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Editorial

By: Nikhil Dugar

Dear Readers, Samarpan team feels humbled to present this latest edition of our beloved magazine in the lotus feet of Baba. With a great response in the form of your contributions, we have been able to extend the reach of "Samarpan" further with every edition. Samarpan team truly thank you the love shown to the magazine.

By the time this edition reaches to you all, holy period of "Chaturmas" would have already begun. Chaturmas is a period of four months beginning from Chaturdashi of Ashadha month (Shukla paksha) and ends on Chaturdashi of Kartik month (Shukla paksha) (Mid-July to Mid-October).

It is believed that during this period all God and Goddesses are at rest. Therefore, no auspicious activities like weddings, yagya, new establishments etc. are performed during this period. According to Shrimad Bhagwatpuran and other religious texts, this rest period is referred to as "Yognidra", a term that describes the rest Vishnu took after annihilation of the world. In this period Lord Vishnu is in deep meditation.

Therefore, disciples practice "tapa", "dhyana" and other spiritual practices during this period to please the Lord. This period is reserved in the year for penance, austerities, fasting, bathing in holy rivers and religious observances for all. Devotees resolve to observe some form of vow, be it of silence or abstaining from a favourite food item, or having only a single meal in a day.

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On a practical note, in India, heavy monsoon rains falls during this period. As we all know, lots of insects and minute organism take birth due to rains and weather conditions. This sudden increase in the number of such organisms also affect our lives as they infect vegetables, water etc. Therefore, practicing fasts and one time meal or not taking meals after sunset are not only religious practices but have a logical and scientific reasoning. These practices reduce the incidents of getting ill or infected. They also increase austerity and purity in us. According to principal of “Ahimsa Parmo Dharma”, it is a way to live and let live even the tiniest and weakest form of life. It’s just another example of Indian way of living. Sages and monks practice toughest vows during this period. They choose to reduce their movements as they may harm small living organisms. They opt to stay in a particular place and preach spiritual discourses.

Jain festival “Paryushan” also falls under this period. This festival, unlike other festivals is not of a lot of celebrations but of intense “tapa” and fasting. Duration of this festival is from 8 to 10 days according to different Jain Sects. It ends on Bhadrapada Shukla chaturthi. The last day is called Samvatsari, short for Samvatsari Pratikramana. This day is also called as “KhsamaYachna divas” or “Day of Forgiving”. As forgiveness is the best way to clear the animosity, people request each other and each living organism in the world to forgive any harm caused to them willingly or unwillingly and tries to remove any kind malign feelings from their hearts for others if has arisen during past.

As common household persons, if it is not possible to follow strict vows, we can still practice simpler laws of living for our physical and spiritual development. During Chaturamasa we should practice:

- Using fewer resources and that too optimally. E.g. avoiding wastage of water, food etc.
- Eating dried vegetables or eatables like grams, rajmas etc. As the green vegetables are prone to have increased number of worms and insects.
- “Dhyan”/Meditation in Silence (Mauna). Reduces unnecessary energy consumption and increases thoughtfulness.
- Fasts. They make us calm and composed. Purify our internal physique and thoughts.

Although, the lovely rains of monsoon are loved by everyone, enjoying this season with little care and spirituality can add up happiness to one’s life. This is the time we can learn that “surviving together” is more important than following the principal of “survival of fittest”.

I once again, on behalf of Samarpan team, thank all the readers and contributors for our magazine.

Om Sai Ram!

Articles are invited for Oct 2011

Samarpan is the first online magazine on Sai Baba of Shirdi. If you like to publish your articles in Samarpan, please send us an email to mag@spiritualindia.org with your entry. All the approved entries will be published in Oct 2011 edition. You can send the following types of items:

- Spiritual Article
- Mythological stories
- Poems
- Bhajans
- Spiritual Experiences with Sai Baba
- Spiritual Experiences with any other God/ Goddess
- Information about religious events

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Please do spell checks before you submit the article and correct all spelling mistakes.

My Lord Helped My Family in the Hour of Need - II

By: Shivaprasad Bolar

I would like to share my personal experience and would like to convey to my dear brothers and sisters that it is God, the almighty alone who can help at the time of distress. I like to commence my writing with a prayer to all the Gods and Goddess whom I pray daily.

I had discussed my earlier experiences with Baba; how Baba had helped me overcome various problems. Whatever good state I am today is all due the blessings of Baba.

I have been praying to Baba with sincere devotion and also expressed my request and feelings through this media for my mother's ill health and now she is recovering fine and able to do her daily chores by herself. All of my family members including my father, my wife, my siblings, cousins, uncles and aunts were worried about my mother's deteriorating health, and by Baba's grace all are relieved now.

I always wanted to visit Shirdi with my family. I have been trying for the past one year, but of no avail. However, it seems that Baba has heard my request and very soon a temple near our house would install Baba's statue too. I just cannot express my feelings about this fact. I just want to tell you all that Baba is with us all the times.

I Once again request Baba to give me the strength to help the needy people including animals. My immediate dream is to visit Shirdi and seek the blessings of Baba and find solace in this act.

Lastly I would like to say that anything that is being asked with sincerity and devotion will be definitely blessed by Baba. Om Sri Shirdi Sai Ram

Sai's Blessings

By: Apoorva Kumar

Although there has never been a step in my life where Sainaath was not there to help me, in this article I would like to detail how my professional life is blessed by Sai's grace.

After completion of my post-graduation I was searching for a good job, I gave many interviews and every time because of some silly mistake from my side I was not able to make it. That was when I got introduced to Sai Charitra by one of my aunt. She told me about the book and said, "Whoever finishes reading this book faithfully in one week gets one of his important wish fulfilled". Those days, the only wish I had was to get a job in some reputed MNC. It was for more than 7 months that I was searching for a job and continued rejections resulted in depression for me. The little advice from my aunt was like a ray of hope for me. Although my Buaji is an ardent Sai devotee and I was staying at her place during my job search, it never occurred to me to read Sai Charitra.

I started reading "Sai Charitra" and found it interesting the way it is organized. One feels like one is reading short stories and before you realize you are attached to the book, the place, the stories described there. There is only one power behind this attachment, "You look at me, I'll look at you". Lord Sai decides when the right time is and He calls his devotees to him. My lord showered his blessings on me and I got job in a very reputed company.

I was happy with my job and attained lot of growth over period of time. It was here only where I got my first onsite assignment. I also got nice visibility in the company; the seniors were supportive and helping. Those days my fiancée was working in Hyderabad and I wanted to find a job in Hyderabad because it was not easy for her to find a job in north India. I had my trust on 'Sainaath' and fortunately I was also aware of the best way to seek Sai's blessing. I started reading the 15th chapter of SaiCharitra on daily basis. The main story of this chapter tells how Mr. Cholkar got the job he was looking for by Sai's blessing. One day I was sitting with my family members and we were discussing about Baba only. That time I said, "I would like to visit Shirdi around Aug-Sep". This was around May 2007. My lord was listening to this. There is one thing which I would like to mention here, I said that 'I would like'; I didn't say that 'I want' because nobody can go to Shirdi without Sainaath's invitation. My Sai is very merciful and he has his own ways to do the things. By my Lord's blessings, I got selected in a company in Hyderabad in July 2007. There only I came to know that there is a tour package from A.P. transport service

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which includes travel and accommodation. I tried and I got the tickets easily. Sainaath arranged everything for me and we had very nice 'darshan' in Shirdi.

I would like to mention a very blissful incidence. After reaching Hyderabad, when I went to my fiancée's house for the first time, I saw a big poster of Sai Baba in the entrance room. I remember when I was leaving Gurgaon, I went to Sai temple and it was time of evening aarti and I was little depressed for leaving a familiar place behind. And here in Hyderabad, my lord was there as if to assure me again that he is always there to protect me. After working about a year in Hyderabad, I again wanted to change the job as I was not satisfied with the work. Meanwhile, my fiancée joined another company where she had the opportunity to relocate (if she wanted) to either Pune or Gurgaon. I was very confused as I had job offers from both the places. There Sai came to help me and I got another offer from Gurgaon which was the best among all. I chose it and asked my fiancée to get a transfer to Gurgaon. Again by Sainaath's blessings she was allowed to relocate; although the company policies state at least 6 months gap before relocation and in case of my fiancée it was only 3 months. See the strange ways of my Lord, we both joined our respective companies on the same day in Gurgaon.

My new company offered me an onsite long term assignment. I went onsite and came back after 6 months for marriage. That time I tried a lot but I couldn't get a visa for my wife. I returned back to the site with hope that she will join me very soon. It took about six months to get a valid visa for her travel to my location. It was only Sai who always helped me. My lord gave me good level of patience and strength to pass the hard times. When she was coming to join me, the difficult decision was to keep or quit the current job. Once again, Sainaath arranged all for us. As he says in his teachings, 'leave everything for me, I'll take care' and yes Sai only knows what is best for us and how it should be given. By Sai's blessing my wife's company allowed her to work from home for 3-4 months. It was my Lord's grace only that her management never had any objection for extension of work from home system and she worked more than 2 years like this.

Even we got the facility of work from home there were few problems. Once there was some update done on the machine and after that the network card stopped working. The only way to get it fixed was to connect to company's network and since the problem was with network card only, we had no way to connect to the company's network. The only visible option was to go back to India. I prayed to Sai to help us and the problem was solved. There have been many incidents where the machine developed a kind of problem and it was always resolved in a miraculous way. One day the laptop's battery stopped charging itself. I tried everything from removing to refitting the battery, checking the electric point but in vain. There was no hope and I then prayed to Baba and checked it again and I realize that the wire was loose from adapter's

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end. As the ways of my Lord are, all the problems vanish in such a way as if they were never there.

For quite some time my wife was trying to find a job here. Finally she got selected in an interview but the company was little reluctant to process her work permit.

Baba blessed the starting of this year by giving her new job. Only my Lord knows that how much important this job was for us. I cannot thank Sai enough for his mercy. My wife had 2 months of notice period and the new company wanted her to join as soon as possible. Again by Sai's grace only she was released not only in 10 days but the arrangement to send the laptop back to India was also done.

Before finishing this article I would like to state that even infinite pages of writing cannot contain the description of my Lord's blessing. I thank you Sai for being with me always and I pray to your lotus feet that your blessings are always bestowed upon me. My Sai, you are my life force, even for taking a small step I need your blessings your help. My Lords, please forgive my mistakes and protect me as you always have done.

Endless miracles of baba in my life

By: Bujji

This is the first time that I am penning down my experiences. I became a devotee of Baba because of my brother in law. He used to say that he has just left his life upon Baba. Whatever Baba does he does for our well-being only. When I was in my school I visited my friend's house where they had Baba's photo. I saw the photo but I had no idea who Baba was. I thought him as some guru. I had a key ring for my bicycle which had Baba's photo on it. How silly was I not to understand the signal of Baba that he is with me all the time. But after my sister's marriage I became very close to Baba. In the same year of my sister's marriage we visited Shirdi for the first time and after seeing Baba's statue tears welled up in my eyes. And from then onwards there has been no stopping for me visiting Shirdi and for Baba's miracles to happen in my life.

I feared that my parents will marry me as soon as I would complete my engineering if I don't get any good job through campus selection. I failed in four interviews in different rounds. My parents told me to pursue some other course after my engineering which my sister also did but I was not at all interested in that. I even fought with them and one day angrily my mother asked "what if you don't get a job?" I said "I am not at all thinking about it because I am sure that Baba will give me a job." I went to my room crying and asked Baba to make those words come true which I had said angrily. It was summer time and no companies were recruiting. The recruitment process was scheduled to start after the vacations. I prepared myself once again and during my summer vacation I had the chance of visiting Shirdi. After that I went for an interview and again I failed. Next interview was my sixth campus interview and I was selected with a good salary but I was not comfortable with the location. This was in my final year of engineering. Baba kept my words.

I always wondered that why Baba gave me job at a place which I didn't like. After around 1.5 years there I understood his indications. He made me meet my life partner. I am a Hindu but he is a Christian. My parents were against our relationship. I tried a lot to convince my parents but in vain. I asked Baba why he is hurting me so much. But I had a hope that we would definitely marry. One of my hostel mates was distributing the Sai Guruvar Vrat book. I was not at my room and she handed over the book to my roommate to give it to me. When I came and saw the book I thought that Baba is advising me to do this Vrat. Meanwhile we both switched our job from that place to a different place. He got an offer easily but I was thinking whether I will get an offer or not. I prayed to Baba and did the Sai Guruvar Nav Vrat puja and after completion

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of it I got an offer from a big company with a good salary hike. We both were very happy. But after 6 months of joining he lost his job in that company because of a very silly reason. We were very much tensed but we were sure that because of his good relation in the old company he will get a job there. As expected my husband joined the old company. But again we had a problem with the places. We both were in different places.

Looking out for a job in the older place was difficult because there were very few companies and I did not want to join my previous company. I again started the Sai Guruvar Nav Vrat puja and got an offer from a company but the salary was very less. I lost all the hope of getting a good salary but after three weeks the same company again called me and offered me the same job with a good salary. That was really a miracle in my life. My husband is a complete Atheist but he said that if I get the job then he will not eat non-veg for couple of months. These differences in religion may seem to be very difficult for others but I never faced any such thing because of Baba. I follow all the rituals that Hindus do and I never faced any restriction for that. I don't even go to church and neither he nor his family members tell me to do so. I am a pure vegetarian and I was never asked to cook non-veg and everyone at my home has reduced eating non-veg for me. They have accepted me the way I am. Thanks to Baba. I am waiting for the day when my parents will come and realize that I have taken a good decision. I just pray Baba to take care of my parents. Baba will definitely make my dream come true.

