27-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal performed the jeeranodharana Kumbabhishekam of Sri Adi Shankarar - Sri Shankara Vinayakar at Bugga Shankara Matam between 9.15 and 11.15 am.

Acharya Swamigal reached Bugga after performing Nitya pujas at Shrimatam camp at Tirupati. The yagashala pujas and poornahuti were performed, followed by Kumbabhishekam, and abhishekams at the Sannidhis of Sri Adi Shankaracharya, and Sri Shankara Vinayaka. Acharya Swamigal blessed devotees who had gathered from nearby villages, and from other towns and cities to witness the kumbabhishekam, with Anugraha Bhashanam.

After visiting the adjacent Annapoorani Devi Sametha Sri Kashi Viswanatha Swami Devasthanam, Pujya Shankaracharya Swamiji returned to Shrimatam camp at Tirupati (at Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Paduka Mandapam, near Alipiri).

The previous Kumbabbhishekam was performed on 14th June 2006 in the presence of Pujiyashri Jayendra Saraswathi Shankaracharya Swamigal.

Sri Adi Shankara Prathishta was performed on 24th April 1939 with blessings of Pujiyashri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Mahaswamigal.

Bugga Kshetram is revered as Dakshina Kashi. Located in Narayanavanam Taluka in near Nagari in Chittoor District in Andhra Pradesh. (about 25 kilometers from Tiruttani - the abode of Sri Subrahmanya Swami). Surrounded on the four sides by holy hills and temples, on the banks of the Kushastali river, Goutama rishi performed sthapanam of the temple at Bugga. HH Pujiyashri Mahaswamigal observed chaturmasya in Bugga in 1932, and subsequently, Sri Shankara Matam was established in the vicinity of the temple.



Acharya Swamigal Patashala vidyarthi of Jyotisha and Vaikhanasa Patashala (30-Apr-2023)

Acharya Swamigal blessed the students of Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Jyotisha Patashala, Tindivanam and Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Vaikhanasa Patashala Avadi with certificates and prasadam, followed by anugraha bashanam at Shrimatam camp at Tirupati on Sunday.



Yagashala pujas commence at Jonnavada-Nellore (01-May-2023)

Acharya Swamigal reached Shrimath camp at Jonnavada Nellore and performed kalakarshanam of all deities (pre-kumbhabhishekam ritual) at Sri Mallikarjuna Swamy Kamakshi Tayi Devalayam , ahead of Kumbhabhishekam ceremony and Prana-Pratishta of idol on 3rd May 2023 morning and then blessed the yagashala surrounding with fire altars, Khumbas for consecration. In the evening, Acharya Swamigal blessed the Poornahuthi and blessed the huge gathering of devotees with prasadam



Acharya Swamigal performs Kumbabhishekam at Jonnavada temple (03-May-2023)

Acharya Swamigal performed the Kumbhabhishekam of Sri Mallikarjuna Sametha Kamakshi Thayi Temple at Jonnavada and abhishekam at the sannadhis with kalasa teertham. On this auspicious occasion, Acharya Swamigal blessed and flagged off the Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Bhakti Prachara ratham



Acharya Swamigal blesses Kumbhabhishekam of Gangamma Temple in Tirupati (05-May-2023)

Acharya Swamigal visited Gangamma Temple Tirupati and blessed the Kumbhabhishekam of Gangamma Devi followed by chanting Gangashtakam composed by Sri Adi Shankaracharya and blessed the devotees with anugraha bashanam and prasadam.



Shankara Jayanti 2532nd Mahotsavam (India and Overseas)

Acharya Swamigal, pontiff of the Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam, who is camping in Tirupati lead the celebrations there.

By Express News Service

CHENNAI: Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam is celebrating the birth anniversary of Adi Shankara who established Advaita philosophy in a grand manner at its branches across the country from Kashmir to Kanyakumari on Tuesday. The celebrations which started a few days back will spread Adi Shankara's Vedic message of truth, oneness and harmony.

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Vedic pundits from Andhra Pradesh and Telangana have been performing rituals at Shankaracharya Hills, Srinagar, those from Pune are in Nepal while vedic scholars from Tamil Nadu are at Amritsar and Chandigarh. Pandits from Kanchipuram are in Kalady, Bhagavadpadal's birthplace, those from Pudukottai are at Sikkim and pundits from north and south India have assembled at Varanasi (Kasi).

