



# Let Us Invoke Our Guru by Chanting SAI GAYATRI

Om Saieshwaraya Vidmahe Sathya Devaya Dheemahi Thanna Sarvah Prachodayath (3 times)

We know Sathya Sai as
Supreme Divinity Incarnate
We meditate on this God of
Truth
May Almighty God lead us to
liberation

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yFaQ2onJojw&feature=youtu.be

## Bhajan

### Sai Naamamey Brahmanandamu Sai Charanamey Divyanandamu Sathya Sai Roopamey Nayananandamu Leela Vinodamey Sai Sankalpamu

Premanandamey Sai Sowmya

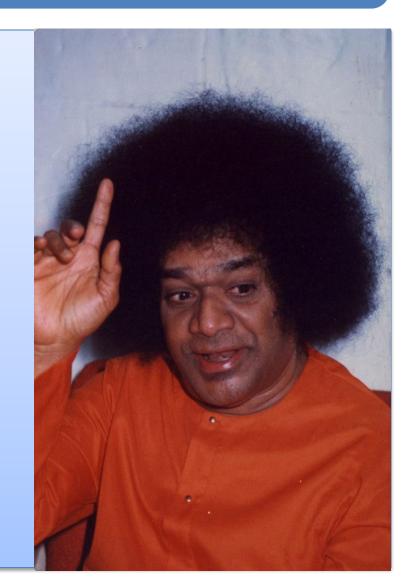
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#### **English Translation**

Glory to Lord Sai - The chanting of that name confers on all of us supreme Joy, the Lotus Feet confer divine bliss, the vision of the very form of Sri Sathya Sai is blissful to the eyes that see Him He is determined to provide us joy with his miraculous love His subtle and graceful form bestows on us eternal Love and Joy.

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Establish Quorum & Call to Order
- 2. Approval of the Agenda & Previous Minutes
- 3. Board Report President
- 4. Committee Reports
  - a) Spiritual
  - b) Operations
  - c) Communications
  - d) Finance
- 5. Old Business
  - a) Bylaws
  - b) Board & EC confirmations
- 6. New Business
  - a) City approvals of construction plans
  - b) Construction initiation & General contractor selection
  - c) Project Awareness
- 7. Comments and Announcements
- 8. Adjournment of General Session



### Sri Sathya Sai Baba – His Mission

SPIRITUALCARE

Love that Transforms

HEALTHCARE

Love that Heals

**EDUCARE** 

Love that Inspires

SOCIOCARE

Love that **Shares** 

ENVIROCARE

**Love that Protects** 

### **SOULS - Mission**

- Leading Value based life to help individual transformation
- Empowering individuals from a grass roots level through community involvement, educational development, medical assistance, and values training.
- Working for positive social change based on "Sai Baba's life" to bring peace and harmony to Individual, Family and Society.



Prasanthi Dham will aid us to continue the aspects of "The Mission" - today and well into the future.

### MAJOR MILESTONES in Last Year

#### **Spiritual Sadhana**

Hrudayavasi Sai, Ananda Sai, and Antaryami Sai: These weekly spiritual sadhana programs being conducted for past 150 weeks to enjoy Swami through on-line satsangs.

#### **Prasanthi Dham**

- ☐ APPROVED Civil (Land) & Building plans.
- ☐ COMPLETED pre-requisite work that seeks City of Plano construction permit
- ☐ READY to meet for pre-construction meeting with City of Plano
- ☐ COMPLETED FRP design for SAIFication for Domes, Sarva Dharma stupa, Lobby/Verandah and portico pillars (~\$250K \$300K).
- □ ORDERED Altar (\$260K) Nov 2022, sponsored by a devotee; SLN Jewelers Bangalore Work is in progress

### Altar replica in making at Bangalore



### **FRP Design Completed**





#### Lobby Pillars

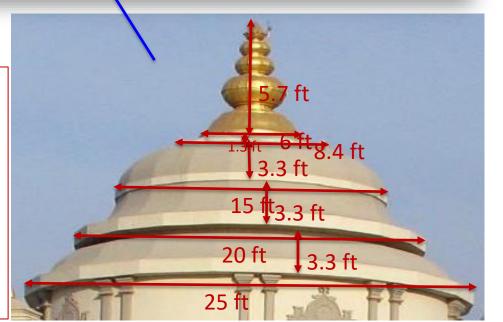
#### **CENTRAL DOME**

Dome (other than brass portion):

- Bottom ring: 25' diameter x 3.33' high
- Middle ring: 20' diameter x 3.3' high
- Top ring: 15' diameter x 3.3' high

