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10 Principles of Arya Samaj

- 1. God is the primary source of all true knowledge and all that is known by its means.(At the beginning of creation, nearly 2 Billion years ago, God gave the knowledge of 4 Vedas to four learned Rishis named Agni, Vayu, Aditya and Angira. Four Vedas called Rig Ved, Yajur Ved, Sam Ved and Atharva Ved contain all true knowledge, spiritual and scientific, known to the world.)**
- 2. God is existent, intelligent and blissful. He is formless, omnipotent, just, merciful, unborn, infinite, invariable (unchangeable), having no beginning, matchless (unparalleled), the support of all, the master of all, omnipresent, omniscient, ever young (imperishable), immortal, fearless, eternal, holy and creator of universe. To him alone worship is due.**
- 3. Vedas are the scripture of all true knowledge. It is paramount duty of all Aryan to read them, teach and recite them to others.**
- 4. All human beings should always be ready to accept the truth and give up untruth.**
- 5. All our actions should be according to the principles of Dharma i.e. after differentiating right from wrong.**
- 6. The primary aim of Arya Samaj is to do good to the human beings of whole world i.e. to its physical, spiritual and social welfare.**
- 7. All human beings ought to be treated with love, justice and according to their merits as dictated by Dharma.**
- 8. We should all promote knowledge (Vidya) and dispel ignorance (Avidya).**
- 9. One should not be content with one's own welfare alone but should look for one's welfare in the welfare of all others.**
- 10. In matters which affect the well being of all people an individual should subordinate any personal rights that are in conflict with the wishes of the majority. In matters that affect him/her alone he/she is free to exercise his/her human rights.**

Raise the Nation to Zenith

By Mr Krishan Chopra

प्रान्यान्त्सपत्नान्त्सहसा सहस्व प्रत्यजाताञ्जातवेदो नुदस्व । इदं राष्ट्रं पिपृहि
सौभगाय विश्व एनमनु मदन्तु देवाः ॥ अथर्ववेद ७.३५.१

pranyantsapatnant sahasa sahasava pratyajatan jatvedo
nudasva I idam rastram piprhi soubhagaya visva enamanu
madantu devah II

Atharva Veda 7.35.1

Meaning in Text Order

Anyan = the others (rivals)

Sapatnan = internal enemies

Sahasava = with courage

Sahasva = subdue them

Ajatan = unborn

Jatvedah = O soul

Prati nudusva = keep them away

Idam = this

Rastram = the nation in the form of body

Piprhi = may flourish

Saubhagaya = for prosperity

Visvam = all

Enam = this

Anumadantu = rejoice

Devah = our senses

Meaning

O knowledgeable soul! Those who have rival views and internal enemies, defeat them with courage and strength. Keep away the thoughts which are yet unborn. May you flourish the nation in the

form of the body for prosperity of the senses so that they can provide strength to the soul to defeat both internal and future enemies.

Contemplation

Our body is like a nation. The position of our soul in the body is like a king (most powerful.) God is like an advisor, the mind is like an Education Minister and the brain is like an Information and Broadcasting Minister. Under its command all senses work as officers. It is our prime duty to save the nation from internal and external enemies. However, our carelessness allows attacks from the armies of lust, anger, greed, attachment, jealousy and egotism. These are all devilish tendencies which surround us. These tendencies are called the way to hell and they overpower us. The knowledge of our soul is diminished and these devilish tendencies keep our mind, intellect and senses under their control and confuse our thinking. This is all due to passion (rajoguna) which forcibly drives us towards sins.

O my Soul! Be alert, examine all enemies carefully, suppress your enemies with courage and vigour so that they dare not trouble you. Be careful of those enemies who are not born yet, but there is a chance that they will interrupt you, suppress them before they are born.

Turn your body or nation into such environment that they don't dare to spring up, and if unfortunately they do spring up, make sure they cannot flourish. We take our body and nation towards the zenith and if any weakness occurs, promptly cure it. All your senses will help you with your determination. This way it will be your victory and the nation will become prosperous.