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The unique tradition of vedic learning which requires immense discipline and single-minded focus has been encouraged and efforts are being made to revive even the rare and lesser-known Veda Shakhshas. A host of Shankara institutions - from schools to colleges and a university offer education and training on culture, classical languages and music, in addition to contemporary subjects. Shankara Healthcare institutions and medical camps serve the rural and remote corners of the country, including the northeastern states, especially in eye care.

With blessings of Acharya Swamigal, Jagadguru Adi Shankaracharya Jayanti Mahotsavam was celebrated at various Math branches and institutions.

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Shankara Jayanthi to be celebrated in Kanchi maths across the country

Celebration aims to spread Adi Shankara's vedic message of truth, oneness and harmony

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Dubai: Sri Sri Sri Adi Shankarar Jayanthi 2023, celebrated with Rudrabhishekam, chanting Gurugita, Soundaryalahari & Thotakashtam.



Houston - Shankara Jayanthi was celebrated at Sri Meenakshi Temple, Houston. The program consisted of Svasthi Vachanam, Rudrabhishekam, Parayanam of Upanishad and Bhagavathpadal stotrani, Totakashtakam.



The event concluded with a purapaddu around temple and Prasadam.

Shangai, China - ATM Sri Adi Sankara Mahajayanthi Poojai at China with Guruvarul and Thiruvarul



Devotee's experience – contributed by Sri. K. Guruvayurappan

Kanchi Sri Kamakshi Ambal Blessings for Sringeri Sri Sharadmbal Temple in Sylosburg, PA, USA on An Auspicious Sri Rama Navami Day – 30th March 2004

என்ன ப்ரோக்ராம் ஒனக்கு இப்போ? H H Sri Perivaa asked me (and a group of other devotees who came with me including Dr. S. Yegnasubramanian of NJ) on 30th March 2004 after we had Darshan of HH Sri Maha Perivaa Athishtanam, HH Sri Perivaa. HH Sri Bala Perivaa and was planning to take Uthiravu before heading back to Chennai.

The question was so intriguing that I thought HH has some plans for us. What was more surprising to me was that the way this interesting matter was handled by Both Perivaas. When I answered that we were planning to go back to Chennai only, HH Sri Perivaa replied “பால பெரிவா ஒரு இடத்துக்கு போறா, நீயும் யஞ்சுப்ரமணியனும் அவரோட போயிட்டு இங்கே வாங்கோ!

What a Clarion call that was! So glad even today when I cherish that we could make it happen, which turned out to be one of the biggest Blessings for the community here in USA by Sri Kamakshi Ambal and Their Holiness! More than that, what impressed everyone was that HH Sri Bala Perivaa Himself could have asked directly to Dr. Yegnasubramanian or me, instead HH Sri Perivaa asked and HH Sri Perivaa also could have asked Dr. Yegnasubramanian directly. That much of protocol our Perivaas followed in respecting our devotees of other Matams.

HH Sri Bala Perivaa visited a Veda Patasala preceded by to a place where there was a Vigraham of Nageswarar which was to be installed in an out of state Temple. That was sculptured by Sri Ganapathi Staphathi and his sons Sri Sankara Staphathi and Sri Jayendra Staphathi. HH Sri Bala Perivaa did abishekam to that vigraham and asked Dr. Yegnasubramanian to honor the Staphathi for the great work. One of the Ardent Devotees of Sri Matam, Her Excellency Queen of Spain also came along with us.

Dr. Yegnasubramanian was involved in building Sri Sharadambal Temple in Stroudsburg, PA, USA from next year onwards and wanted to apply Visas for the two sons of Sri Ganapathi Staphathi. To give support to the visa application, they needed photos of the Staphathis scholastic talents with their artisanship. The photos taken on 30th March 2004 visit came very handy as that was the first time the Staphathis met to of Dr. Yegnasubramanian and that too in the Holy Presence of HH Sri Bala Perivaa.

Not only nothing happened on the USA Visa application, but US Embassy had stopped issuing R1 visas for artisans coming from India for all the temples in USA. Kanchi Matam's help in this continued as we reached out to Dr. Subramanian Swamy in December 2007 who still has strong connections with US State Department even today looked at our request and took it up with his consular contacts personally. The result of the action from USA State Department was not only quick, prompt but also very favorable. Much to the surprise and relief of many temples within a few weeks, one fine morning US State Department lifted the restrictions and announced thru the consular departments to issue R1 visas NOT ONLY to those who apply going forward but to those who have been rejected earlier too. What a great Blessing from Sri Kamakshi Ambal to Sri Sharadambal and to many other deities in the USA. Please see the email from Hindu Press International, Hawaii, USA! But nobody knew how this shift has happened and by whom! Sri Sankara Staphathi and Sri Jayendra Staphathi were honored during the 74th Jayanthi Celebrations at Sri Venkateswara Temple, Bridgewater, NJ in August 2008 after the Kumbhabishekam of Sri Sharadambal Temple in July 2008!