#### Brass portion of Dome:

- Brass holding ring: 8.4' diameter x 1.3' high
- Brass: 6' diameter (bottom) x 5.7' high





### MAJOR MILESTONES in Last year (cont.)

#### **Project Awareness**

□ SOULS' redesigned website (<u>saioutreach.org</u>) and Facebook page launched to deliver effective messaging

#### **Finance and Accounting**

☐ The Federal and State franchise tax Filing for 2022 under 501 (c)(3) is completed

#### **Organization**

- ☐ SOULS works with all Sathya Sai devotees independent of their organizational affiliations.
- All members are welcome to participate in this project and enjoy working with Swami.

### SOULS - OFFICERS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT)

Sarma Gunturi	Board of Trustee, President
Srinivas Somisetty	Board of Trustee, Central Coordinator
Raj Tripathi	Board of Trustee, Fiscal Coordinator
Dr. Vijay Nama	Advisory Board of Trustee
Dr. Raj Reddy	Advisory Board of Trustee
Dr. Raj Natarajan	Advisory Board of Trustee
Aruna Sampath	EC Member, Mission Coordinator
Raj Tripathi (Acting)	EC Member, Finance and Accounting
Saman Illangasanghe	EC Member, Operations Coordinator
Srinivas Somisetty (Acting)	EC Member, Communications Coordinator

#### Prasanthi Dham – Timeline synopsis

#### Aug 2018

- 1. Started with a smaller scope of a building ~12,000 SqFt facilities on a 4-acre land, with a phased approach as part of bigger vision.
- 2. Forged a partnership with real estate partners for a combined land development to optimize and proportionate the cost exposure.
- 3. The projected budget was estimated at \$3.0M \$3.5M.
- 4. Implement the project with a bank loan and member monthly ACH generous donation commitments.

#### **Nov 2021**

- 1. Swami sent an Angel donor to provide for a larger funding source.
- 2. Prasanthi Dham has become a grandeur undertaking to complete in a single phase (35,000 SqFt at estimated budget of \$9M).
- 3. Incorporated several qualitative Features
  - Replicate Kulwant hall & Prasanthi mandir altar
  - Comfortable SSE accommodation
  - NetZero compliance (environment conscious)
  - Adherence to fire and modern security measures.
  - State of the art audio and visual equpment (vibrant devotional sessions)
  - · Comfortable dining/multipurpose area
  - Utilitarian kitchen
  - Grandeur lobby
  - Domes
  - · 36 feet Sarva dharma pillar,
  - Landscaping with community gardens,
  - · Secured and ample parking areas.

#### May 2022

- 1.Bhoomi Pooja in May 2022 with anticipated construction start on Dussera (Oct 2022).
- 2. The Angel donor verbally committed for the funds of the construction of two (2) buildings.
- 3. Angel donor preferred to have entire land for Swami; Our real estate partners gracefully offered to to donate the land under lien to SOULS, after construction starts.

#### **FUNDING STATUS**

- 1. It is all Swami's grace for what is accomplished so far, and the path shown forward.
- Funding realization is delayed for reasons beyond our controls, while our Angel donor family is strongly committed for this Divine Sathya Sai project, first of its kind in North America.
  - Angel donors have already completed couple of projects elsewhere and wanted to do a major project for Swami and found it in Prasanthi Dham.
- 3. This is a collective participation of all of us and NOT one person nor one family project but for the benefit of whole Sai family and broader community.
- 4. Although Angel donor comes with the funds, we need to sustain with our unconditional member support towards this noble cause:- involvement in any aspect of construction phase, classroom adoption, mandir altar, kitchen equipment, library, classroom furniture, etc. as a support to our Angel donor.

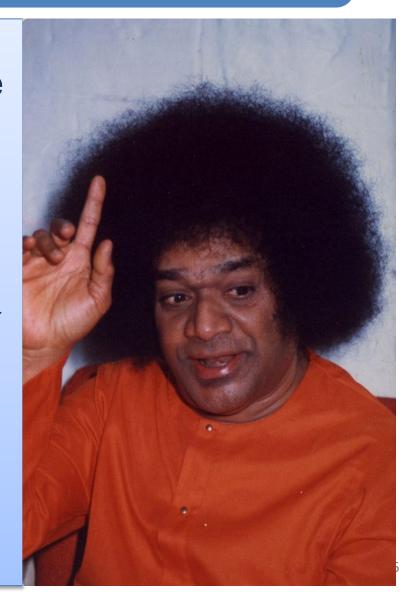
#### **MOVING FORWARD**

- 5. In considering devotees' anxiousness to begin construction phase, and after having extended discussions, SOULS EC proposed the following approach that is intended to meet devotees' expectations while waiting on Angel donor's funds realization.
  - After recent meeting with Angel donor, whom we have a total commitment, the fund realization may take another 6 months to 1 year, so we can begin construction with all funds in our hands. We sincerely pray Swami to send us the funds within this wait period.