Lastly I would say that Faith and Patience are really very powerful. Even if you are in deep troubles, even if the strength of the problems seem to be strong but still it cannot ever be stronger than "faith and patience" because Baba can do everything with just these two words. Just surrender yourself at his holy feet.

An experience

By: V.V.Sri Ramadevi

Dear Sai Devotees, I want to share my personal experience with you how merciful Shirdi Baba gave me a Boon. Though my family had many leela's of Baba in our lives protecting us in many ways, but the present experience which I am sharing with you all is where Baba pulled me from the jaws of death at the right time. In the month of January 2011, I suffered suddenly from acute lower back pain for two to three days and as I am suffering from rheumatoid arthritis for many years, I felt that this disturbance was due to the impact of some domestic work. By Baba's grace, my blood count and all vital signs were normal in every follow up, except for the menstrual irregularity. My ultrasound scan of lower abdomen was normal in the previous year and the gynecologist who examined me said that I am approaching menopause early. Though the pain subsided, my husband Raveendra, insisted me for a regular follow up.

To our astonishment, when we saw our family doctor Dr. Rajendra Babu, he put me for an ultrasound scan abdomen where a Big Ovarian cyst was diagnosed. He said the acute pain was due to the torsion, being an emergency he sent me in an ambulance to the Government hospital. Though it was a panic state for me, the first thing I did was to completely surrender myself to Baba. Every day, I felt Baba's presence and touch. I just prayed to Baba, an inner voice said, "Don't fear, I am there". I did not fear the trip in the ambulance. Being medical personnel, I conveyed all my symptoms to the doctors, who attended to me. They did scans and sent me home, saying "come back when pain is there again". Though it was a risk, the norms of the government hospital were different. They gave me an appointment after one month. My husband Raveendra, my son Vijay and I along with some dear friends returned home. But two days later my husband went to see Dr. Rajendra Babu to show his medical reports about his regular follow-up. Dr. Babu, questioned about me and insisted my husband not to delay my case and referred me to a private hospital for seeing a General Surgeon, Dr.Fiaz. The next day we had an appointment, on seeing Dr. Fiaz I felt seeing Baba himself addressing me as "Dear' what help can I do for you". Reading my case he said, he will refer me to the leading Gynecologist and Director of Gynecology, Dr. Zeenat Rizvi, a very busy surgeon, who takes two to three months to give appointment. Dr. Fiaz personally spoke to her on phone, referring my case and myself being a medical doctor, mentioned that she needs their kind help and that same evening he fixed an appointment with Dr. Rizwi. Dr.Rizwi, a good hearted lady, put me for

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thorough investigations and came to a conclusion that it is a complex ovarian cyst with certain changes of turning malignant. My heart broke.

Though I cried internally, I could hear an inner voice telling me, “Don’t fear, this is Baba, I am going to take the pain, just have ‘Shraddha and Saburi”, I will do miracle on the operation table and make your report benign, you have an important task to do”. These were the true words which I was hearing always and I shared them with my husband and son. I told Baba that I surrendered to him completely with my mind, body and soul at his holy lotus feet. I have complete faith in you Baba, Please ferry me from this turmoil. Dr.Rizwi, posted me for hysterectomy surgery. My husband and son became my two eyes and Shraddha and Saburi too. We vowed to Baba to have his Darshan in Shirdi and go to Balaji temple in Tirupati. We prayed to many Gods to give us strength. We made the hospital room a small house, spent my stay there reading ‘Sai Satcharitra’ and thinking about Baba, ‘Our Saviour always’. On the day of surgery my surgery was the last, as it was a complicated one. They had to check my heart if the ECG was proper and whether I was fit for surgery. They put me for echocardiography, as I said I did not feel anything, it was all his leela that my Baba was taking all the pain, I was going through. This is the truth.

I was fit for surgery. In the operation theatre, Dr. Rizwi saw me and said, “At last you are here”. These are the words she uttered and I doused into sleep. Before moving into the theatre, my husband showed me Baba’s picture, gave me his blessings and put ‘Udi’ on my forehead, this is all I remember. Dear Devotees, till now, you would have realized that ‘Baba’ appeared from the very beginning in different forms, first in my husband taking me timely to the hospital, my son, the team of doctors, Dr. Babu, Dr. Fiaz and Dr. Rizwi, my dear friends, my beloved parents, brother and sister. A special mention should be made to a cook called Satyavathi who was also arranged in this divine venture of my surgery. I am very much thankful to all of them and especially to all the nurses and duty doctors in the hospital who rendered their services with loving smiles and patience. I am very grateful to all my dear friends and the families who helped me and gave strength in this crucial period. My special thanks to Manju, Bhanu, Sushmita, Sonu, Tabi, Sai Geeta, Anu, Aunty, Bismin, Shalini, Junior Manju and their families who showed great support to me.

On the day of surgery, my case went on for three hours. As my husband and son were very tensed and waiting outside the theatre, Dr. Rizwi and the nurse came outside and acknowledged them saying, “That it is Good news” the case is benign, it was endometriosis

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which was cleared completely. This is the miracle, "Baba promised me'. On the next day of surgery, my husband told me that Dr Rizwi said that "It was a benign case, nothing to fear" Immediately I felt that moment peace and happiness, everything altogether, I conveyed my heartfelt thanks to Baba, my savior who kept his word that he will do a miracle on the table and turned my entire case as 'benign'. There are no words to explain, as how Baba took my entire pain as really I did not feel any pain, I was walking normally the next day except for some tiredness. If we show our true faith, Baba embraces us and showers his Divine Grace on us. Dr. Rizwi, entering my room greeted me saying, "Good news, Hamdulullah!", your case is completely benign, the frozen section is completely negative for malignancy" and she told me, "You are free now, come for follow-ups after 6 weeks. But she said that the frozen section was sent for cytology. We waited for the cytology report for next ten days. But to our surprise it took one month. The miracle, behind it is that the frozen section was sent to the Government hospital, where the doctors were confused to come to a final diagnosis. So they sent the slides to Germany.

So the final report came from Germany after one month. With Shraddha and Saburi, I waited every moment and every breath with 'Sai' namam. The final report showed everything normal but with a minute foci of changing cells in the cervix with no invasion anywhere. This disturbed everyone again. But Dr. Rizwi said, that timely the surgery was done, that hysterectomy is the ultimate treatment for it, as she removed my uterus along with the cervix and there is no further treatment ahead and I am freed and whole frozen section is benign. But for referral she sent me for a second opinion to a Super Specialty doctor in Gynecology, Dr. Vijay who seeing my report declared me free too and told me that there is no other treatment except hysterectomy itself is the complete cure for it, done timely as there is no invasion. Thanks to my loving father Baba, whose merciful hand was there on me throughout this case history. I Love you Baba. In this way, Baba showered his mercy on my life, took the whole pain, kept his word, by doing miracle on the table in surgery, after surgery and declaring the final report as Benign with no fear of dreadful disease by the team of doctors.

I have seen Baba in every individual, who took care of me especially my husband playing the role of father, mother and as a friend, every moment Baba's presence was felt. I cannot repay Baba, but being his daughter I learnt what life is to be filled with, true love, compassion, Shraddha, Saburi, forgiveness, sacrifices, to be truthful, to respect elders, be kind to all, to surrender completely to Baba's lotus feet and ask him for forgiveness of our sins, to correct our cripple mind, to do Atmanivedana, and to get Atmasakshatkaaram by reading 'Sai Satcharitra'. Baba please guide us under your kind care and shower your blessings to all your children and

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me ever and ever, do not leave us alone in this worldly existence and ferry us through this ocean, gently and smoothly. Baba, you are 'Anantha', there are no words to praise you, but only to wash your holy feet with my tears. Please accept them, Baba says to his devotees, "he is ready to help them at anytime, anywhere." Baba, I am blessed with your gracious hand on me' Baba, blessed me with a good family, friends and relatives.

I thank each one of them for supporting and helping me in need. Please bless everyone Baba. Forgive me Baba, if I have not written anything which I left in my story. Today I am back to my domestic work with good strength as ordered by Baba, I started reading "Sai Satcharitra" daily, Bhagwad Geeta and Vishnu Sahasra namam. Now I hear the inner voice saying say, "Rajaram, Rajaram", you have an important task to do, get on your legs (as I am arthritic), the pain vanishes with his Namam. He says, "Your object will be achieved". I know Baba's words will come true, but I pray to him to give me immense strength to fulfill all my vows one by one and bless me to take his Darshan. My only aim in life is to do service to the needy and reach his holy feet.

RajaRam RajaRam RajaRam, Never leave me alone Baba I am always your loving daughter Rama.

I got my earring back

By: Mamta Batra

I thank Baba as he came in my life. I don't know how I started worshipping Baba. I remember that in year 2008, I visited Delhi in summer vacation at my parental home and I got a chance to visit Sai Temple situated in Rohini, New Delhi. It is a very beautiful Sai Temple. There I felt peace of mind and I felt that I should not have come back from the temple. When I stood in front of Sai Baba, my eyes were full of tears. From that time onwards I started believing in Sai Baba.

Every Tuesday I often visit Jungla Wale Mata Ji's Mandir situated in Yamuna Nagar. Once, there I saw a small Sai Baba's picture and I purchased it from a vendor standing outside the temple. I kept that picture in my room and every day I started to worship it with Dhoop and reading Sai Chalisa. It gave me immense pleasure and peace of mind. Now, every Thursday, I go to Sai Temple situated near my house and if I can't go there, it seems I have missed something. I want to thank Sai Baba for being in my life and helping me in solving all problems of my family. I love him more than anything and am sure he is always there to take care of our needs. Baba, you always took care of us in the past and I have faith that you will look after us in future too.

Sai Baba has made impossible things possible for me. He granted my wishes and it's because of his grace that I got a good job in reputed college of the City. I have utmost faith in Baba. He has done lot of miracles in my life and I request him to be with us always. Whenever I face a problem I always remember His name and he always took me out from the problems. Last week I lost my gold earring while sleeping. In the morning I was shocked when I did not find it. I prayed to Baba to help me search it. I searched everywhere in my room, on my bed, my clothes but could not find it. Then I prayed to Sai "Baba, please help me. My family members often say that gold does not suit me and every time I lose it. I prayed to Baba to help me. After a few seconds, God knows how I found my earring which suddenly fell down from my hair on the floor. This was possible only with the grace of Shri Sai. Baba always is with me. I seek your blessings and a place in your lotus feet.

Sai Baba - Our Savior

By: Satya Vyakaranam

I feel extremely blessed to be able to share my experiences with Baba in this devotee run magazine -'Samarpan'. I do not remember knowing Sri Shirdi Sai Baba until I saw my friend visiting Baba's temple every Thursday. We happened to go together at times but I never really felt the devotion in myself. Marriage changed my life, like it does to others. It was the first time that I visited Shirdi temple in my life after my wedding in 2005. We, as a couple, were very fortunate to attend Shej aarthi soon after we entered Shirdi. It was a great experience to see Baba after which I started believing in him.

In 2006, we travelled to the US for our further studies. My husband was pursuing Ph.D and I, masters degree. It was then that we realized that we have no one in this country except Baba. He helped me secure funding for my studies and successfully complete my masters. My husband is an ardent devotee to Baba and he completely surrenders to him. He faced and is facing many challenges in doing his Ph.D. but, in spite of all the hurdles, we still know that Baba is with us and he will help us come out of this successfully.

We were blessed with a girl child on Jan 27, 2011. My delivery was very rough as the child had problems during the delivery. All I did was to pray to Baba and he helped my child come out, healthy. In this process, I could see Baba help me overcome the pain and anxiety and gave a re-birth to my daughter. We believe that he himself has come to our house in the form of our daughter. Baba, we love you and we believe that you are the only one who is always with us in happiness and sorrow and you will always protect us.

Our Experiences

By: Satya Vyakaranam

I once had a dream in which I saw that Baba lifted his kafni and showed me some red wounds on his chest and told me this: "you think you are suffering a lot but look at this – I am taking all your sufferings myself!". My husband had applied for an internship at a very reputed laboratory in the US but was not sure whether he will be interviewed. But Baba was there and he was called for the interview and also the job and finally, he is now an employee of that laboratory.

When my husband got the internship, we had to drive 3500 miles. While making arrangements for the travel, my husband withdrew some money from the bank in the morning and was coming home when he saw an old homeless person whom he always helped with a few dollars. This time too, he gave him a few dollars but after the old man left, my husband thought of giving him some more money but could not find the old man again. Just before we started driving in the afternoon, my husband made a driving mistake and took the wrong route and stopped at the signal junction. While we were waiting for the signal, surprisingly, the old man whom my husband met that morning was passing by. We offered the amount that my husband planned to give him in the morning and believed that Baba came in the form of the old man to accept our offering. After this incident we drove 3500 miles and safely reached our destination without any problems.

A Journey to Shirdi

By: Supriya Jena

It was in the month of September, 2010 when I had accompanied my family including my parents and sisters to Mumbai where my mother was to undergo knee surgery. We took this opportunity to visit Shirdi after the surgery was over. I had tried to book the "Sai Niwas" at Shirdi earlier and also sent an official request letter. But the contact Officer informed me 3 days before our scheduled visit that there was no vacancy of rooms at "Sai Niwas" and that all rooms had been reserved already. But in my heart I knew that Baba would certainly keep at least one room for me and my family at "Sai Niwas". To the utter astonishment of my family members (off Course to my great joy), the contact Officer rang up just one night before our scheduled date of visit and confirmed that he has booked 2 Rooms for us in "Dwaravati" at Shirdi. But I had a strong desire to stay at "Sai Niwas" because it was closer to the Temple and we could hear Sai Bhanjans/Artis from there. Finally we reached Shirdi at about 4:30 in the evening and proceeded to "Dwaravati". At the office of "Dwaravati", I expressed to the officials at the counter that I want to stay at "Sai Niwas" and not at "Dwaravati", and I prayed before Baba's photo hanged there silently to grant the same. Suddenly two officials from the inner room came out and asked me what the matter is? I said that I need 2 rooms at "Sai Niwas". They asked me to wait and checked up with "Sai Niwas" over phone. To my utter joy they said that there were just 2 rooms available at the Sai Niwas and I may proceed. When we reached "Sai Niwas" and requested to allot 3 rooms because we were eight people, immediately they agreed to give 3 rooms. After refreshing ourselves we proceeded to the Temple PRO office to book tickets for the Night Aarti. That was a Sunday and hence we could buy tickets for VIP Aarti Darshan. I wished to buy tickets for VIP Arati Darshan for Kakkad Aarti also in the next morning. But the PRO office said that there was no provision of paid darshan on Monday. We had a great darshan at the "Shej Aarti". The Aarti was just mesmerizing.