O the kings of nations and the office bearers of nations be alert to make your nation a blossom. Uproot your enemies and take your nation to the zenith.

सत्यार्थप्रकाश के अनुसार वचनामृत

आचार्य डॉ. उमेश यादव

आर्य कौन

आर्य नाम धार्मिक, विद्वान, आप्त पुरुषों का और इनसे विपरीत जनों का नाम दस्यु अर्थात् डाकू, दुष्ट, अधार्मिक और अविद्वान है। तथा ब्राह्मण, क्षत्रिय, वैश्य द्विजों को आर्य कहते हैं। कर्तव्य शील, आज्ञाकारी व ईमानदार हर व्यक्ति आर्य होगा चाहे व गरीब ही क्यों न हो।

उत्तम ब्राह्मण साधु

जो वेदादि सत् शास्त्रों को स्वरसहित पठन-पाठन जानता हो और सबको को इसका ज्ञान कराकर उन्हें विधर्मियों से बचाता हो; वही उत्तम ब्राह्मण होता है। वही सबको प्रीतियुक्त वर्णाश्रमों में स्थापित कर पक्षपातरहित व्यवहार कर न्याय करने में समर्थ होता है।

उत्तम उपदेशक

जब उत्तम उपदेशक होते हैं तब अच्छे प्रकार धर्म, अर्थ, काम और मोक्ष सिद्ध होते हैं। और जब उत्तम उपदेशक और श्रोता नहीं रहते तब अन्ध परम्परा चलती है। फिर भी जब सत्पुरुष उत्पन्न होकर सत्योपदेश करते हैं तभी अन्ध परम्परा नष्ट होकर ज्ञान-प्रकाश की परम्परा चलती है।

परोपकारी ही ब्राह्मण साधु

सुनो भाई ! मां बाप ब्राह्मण- ब्राह्मणी होने से और किसी साधु के ढोंगी

शिष्य होने पर कोई ब्राह्मण या साधु नहीं हो सकते । किन्तु ब्राह्मण और साधु अपने उत्तम गुण कर्म और स्वभाव से होते हैं जो कि परोपकारी हों । अर्थात् सच्चे ब्राह्मण व साधु होने के लिये उसका उत्तम गुण कर्म स्वभाव होना अनिवार्य होगा । उसे कर्तव्यशील व परोपकारी होना भी अनिवार्य होगा ।

सच्चे तीर्थ

वेदादि सत्यशास्त्रों का पढ़ना-पढ़ाना, धार्मिक विद्वानों का संग, परोपकार, धर्मानुष्ठान, योगाभ्यास, निर्वैर, निष्कपट, सत्यभाषण, सत्य का मानना, उसे करना, ब्रह्मचर्य, आचार्य, अतिथि, माता-पिता की सेवा, परमेश्वर की स्तुति-प्रार्थना, उपासना, शांति, जितेन्द्रियता, सुशीलता, धर्मयुक्त पुरुषार्थ, ज्ञान-विज्ञान आदि शुभ गुण कर्म दुःखों से तारने वाले होने से तीर्थ हैं ।

तीर्थ - मनुष्य जिन्हें करके या जिनके सहारे दुःखों से तरें उनका नाम तीर्थ है । जल स्थल मात्र तीर्थ नहीं अपितु जल में पार करने के सहायक नौका ही तीर्थ है क्योंकि यह जल स्थल नदी आदि को पार करने में सहायक है ।

यह जल में डुबने से भी बचाता है । यही दुःखों से तारना हुआ । केवल ऐसे स्थान पर स्नान करना या नदी, पहाड़, वृक्ष आदि के नाम लेने से दुःखों का निवारण नहीं होता अपितु रोग, कष्ट वा दुःखों को दूर करने हेतु यथोचित औषधि, उपचार, योग आदि साधनों का प्रयोग उचित है । उचित औषधि आदि भी एक प्रकार का तीर्थ ही है ।

SACRAMENT
(12th SANSKAR)

SAMAAVARTANA SACRAMENT

This Sacrament is performed on a young person who has completed his/her education in a higher School or a University and has acquired some skills to earn his/her own livelihood and wants to get married. So in away it is a Sacrament which is performed prior to Marriage Ceremony.