Hara Hara Sankara! Jaya Jaya Sankara! Vande Sri Kachi Kamakoti Peetam Guruparamparam!



From around the world, as shared by devotees

Abu Dhabi: Anusham, Avittam and Uthiradam was celebrated with great fervour across multiple locations with participation from several families.



Dubai: Anusham was celebrated where multiple families participated. Several Sahasranamam and Veda matras were chanted with active participation from next generation as well.



Nairobi – Anusham celebration



Canada – Anusham celebration



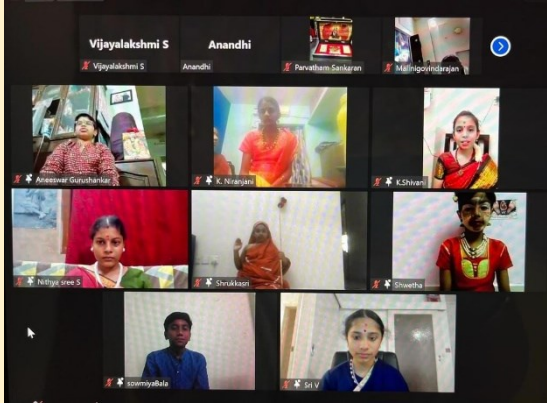
Netherlands: Rudram parayanam for Pradhosham



Shangai, China: SENTHAMARAI PORPADANGAL KANDEN

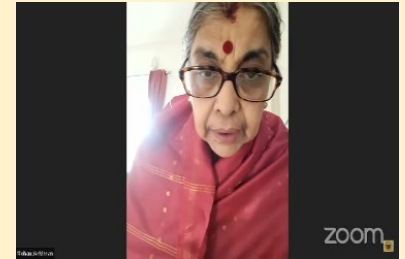
ATM Group released third song on Sri Sri Mahaperiyava, written by ATM Srinivasan and Vijayalakshmi, composed by Smt. Lakshmi Viswanathan avargal, Vocal by Neyveli Smt. Rajalakshmi, Violin Swadsri, Mridangam by G.S. Sekar. The function was graced with the presence of Sri Jeyendra Periyava's poorvashram brother Sri. Viswanathan mama, narrating his experience with Mahaperiyava.

Song link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UsU0IkveRvA>



ATM learning class for Devi Mahatmiyam

In January 2023 Devi Mahatmiyam learning class started. Smt. Mohana Maami teaches about 100 ATM members to learn Devi Mahatmiyam.



SRI JEYANDRA VIJAYAM - Experiences with Sri Sri Jeyendra Saraswathi Swamigal by Janakalyan Shri. Krishnamurthy mama successfully completed 33rd Week episode. Every Thursday the Episode is being telecasted in Arul Tharum Mahaperiyava Youtube Channel with overwhelming response from Devotees. ATM Group also conducted quiz for the first 20 Episodes and distributed Spiritual books in order to encourage more to watch.

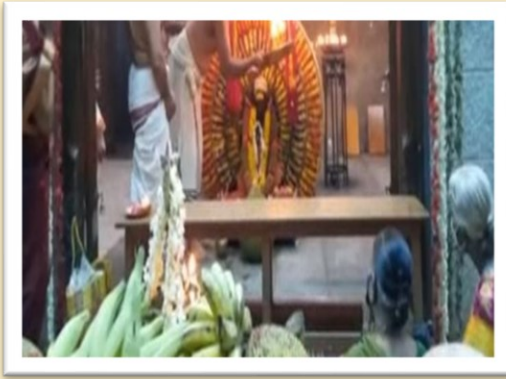
ATM GLOBAL GROUP TAMIL NEW YEAR SPECIAL PATTIMANDRAM

TOPIC: SANGA KALATHIL IRUNTHU, INDRUVARAI, BAKTHI VALARKIRADHA? BAKTHI KURAIKIRATHA?