In spite of the large crowd, we had a great darshan. I prayed before Baba intensely to give another great darshan at the Kakkad Aarti next morning through VIP gate. Because my eldest sister had knee problem and she was unable to stand for long in the queue, I tried to contact one of the Trustees who was known to me through one of my senior colleagues. I could not contact him. After trying for a long time I could get him over phone. He assured me to come to the 'Abhishekh Gate' early in the morning for Kakkad Aarti. In the next morning unfortunately my eldest sister could not go because of severe knee pain. So I accompanied by my husband and another elder sister proceeded to 'Abhishekh Gate' for Kakkad Aarti. My name was the first in the PRO office's list at the Gate! I could not just believe it! We had a splendid darshan of

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Baba. The Bhajan “.. Jab sab bhula dete hain tum mere kam ate ho” was so enchanting that I felt like losing myself in the vibration. The experience of seeing Kakkad Aarti is just beyond words which cannot be explained but to be experienced only! Every devotee must see it at least once in life. After the Aarti we sat for some time in the Temple campus. Somehow or other I had an inner thought that Baba will give me sweets. I do not know why? But I had a belief that Baba will send someone to me with sweets. I waited for some mysterious man to appear with Baba’s sweets in hand and I looked here and there but no one approached. As we were getting late and we had also to visit Dwarakamai, we left the Samadhi mandir. When I was about to visit Dwarakamai, I got a phone call that the Trustee who arranged Aarti darshan for me was in the “Sai Niwas” and wanted to see me and my family at once.

We proceeded to “Sai Niwas” immediately. There what I saw was just unbelievable! The holy man (Trustee) gave us Baba’s Coconut and Baba’s ‘Chadar’. Not only that, he said that I felt like giving you people these gifts from Baba. He also brought Baba’s Prasad Laddoos in plenty and asked what else we want? I simply kept quiet. I had nothing to express, tears filled my eyes. I had asked for sweets only from Baba but he filled my hands with a lot more! Then he invited my eldest sister to have Noon Aarti as she had missed the morning Aarti. There are eleven sayings of Baba, one of which says that you will get whatever you wish at the Samadhi Mandir. That was so true! I was thrilled to discover that I could communicate with Baba at the mental level and he was gracious enough to fulfill my desires. Baba gave us Darshan three times at three Aartis (Shej, Kakkad and Madhyama) during that visit and lots of his gifts (i.e. Laddoo, chadar and coconut). As I wished to get sweets from Baba, he fed Laddoos through one of his devotees (that holy trustee) and what else could I wish! We all returned from Shirdi with our hearts filled with gratitude and love for Baba and with another wish to visit Shirdi again.

When Sai Reigns, Miracles Rain!

By: Neelanjana Pathak

I write this with the explicit purpose of infusing Faith, Patience and unshakable belief in Baba's benevolence in all His devotees. I have been fortunate enough to be a recipient of Sai's Grace for more than two decades now. Yet, I confess that there have been weak moments when I have faltered, given up or despaired as may happen with any of us. However, every weak moment has ended with a new consciousness and conviction that God's ways are beyond comprehension. Always one must have Shraddha and Saburi. A recent incident made me understand that even when the giver is generous and willing to shower a bounty, if there is a fault in the recipient, there is no way to contain the blessing.

What is of immense significance is to be in a state to receive the generosity. To speak in terms of a metaphor, if a container is to be filled, the first step is to open the lid. In the case of a devotee, if divine intervention is expected, it is mandatory to first efface all traces of ego, negativity, doubt and skepticism, which act as barriers to the inflow of God's Grace i.e. they act as a lid to a container that cannot hold any water even if there is a shower of rain from above.

Some days back in the course of a routine health check up, my blood sugar levels appeared as raised. Diabetes has ever been a phobia to me. Consequently, I was highly disturbed-this anxiety further worsened my next report. The doctor told me to get myself re-examined after a fortnight after disciplining myself and making some life style changes. I followed the doctor's guidelines and prayed day and night to Sai Baba for a miracle. Remarkably, dear devotees all through this fortnight, I kept receiving signals from Baba that He was hearing my entreaties-I dreamt of Baba blessing me with both His hands. Where ever I was, whenever the thought of being unwell crossed my battling mind, within seconds I would spot a picture of Sai Baba on routes which I had been travelling for years. Yet, the hard core pessimist that I admit I am, I kept imagining the worst that could happen to me-not just diabetes but all that it could result in! I could not even gather the courage to go in for the tests recommended.

However, on Thursday, after I came out of the Sai temple, I instantly decided to have all possible tests conducted without a trace of stress. Everyday, as part of my daily routine, I watch the live telecast of Samadhi Mandir which boosts up my spirits like nothing else. Before the report arrived, I watched the evening Aarti and had a mystic experience of Sai blessing me in the Aashirvaad mudra with His right hand. Tears rolled down my eyes and I knew He had taken charge of everything without punishing me for my doubts. Sure enough, the reports were

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absolutely normal-in fact, the regulated, disciplined regime made me feel healthier. My doctor was surprised as to how soon and without any medical aid everything was back to normal. He even added that since there were no observed symptoms, there was a chance that there could have been an error in the earlier report. To me Baba had given yet another indication that miracles never cease to happen. What is needed is cent percent faith and complete surrender. This incident made me realize that I need to add a word in my prayers to be made worthy enough to be the beneficiary of His blessings. I need to focus more on strengthening my 'paatrata' to use an apt Hindi word. May Lord Sai continue to reign in our lives so that forever and ever devotees are drenched in His rain of blessings. Om Sai Ram.

Sainath Blessed my Son

By: Mrs. Sahrawat

Before I share my experience with all the readers of Samarpan, I would like to thank “Sainath” from the bottom of my heart. I don’t have words to express my gratitude towards Sai Baba. All I can say that please make me a slave of your lotus feet and be with me always. I had promised my Sai, that if he answered my prayers, I would publish my post in his newsletter and yes he did.

It all started back in 2010. We just moved from India to Qatar. I live in Qatar with my husband and son. Life was never a piece of cake, but still we were happy. We were leading a very normal life. After moving here, the very first question was to put my son in a good school. At that time he was 3 years old. Though we applied in number of schools, but couldn’t get through, so we thought of just putting him in a kindergarten for the time being until and unless there is a place vacant for him in big school. If you see the situation it looks so simple, just an admission for preschooler, but never ever I thought in my weirdest dreams that it will be a Mission Impossible. Just to put in words things were getting worse day by day, or you may say it was a nightmare and we couldn’t do anything. I and my husband were helpless.

I would cry whole day in front of Sainath. We did everything to turn the situation around but nothing worked out. I was frustrated, mentally and physically exhausted. Days were flying and no response from any schools. It was the worst phase of my life.

Suddenly one day I was going with my driver and son to one of the schools. A thought came in my mind, that if I see a white pigeon before reaching to my destination then my son will definitely get a seat in the school of my choice. It was a stupid thought but I was so desperate to believe that my son will go in a proper big school for sure. I reached my destination and I couldn’t see any white pigeon. I was so disheartened. My heart was crying all the time. In the evening just to freshen up my mood we went to a nearby shopping mall. And there inside to my utmost surprise I saw a picture of White Pigeon. Initially I didn’t pay any attention but just next to the picture was a photograph of Allah scriptures. I was shocked as if Sai Baba himself did it. I was jumping up and down with tears in my eyes. I told the whole incident to my husband. He clicked the pictures to keep a proof.

Two months back after this incident, on 28th April 2011, I received a mail from one of the best school in Qatar that there is a single place vacant in pre-school class and if we were interested

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in that offer? That was the last day of my worry. My son got through the entrance test and on 15th May 2011, it was his first day in Doha College. It's been a week but still sometimes I and my husband pinch ourselves to check if it is a dream or reality.

I have no words to thank Sai Baba. He did a miracle. Everything is possible for you Sai, and yes you did it. Love you Baba. Words are less to express my emotions. Baba, please be with me always.

O Baba

By: Viruchika Pahuja

O Baba, what shall I write about you
I just could say that my soul rests in you.

O Baba, you saved me every moment
Just like a Father saves his child.

O Baba, you accompanied me every now and then
So much that the days of solitude were blown away.

O Baba, whenever I asked for anything
You did your best to make to it.

O Baba, whenever I was bewildered in the lanes of darkness
You showed me the torch of unconditional love.

O Baba, whenever I was desolate and dejected
You made me sit in your lap and caressed me.

O Baba, whenever I howled in pain
No doubt, you pacified and comforted me.

O Baba, whenever I felt there is no one to listen to me
You proved me wrong and talked to me through day and night.

O Baba, whenever I thought I shall give up my life
You spurred me to live it up with perseverance.

O Baba, whenever I sought your help
You never deferred to grant it.

O Baba, whenever I vow something to you
You made me stick to it unflinchingly.

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O Baba, whenever I asked for a sign of your being
You inundated me with signs just to assure you are there.

O Baba, whenever I was baffled and lost
You were there to show me the path of enlightenment.

O Baba, whenever I was sick and downtrodden
You were there to cuddle me and kiss me.

O Baba, you were there everywhere
With me, behind me, beside me and everywhere.

O Baba, the more I think of you my sage
The more I get hooked to your magical visage.

That's not it Baba, there is more to it.
I wish I could expound it more and more.

But still Baba, I asked you for just one thing and only one thing
I would do as you say was my promise to you and look I am trying my best.

O Baba, Please give me my love
Make me marry him with your kind grace.

O Baba, I confide in you completely
Please don't break my heart Baba.

You are the only hope for me Baba
As there is no one who could know my feelings better than you do.

With a firm faith in you in tandem with that patience I always keep
I close my eyes and implore before you, O Baba.

With all this, I rest assured that you would answer my prayers soon
And I sincerely thank you for everything, O Beloved Baba.

Har Kadam Sai Ka Saath

By: Jyoti Syal

We all believe in God and I also do the same, but somehow I feel that I cheat GOD by always remembering Sai Baba first, my loving Choti Ma told me that GOD is GOD but to reach God, we need sadguru and that is SAI NATH, so your love towards Sai Baba is not cheating anybody.

I always tell and discuss with others about my experinces with miracles by Baba, stories, songs etc. Today is a very big day for me; I start up my house construction with the grace of Sai Nath. Everyone has a dream for its own house and the same way I feel too. We start the construction with my daughter's hands and know that it will be Baba who will complete the task.

I am very lucky because my husband is such a loving-caring and helpful human being, always trying best not to hurt anybody and help others in any form they require. Still others try to hurt him. But he is really a GOD loving person, who gives and never expects anything in return. That's why Sai Baba gives us everything, we require.

On 26th June 2011, we planned for 2nd Floor linter, but from morning it was raining heavily, all materials were on the road, laborers were standing, all equipment were installed without any work. My husband was tensed and my mother in law was reading holy books. Nobody ate in time. Then I prayed to Sai Baba and asked him to take charge of things and complete the work. Weather changed the construction work went ahead. Everyone were pleasantly surprised. Before this every purchase of material was resulting in short fall, but after this all purchase resulted in at least 25% saving. Someone is there who takes care of everything; I smile and say, "HE IS MY SAI NATH". Baba, I know you are here all the time when we are worried and upset. I have full faith in you, that's why I say: HAR DAM TERA SATH, KUSHI KI BARSATH, JEEWAN MA BAR BAR RAHA HUM EK-DUJA KA SATH

Found Groom for my daughter by Baba's blessings

By: Shankari Shankaranarayanan

Sai, my dear Lord, my humble pranams at your Lotus Feet. The depth of my gratitude cannot be expressed in words. Sainath has helped me a lot in my life.

Recently, a great miracle took place. I was desperately praying to Sai that my daughter Savita should get a nice life partner and I should be successful in finding out a good alliance for her, no doubt, only Sai can come to my aid. As my dear husband who is right now in heavenly Sai Abode, has entrusted me with this responsibility, naturally I do not have anybody else, but our Sai to look forward to. I made a promise to Sai that every day I will read a Chapter from Sai Satcharithra before I leave for my office, and he should help me in my endeavor.

Can any of you imagine, on the first day itself, that I started on June 14, 2011, I received a call from the boy himself, who is now going to be my son-in-law that he is very much interested in taking forward the alliance and I should talk to his mother for the same. His mother immediately told me to go ahead with the formalities like seeing the girl etc., and accordingly instructed her son to visit our place to see my daughter. They have a nice family background and are well settled.

With Baba's grace, the boy on visiting us and talking to all of us said that he is very much interested to be a part of our family. I was totally taken aback at all these sudden turn of surprising events. In a matter of weeks' time, his family arranged for engagement ceremony and now my daughter's engagement has taken place with Sai's blessings.

My Dear Sai Devotees please surrender to Sai. He will take care of you and will never let you down. This is the only miracle, I have told you all, there are many which have taken place in my life. Miracles will take place in your life too. Please chant Sairam every day and read Sai Satcharithra, and do good, whatever possible to others and see, how our Sai changes your life for better.

