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Shri Shrutpragya ji Swmaiji's London Paryushan's details program

Venue: Navnat Centre, Printing House Lane, Hayes UB3 1AR Contact: Bhupendra Shah (020 8848 3909) bhupendra shah@hotmail.com

Wednesday September 12th-Wednesday September 19th, 2012 Morning/Afternoon Program (11:00am- 4:45pm)

11am-12:50: Bhakti and lecture by Shri Shrutpragyaji

12:50pm-1:00pm: Announcements

1:00-2:00pm: Lunch

3:35-4:45pm: Satsang and Q/A sessions

Evening Program (5:30pm-11:30pm)

5:30-6:15pm: Dinner

6:30-8:10: Pratikraman (Derawasi and Sthanakvasi)

8:15pm-8:45pm: Lecture by Shri Shrutpragayji

8:45pm-11:30pm: Bhavna and announcements

Upcoming Events

1. Digambar Das Lakshana Parv

Date: Sept 20th-29th, 2012 Location: Somerset, NJ

Contact: Jignesh K Shah 718-217-0469 jignesh_k_shah@hotmail.com

2. Ahimsa Day at Gandhi Jayanti

Date: Sept 29th-Oct 3rd, 2012

Location: Cincinnati, Ohio

Contact: Parekhashi@aol.com (513-256-1041)

3. Gujrati Seniors in New Jersey

Date: Oct 6th, 2012

Contact: Ramanbhai Shah (732-986-5214) isonj1@gmail.com

4. Jain Center, Harrisburg, PA Date: Oct 7th-10th, 2012 BOOKS

Jivan Jivavani Kala

Parivartan

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New CD & Discourses:

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Books are Available at:

GEORGIA

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NEW JERSEY

Dr. Champa Bid - 973-533-1942

OKLAHOMA

Aruna Shah-(918) 605-8805

Paryushana Celebrations

Ipoh, Malaysia

This year, between August 14 and 22, Shri Shrutpragyaji celebrated the auspicious time of Paryushan Parva in Ipoh, Malaysia with the Shantiniketan Parshwanath Jain Temple sangh. The design of the temple follows that of a famous one in Tithal, India. The temple houses the statue of twenty-third Tirthankar Chintamani Parshvanath. This historical Paryushan for Ipoh city occurred with the blessings of Shri Jinchandraji Maharaj. 99% of the Jain families in the city attended all of the programs. Even Jains from the nearby cities of Kuala Lumpur and Malka, Singapore came and attended lectures. The students were also blessed with holidays and able to attend Swamiji's lectures for the auspicious festival because Paryushan coincides with the Muslim festival Ramzan in Ipoh city. Bharatbhai and Tarulata Jassani organized the Paryushan program during which Shri Shrutpragyaji lectured throughout its entirety, twice during the day and there was also a full-day shibir organized for the weekend. Shri Shrutrpragyaji lectured on topics, such as, the Life of Mahavira and his teaching, Kalpasutra, Alochana Vidhi, Importance of Pratikraman and Samayik, Duties of Paryushan, and Principles of Jain Dharma. Paryushan reflects a time of forgiveness, purification, and spirituality. During this time, many youth decided to shift their focus from everyday life to their soul by taking on Tapasia too, along with their elders.



St. Mary High School

- Motivational Lecture at St. Mary High School in Rajkot-Gujarat Arrange by Bishop's house Rajkot
- Conduct by Father Willson and Father Tommy
- Coordinate by Umesh Vada
- Students from std.8 to 12th 1000 Students Participated

Shrutpragya Swamiji talk about - Importance of cleanliness, Bad effect of the electronics. How to develop concentration power?, Moral values, how to be Success and happy? etc.







Bhanwad (Jamnagar) Lecture

Shrutpragya Swamiji gave one talk with School student's Parents and Students on Sept 1st, 2012 at Bhanwad in Jamnagar District. Swamiji said that do not compare your kids with other kids, it's vary dangerous for your kids future. Swamiji also said parents to give some time to kids and communicate with them and try to teach values but first develop that values in your own life. Swamiji mansion to Develop your life in five direction - Spiritual, Personal, Mental, Family and Society. 150 parents participated. Swamiji also talked with Students and he had answered the students questions.