The meaning of Samaavartan is to come back home. A home which a student leaves to go to a School and to come back to the same home after completion of education is called Samaavartan.

According to Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati this Sacrament can be performed either at the house of a teacher of the student or his/her parental home which ever is convenient. Both Vedaarambha and Samaavartana Sacraments provide an insight and knowledge about household (Grihastha) life after marriage. These Sacraments lay down the foundation of a successful, healthy and happy married life and household. At the time of Vedaarambha Sacrament a child leaves his/her home to go to a School (Gurukul) for education and there a teacher/teachers provide all kinds of education and knowledge. After completion of his/her education when he/she returns home and wants to get married then parents, relatives and society teach him/her practical knowledge about a successful household life through Samaavartan Sacrament. A teacher (Acharya) always wishes best for his/her students. Please note that there is a difference of 14-16 years between Vedaarambha and Samaavartana Sacraments. At the time of Vedaarambha Sacrament a child's brain is in early tender stages of learning and at the time of Samaavartana Sacrament same student is a mature person full of all kinds of knowledge. Both Vedaarambha and Samaavartana Sacraments impart very valuable impression on the brain of a student. When a celibate person follows the teaching of these two Sacraments with complete sincerity then he/she enjoys a successful life later on.

The Practical aspects of Sacrament

In Samaavartana Sacrament the following rituals are done in a methodical order.

This Sacrament entails performing Yajna (Havan) and following procedures are carried out.

1. The bachelor student is welcomed by parents washing his feet, offering him water to drink, Madhupark etc. Madhupark is mixture of honey and yogurt.
2. Performance of Yajna and routine Havan.
3. Agni- Tap (to be glorious by holy fire) and touching different parts of the body.
4. Taking shower/bath.
5. To get rid of a rope tied around the waist in order to prevent loss of semen in dream when the student is in Gurkul/University.
6. To have communion with God.
7. To eat Yoghurt and sesame made food items, to have a hair cut/dressed if required, trim the nails if needed, to brush teeth , apply a cosmetic paste over body in order to clean and make the body skin soft and then take shower.
8. To wear new clothes and appropriate jewellery.
9. Final ablation of Havan.
10. Sermon from a learned teacher.
11. Special welcome of Student who has completed his/her education.
12. Welcome of learned teacher (Priest).

The last three points have a special importance in this ceremony.

In modern age Convocation held at various Universities are very similar to Samaavartan Sacrament.

Let us learn more about last three procedures.

1. Sermon from a learned teacher (Acharya).

Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati has given a special status to the teacher (Acharya) so that he/she gives a relevant sermon to the young man/woman who is willing to get married. Acharya should talk about the practical aspects of a successful life in a community, successful marriage and family life. Acharya should also tell him/her how to be a responsible member of a society and his/her duties towards nation. In third chapter of “Satyarth Prakash” Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati has written about this kind of sermon.

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The English translation of this is as following.

“Speak truth. Live a life according to teachings of Vedas. Do not be lazy in your daily study. To produce children after getting married according to the prescribed Marriage Sacrament performed by a learned priest (Acharya). Never abandon the truth, never abandon to live righteous way of life, always behave properly with every one. Always live a healthy life style, earn your living in an honest way, always study, give talk/sermon, always serve your parents and senior members of your society. Try to be an ideal son of your parents. Always pay respect to learned dignitaries, guests who come to your house and saints but do not follow their wrong behaviour or wrong teachings.