May you all be blessed with best of the things in the world. Chanting Sairam Sairam Sairam Ever in your Lotus Feet.

To My Lord Sai

By: Smitha

With your grace and loving glance, you touch upon so many lives
We sing and dance and pray to you, with a hope that you will sail us through.
The shadow of gloom turns in to ray of hope, when your name is said with a request.

You give us assurance and we follow you blind.
There is something that tells us that you're behind.
In all our happiness and distress, you are there for our contentment.

We know that you will guide us in thick and thin, O my Lord Sai please come within.
Your magical aura reflects the glow, assures us that there is nothing that would harm any more.

Today, I thank you for the wisdom and compassion you have shown us to.
Let your radiance be spread far and wide and continue to enlighten us for years and guide.

Mere Baba Ji Mere Sabkuch

By: Himani Anand

I reside in Janak Puri Delhi. I still remember the days when I used to play sports (athletics) in school and dream of being trained under professional coach of athletics. So one day I decided to join Nehru stadium, but as I was a real young girl my parents did not allow me to start my coaching as they were scared of how I would commute from Janakpuri to Lodhi road daily after my school hours. They were correct on their part but still I was extremely upset and unable to concentrate on my studies. I always had a kind of faith in God but that day somehow I lost my faith which made me weak inside. Then one day I got a pocket calendar with a picture of my Sai

Baba on it, seeing which I started crying. The very next day my father got up at 5'0 clock in morning and started shouting "Meri beti stadium jayegi". I thought he must be half asleep or he may have seen some dream but when I came back from school,



my father allowed me to join stadium. It was a dream come true for me. My bua (aunt) was an international judo player and was familiar with the coaches in stadium. She introduced me to one of the best coach of athletics Mr. Harkamal Singh who used to train only national level players. It was a moment of immense joy for me.

Then one day a friend in stadium told me about temple of Sai Baba in Lodhi road about which I got excited and stated visiting it whenever I went to stadium to thank my father Sai for calling me near to him. At the age of 12 yrs I won my first athletics state championship and was awarded with best athlete trophy which made me famous in school. At present I am 22yrs old and I feel pride that my teachers are happy to see a girl at a young age awarded with the best athlete on state, zone district and national level. Earlier my teachers used to be upset with me as I was always an average student, but after seeing my pictures in newspaper they stated

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supporting me and them also helped me in studies. It was unbelievable for me that a teacher named Mrs. Sangeeta Anand, one of the strictest teachers in school helped me in preparing my notes. I feel so good that even today my teachers gives my example to their students and children and still remembers me and at every sports day they call me as a chief guest and announce my name every year and this is all just because of Baba ji today. At present I am working with the one the most reputed company Kingfisher Airlines.

Baba, I don't always show it but you know how much I appreciate you for you have helped me in my life, love, and career and given me all the things that took me here. Thank you Dad.

Sai Nath blessed me with a House

By: Rishi Rathore

The best way to get Sai kripa is to always remember Sai in whatever you do and surrender yourself completely to him. He knows everything and will never let you down. My experiences with Sai Nath have been numerous and whatever I am and whatever things I possess today is given to me by Sai only.

The miracle goes like this. In 2009 we were staying in an apartment at the 4th floor. I was a new



comer to Ranchi and after hectic search for a flat on rent we got it. Everything was going on nicely till the day when our house owner asked us to vacate the room within 15 days as he had sold it to someone. My wife and I, both are working and it was near impossible to

search for a new flat in such a short notice. We both tried our best and searched for a decent apartment to live in but all our efforts were in vain. When the day was nearing I prayed to Sai Nath to manage something as it was getting very hectic. The moment I prayed to him I felt very relaxed and after that I never cared for it as I knew somewhere down the heart that Sai will definitely work out something. After two days, a person named Mr. K D Singh was talking with someone that he wanted to rent his house on the first floor as the person to whom he had rented it had vacated. The person who had rented this house for the last eight months was paying regularly for the flat and all of a sudden he decided to vacate it. The news reached me and I immediately contacted Mr. Singh. After short conversation he turned out to be my distant relative and he was very much familiar with my family. He never asked for any advance deposits

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or any agreement and handed over the keys to me. It was a real wonder for me as we just had to shift from 4th floor to the 1st floor in the same apartment. I understood it at once that it is none else but my Sainath who has managed this for me.

It is not mere coincidence but those who worship Sai Nath from their heart know that miracles do happen with them. There have been countless incidents with me when I felt that he is always beside me. Now coming to the next part of it, my brother purchased a flat in Ranchi and we all gathered for the Greh Pravesh. I sincerely prayed to Sai that may He shower His kindness on me and help me get my own flat. This happened on 19th of March 2011 and the pooja was on 21st March. I was sitting along with my family members and my father started this topic that even I should have a flat in Ranchi. Every member of my family was present there. Everybody agreed to it and they all took my promise to search for a nice flat and purchase it. I said I don't have that much of money. At this they all promised me their help. This all happened at around 1.30 pm at lunch. I took my wife and went to find a flat which I could purchase. I searched it around my present residence and contacted many people. After three days I came across a flat which was pretty close to my wife's office and very near to my in-laws house (just 1.3km) but the problem was it was almost booked but there was one person who was not regular with the payments and the builder was looking for someone who could pay him Rs 10 lakh at once so that he could cancel his order. I proposed this to my family members but I was not at all sure whether I will be able to get it as we just had Rs 50,000 in cash and I was not very optimistic about my family's support for such a huge amount. Even then I asked for it. This was a sheer miracle of Sai Nath that everyone in my family contributed their bit and within a week I paid the said amount to the builder. Now it's just a matter of time when we will shift in our new flat. This is another instance of presence of Sai Nath in everything you do and you pray. There are countless other moments as well where I felt his presence.

I pray to my Sai to shower his love and kindness on all people who need him.

The Geeta - The Divine Song of God

By: Shantha

Why do you worry without cause?
Whom do you fear without reason?
Who can kill you?
The Soul is neither born; nor does it die.
Whatever happened; happened for the good.
Whatever is happening; is happening for the good.
Whatever will happen; will also happen for the good.

You need not have any regrets for the past.
You need not worry for the future.
The present is happening.
What did you lose that you cry about?
What did you bring with you that you think you have lost?
What did you produce that you think got destroyed?
You did not bring anything,
Whatever you have, you received from here.
Whatever you have given,
You have given only here.
Whatever you took, you took from God.
Whatever you gave, you gave it to HIM.
You came empty handed,
You will leave empty handed.

You are mistakenly enjoying the thought that everything is yours.
It is this false happiness that is the cause of your sorrows.

Change is the law of Universe.
In one instance you can be a millionaire, and the next instance you could be steeped in poverty.
Yours and Mine, Big and Small, erase these ideas from your mind.

The body is made of fire, water, air, earth and ether;

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And will disappear into these.

But the soul is permanent. So only seek "Who Am I?"

Dedicate your being to GOD; HE is the only one you can rely upon.

Those who know of GOD's support are forever free from fear, worry and sorrow.

Whatever you do, do it as a dedication to GOD.

This will bring you tremendous experience of joy.

Baba Blessed in Different Forms

By: Parveen Chawla

I am not very fluent in English, but as I am a devotee of Baba since 1998, here I am trying to share my experience(s). I had some real wonderful experiences and want to share them with you all.



I am an Accountant and since birth I live in Delhi. In May 1998 I purchased a new LML Select scooter whose delivery was to be given to me in afternoon. After delivery I decided to go to a temple for God's blessing. I went to 2-3 temples near my home in Rani Bagh but all were closed due to afternoon. Suddenly I received a phone call of one of my client (a Sai devotee), who was waiting for me for his accounts work. I told him about the scooter I purchased and that all the temples were closed. To this he then suggested me to go to Sai temple in Rohini which was 4km away from my residence. I went there for the first time and parked the scooter in front of temple's gate and went inside to call Pandit ji for pooja. After 10 minutes when I came back I

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was shocked to see that the ceremony of my scooter was already done with teeka and garland. Pandit ji questioned me of who did this but I was unable to answer him. I think Baba gave me his blessing in such a form. From that day I made a practice to go to that temple every Thursday.

One day I visited Trade fare in Delhi and bought a bag of Dhoop/Agarbattis (with free pocket calendar of Shri Krishna) from Hari Darshan stall. I made the payment and while coming out, the vendor called me and requested me to change the bag with another one as another customer liked my bag's color and style. I took another bag and when I opened the bag, I literally wept after seeing Baba's smiling face pocket calendar instead of Shri Krishna. I felt that Baba is always with me.

Due to some domestic problems and for my family (wife and kid) I left my birth place and took a house on rent near Sai Baba temple in Rohini, Delhi. In that house Baba blessed us with a male child in September 2004 and we were extremely happy. But then I had a heart attack in November 2004 and I was living with 25% heart working. Then I purchased our own 2 room flat in Rohini, but after that I suffered huge money loss in shares trading. I am still repaying loan installments more than my income for more than last 3 years. Since my marriage period of around fifteen years this has been the worst period of my life.

I request all devotees of Baba reading my article to pray for me to get rid of my loans and I need love and blessing of Baba again.

Experience of the Inner Spiritual Creativity

By: Dagduseth Halwai Ganapati

An Idol of Dagduseth Halwai Ganesh made out of clay, fabric colors and artificial gemstones. This is the first idol of Ganeshji, I made out of clay, artificial stones and other decorative items. Professionally, I am a registered practitioner homoeopath and a nutrition consultant also practicing in Astrology, Gem-Color therapy and Spiritual Tourism. But as a fact, we all know that sometime what we are internally suited for, we are never able to do that due to family circumstances, misguidance, lack of self-awareness and so many other reasons. The same thing happened with me also. All though at mid stage of my life, with the grace of God's, I became self-aware and what was in my sub-conscious i.e. Spirituality and Creativity got developed. We'll try to understand it with the famous quote of 'Les Brown' - "I believe that life is a journey, often difficult and sometimes incredibly cruel, but we are well equipped for it if only we tap into our talents and gifts and allow them to blossom."

From childhood only, I was very good in painting and drawing. I liked to make free hand drawings and imaginary pictures. Throughout my educational career I used to get appreciation for my drawings and paintings for each and every subject. That inspired me a lot, but as I was a medical student, I couldn't get time to give exposure to my internal art and creativity. After merely 10 years of involvement in medical career, one fine day in August/September-2010, I can very well remember that 'Ganeshotsav' was about to start after 10 days. I was just



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sitting and thinking on doing something very creative, so I got artificial stones and made an imaginary picture of Lord Ganeshji and Shree Ganesh Mantra, which insisted me to think little ahead. The imaginary picture of Ganeshji and Ganesh mantra i.e. 'Aum Gam Ganapataye Namah', I made out of artificial stones and diamonds, which are visible down in the photographs.

Afterwards I saw a sculptor while giving final touch to Ganeshji idol and it clicked me to make an idol of Lord Ganesh, but how, I wasn't aware. Then I remembered my past of drawings and imaginary pictures, I went to stationary shop and was about to ask for painting stationary, I saw clay which school students use. I took that clay and started making imaginary idol of Lord Ganesh of Dagduseeth Halwai from Pune. As I have done my graduation in medical science from Pune and spent full 51/2 years over there, I started making his idol out of clay with keeping faith in Lord Ganesh and with full of my creativity. Internally I was so much confident but simultaneously I was fearful also. The people in my surrounding were encouraging and motivating me on each and every step of my work and creativity. With grace of Lord Ganeshji, my Kuldevi and Lord Sainath, I finished the basic idol structure out of clay within 8 days. Then I started painting it with fabric colors and to give shining I used plain nail paint on it. I decorated full idol with artificial gems and color stones. I was very enthusiastic to finish idol any how before Ganeshotsav so that I could do the Sthapna and pooja of it for whole 10 days. Initially I have been advised to follow the process of immersion of Idol after 10 days, but as it was my first creation and again it was an idol of Shree Dagduseeth Halwai Ganeshji, I became possessive about it and decided to keep him with me only.

Over all it was very innovative, motivating and appreciative experience for me. Up to this point of time, even-though I have been insisted by so many people to bring my art into public and to be professional in this field of Clay Modeling, I was not paying attention on that but now I had made up my mind to be a professional in this field of Clay modeling. No doubt keeping my medical practice and profession intact, I want to grow in this field of art and creativity. The main and basic intention to grow and develop my interest of creativity is to serve the mass of people by co-coordinating both the fields of medical and creativity.

As I think that every person is of what so ever profession/career, everyone has one or the other internal hidden talent, only there is a need of self-awareness and self-realization. And to make it possible, every person's kind suggestion and advice are always welcomed and appreciated.

A Poem on Mahaavatar Babaji

By: Kokila. G

Dedicated to Babaji

BABAJI is:

B - Bliss
A - Abhaya Dhan
B - Breath in life
A - Above all
J - Joy
I - Intimate

You are the father for every living being on the earth,
Who come running to us to help in times of danger.
Like a mother who runs when her child starts crying,
You come to us to solve our problems.

Though not physically I have seen you,
The Virtual image (photo) of yours is always in my mind.
Like a flower which gives happiness through its fragrance,
Your image fills my heart with love, happiness, peace and every thing
In life which I desire.

You show me the path in times of confusion
And you are the light in the dark roads.
Where there are many snakes and ghosts in our path
Your name is the kavacha for us to protect.

Oh! Lord Let my Athma is Babaji and the prana in it be Babaji.
Let my blood be Babaji and the current through which it flows be Babaji.
Let my heart be Babaji and the energy through which it
Pumps are Babaji.
Let my all body parts and senses be Babaji and everything in me be Babaji.