JUDGE HARIKADHA KALARATNA SMT. SINDHUJA

PARTICIPANTS: SRI. VARUN GANAPADIGAL, KUM. MADHU VARSHINI, SRI VINOTH, SRI. MAHESH





TAMIL NEW YEAR ATM PROGRAMS

MAHAPERIYAVA ADHISTANAM DARISHANAM online was arranged and our devotees all over the world had Maha Periyava Harati in the Sri Madam, on Tamil New Year Sri Sobha Krithu varudam

PANCHANGAM VASIKUM PADALA

With the blessings of Sri Mahaperiyava New Panchangam Padalam by ARULURAI BY SRI VISHNU VARDAN GANAPADIGAL arranged at 2.00 pm on the Tamil New year being attended by ATM Devotees all over the world.

Mahaperiyava Mahimai Episode through Voice of Arul Tharum
Mahaperiyava Program

Weekly Episode of Mahaperiyava Mahimai by ATM Srinivasan is being telecasted in ATM Youtube, with Mahaperiyava blessings, so far 12 episodes are being telecasted on Sundays for our Group Devotees and to the common public. Mahaperiyava Mahimai Episode link provided



<https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2xMdg6uFomr-I165c8eVc4sibb-Vw8qV>

MONTHLY POOJAI at ATM Global Group

ATM Monthly Adhi sankara poojai was held at Shri ATM Srinivasan's home at 5 PM on 26th March 2023. Sankara Bagawathpadal Ashtothram performed, songs by ATM Devotees and Veda Parayanam performed by Sri Bhoopala Vishnuvardhan Ganapadigal and vidyarthees of Sri Vedanarayana Vedapatasalai

ATM Monthly Anusha Pooja was performed on 9th April 2023 at Smt. Gowri mami home. Followed by Veda Parayanam by Sri. Bhoopala Vishnuvardhan Ghanapatigal and vidhyarthees of Sri vedanarayana veda pathashala.

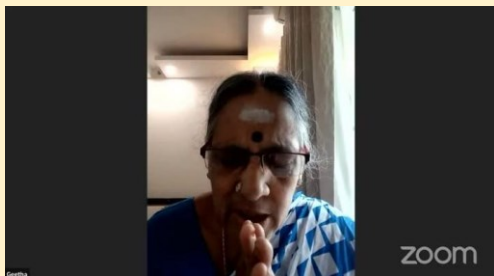
Devotional Songs Selvi. Prithika and Deepika, Selvi. Krithi Krishnakumar, Smt. SriRaji, Smt. Rukmini, Smt. Parvatham . Thodakashtagam, Mangala Harathi



ATM Programs are available in Youtube - <https://www.youtube.com/c/ArultharumMahaperiyavaGroup/>

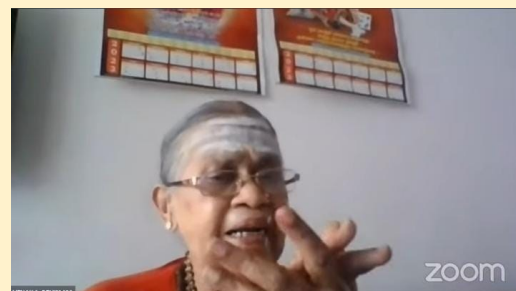
SRI RAMA NAVAMI SPECIAL PROGRAMME - ATM global groups's Sri Rama Navami Special Program on 30/3/2023, arranged.

Rama Navami songs by Sri. Achyuth. Pravachanam by Shri Magesh. Rasigapriya School of bhajans & AgandaRama nama japam



Devaram Class- With the blessings of Sri Mahaperiyava Devaram class started on 3rd April 2023, held weekly twice.

Sloka class for Adults - Adult sloka class has almost completed 16 sessions with blessings of Sri Maha Periyava, being conducted by Smt.Geetha Maami



ATM Saturday sath sangam - With blessings of Sri Maha Periyava almost 130 saturday sath sangams completed virtually with the participation of ATM Devotees across 10 countries. ATM Sath Sangam usually begins with Deivathin Kural by Smt. Vijayalakshmi Srinivasan followed by Enipadigalil Mandargal by a group member. Members of ATM participated in all Saturday Satsangam by singing song, bhajan, devotional experience etc. and eminent personalities in the fields of music, speech were arranged to participate in ATM Saturday Sathsangam. Every Satsang have Mahaperiyava Ashtothra Archanai, Mahaperiyava Panchakamand Thotakashtakam by ATM Members. If you want to participate in ATM Sath Sangam or participate in ATMGuru Poojai or ATM Group Ashtothram, you may send Whatsapp Message to Group Founder Smt.Vijayalakshmi Srinivasan at +8613472673759



Houston: Dikshithar Jayanthi celebrated in Houston on March 25th at Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Paramacharya Paduka Mandapam.