Always donate generously as much as you can afford. Always try to resolve difficult situations in life in consultation with learned and respected members of your family and society irrespective of whether the problem belongs to your family, society or nation. Always believe in being active and doing good deeds.

O young person, according to the teachings of Vedas, this is our sermon to you. This is the way you should live your disciplined life.

In this way the sacramented young person while living a celibate life should complete his/her education and then get married and live a life like a shining Sun and contribute to the society.

We can proudly say that following our Vedic teachings and traditions our present Universities hold Convocations and give very similar sermons while distributing degrees to the successful students.

2. Three kinds of Graduates - There are three types of graduates who qualify from a University.
 1. A graduate gaining a particular degree in a subject is called Vidya Snaatak (Graduate).
 2. A graduate who takes vow to be celibate is called Vrat Snaatak.
 3. A graduate, in addition to getting his qualifications, takes a vow to give his life for spreading a knowledge for the welfare for human beings and to work for the uplift of a society and nation. This kind of graduate is called Vidya Vrat Snaatak. Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati is a glorious example of Vidya Vrat Snaatak.

Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati agreed with the above classification. He wrote about this in his book “Sanskar Vidhi” under Samaavartan Sacrament quoting

Paraskar Grihya Sutra evidence-

Trayah Sanaatakaah Bhavanti-Vidyaasnaatko Vrat Snaatko Vidya Vrat Snaatakshcheti-Pa.2/5/32-35.

A Vidya Snaatak only completes his education.

A Vrat Snaatak only completes his celibate resolution.

A Vidya Vrat Snaatak is the one who has completed his/her education while staying celibate. This kind of graduate is the best among above three types of graduates.

A Mantra from Atharva Veda 11.24.16.26 is supportive of this

“Taani Kalpad Brahmachaari Shalilasya Prishte Tapotisthat Tapyamaanah Samudre. Sa Snaato Babhuh Pingalah Prithivyaam Vahurochate.”

In his book ' Sanskar Vidhi” under Samaavartan Sacrament, Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati has translated this Mantra as following.

A celibate young person who is solemn and deep like a ocean, living like a Vidya Vrat Snaatak and studing Vedas and protecting his semen, respecting his/her teachers and who completes his/her education is the ideal graduate. All these qualities reflect in his/her virtues, deed and nature. According to Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati Vidya Vrat Snaatak is the most deserving and blessed person.

3. Paying respect to Acharya (Teacher)- This is the very important point towards the end of this Sacrament. This is away for the parents of the student to pay their respect gratefulness to the teacher of their son/daughter. Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati has written that “Acharya who has come to take part in this Sacrament should be fed good quality food like Madhupark and then Acharya should be given a suitable seat to sit and given due respect by garlanding him, offering good clothes, donating cows, money etc, according to the status of parents and then telling guests about education, good qualities and virtues of Acharya”.

The student also tells the present guests about the good qualities of his/her teacher (Acharya).

In his book “Sanskar Vidhi” Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati has written the following lines.

“Listen present honourable guests. My Acharaya has helped me a lot by converting me in to a wise person from an animal like. There is no way I can ever do enough for my Acharya. In return I can only express my gratefulness to him/her, salute him/her and pray to him/her to continue giving knowledge and teachings to future students as he/she has done for me. I shall never forget what you have done for me. I pray to Almighty God for his mercy and blessings and encouragement for students like me to be cultured, intelligent, physically and mentally strong, be helpful to other human beings and do good work for our community. We should be always working and develop our attributes, deeds and nature like Almighty God so that in this universe, created by God, we continue with our good work, live happily and aspire to achieve salvation.

In Samaavartan Sacrament we can see the important emotional relationship between a teacher (Acharya) and disciple (student). It is like a nectar. By drinking this nectar both teacher and student feel totally satisfied. We are confident that by performing this Sacrament both student and the Acharya (teacher) will give importance to their unique relationship and understand their own responsibilities and encourage the future generations.