I wish my lord let my "I" ness (egotism) fall in your feet and get

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Shattered in to pieces by your love, then internally and externally
Everything which I feel or sense is Babaji.
Let all my relations and friends are Babaji.
My heart urges for you my lord. When will I get your darshana? Still
How many janmas should I wait for it?
The day when it comes I will be the happiest person on Earth.

Blessing's from Sri Sai Baba

By: Vishal Gulati

First of all I thank Sai Baba to give me the opportunity to share my true experience. Baba has given me a lot which cannot be described. I am sharing my recent experience. I am married with my wife since last 5 years. From the beginning, we wanted a child as our elders expect this



after marriage. We went to different doctors and got tests and treatments; nothing was wrong but still it was not happening. This continued for 4 years.

We go to Sai Baba temple on every Thursday. On one such Thursday we got Sai Baba vrat katha in temple. After reading that book we both decided to fast. It was May 2010 when we started. It was our 3rd or 4th fast when my wife tried another pregnancy test. Though she was hopeless, she couldn't believe her eyes when she saw the positive result. She called me up and we rushed to the doctor. The pregnancy was confirmed.

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Everything went well during her pregnancy and finally we were blessed with daughter on 9th April, 2011. "Thanks" is a very small word in Sai Baba's grace. I am still pursuing the fasts for His kripa on me and I hope He will keep his kind eyes on my family and will keep me away from bad deeds. Jai Sai Ram.

Experience with Baba – Job given by Baba

By: Saptarshee Bhattacharjee

My experiences with Shirdi Sai Baba are quite fascinating. In my earlier article published in Samarpan September 2009 Issue, I had also shared my experiences with Baba.

We visited Shirdi for the first time in the year 2010 and experienced overwhelming joy when I got the darshan of Sai Baba's Samadhi there. One of my best friends, in fact, I can call him my brother was in dire need of a job. He was working with me in my office on a temporary basis. I prayed Baba and did 9 Brihaspati Vaar Vrat with utter devotion and belief and he got a secured government job in his own home town.

My sincere devotion and love to you Baba for making my wish come true. I along with my family again visited Shirdi during February 2011 so that I could get peace and happiness which is so much required to make the life fruitful. An important financial file was missing for about 5-6 months and I was in a dilemma what to do. I searched the file in the office but of no avail. I got the file on a Thursday when I was doing Vrat of our beloved Baba. My obeisance and respect to Baba for always being in my side all the time.

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My experience with Sai Baba

By: Punam Sehgal

Om Sai Nathaya Namah.

I always used to stand bewildered when I heard from anyone the great experiences of Shri Sai. I



have also felt his presence in many small incidents. But one day I was just shocked to see Sai Baba in the form of two men. I want to share that event.

I used to visit the web site of Sai Baba for question and answer session. I was a little depressed on that day and I put my question before Sai Baba on 20.12.2010 and the reply was "The work will be completed by two persons coming together"

On 22.12.2010, one of my friends told me that there was a Sai Sandhya at Nangal Rai Pull, near Janak Puri and I should be there at 9.00 p.m. approximately. As I am not having any

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conveyance at my home, I was reluctant to go there at that time. Still, my husband insisted me to accompany him by taking some auto and he said Sai will leave us back home safely at night. We left for the Sai Sandhya.

We reached there at 9.00 p.m. It was just going to start. The organizers were distributing Sai Baba's sceneries to the other special Sai devotees and to the singers who had started singing Sai bhajans and putting their Jhankies of Shivji and Sai Baba. I was sitting there and thinking continuously, Sai Babaji, if I have a little bhakti for you and if you have invited us to your kirtan at this time of cold, then prove that you are looking at me and I want one of the sceneries that were being distributed. I do know how you will be able to give me that gift in the presence of approximately 2000 persons.

At 10.30, we thought of leaving the place and then again I told Sai Baba for not listening to my prayers. We got up and started back. At the main gate, one of sewadaar was looking at me. I took the courage and said him that I was waiting for one of that scenery for myself. He showed his inability to bring it for me. Still he said, you should wait here for a moment and I will come back. I just closed my eyes and prayed again. In the blink of my eyes, that person along with one other person (two persons together) came and gave me one of that scenery. I just said thanks to them and they had disappeared in the crowd. I could not even ask their names. I was feeling as if Sai Baba himself had come to give me that gift. I wanted to touch their feet but they had gone by giving me blessings in the form of that Sai scenery.

Even when we came out, I got an auto for a reasonable rate and that auto also had pictures of Sai Baba on it, as if Baba had come to drop me to my home.

I took the moral that if we want something from Sai, it will be definitely given to us if we have the right way and right feelings of asking the same thing from Shri Sai.

Om Sai Ram

Vedas – the basis of Sanathana Dharma

By: M P R Nair

OHM NAMO BHAGAVATHE VASUDEVAYA

'Sanathana Dharma' is based firmly on Vedas. It is the perennial wisdom of ages. Vedas are the original Scriptures of Hindu teachings, and contain spiritual knowledge encompassing all aspects of our life, also for the mankind in general. Humans did not compose it and hence it is known as 'apourusheya'. 'Veda' means wisdom, knowledge or vision. The laws of Vedas regulate the social, legal, domestic, and religious customs of the Hindus to the present day. All the obligatory duties of the Hindus at birth, marriage, death etc. owe their allegiance to the Vedas. The Vedas are mainly compiled by Vyasa Krishna Dwaipayana around the time of Lord Krishna.

Sanathana Dharma, embracing Vedas, draw forth the thought of successive generation of thinkers, and so from time to time according as the situation demands, essential things are added on to it, unnecessary things are made obsolete from it and requisite modifications suitable to the time are brought to it periodically to keep it always new, fresh and most useful to man, without even any damage to its pristine glory. It is handed down through generations by the word of mouth from time immemorial by 'Mantradrashatas' or Rishis of the yore, as ordained.

Sanathana Dharma has numerous connotations. Literally Sanathana Dharma may mean eternal righteousness. It is really Vedic Dharma. Dharma denotes duty. Dharma also means virtues, righteousness, natural laws, giving alms etc. There is also a famous axiom, 'Dharmo rakshathi, rakshitha', meaning, one who protects Dharma, is protected by Dharma. "Ahinmsā Paramo Dharma", meaning, non-violence is the chief of all Dharmas. Any type of cruelty is also considered as Adharma. 'Dharmam chara' is used to mean Practice righteousness -- act according to your Dharma. Now, Dharma is a complex word with innumerable meanings.

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Sanathana Dharma is a perennial philosophy. It is supposed to be the breath of Lord, and hence it is natural and ubiquitous and hence people who love Sanathana Dharma, love nature also. It extols love towards God and hence it is Supreme Dharma, by which the heart of man achieves his highest welfare. It is Eternal Faith. It embodies all ancient Hindu Scriptures, and it is Vaidika Dharma, embracing Vedic injunctions. Though it is very vast and exhaustive, at the core of Sanathana Dharma, we can find four fundamental doctrines to follow, namely:-

The entire phenomenal world –the perceptible universe – Drshya Prapancham, with all its diversities consisting of every animate and inanimate object of creation, is only the manifestation of ONE single Divine Ground, known as BRAHMAN, and apart from that they are



all nonexistent.

Human beings can, not only acquire knowledge about this Divine Ground by study of Scriptures, observation, reasoning and inference, but can also realize its existence by a direct communion with it through contemplation and meditation.

Man possesses a double nature of which one is a phenomenal ego confined to the body, mind and intellect, and the other is higher Ego, which is the Eternal Self, surpassing the limitations of all earthly concepts of self-identification. It is possible for man through spiritual practice, and

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Divine Grace through Guru's blessings, to realize his identity with the Supreme Eternal Self, the BRAHMAN.

Man's life on earth has only one end and purpose; and that is to realize his identity with the Eternal self and thus attain the undivided, unitive knowledge of the Divine ground –BRAHMAN, and act accordingly.

The word 'BRAHMA' literally means 'to grow' or 'to expand' or 'swell'. Adi Shankara puts it as the quintessence of his philosophy: "BRAHMA SATHYAM; JAGAT MITHYA, JIVO BRAHMAIVA NA APARAH"- Brahman (the Absolute) is alone real; this world is unreal; and the Jiva or the Individual soul, is non-different from Brahman.

Approximately 1280 foundation books are there, in hundreds of languages, with more than 10,000 commentaries, and more than one lakh of sub-commentaries.

The Scriptures therein, reveal 330 million gods, hundreds of thousands of Rishis and a huge variety of 'acharas', rituals etc, among many other precious gems of axioms, as well. Hinduism, embracing Sanathana Dharma, stands for the Unity in Diversity.

'Subham'

Sai – Our Saviour

By: Vipin Kalra

I used to worship a lot and always believed in God. It was when I lost my step mother (March 2004), that I decided not to pray at all as I began to believe that whatever happens is pre-written for us and we cannot do anything about it.

But God had other plans for me. I appeared for an interview in April 2004 (as I was jobless then) in an Ahmedabad based company. The company did not have its presence in Delhi and wanted to expand. I was selected for the job and that was my beginning of being a Sai Bhakt and began to respect Sai. As I noticed during my work, whenever some important work was given to me, a photo of Sai Baba used to come in front of me (be it in the bus, auto or a roadside poster) and the assigned work used to be completed, and whatever be the hurdle it used to pass easily. Soon I began to look for Baba's photo whenever being assigned with an important work.

Sai Baba himself wanted me to be his disciple. This was proved once again, while I still working in the same Company, I got married and to my surprise my wife was a devout disciple of Sai Baba. My belief in Sai Baba was slowly growing (It is still growing as I feel at times I do not worship him whole heartedly as bad thoughts still come to my mind).

Although the story of his grace is endless, I will try to be precise. I was diagnosed with Neurofibromatosis-II (it is a dangerous disease) which causes loss of hearing, slurring of voice, drunkard walking and worst is, it causes tumors in brain and other body parts. I did not know what to do and had never anticipated a disease of this magnitude. I tried Ayurvedic medicines as there is no cure in allopathy for this disease other than surgical removal of the tumours. Ayurvedic medicines did not help and my hearing power was totally gone. I switched to homeopathy for about nine months, by way of which my voice and walking was corrected to some extent but not my hearing or tumor sizes.

I switched to another homeopath and then an alternative form of medicine (Tibetan) which worsened my state. All these times I kept questioning Sai why this happened to me as I had trust in God and helped the needy in whatever way I could, but possibly these were the sins of my previous birth.

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My eyesight was becoming low and I could not walk properly. It was then that I decided (May 2010) to get shunt (device to prohibit tumour from destroying optical nerve) inserted in the brain and get operated at a renowned private hospital.

My state worsened as I was not able walk at all, answer nature's call without medicines. My wife requested one known doctor to administer some power giving injections. I was also taking homeopathic medicines at that time. Possibly that caused trouble and I was in comma and on a ventilator admitted at a private hospital. The hospital gave an estimate of Rs. 15 Lacs for further operation and no assurances. One can think how difficult this would have been for an upper medium class family to spend so much and yet no positive assurances.

Throughout these troubled times, we had not left Baba's side any moment, I even felt his presence in the hospital once when I had some post-operative complications on June 4 2010. Sai Baba is the savior, true guide in our lives. He guided my wife to go to AIIMS and request doctors at the neurosurgery department for the treatment. She requested the most senior surgeon there, but he refused saying you should have got him operated for shunt there. My wife went there a number of times and requested him again and again. The doctor possibly showed mercy or was possibly guided by Baba and asked my wife to bring me via emergency department.

As my wife got me at the neurosurgery ward, a number of junior doctors asked " kiski approach lagayi hai" to this my wife replied " Baba ji ki". I was operated for removal of the tumour on 30th June 2010 and regained senses 4 days later. I was able to breathe, answer nature's call on my own, though because of loss of energy I needed support in walking, but was much better than as treated at the private hospital. I visited the doctor at OPD later; he was very happy to see my recovery and advised second operation for removal of my right brain tumour. I was operated on the day before Diwali last year and was discharged 4 days after such a major surgery. All this is His grace and blessings that he bestows to his disciples who have Faith (Shradha) and Patience (Saburi) in him. Although there still are few ailments, but I am confident that they too will be corrected with His grace.

Baba has given me and my family all support earlier, in my troubled times and now also. Good job, understanding and supporting Boss, blessings of a healthy child, support of loved ones are indeed His grace. Bow to Shri Sai, peace be to all.

Mera Man

By: Sai Sumita

Aaj mera man mein Sai ka naam he hain
Aaj mera man mein Sai ka ka naam he hain
Aaj mera man mein Sai ki bhakthi ki jyoth jal rahi hain
Aaj mera man mein Sai ki bhakthi ki jyoth jal rahi hain
Jaise ki mashaal mein aag jal rehi hain
Ye jyothi mere dil mein hamesha jalthi rahe Sai mujhe ashish do
Mere man mein basjao Sai, mera man mein basjao
Mujhe apne bhakthi ki sagar mein basa lo
Mein kabhi nahi nikal na chahoo
Mujhe bhi apna man mein basa lo Sai
Mujhe bhi apna man mein basa lo

Live Darsan – Shirdi Sai Baba

By: Srikanth Kanduri

Those were the days, when I started receiving the blessings of Baba, as I could not realize at that point of time, that his blessings were always with me.

This was back in the year 2001. I made a career in the software industry and was holding a very distinguished position in a company.

To just give an idea of our family, we were a family of 4 (my parents, me and my elder brother) a very orthodox Vaishnavite family since ages. This means, only Vishnu related activities were carried out at our home. We did not even have any idea of Shirdi and its presiding deity Baba. There were a couple of instances, when I went close to Baba's temple and still did not get in, due to some inhibitions and not knowing the bliss one would experience visiting a Baba temple.