The Jayanthi of Nada Jyothi Muthuswami Dikshithar was celebrated in Houston at the Sri Kanchi Kamakoti Paramacharya Paduka mandapam. on 25th March 2023 (Panguni Krithikai). Houston based Vidushi Smt. Jothi Venkatesan conceptualized and directed the event. KKSF Houston volunteers organized the event. The highlights of the event included Poojai to Murugan, Kamakshi, and Adi Shankarar (Krithikai day and Vasantha Navaratri Shukla Panchami). The event started with Guru dhyanam and rendition of Vathapi Ganapathim. Houston based Sangeetha Vidwans and Vidushies offered their samarpanam to Dikshithar by rendition of Kritis. Sow. Ashitha Anand did a Harikatha on Kamakshi and Dikshithar using the lens of the Kirti "Kanchadalayadakshi". Prof. Vivek Natarajan spoke about Dikshithar and Shri Kanchi Kamakoti Peetam. Smt. Radha Stanunathan and Shri Nagasubramaniam were responsible for the Alankaram and the event logistics. The event was supported by the family of Smt. Lalitha and Dr. Visweswaran. The artists, event organizers, and the supporters felt blessed for having been part of a dharmic event. The event concluded with rendition of Shri Kamalambike and Totakashtakam.

Jaya Jaya Shankara Hara Hara Shankara



Tampa (KKSF): With the Blessings and Anugrahams of Guru Parampara, KKSF Tampa Chapter celebrated

January Month's Anusham Pooja on January 21st @ Smt. Padma and Sri. Lakshmi Narasimhan's Residence. Pooja Started at 4 PM with Ritweeks and families. Guru Pooja started with Vishnu Sahasranama parayanam, Swasti, Ganapathy Pooja, Varuna Kalasa Sthapana, Panchamritha vishesha dravyodhaka snanam, Ekavara Rudrabhishekam for Shivan and Periyava, Pancha Suktam Chanting, Ashtothram for Shivan, Adi Shankara, Periyava, Pudhu Periyava.

Program continued with lots of ragas and Lalitha Sahasranama Parayanam. Followed by Thotakashtakam and concluded with Naivedhyam, Maha Aarthi and distribution of Mahaprasadam.

Attached are some of the pictures from Guru Pooja.



Tampa (KKSF): Paduka Yatra exclusively for Telugu community - Divine Journey

Under the agnya of Pujiyashri Bala Periyava, the Paduka Yatra was organized to cover the vast Telugu community in Florida region. Shri. Ramesh Natarajan brought the Three Periyava padhukas from Arizona and Shri Arun Sitharaman also joined in from San Francisco to get introduced to the local chapter leads and to brief the devotees with Acharyals mission on Sanathana Seva gramam in Podili.

The event was seamlessly coordinated by regional leads Ramesh Pamidi for greater Jacksonville metro, Satya Dhulipala for greater Orlando area and Shivakumar Pangaluri for the Tampa Bay area along with the KKSF Tampa local volunteers.

At every home, the Padukas were given a warm welcome with Poorna Kumbham, while exquisite ezhai kolams adorned the entrance. The lotus feet of the revered Acharyas were worshipped with Psodasophachara pooja, Ashtothram, flowers, garlands, Neivedhyam, and Mangala Harathi, all offered with utmost devotion. The devotees were dressed in traditional attire and carried Periyava with chants of "Jaya Jaya Shankara, Hara Hara Shankara," and tears of ecstasy.

The Paduka Yatra was a beautiful and divine experience for everyone involved, filled with devotion and heartfelt moments.



Impact on the Community: All the devotees were magnanimous with their donations and funds, these donations and funds that were collected were donated to Podili project, as directed by Pujiyashri Bala Periyava. Over-all the event was a great success. There were many people of various places, cultures, and languages, but ultimately united by Sanatana Dharma, Guru Bhakti and Guru Seva.