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भातृ मन की व्याकुलता

यह कविता मान्य श्री सत्य प्रकाश गुप्ता द्वारा लिखी गयी है । जब इनके बड़े भाई श्री वेद प्रकाश जी की सीरियस बिमारी की सूचना उन्हें मिली तब उनका मन उनसे मिलने व देखने हेतु अत्यन्त व्याकुल हो उठा । यह स्वाभाविक ही है ।

पर उस समय जो इनके मन में भाव उठे; उसका चित्रण इन्होंने अपनी इन पँक्तियों में करने की कोशिश की है । इस कवितामय विचार से एक पवित्र भातृ-प्रेम की झलक प्राप्त होती है । भाई-भाई में प्रेम हो, भाई-बहन में प्रेम हो. कोई किसी से द्वेष भाव न रखे अपितु परस्पर अगाढ़ प्रेम की स्थापना कर जीवन में अमर भाई-प्यार व सम्बन्ध को एक सार्थक रूप देना चाहिये । यही हमारा धर्म है । मर्यादा पुरुषोत्तम श्री राम के भातृ-प्रेम का उदाहरण आज लगभग नौ लाख वर्ष के बाद भी अमर है । तो अब आप श्री सत्य प्रकाश गुप्ता जी की यह प्रस्तुत कविता स्वयं पढ़ें और निहित भावनाओं को समझें ।

आचार्य उमेश

सुन सुन कर बातें भाई की, मन चंचल सा कुछ होने लगा,
तृष्णा मन की बढ़ती गयी, प्यासा मन कुछ होने लगा ।
शब्दों के हेर-फेर में उलझा, जाऊँ या न जाऊँ मैं,
घर पर बैठा था, सड़कों पर चला रहा था गाड़ी मैं ।
घिर घिर ख्यालों ने घेर लिया, चल उठ मन चल तैयारी कर,
जा देख के आ अपने भाई को, गर व्याकुल है इतना तेरा मन ।
बच्ची मेरी और मेरी प्रिया ने, साथ दिया मेरे शब्दों का,

साथ मिला जो सभी का मुझको, तैयारी में करने लगा ।
 सुन सुन बातें बृज भाई भी, तैयार हुआ वह भी चलने को,
 और झट से हमने कस ली कमर. तैयार हुये अब चलने को ।
 दोनों भाई बैठ वायु-पीठ, विमान उड़ा उड़ता ही रहा,
 घंटों की मंजिल मिंटों में, तय करता गया नभ में उड़कर ।
 कहीं छोटे-छोटे घर दिखने लगे, कहीं पानी ही पानी चारों ओर,
 कहीं कुछ न दिखा बादलों के सिवाय, जो मचा रहा था घना शोर ।
 गति वायु की कुछ मन्द हुई, चंचल से हुये थे नैन मेरे,
 झट से जा पहुँचा विमान वहाँ, रहते थे जहाँ पे राम मेरे ।
 टप-टप नैनों से नीर वहा, जब नैन मिले थे नैनन से,
 गद-गद हो उठा मन मेरा, जब उनसे मेरे नैन मिले ।
 देखा क्या हाल था भाई का, कभी देख रहे कभी विन देखे,
 मन शांत न हुआ मेरा तत्पल, देखा अशांत मन मैंने जब उनका ।
 आँखें थीं खुली, डब-डब आँखें, उन आँखियन से था नीर बहा,
 कभी पोछुँ उनकी आँखियन को, कभी पोछुँ अपना नीर वहाँ ।
 अनिर्वचनीय था उस स्वाद का चखना, चखता रहा उस स्वाद को,
 कुछ कह न सका, कुछ कह भी गया, जब देखा अनुपम प्यार को ।
 भाभी और उनके सब बच्चे, बैठे रहते थे सेवा में,
 यह सब कुछ देख कर मन मेरा, खुश ही खुश हो उठता था ।
 जब-जब ये बातें चार करें, मन ही मन खुश हो लेता था,
 शुद्ध मन मिल भाव तरंग मेरा, आशीष इन्हें दे जाता था ।

सत्य प्रकाश गुप्ता



The Independence Day of India Celebrations on 20th August 2017

We celebrated 70th year of Independence of India at the Arya Samaj Bhavan on 20th August 2017. The event was attended by about 125 people from all over U.K. Our Guest of Honour for this important event was Dr. Aman Puri (Consulate General of India) who led on the hoisting of the Indian National flag accompanied by members of the Board of Trustees and our Acharya Umesh Yadav Ji.