In the year 1997, one of my friends took me to a Baba temple near the sea shore in Chennai. This is a very big temple and in the centre there is an idol of Baba which is a replica of Shirdi Sai. That was a key moment in my life and after that day, my life took a different turn. If I am in a comfortable position today, it is only with the blessings of Baba.

Though, I got a good rank in the MBA entrance, due to some unavoidable reasons, I could not pursue the same. Instead, I asked my father to enroll me in software courses. I really don't know how I got that idea. Because, till that point I was hell-bent on doing MBA.

I finished my software education and got a decent job and moved on to another job in a big US company in Chennai. The company in Chennai was a startup, but was backed up by the US Company. In due course, I was elevated to the Project manager's role with a very good pay and position. I was visiting Baba's temple regularly and also could see a change in our family towards worshipping Baba.

In the meanwhile, I was offered a position in the US because of the project implementation. Me and my friend cum colleague, both went at the same time to drop off our documents for the VISA stamping. We both pretty much have the same kind of credentials. Within a week, my friend got his visa stamped and I was put in a query mode for want of more information. I was highly disappointed as I know many friends whose visa got rejected due to want of more information. I was praying Baba all along this journey. Even though, I was not very keen at that

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point of time to go to the US, I was very disappointed as something should have happened easily didn't happen that way.

I visited the Baba temple and had immense faith and devotion in him. This was during the week, after I got the query from the US consulate. After collecting all the necessary documents from the company, I picked up a day and was planning to visit the consulate for the VISA interview. The day before the interview, I went to the temple and prayed Baba. It was around 8:30 PM, I went to my room to sleep as the next day was going to be a long day. My mother was in her room and was just relaxing by closing her eyes and was actually asking Baba why I was put under severe stress due to the visa issue.

As soon as she was done with her prayer, she saw a very old man with white beard wearing a kafni kind of a robe which was actually touching the ground, with his right shoulder slanted entering my room from the pooja room. All this happened on March 19, 2001 around 8:30 PM. My brother was still watching the TV in the living room when this happened. My mother is very orthodox, but was slowly getting in to believing Baba. She actually saw Baba entering my room and understood that I will eventually be happy with whatever I do, as I always will have the blessings of Baba. Needless, to say, that I got my visa too and came to the US for a career and still in the US.

The point that I want to make is, why Baba had to give darshan to a lady, who did not worship him? This just goes to show, all Gods are one and the same and also to illustrate, that he is there for his devotees. My mother is a staunch devotee of Baba now. It is the amount of devotion and the deeksha that matters.

There are numerous instances where Baba literally saved me from troubles and problems and has been blessing and guiding me all along. My wife is a big devotee of Baba since childhood and because of her, I got to know more about Baba and started to understand more of his leelas. She told me about the satcharitha and I finished reading it several times now.

There is not a single day that had passed without us praying to Baba. We always thank him for the mercy and blessings towards me and my family and are always indebted to the lord.

Satchitananda Sadguru Sainadh Maharaj Ki JAI!!!!

Sai Baba: Our Protector!

By: Prashant Patil Karnataka

Om Sai Ram!

Dear All, I am a Sai Devotee since past 13 years. Since then I have experienced blessing of Sai Baba at every step of my life. Baba has guided me at every stage of my life. I would like to share some of his blessings experienced by me.

1. Few years ago, a stone developed in my kidney. After few tests it was clear that I had a stone of 9.1mm size which was impacted at vesicouretric junction. I consulted a surgeon. As I had very little pain thus he advised me to take diuretics (medications). Therefore, I started taking diuretics. Though, by profession I am an ENT Surgeon myself, with my firm belief in Baba, I also took Baba's Udhi (Vibhuti) mixed in water along with diuretics. But I never took any kind of pain killers. After waiting for a week I went to Urologist and got the stone removed. Post surgery Urologists was very much surprised. He said that with an impacted stone of 9.1 mm and no pain is very strange! (Impacted stone of that size at that site invariably gives excruciating pain to the patient). To add to his surprise, I recovered back just in a day. Even he didn't found any reasons or explanations of these happenings. What else can explain this physiology defying act other than Sai's motherly love and care towards his devotees!
2. In 2007 I with my family and in-laws went to Shirdi. We had good dharshan and pleasant stay there. We then had to catch our return train to Hubli from Kopargaon. While boarding train, by mistake instead of boarding train to Hubli, we boarded train going to Delhi. We realized this only when the train had started and picked up speed. We all were really blank and upset for a while. We were not having any clue to what to do. As all of us were doctors we had our own commitments. As we were all doctors, we had to reach our places next day on urgent basis. Everyone in the train advised to get off at next station and find an alternative mode of journey and cautioned not to pull the chain as it is a cognizable offence. However, what really transpired in my mind was against everybody's will. I just pulled the chain. Train stopped almost 1.5km from the railway station. We got off and explained our mistake to the guard and the T.C. They were very furious. They wired our names and our ticket numbers to the Kopargaon police and they let us leave with a warning that we will have to face heavy penalty as we will reach station. Then we scampered our way back to railway station. Police and the railway staff

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were waiting to receive us in a belligerent mood. All the while I was praying to Baba to extricate us from the problem. Initially Railway's staff and Police scolded us and threatened us that we would have to shell down huge penalty and could even be imprisoned. Then they took me in a room and inquired about what had happened. As I explained that the mistake happened out of confusion they gradually cooled down and asked me to relax and offered me a glass of water. They took a written statement about the incident from me and let me go off without a single paisa of penalty. What really made the officers sympathetic towards me, there is only one explanation: that's it was Baba's Leela!

3. When my wife was pregnant, ultrasound reports revealed that she had a medium sized intra mural uterine fibroid, which could be detrimental for the pregnancy. As the next day was Thursday, I went to Baba's temple and prayed for safe pregnancy of my wife and sat in a corner pensively (deeply) thinking about it. As soon as I settled, immediately a cute little girl of around one and half year old came and sat on my lap. She played with me for a while without inhabitation and went away with her parents. I have been visiting Sai temple from past many years regularly but never had this sort of experience. I immediately understood that this is Baba's way of assurance that my wife will have safe pregnancy and we will have a girl child. True to Baba's indication I am now the father of a year old girl.

I face several health issues and I also have lot of failings in my nature, which I need to improve on. My experiences with Baba have taught me that by being a devotee of Baba will not insure you from misfortune or bitter experiences in your life but if you have firm faith on him he will act as an shock absorber to lessen the jolts during rough journey of your life.

Om Sai Shree Sai Jai Jai Sai

Sai: My Guide and Friend

By: Reena Subba

After reading so many Sai's devotee's experience I would like to share my own. It happened more than thirty years ago. My younger brother, who was just two and half months old by then, was sick. He used to vomit every time he consumed milk. Therefore, he was hospitalized for few months. His X-ray report showed that there was a dark circle (big spot). Doctors decided to perform operation. My parents too agreed. But my grandparents were not willing for operation as he was very young. So they brought him back home. At that time my grandfather was a member of panchayat. One of the members was devotee of Sathya Sai Baba. He gave him "charandhul" of Baba and told him that just mix with water, strain and let the baby drink that water with all faith. My grandmother did the same and since he stopped vomiting and became healthy. My mother was very grateful to Baba and she became his devotee. She also organized a little "Bahajn Sandhya" and invited other devotees for bhajans at our home.

Baba has been guiding me at every step and moment of decision in my life. With every breathe I take I feel his blessings. With the time I am getting more close to him. I try to follow his teachings in the every action I take.

Rest is his willing and blessing.

Jai Sai Ram!

Call to the Lotus Feet

By: Shaym Sunder Deedwania

Dear Sai Devotees, I would like to share my experience with you all. Since last 4-5 years, I had developed a strong urge to visit Shirdi and have darshan of Sai's Lotus feet. I used to watch Sai Baba's serial on television which influenced me a lot and further strengthened my belief in Sai Baba. I worship Baba wholeheartedly.

I used to listen to Baba's Bhajan "sai rahem nazar karna" This bhajan always brought tear into my eyes. While listening to this bhajan, I used to pray to lord Sai to help me in constructing my new house. The merciful lord blessed me and help came to me in different ways and forms. My new home was built within a year. It was a purely a blessing from almighty.

My wish to visit Shirdi also came true while the construction of my house was going on. I, along with my daughter and Son-in law visited Shirdi. The day we reached there was a Thursday. There was huge rush in the temple. We also joined the queue for darshan. But as I am a diabetic, I started feeling nausea after some time. I was not able to stand anymore and thus decided to move out of the queue. But then some thoughts strike my mind and I prayed to Sai that – I have come for your holy darshan after travelling a distance of 1000 KMs but still will go back empty handed from your Samadhi without having your darshan. Within few minutes of these thoughts and prayer, I felt rejuvenation in my body. I was feeling like I can walk miles without getting exhausted. I was myself surprised from the energy flow in my body. I walked without breaks till we reached Samadhi and was able to have a very good darshan.

In both the above experiences, nothing could have been possible without Baba's help and mercy. Later, my Son-in law brought me a marble Idol of Sainath. I worship Baba daily. I intend to build a Sai Temple in my town. Om Sai Ram.

Faith leads to Success

By: Lakshmi Sudha Komanduri

I am posting this message from US. I was working in India in a decent position, but, as my husband got a long term opportunity to work in US, I left my job and came to US. I applied for work permit and was preparing for jobs and reading all sort of relevant material. During this time I read SaiBaba Parayanam and I performed "Sai Divya Pooja" for 5 weeks. On the 5th Thursday, I got my work permit by Baba's grace. All this time I was praying Baba to help me to increase my faith in him and to pray him in the same way throughout my life.

After sometime, I got a chance to attend an interview. I was waiting for the result but in the end, they told me that I cannot be selected as they found some other person with appropriate skill necessary to perform the job. I was bit disappointed, but I continued searching for work. I then started performing "Sai Divya Pooja" again, for the second time, for 5 weeks. While I was in the second week of pooja, I got a call from the company which interviewed me before. Surprisingly, they offered me a job without any further interview. My joy was boundless.

I owe everything to Baba, my job, my happiness, everything. It is because of him that I am so happy and able to start my career again. Baba, please continue to stand behind me and guide me throughout my life. Om Sai Ram!

Transfer which was Impossible

By: Asha Sasidharan

My family visited Shirdi when I was about 8 years old. My father was a Baba's devotee and through my father I knew about Baba. I have seen him reading Baba's books. My father was in railways and we were staying in Mumbai. In 1981 when I was 10 years I lost my father in a heart attack. After my father's demise we had to leave Mumbai and move to Kerala. At that time my brother was 15 years. As my father was working in central railway my mother got job in railways and had to join central railway and then got transfer to southern railways. They told my mother that she will have to work in Madras (S. railway headquarters) for about 1 year and then she will get transfer to Kerala.

She got transfer from Mumbai to Madras and while travelling to Madras from Mumbai she was very tensed thinking how she will manage to live in Madras for about a year without her children as we had joined school in Kerala. My father's cousin had joined her from Mumbai. In the train she had a dream in which an old man came to her with a basket of fruits and told her "There is no need to worry about your transfer and it will be ready in just a single day". She did not take it seriously. Next day when she reached Madras headquarters, to her surprise all her transfer paper to Kerala was ready and she just had to sign the papers. The same day night she was able to come to Kerala. Who other than Baba can do this miracle? I am sure as my father was a Baba's devotee Baba had come to help us. As it is said in Sai Satcharitra, Baba always be with us and take us through the right path.

Om Shri Sachidanand Satguru Sainath Maharaj ki Jai.

Baba Blessed in Dream

By: Sai Pavithra Kumar

Om Sai Ram to all. Let Sai Appa bless all of you. Till date he has done many miracles to me and each and every day he is still doing miracles for me. Sai appa used to talk to me daily in my meditation. It has been more than 3 years since I am worshipping Baba. Today I am surviving because of Sai only. It was in 2009 when I used to go to attend Sai Bhajan at 12 in afternoon every Thursday but that very day when I was about to go I got periods and thus I was unable to go. I was crying to Sai appa, that why did he do this and at that time one of my friends told me that I should ask Baba in meditation and he surely will help. So I sat in meditation exactly at 12 o'clock and I saw abhishekam in the meditation which I had never seen before and there was a new Idol of Baba which I never saw anywhere before. I am staying in Chennai and my native is trichy. I was able to hear Arti in my friends mobile when even she does not know that she has that arti.

After 2 days I went to my friend's aunt's house who is also Sai devotee. The Idol which I saw in meditation was there. I asked her which place is this and she immediately replied saying this Baba is Shirdi Baba. I have never been to Shirdi till now but Sai appa blessed me on that day by showing Shirdi in meditation.

I am really lucky. In each and everything Sai is helping me and is always with me. Recently I got promotion and it is because of Him only. Without him nothing has ever happened to me.

Sai-Another name of Life

By: Viswanathan

I had planned this article for quite some time though it has materialized now. I had read many articles in Samarpan and decided to share my experience with all of you.

I and my wife became Sai devotee just around two years back. We belong to Kerala and are settled in Chennai since last five years now. We got married sixteen years back. We had faced a lot of issues particularly with regard to job, relations and finance during this time. We are yet to be blessed with a child also.

I am not saying that all our issues vanished once we became devotees. But, I can surely say that the way things shape up now gives us the confidence that Baba guides and protect us from all obstacles in life.

I can think of a lot of incidents where just a thought about him had created positive influence in life. The moment we think about him, our heart fills out with love and devotion to him. We now look at him not just as our guru, but GOD personified. For us, HE is a feeling to be experienced. The very mention of Him creates a great strength and support to our mind. Our faith in him is beyond all rational thoughts. Many times I try to analyze, what creates this kind of a positive feeling. Now, I realize that it is his divine grace and love for humanity that creates all this wonders. We understand that salvation is to be attained at his feet.