Day 1 (03/31/2023): Jacksonville (start from and return to - Tampa)



Day 2 - (04/01/2023): Brandon & Orlando (start from and return to - Tampa)



Day 3 (04/02/2023) evening: Conclusion of Yatra



Portland (KKSf): With HH Periyava's anugraham, Anusham Pooja in Portland was celebrated at Smt Srividhya Krishna's home during the Maasi month. Devotees recited Guru Stotrams, Swasti vachanam, hosts and kids did Archana to HH Mahaperiyava, HH Jayendra Periyava, Nidhana Pataye for HH Periyava. Devotees recited Sadhguru Dashakam, Stotra Maalika stotras composed by Pujiyashri Periyava, Durga Pancharatnam, HH MahaPeriyava Panchakam. Kids offered their Shloka and Sangeetha Samarpanam. We concluded with Thotakaashtakam and Maitreem Bhajata, Harati and Naivedyam. KKSf volunteers shared information about Integrated Patashalas and Sanatana Dharma Seva gramam initiative of HH Periyava to all devotees who attended. Sri Matam prasadam were distributed to all devotees.



With Pujiyashri Periyava's anugraham, Anusham Pooja in Portland was celebrated at Smt Vidya Ragav's home during the Panguni month. Devotees recited Guru Stotrams, Swasti vachanam, hosts and kids did Archana to HH Mahaperiyava, HH Jayendra Periyava, Nidhana Pataye for HH Periyava. Devotees, especially kids, recited SDPA 2 shlokas and stotrams as a practice for the upcoming SDPA 2 event in the US. We concluded with Thotakaashtakam and Maitreem Bhajata, Harati and Naivedyam. KKSf volunteers shared updates regarding the preparation for SDPA, planning and volunteering opportunities to devotees. Sri Matam prasadam were distributed to all devotees. Everyone expressed their enthusiasm for the upcoming SDPA 2 event happening again in Portland.



Seattle: Washington Periyava Satsangam(WAPS) - Seattle

Sri Adi Sankara Jayanthi Mahotsavam was celebrated in a grand manner by bhaktas at the Lakshmi Venkateswara Temple in Redmond, WA over two days.

April 23rd: sangita, stotram, vaadhyam and nritya samarpanam by children and adults. A special presentation on Chidvilaisya Avatara Ghattaha was performed by Smt. Vidyalakshmi Vinod, Smt. Nithya Aanand, Smt. Ramya Kannan and Chi. Shiv Vinodshankar. Bhaktas joined in a samashthi kolattam to songs on our guru by Udayallur Kalyanarama Bhagavathar.

Link to the video: [Chidvilasiya AvataaraGhatta](#)



Apr 24th: Pallaki sevai was performed by children and adults with kolattam and nama sankeertanam around the LV temple. Bhaktas chanted Bhagavadapada stotram-s and veda parayanam during shodaopachara sevai.

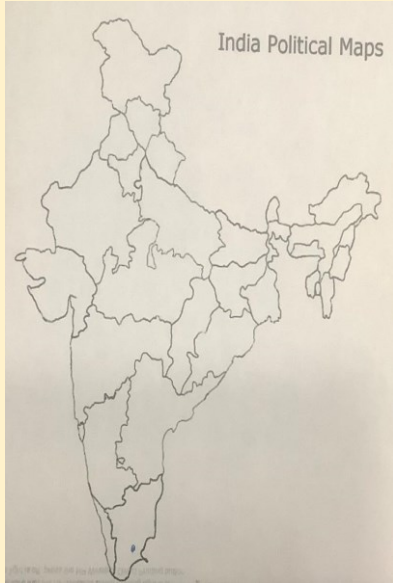


Voice of Youth about their Village

Ekambareshwar (a) Eganth Vasanthakumar, 12 years, Austin, Texas, USA.



I am picking my mother's side for my project Asmaakam Paramparaa. My mother's name is Sulochana (a) Gayathri Shankar. My maternal grandparents' names are Shankar and Subashini. My maternal great grandparents' names are Chellamiyer (a) Hariharan, Sulochana, Venkatanarayanan and Jayalakshmi.



My Kollu Paati Sulochana is from Thuraiyur, Trichy, TamilNadu, India. It is near the Musiri town from where the famous musician Musiri Subramaniam Iyer is also from.



The graama devathaas are Chandi Muni and Ellai Naagamman. The god that my kollu paati family frequented was Shri Veera Aanjaneyar Kovil down the road from our house. Sri Rama Navami is a famous celebration in the temple. My thatha was also born in Thuraiyur on the Sri Rama Navami celebration day. But he is now settled in Thirupathiripuliyur, Cuddalore, TamilNadu, India.

There are no rivers in my graamam. Around 10 miles away runs the famous river Kaveri. The rainwater is collected in the Chinna eeri and Periya eeri for the use of farmers. One day I will visit my graamam and enjoy the beautiful things my family enjoyed as well.





Hara Hara Sankara Jaya Jaya Sankara



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