The Day began with a Havan followed by the hoisting of the flag and everyone singing our Indian National Anthem. This was followed by an opening speech by me (Mrs. B.B. Duggal General Secretary ASWM) on the role of Arya Samaj in India's struggle for independence.

The entertainment programme included patriotic songs by Mrs. Renu Aggarwal, Classical dances by Anaya Bolar from Chitraleka Dance Company and poems written and presented by Mrs. Nirmala Prinja and Mr. Krishan Kumar on the subject of India's Independence.

Dr. Narendra Kumar (Chairman ASWM) spoke about the important role played by Maharshi Dayananda Saraswathi in gaining

Independence of India from British rule. He also told the audience that Maharshi Dayananda Saraswathi should be called grandfather of India. Then he thanked everyone for their presence to celebrate this important event and updated all with regard to our contemplated move to new premises 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham hopefully in January/February 2018.

All the members then had the opportunity to get to know our new Consulate General of India based in Birmingham and hear his speech regarding the progress made by India in the last seventy years of independence.

Our other Speakers for the day included Dr. Satya Vrat Sharma (a passionate Life member of Arya Samaj) and Acharya Dr. Umesh Yadav Ji (our resident Priest). Acharya Umesh ji also spoke about the important role played by followers of Arya Samaj movement in gaining Independence of India.

Finally, I would like to thank all the people working in the background to make this a successful event. So a big thank you to: Mr. Harish Malhotra, Mr. Nishant Saini, Mr. Ravinder Renukunta, Mr. Sketu Yadav, Mr. Krishan Chopra, Dr. Umesh Kathuria, Dr. Purshotam Das Gupta, Mrs. Vimla Dodd and Mr. D.S. Rana.

The Day's programme ended at 1:45 p.m. with Shanti Path and the Rishi Langar today, was provided by Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands.

Mrs. B.B. Duggal
General Secretary Board of Trustees
Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands.

Matrimonial Service

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands is dedicated to its matrimonial members to provide a service that will help members find a partner for marriage within our community. We feel it is time to make a few changes to help with this process and move forward with the times.

Changes we have made in April 2017:

Website:-

- A new data base on the website that will give members an option to add a **photo** if they wish and a space for members to write a **bio** about themselves and what they are looking for in a partner.
- Existing members would have received a letter in May with information about what we need from you to update your profile. Once you have received this letter please fill it out and send back to us soon as possible, so we can update our **NEW** data base and you can start using the new system.

Matrimonial Service:-

- Members will now be given the **option** to directly contact each other or have the **option** for parents to contact each other.
- All **new** members will be contacted by the office staff for phone conversation during the application process.
- We are also looking in to ways of making our Matrimonial events more successful.

News

Condolences:

- **Mr. Dhansukh Rana & family for loss of his elder brother Mr. Kantilal Rana in Gujrat (India). May God grant the departed soul the eternal peace and strength to every family member to bear the time of sorrow.**
- **Dr. Vijay & Mrs. Archna Bathla & family for loss of their grandson master Krishna (7 years old) son of Drs. Sonia & Snehal Patel. We pray to God to grant the departed soul eternal peace and give strength to all the family members to bear the loss of Krishna. We also pray for the speedy recovery of Sonia and Snehal.**

Get Well Soon:

- **This is to inform our members and readers that our Patron Shri Gopal Chandra MBE is recovering in Ryland View Nursing Home, Arnhem Way, Tipton, DY4 7HR and telephone number 0121 520 1577. We all wish him a speedy recovery.**
- **This is to inform our members and readers that Mr Vishwa Nath Bhandari, ex-Vice President of Arya Samaj West Midlands year 2001-2003 is recovering in Gracewell of Edgbaston Care Home, Speedwell Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B5 7PR and telephone number 0121 796 0796. We all wish him a speedy recovery.**

Congratulations:

- **Dr. Som Metha for becoming a life member of Arya Samaj West Midlands.**
- **Mrs. Roopa Sarohiya & family for Mundan Sankar for daughter Ila.**
- **Dr. Rajiv Deshmukh & family for the wedding ceremony for his son Sandeep Deshmukh with Ranjit Gill.**

Sponsors:

- Mrs. Vibha Cale & family for being Yajman & sponsored Rishi-Langar on Sunday 27.08.2017 to celebrate the life-works of her beloved brother Late Mr. Sukhdev Oberai.
- Dr. Umesh Kathuria & family for being Yajman & sponsored Rishi-Langar on Sunday 03.09.2017 for happiness and prosperities in family.
- Dr. P.D. Gupta & family for sponsored Rishi-Langar on Sunday 10.09.2017 at Gayatri Maha Yajna for happiness & prosperities in family.

Many congratulations to all the mentioned families who have had auspicious havan at their residences on different occasions or Sunday Vedic Satsangs in Arya Samaj Bhavan.

Donations to Arya Samaj West Midlands

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| • Mr. Vijay Sabharwal (New Delhi) | £11 |
| • Mr. Jai Ganesh Bector | £10 |
| • Mrs. Vibha Cale with Rishi-Langar | £221 |
| • Chris Martin (Footsteps) | £25 |
| • Dr. Som Mehta (life membership) | £500 |

Donations to Arya Samaj West Midland through the Priest-Services.

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| • Mr. Pulkit Ahuja - Shanti havan in memory of his parents Late Mr. Virender and Late Mrs. Promila Ahuja | £101 |
| • Mr. Dev Datt - havan for happiness | £101 |
| • Mrs. Roopa Sarohiya | £101 |
| • Dr. Rajiv Deshmukh | £400 |

Donations for Gayatri Maha Yajna on Sunday 10.09.2017

- Dr. P.D. Gupta with Rishi-Langar £420
- Mr. Krishan Chopra £100
- Mr. & Mrs. Chandan £51
- Dr. Umesh Kathuria £51
- Mrs. Pravin Motiram Parmar & family £51
- Mrs. Gagan & Mr. Harish Malhotra £51
- Dr. Paul Nischal £50
- Mrs. K. Gupta £50
- Mrs. Vimla Dodd £31
- Mr. Varinder Bahal £31
- Mrs. BB Duggal £31
- Dr. Narendra Kumar £31
- Mr. & Mrs. J.P. Sethi + fruits for parsad £31
- Mrs. Meera & Shaan £26
- Mrs. Rama Joshi £25
- Dr. Roshan Bhujihawan £25
- Mr. & Mrs. Ashok Bakshi £21
- Mrs. Madhu Sharma £21
- N.A.S. Seegam £21
- Mr. B Agarwal £21
- Dr. M.D. Agarwal £21
- Mr. Jayaswal £21
- Mr. Rajesh Salota £21
- Mr. Rajive & Mrs. Puja Bali £21
- Mrs. Jitu Tank £21
- Mr. Sevak Ram Agarwal £21
- Mrs. Vibha Cale £21
- Mrs. Ved Datta £21