May Sai bless us all and keep us in His lotus feet.

Sai Baba Comes As a Eunuch to Bless My Nephew

By: Srividya

I am inspired to write this article as Sai baba had come to bless my nephew recently. I live in Bangalore along with my parents. My sister's son named Anirudh is 11 years old and was getting his upanayanam (thread ceremony) done in Hyderabad on 6th of May. Few days prior to the function, when I was working in office, I felt baba telling me that He would attend the function in Hyderabad and bless my nephew. I was very happy to feel so, but soon forgot about this. I travelled to Hyderabad for the function and was soon very busy with the preparations. On 6th of May, my mother asked me to go out and buy a garland to be put around the child's neck. I was going out with my brother when I saw a eunuch standing outside and looking at me.

There were around 30 – 40 people seated there, but she did not speak to anybody. The moment I went out she told me that the child will be blessed by all gods and will lead a happy life. I thought she was waiting for money. So, I went in to check with my father how much I can give her. My father gave me an Rs.50 note which I handed over to her. She again said that the child will be very happy with everybody's blessings. I told her that that is what I also want, and walked away. Later I forgot about this incident.

Later in the evening, during a discussion we all realized that a gold ring with Lord Ganesha on it that was gifted by my parents to the child was missing. We desperately searched for it all over the place. Someone told us that the maid swept the puja place in the evening and threw all waste in a garbage bin. We searched the garbage bin also without any success. We gave up our search and came back home dejected. More than the money, we all felt it as an emotional loss as Lord Ganesha left us. That time, I prayed to baba and said that if, as promised, He had come that day to bless the child, we will definitely find the ring.

The next day when my parents and I were having our breakfast, my brother-in-law called us and told that they found the ring in one of the items used for puja. We were thrilled to hear it and thanked God for it. Towards noon I was feeling very sleepy and lied down for few min. That moment, in my sleep, I remembered that baba would have definitely come to the house the previous day. And immediately baba showed me the eunuch's face. That is when I realized that baba had indeed come to bless the child, but in a unique form of a eunuch. I told my parents

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and sister about this experience and everybody was very happy to hear this. Hope baba keeps blessing us like this every day. Jai sai ram.



Baba You Are Light of My Eyes

By: Silk Somalin

I very glad that I am writing about my baba, I can't express my inner happiness for which I am confused what to write, where to start, words are many but this paper is not sufficient to express my views toward my beloved baba but lets start the journey of my life with the path given by baba who never let me alone.

During third year of engineering study, I saw my mother praying to Sai Baba. I asked her why she had suddenly started praying to Sai Baba. She spends most of her time in prayers and reading spiritual books. My mother had given up all her happiness while taking care of our family as my father worked in another city to earn money for family. Our parents wanted to give me and my sister all happiness and both of them sacrificed their happiness for us. I always have high regards for my parents and want to give them all happiness in their rest of their lives. I have never expressed this desire of mine in front of them, because i believe that actions speak louder than words. I was trying to get a good job so that they would be happy. Now coming back to my question to my mother, my mother replied that she feels that by praying to Baba, Baba listens to her and thereby she gains peace of mind. She gave me a photo of Sai Baba and asked me to take it with me when i go back to hostel. I did that and i pray everyday till today and always feel that Baba is reassuring me that all my problems will go away and i do not need to fear about anything.

During final year, i was worried about my jobs as even though many companies were visiting college campus for recruitment, there was none for me. It was recession time also. Then there came a company and they had interviews for two days. And after interview I had received offer from them. However, after passing out from college they did not confirm my job and they did not get any call from them. I am sure this was because Sai Baba had better plans for me. I thought of doing higher studies and started preparing for that. I prepared for one year and there were times when i had no confidence, however, i used to get my focus back by reading books on Baba. I got through interview selection and got into one of the top colleges of India. I met my parent's expectation and also proved one of my friends who had predicted that i was not talented to get admission into any reputed college. I am thankful to Baba for his grace all the way.

I am about to complete my higher studies now and there are companies visiting campus, however i am not placed anywhere by this time. But i know that it is just a matter of time and by Baba's blessings i will get good job. My marriage is also fixed and i expect Baba to bless me so that i can live happily with my husband whom Baba has chosen for me. I can never ever

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forget Baba's grace and all his help during all times of my life. Baba, please never leave me alone as i am nothing without you. Please call me to Shridi as i have been never there. Thank you Baba for everything.

Baba gave me another life

By: Anonymous (on request)

I offer my humble salutations and seek guidance from our beloved Spiritual master Sai Baba. This article reveals my experience with Baba and how he came into my life.

Many of us are blinded by materialism and wealth in today's world. We refuse to place our trust in God. Why do we crave for things that are temporary instead of craving for the truth? Only He knows the answer to this. I was once such a person.

I am in my 20's and I am currently doing my studies in university. In 2010 my life changed completely. I used to drink a lot of alcohol and party frequently. I believed in God but never made an effort to realize anything about him. I was diagnosed with a stage 2 cancer of a certain sort that I shall not state. The tumor was removed but I remained reluctant to go through chemotherapy as I could not come into terms with my own disease. After seeking opinions from a few different doctors, it hit me that I would be risking my life if I don't go through it. One day, a friend and I were discussing about swami and his miracles. Little did I know that swami was going to become a big part of my life. In fact I have realized that he is our life and we are his.

I shall cut short my story as it is too long. In a nutshell, swami appeared in my dreams 3 times ever since. The most recent dream involved Shirdi Baba himself and me touching his lotus feet. I finished my treatment at the start of the year by his grace and love. When people ask me what actually cured me I say that love cured me. I shall explain that. The love, which I received from swami via my family members, the doctor, the nurses who tended to me and my mates who were always there for me through thick and thin, healed me. This love that I experienced is swami himself. Swami is the very manifestation of satya, dharma, shanti, prema, ahimsa. Now I am doing fine and I am back to normal physically and mentally.

As swami says "If you look to me, I look to you" we have to make the effort to believe and trust him. When I was going through treatment and when I used to wake up in the middle of the night feeling uncomfortable, I always used to feel that I was being taken care of. There was this motherly feeling that words can't describe. That is our dear Sai ma. Swami has taught me that we can transform our heart into Dwarkamai or Prashanti Nilayam if we surrender to his will. Also, I have learnt that I am not of this body. I am atman. My body and yours is just another worldly illusion. These diseases are just illusions and so is pain and suffering. What we go through are essential for our spiritual growth and we have to go through them. I may die some day but that "I" is just my body. The real "I" never dies and that is Atman.

I would like to end this article by saying that I love Baba very much. He is everything to me now; mother, father, God and friend. I do not walk behind him, in front of him but beside him

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holding his hand and letting him guide me through this life. I am not a human being going through a spiritual life. I am a spiritual being going through a human life.

O dear baba, please liberate us from this cycle of birth and death and please lead us on to liberation to always be one with thyself, the formless.

Jai Sai Ram!

Baba receives ten rupee note

By: Anjna Bhan

I love Sai Baba I put my entire burden on him and he takes and relieves mine. I would like to share a very beautiful experience which I recently had. My mom and dad had to go to UK. Before going my mom and dad were in my home. I have a small temple in my home. My mom placed ten rupees note on the feet of sai baba and took his bless so that they could reach safely.

I thought of buying something for Sai Baba with that note. I forgot to do it for sometime. One day my daughter asked me to buy icecream with that note and then I realized that I had to make use of the note. Next day while leaving for office, I saw an old beggar at the gate saying, "Alakh Niranjana, Beti" and I gave him the note. The sadhu (beggar) disappeared in seconds and I had a strange feeling that it was Sai Baba who took the money, but I was not sure about this and prayed to Baba to show me some sign for this. During evening while reading Sai Satcharita, I read about a devotee who wished to donate a coin to Baba and could not do it and later while coming back from Shirdi, he entered into Bhagwan Narsimha temple where the priest asked for a coin. He gave the coin to the priest. So, Baba can come in any form to meet his children and to fulfill their wishes. Next morning I receive an SMS saying that Baba needs no aeroplane, no vehicle to come close to its devotees. Baba's blessing is on all of us.

Shree Swami Samarth took charge of my life

By: Parag

My mother started worship of "Shree Swami Samarth" maharaj when i was studying in first year of graduation and believe me even she was also not aware that from that very day our life would have changed. I thought in my mind if Shree Swami Samarth maharaj change our life? And very soon i got answer. General Knowledge was my first paper of in first year of Computer Science and i am very bad at general knowledge. During the exam I ticked options whichever i liked without thinking for the questions which I had no idea about. After completing the paper i verified those answers with my friend and realized that I had done them wrong and I would fail in that paper. I was depressed and was not able to concentrate on next day's paper. Before sleeping i prayed to "Shree Swami Samarth" maharaj, and on that night i saw a dream of Shree Swami Samarth maharaj and believe me it was amazing to the core. I will try to explain the same and I beg forgiveness from Swamiji if I do not do it correctly.

I saw Lord Shree Swami Samarth maharaj sitting on a thorne, his position of sitting was exactly same as of Lord Shree Sai Baba's. He was wearing crown and there was peacock-feather on his crown exactly same as of Lord Shree Krishna. If I close my eyes I can still recall the dream and the darshan. However hard I try I cannot tell the majesty of the dream. Shree Swami Samarth maharaj asked me why I was depressed and he told me that without getting depressed, I should continue to study for next paper. He said that he would take care of me and my life. He said loudly, "Bhivu Nakos Me Tuzya Pathishi Aahe". I completed all my exams and I topped the exam with B+ grade in general knowledge paper.

In my mind i thought that it was not just a grade, it was a message from Shree Swami Samarth maharaj to me asking me to be positive in life and never be disappointed as he would always be with me. Sometimes he helped me being Shree Swami Samarth and sometimes he came for my help as Shree Sai Baba. Shree Swami Samarth Maharaj, please forgive me if i have made any mistake. I am your child and please be with me in my life. My life is nothing without your presence. Please bless everyone who needs you. Jai Shree Swami Samarth maharaj. Jai Shree Sai Baba.

Sai pulled me to Shirdi

By: Mrs. Supriya Dei

This is my story of the miraculous visit to Shirdi. I, like most of the other devotees didn't know much about Sai and his miracles initially. I had faced many troublesome situations in my life which taught me to have a strong belief in the supreme power i.e God. I had immense faith in LORD RAMA. I admired him and shared my thoughts with him. After marriage I came to a family which did not have a stable financial condition. My in-laws lived in a village.

My husband was settled in Cuttack of Odisha. He was working as a teacher in a public School. But after my engagement he left that job and was trying to intimate me but he could not do that because of some reasons. After our marriage I came to know that my husband had left his job, and was taking tuitions, this fact disheartened me and I felt as it was a "bolt from the blue". But, I kept quiet and did not tell my family members about this.

My husband also didn't let his parents know about this. One day my friends' husband who gave this proposal asked me if I was angry with him or not. I replied, "If God closes one door, he must open a lot others". From that day on we had managed to live quite decent lives on tuitions only. After one and half years I got a beautiful baby girl. During that period we purchased a piece of land also. Then after one more year we constructed our house. Here in town we both with immense understandings fought together the battle of life. My husband was a very popular veteran teacher in mathematics which got us many students and I myself was a computer professional and also managed teaching a good number of children. After a good deal of hard efforts and tough times we managed ourselves and had plenty of students enrolled for tuitions and maintained a very good position in the society. Thus we had been living our days happily. My in-laws without knowing our condition expected my husband to help financially our 2nd elder brother-in-law who was job less. Once I told my mother-in-law that he should try to do something on his own as we are not in that good condition to help him entirely. Then to our surprise I came to know that my brother-in-law was serving in the most re-knowned Sai temple. And from that day onwards he had been serving Lord Sai in the same city I am staying. After this miracle which happened to him I started believing in Shirdi Sai.

Those days I got a student who was my daughter's friend and lived nearby our house. Gradually, we got close with their family and found them to be Sai devotees. This was the second time I thought of him as my GURU. I happened to go to their house on my birthday and they asked me to come to Shirdi with them. Seeing lack of enthusiasm in one of the members of the family, I decided not to go with them. With heavy heart I returned home. I managed to forget the incident but after a few days Mrs. Rao asked me to go with them as one of their relatives refused to go. I showed a bit of disinterest and refused to go. But I pleaded Baba in my hearts to go to Shirdi. I asked if I should go with them or not. During these days my husband

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kept on insisting me to go which may help us get rid of our problems but I told him that if we call Baba sitting from here also with true belief he must listen to us.

On the day of departure I told my husband that I was not going because of him and if could take me to Shirdi by himself. We all went to Shirdi with the family and had a wonderful trip.

From that day onward I have been a devotee of Shri Sainath and learnt that Baba's blessings can make impossible things possible. After returning from Shirdi, I become pregnant and I wished to get a son. My husband who was initially happy decided to abort the pregnancy because of our financial condition.

But after eight years of our marriage our bad days again followed us and gradually response to our tuitions became thin. After some years when we were building our own house we had to go through immense financial stress and that caused my husband's death on June 1st 2004 in a mysterious case. And till date I don't know what exactly happened to him. However, since that day I have been staying all alone with my only daughter of 14 yrs old reading in standard-ix. I am not satisfied with my job also still then I am contented with my struggling life as people used to give my example to their children. Though I feel Baba's presence, sometimes I feel very hopeless. But still I do believe in Sai as I know it very well that Baba can never be wrong, we may be wrong somewhere. Rest is with my Sai. Because what he decides is for our betterment. Sorry baba for not being able to understand you very well. Please Be With Us My Sai.