### Project PRASANTHI DHAM – Spend Outlay

Detailed Cost Estimation (updated as of July 2022) and Spend Outlay towards completion and sustenance of Project PRASANTHI DHAM on SOULS' 9-acre land.

- 1. Design: Land & Building design \$350K
- 2. Phase-0: 9-Acre Land Development \$3.8M
- 3. Phase-1: Prasanthi Dham Building-1 (Spiritual center and Educational classrooms) \$4.7M
- 4. Phase-2: Prasanthi Dham Building-2 (Community center, Sai Pantry, Free Clinic, and Accommodation quarters) \$5.6M
- Ongoing: Buildings and Property Maintenance
   \$6.3M



### Communications - RSVP Summary

RSVP Summary for SOULS General Body meeting Oct 1, 2023 Replied YES: 44 Replied NO: 30 No Reply: 299 Membership Every individual (18+) of a family requested to register to be a member Current members List (166) I am interested list (150+) Membership link is at www.saioutreach.org/contact-us/ A humble request to all the members to join this project and enjoy working on Swami's project. Your love and support creates synergy in successful completion. Pass the status and progress to your fellow Sai family, friends and others whom you think may be interested

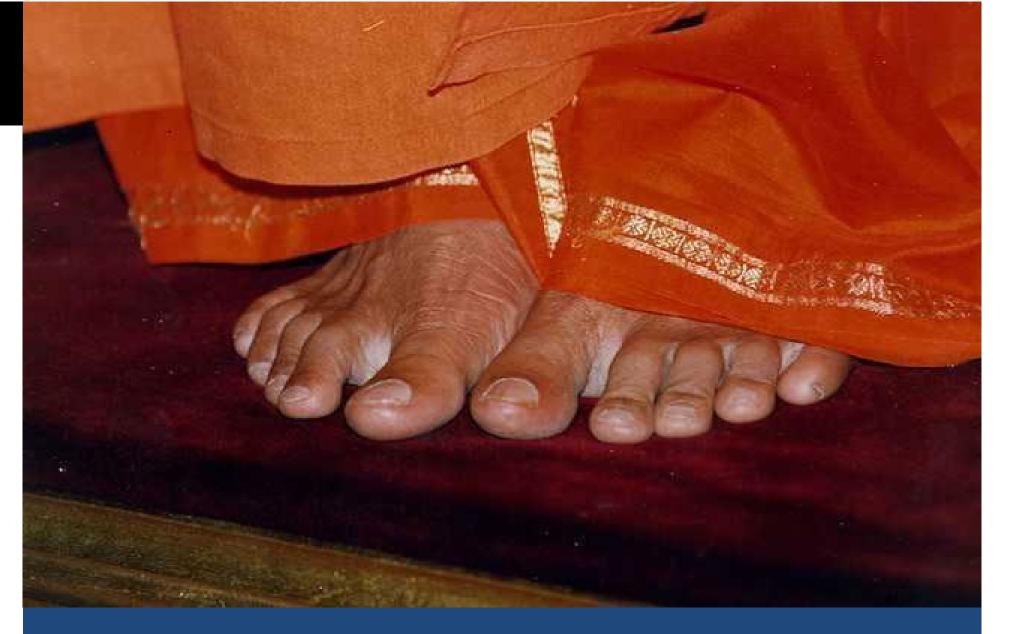
### **COMMENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next Members' meeting
- ☐ Open discuss Q&A
- ☐ Actions & Feedback

### ADJOURNMENT

The success of this project lies within us. A deep sense of unity and commitment from all will substantially strengthen our ability to complete this project.

Bhagawan, Take Our Love, Let It Flow To Thee
Take Our Hands Let Them Do Thy Work Constantly
Take Our Souls Let Them Merge In Thy Holy Light
Take Our Minds, Make Them Pure Perfect In Thy Sight
May Our Thoughts, Born Of Thee, Guided From Above
Make Us All, Bhagawan, Instruments Of Love



**Dedicated At The Lotus Feet**