• Mrs. Nirmal Prinja	£21
• Dr. Krishan Soni	£21
• Mr. Rajiv Agarwal	£20
• Dr. Krishna Kanhaiya	£20
• Gore Optics Ltd.	£20
• Mr. Vinod Gulati	£20
• Mr. Dinesh Joshi	£20
• Mrs. Chanchal Jain	£11
• Mr. Madan Mohan Sharma	£11
• Miss Riya Bali	£11
• Mrs. Usha Gupta	£11
• Mrs. Kailash Spolia	£11
• Mr. V.P. Rawal	£10
• Mrs. Savita Bhatnagar	£10
• Mr. Mahavir Sharma	£10
• Mr. & Mrs. Shubba	£10
• Ms Chandra Prabha Snatak	£10
• Mrs. Daya Rani Khatter	£10
• Mr. Vikas Bali	£10
• Mr. Ravinder Renukunta	£10
• Mr. Vinod Sharma	£10
• Mrs. Bakhsho Chawla	£10

TOTAL = £1604

Thank you for all your Donations!

**Please contact Acharya Dr Umeh Yadav on
0121 359 7727
for more information on**

- **Member or non member wishing to be a Yajman in the Sunday congregation to celebrate an occasion or to remember a departed dear one.**
- **Have Havan, sankars, naming, munden, weddings and Ved Path etc performed at home.**
- **Our premises are licensed for the civil marriage ceremony.**
- **Please join in the Social group at Arya Samaj West Midlands every Wednesday from 11am. Emphasis is on keeping healthy and fit with yoga and Pranayam. Hot vegetarian Lunch is provided at 1pm.**
- **Ved Prachar by our learned Priest Dr Umesh Yadav on Radio XL 7 to 8 am, first Sunday of the month. 1st October & 5th November 2017.**

Every effort has been taken that information given is correct and complete. But if any mistake is spotted please inform the office.

0121 359 7727

E-mail- enquiries@arya-samaj.org
Website: www.arya-samaj.org

ARYAN VOICE

Dear Arya Samaj Members,

From January 2018 ORDINARY members of Arya Samaj West Midlands will have to pay £20 per annum to remain on the list of current members.

Please note any amount of donation to Arya Samaj West Midlands will not count towards payment of membership.

Those of you who are on our email database will receive your copy of monthly bulletin "Aryan Voice" on your emails from September 2017 and onwards and NOT by post unless you request our office for a hard copy.

Of course our members who do not use internet or email services and matrimonial members will keep receiving hard copy of Aryan Voice by post as it is at present time.

We must live within our means.

I am sure you will fully support our efforts regarding this matter.

Kind regards.

**Yours sincerely
Dr. Narendra Kumar
Chairman
The Board of Trustees**

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands
NEW HOME

It gives me great pleasure to announce that on 23rd August 2017 we exchanged contract with Trinity Methodist Church, 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B21 9PR.

Now Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands is the owner of above free hold building.

HS2 bought our present headquarter at 188, Inkerman Street, Nechells and paid us the money in order to buy Church building same day.

Now the big refurbishment project for Rookery road building will start. We sincerely hope to complete refurbishment and move to the new Home last week of January 2018.

HS2 through Department for Transport has given us the present building at 188, Inkerman Street, Nechells, Birmingham, B7 4SA on lease, rent free, till 1st February 2018 to continue with our Sunday congregation, Day Centre and other activities.

Big congratulations to you all.

The new building is in middle of our own community area and is located on main bus route with bus stop just opposite to our building.

As written before we are getting about half of the funding required for total refurbishment. In very near future I will be sending out letters to you all to donate generously so that we can complete this noble work with your help. We will honour the donors in a very appropriate way.

This work has taken more than 5 years of time of members of The Board of Trustees present and past. I, as a Chairman, am grateful to all of you for all kinds of help given to me to achieve this gigantic task.

Kind regards.

Dr. Narendra Kumar - Chairman, the Board of Trustees

Happy Diwali



**Dear Arya Samaj West Midlands Members
And
Friends**

**On this auspicious festival of lights, May the
glow of joy, prosperity, and happiness
Illuminate your life and your home.**

**Wishing everyone a Happy Diwali and a
Prosperous New Year!**