बाबा मुझे इंसान बना दो

By: Arti Sehgal

बाबा मुझे इंसान बना दो
तेरे दर पर खड़ा हूँ
थक गया हूँ जीवन से
सर से सारा भार उतार दो (बाबाइंसान बना दो)

झूठ , फरेब , क्रोध , मोह के
चक्रवीरु में फसा हुआ हूँ
माया के जाल से
मुझे आज मुक्त करा दो (बाबाइंसान बना दो)

जीवन की तीखी धूप ने
मेरी भावनाओं को झुलस दिया है
इस तपती धूप पर
अपनी ठड़ी छाव बिछा दो (बाबाइंसान बना दो)

करुणा , शमा का वास
जीवन से मित गया है
इस कठोर दिल को
दया का पाठ पढ़ा दो (बाबाइंसान बना दो)

धन दौलत की आस ने
बिखेर दिया है मुझे
इस टूटे हुए आईने को
समेट लो अपने हाथों में (बाबाइंसान बनना दो)

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आज तेरे दर पर आया हो
खाली ना जाऊ गा

तेरे विश्वास को अपनी
आत्मा में बसाऊ गा

तुझे अपना बनाऊ गा
जीवन की हर ठोकर खायी है मैंने
अब ना अपनी गलती दोराहुगा

थाम लुगा तेरा आचल
और इंसान बनके जाऊगा (२)

जय साईराम

निष्ठा और श्रद्धा का महत्व

एक बार एक शिष्य आपने गुरु के साथ गुरु पिता के पास मिलने को उनके आश्रम को जा रहे थे. गुरु का अनुसरण कर शिष्य उनके पीछे पीछे वियावान जंगल के रास्ते से गुरु का स्मरण करते हुये रहा था . जंगल पार करने के पश्चात उन्होंने देखा की आगे एक गहरी उफंती नदी है जो मार्ग अवरोध कर रही है .कोइ ओर भी मार्ग नहीं नजर नहीं आ रह था उनको आश्रम तक पहुचने का. गुरु ने कहाँ की पहुचना शिग्रह ही जरूरी है वरना गुरु के आदेश की अवहेलना होगी पर यहाँ तो दुर-दुर तक कोइ नाव भी नहीं दिख रही है जिसपर सवार होंगे इस उफन्ति नदी को पार किया जा सकता था .

शिष्य ने गुरु से कहाँ कि गुरुजी कुछ पेड़ से टुटी टेहनीओ को मैने नदी के पानी मे बेहते हुए देखा है . क्यो ना हमलोग उसी टेहनी का सहारा लेकर इस नदी को पार कर ले . गुरु को अपने शिष्य की बातों से बहुत ही अच्छाम्भा हुआ ओर उसकी मुखता पर हसी भी. गुरु ने क्रोधित होके कहाँ की ठीक है तुम पहले नदी को पार कर के दिखाओ .

शिष्य गुरु के आदेश को सर्वोपरी मानके एक बेहती हुइ टेहनी को पकड लिया ओर आँखों को बांध कर उसपर सवार हो गया . गुरु की आँखे विश्मय से खुली की खुली रह गई जब उन्होंने देखा कि शिष्य बडी सहजता से उस टेहनी पर सवार नदी पर कर दुसरे किनारे पहुच गया है .

शिष्य ने गुरु से निवेदन किया की गुरुजी आप भी मेरी भाति इस नदी को पार करके आ जाइये. गुरु ने भी उसी तरह से प्रयास किये पर हर बार टेहनी पर पैर रखते ही गुरुजी पानी मे तैयरने की जगाह डूब जाते थे . गुरुजी बहुत परेशान की शिष्य ने तो बडी ही सहजता से इस कार्य को कर लिया मै क्यो नहीं कर पा रहा हू.

संकोचित मन से गुरुजी ने शिष्य से पूछा कि तुमने कैसे ये सब किया ?

शिष्य ने बडी ही विनम्रता और छमा मांगते हुये कहाँ की गुरुजी वो आपही है. जिन्होंने मुझे नदी के इस पार लाया है . मैने तो बस आपके आदेश को गुरु आदेश मानकर आपके प्रति दृढ़ता और श्रद्धा रखते हुये आखे बांध कर आपको ही याद करता रहा . वो आपही थे जिन्होंने टेहनी को थामे रखा

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था ओर मुझे इबने नही दिया .

आप भी अपने गुरु पर दृढ़ता,श्रधा ओर विस्वास करते हुये टेहनी पर सवार हो जाइये.आपके गुरुजी भी आपकी तरह आपको नदी पर करा देगे .

श्रधाऔर भक्ती मे वो शक्ति है जिसने ध्रुव प्रहलाद को महा आग्नि के लपटों के बीच मे भी सही सलामत रखा . .

साई राम

राम रहे बन भीतरे गुरु की पूजा ना आस ।
रहे कबीर पाखंड सब, झूठे सदा निराश ॥

कामी, क्रोधी , लालची, इनसे भक्ती न होय ।
भक्ती करे कोइ सूरमा, जाती वरन कुल खोय ॥

ॐ साईं राम

By: Surekha

जब याद तुम्हें मैं करती हूँ
इक कविता सी बन जाती है

भावों का वेग उमड़ता है
शब्दों की मस्ती छाती है

मन काबू में ना रहता है
कुछ कह डालूँ ये कहता है

मैं मौन कहाँ रह पाती हूँ
तब कलम हाथ में आती है

तेरी लीलाएँ कहने को
वाणी भी मुखरित होती है

जिह्वा मतवाली होकर के
बस गान तेरा ही गाती है

कुछ ताने बाने शब्दों के
उगते हैं कोरे कागज़ पे

श्रद्धा सबुरी के दीपक की
ज्योति मन में जग जाती है

जब बात ना तेरी कर पाऊँ

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तब मन मेरा अकुलाता है

रूह घायल सी हो जाती है
और प्रेम अश्रु छलकाती है

तुम मुखर रहो मेरे शब्दों में
अपनी लीला खुद कह डालो

करते जाना गुणगान तेरा
मेरे जीवन की थाती है

जय साईं राम

मेरे सब से प्यारे दोस्त - साईं

By: - Neha Shrivastav

जब जब मेरे साईं के मुख पर हसी आए,
तब तब मेरा दिल गद गद हो जाये.

वो कौन हे जो भक्तो को दुखी देख, खुद दुखी हो जाये?
वो कौन हे जो भक्तो को सुलाकर ही, खुद सो पाए?
आखिर मेरे साईं के सिवा और कौन ये कर पाए?

हर दुःख के रस्ते पर कौन राह दिखाए?
मेरे साईं ही तो हैं, जो 'श्रद्धा' और 'सबुरी' का पाठ पढाए.

हर कठिन राह पर हिम्मत से चलना सिखाये,
फिर क्यों भूल जाते हम उन्हें, जब सुख के बादल छाए?

इतना प्यार करते हे भक्तोसे, समाधी से भी बात करें,
करे मुसीबत हल उसकी, जो "साईं नाथ" का जप करे.

नहीं चाहिए दौलत, शोहरत, बस एक छोटा फूल बोहोत हे,
अगर करना हो उन्हें खुश तो, बस एक अच्छा कर्म बोहोत हे.

बड़े दयालु मेरे साईं, हर गल्ती को माफ़ करें,
अगर जो आए क्रोध में तो, खुदही पर अत्याचार करें.

बड़ी अजब हे साईं लीला, उनके सिवा कोई न जाने,
पर इतना यकीन हे उनपर, हमारा भला वो ही जाने.

ना करना अविश्वास उनपर, वरना एक दिन पछताओगे,

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चलना हमेशा उनकी राह पर, तभी जीवन सफल कर पाओगे.

रेहता उनके पास वही, जो दूजो को सुख दे पाया हे,
भेद भाव जो कभी ना करते, एसी वो निर्मल काया हे.

शब्दों में ना ज़ायर कर पाऊ, एसे दिल को लुभाया हे,
ऐ साईं नाथ मेरे, आपसे प्यारा दोस्त ना मैने कभी पाया हे.

कण कण में बस्ते हो आप, एसी आपकी माया हे,
पंचतत्वो पर राज करें, साईं एसी महान काया हे!!!

तेरे दर्शन को प्यासी है ये मेरी अखियाँ !

By: Dimple Arora

तेरे दर्शन को प्यासी है ये मेरी अखियाँ !
मस्तक है व्याकुल तेरे चरणों में झुकने को !!

नतमस्तक है समस्त शब्दों की माला मेरी !
तैयार हूँ मैं तुम पर खुद को भी अर्पण करने को !!

इच्छाएँ हैं मन में बहुत जीवन में बहुत निराशा है !
पार लगाओगे तुम मेरी नैया मुझे तुम पर पूर्ण भरोसा है !!

सांस हो मेरे जीवन की आस हो मेरे मधुवन की !
वीरान पड़ा है तुम बिन सब कुछ उद्धार की अब अभिलाषा है !!

प्राणों पर है हक तुम्हारा स्वामी हो इस तन मन के !
मैं निर्धन हूँ तुमको क्या दूंगा जानते हो तुम इस दर्पण को !!

उज्ज्वल नहीं हूँ, न हूँ पापमुक्त मैं शरण तुम्हारी आया हूँ !
उद्धार करो या शाप दो अब तुम मैं बस प्राश्चित करने आया हूँ !!

प्राश्चित है मेरे कर्मों का जो चाहे तुम फल देना मुझको !
संदेह नहीं है कोई मन के भीतर सब कुछ छोड़ा है अब तुम पर !!

तुम रचियिता हो श्रृष्टि के सञ्चालन तुम को ही करना है !
मैं निर्गुण " मानव " क्या जानूँ अंत

प्रत्यक्ष दर्शन का चमत्कार

By: Rajendra Varma

ये बात १९ फरवरी, २०११ की है। मैं अपने पति श्री लोकेश चन्द्र के साथ लखनऊ में सरोजिनी नगर से अपनी ससुराल बादशाह नगर वापस आ रही थी। रात के लगभग डेढ़-दो बजे थे। हम अपनी एक रिश्तेदार को आशिआना कालोनी में छोड़ कर वापस लौट रहे थे। रास्ते में मैंने बाईं ओर एक बोर्ड देखा जिस पर साईं मंदिर लिखा था साथ ही उस पर एक तीर बना था जिस से पता चलता था कि साईं मंदिर इस ओर है। जब हमारी कार उस गली के पास पहुंची तो मैंने उत्सुकतावश उधर देखा तो मंदिर के पास बने चबूतरे पर साईं बाबा को बैठे देखा जो अँधेरे में भी सोने की तरह चमक रहे थे। मुझे रोमांच हो आया, लेकिन जैसे ही हमारी कार मंदिर के एक दम निकट पहुंची साईं बाबा अदृश्य हो गए। मैंने बार बार उन्हें अँधेरे में देखने की कोशिश की लेकिन बाबा दोबारा दिखाई नहीं दिए। तब तक हम आगे बढ़ चुके थे। मैं बार बार पीछे मुड़ के देखती रही लेकिन फिर बाबा मुझे दिखाई नहीं दिए। मैं नहीं जानती कि बाबा दर्शन दे कर मुझे क्या कहना चाहते थे। मैं आज भी सोचती हूँ की ये चमत्कार नहीं तो क्या था?

जै साई नाथ्

By: Sima Bhavsar

साई मे तेरी पतग , बाबा मे तेरी पतग
हवा मे उडती जाउगी ,हवा मे उडती जाउगी

मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी
साई तेरे ही भरोसे, बाबा तेरे ही भरोसे

मेने जीवन की नेया छोडी, जीवन की नेया छोडी,
मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी

साई तेरे ही भरोसे, बाबा तेरे ही भरोसे
मेने सब कुछ छोडा ,मुझको है तेरा भरोसा

मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी
साई मे तेरी पतग , बाबा मे तेरी पतग

मेरा जीवन् तेरे हवाले, बाबा मेरा जीवन् तेरे हवाले
मे करती जाउगी, मे करती जाउगी

मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी
मे तो मागू सबकी खेर, बाबा मागु सबकी खेर

आने मे तू ना लगाना देर, साई ना लगाना देर
मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी

साई मे तेरी पतग , बाबा मे तेरी पतग
मेरा अपना सपना, बाबा मेरा अपना सपना

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सच् कर देना साई, मेरे सत्गुरु साई, तुम हो मेरे साई
मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी
सच्चे गुरु की जै हो, साई सतगुरु की जै हो
जै हो जै हो करती जाउगी , मे तो करती जाउगी

मेरी डोर् अपने हाथ् रखना, नही तो मे कट जाउगी
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जै साई नाथ्

अशांत मन

By: Arti Sehgal

बाबा तेरे नाम का पाठ किया
तेरे नाम का जाप

श्री साईं सच्चरित्र को भी दिल से लगाया
साईं साईं का सिमरन किया

फिर भी बाबा
मेरा मन अशांत क्यों ?
क्यों मेरा मन डोल रहा है
क्यों भवरो की तरहा नाच रहा है
क्यों समुंदर की लहरों की तरहा उझाले मार रहा है
बाबा

इस भटके मन को कैसे शान्त करू
इस वक़्त को कैसे थाम लू
यह वक़्त इतना कठोर बन गया है
परछाईं बनकर मुझे डरा रहा है
अंदर ही अंदर मुझे खा रहा है
मुझे कमजोर बना रहा है
बाबा

आब यह तकलीफ सही नहीं जाती
दिन प्रतिदिन पीड़ा बढ़ती ही जाती
यह मेरी नहीं कहानी
यह कितनो की है कहानी
बाबा

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कर दो इस मन को शान्त
चला दो अपने प्यार का बाण
जिसे टूट जाए दुखो का पहाड़
बाबा रहम नज़र करना
बच्चो का पालन करना
बस यही है आपसे
हाथ जोड़ कर अरदास !!!!
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