Seventh Annual Shibir@ Vraj, PA, USA

Dates -- Friday October 19th 11:00 am to Sunday October 21th, 1:00 pm

Venue: VRAJ Tirth Dhaam, 15 Manor Road, Schuylkill Haven PA,

17972, Phone: 570 754 7067 (10 am to 7 pm)

Theme-- ભાવના ભવ નાશિની (ભાગ -૧)

(જૈન ધર્મમાં ૧૬ ભાવનાનું ખૂબ જ મહત્વ છે.એમાની પ્રથમ ૫ ભાવના - 'અનિત્ય ભાવના, અશરણ ભાવના, સંસાર ભાવના, એકત્વ ભાવના અને અન્યત્વ ભાવના' સંસારની પકડ ઢીલી કરવા માટે અને સત્યની પકડ મજબૂત કરવા માટે જરૂરી છે.આ ભાવનાઓ જીવને સંસારના અને પોતાના સ્વરૂપથી પરિયય કરાવે છે અને પરિણામે જીવની ગતિ બંધનથી મુક્તિ

તરફ થવા લાગે છે. અત્યંત મનનીય અને અનિવાર્ય ભાવનાઓ ઉપર શ્રી શ્રુતપ્રજ્ઞ સ્વામીજીની આ પહેલી શિબિર થવાની છે.)



2 Days of Active Practice, Discussion, Discourses and Relaxation



For Adults 18 yrs and older

Language : Gujarati

More Detail: Call: 973 251-2364 (Dr. Champa Bid)

જી.ટી.શેઠ હાઈસ્કુલ રાજકોટમાં તા.જુન ૨૮થી ૩૦ સુધી ચોજિત શિબિરના અનુભવો:

૧. સ્વામીજી આપણી આ શિબિર ખૂબ જ આનંદદાયક અને જ્ઞાનવર્ધક હતી. અત્યારે ઘણા લોકો પ્રવચનો આપે છે, પણ આપણી બોલવાની રીત,આપનું વ્યક્તિત્વ, આપનો અવાજ અમારા હૃદયને સ્પર્શી ગયો.આપના અમૂલ્ય વિચારો હું યોક્કસ જીવનમાં ઉતારીશ. આપણી જે ભાવના છે કે ૧૦% વિદ્યાર્થી સુધરી જાય તો મારી મહેનતને સફળ માનીશ, તો હું એ ૧૦% વિદ્યાર્થીમાં પહેલો હોઈશ એની ખાતરી આપું છું.આપે અમારી શાળામાં આવી જે જ્ઞાન આપ્યું એ બદલ ખૂબ ખૂબ આભાર અને ફરી આવીને જ્ઞાન આપશો તો આનંદ શશે.

ભાવિક જે. સોલંકી ધોરણ ૧૧ વિજ્ઞાન

ર. મને ટી.વી. જોવાનો ખૂબજ શોખ હતો, તે હવે બંધ કરીશ.મને એ સમજાઈ ગયું છે કે ટી.વી.થી મનમાં ખૂબ જ ખરાબ વિચારો આવે છે.ભણ્યા પછી પણ હું એવું કોઈ કામ નહિ કરું કે જેથી મારા માતા - પિતાને દુઃખ થાય.મારા મમ્મી પાપાએ જ ચાલતા બોલતા અને જીવતા શીખવ્યું છે, એમને દુઃખ થાય એવું કોઈ કામ નહિ કરીએ. સ્વામીજી! આપણી આ શિબિર ભરવાથી ખબર પડી કે ' આપણે ખાલી ભણવાનું જ નથી પણ એક સારી વ્યક્તિ પણ બનવાનું છે. આટલું સુંદર જ્ઞાન આપવા બદલ આભાર.

દોશી પ્રિયંકા આર.

ધોરણ ૧૦ બ

મને આ શિબિરમાં ખૂબ જ શીખવા મળ્યું છે.મને આ શિબિર ખૂબ જ ગમી છે.પહેલા હું મારો ધ્યેય નક્કી કરી શક્તિ નહોતી, હવે એમાં મને સરળતા થઇ ગઈ છે.પહેલા મને બધા ઉપર ખૂબ જ ગુસ્સો આવતો હતો પણ જ્યારથી સ્વામીજીએ કહ્યું કે 'જેને ક્રોધ આવે છે એનું લગ્ન જીવન જોખમ ભર્યું છે', ત્યારથી મેં ક્રોધ કરવાનું મૂકી દીધું છે. હવે હું બધા સાથે પ્રેમથી જ વાત કરું છું. સ્વામીજીની બધી વાતો જીવનમાં ઉતારીશ અને તેને કડી ભૂલીશ નહિ.અમૂલ્ય (ધોરણ ૮ એ)

Do Not Judge Others

Jesus was staying outside that village. The people of the village brought a woman in front of him and said, 'She has committed adultery. It is written in the scriptures that an adulterer should be stoned to death. What do you say?" If Jesus says the scriptures are wrong then the crowd wills tone him to death and if he says the scriptures are right then the crowd will murder the woman. And you say if someone slaps you on one cheek, show him the other. Now what is the truth?

Jesus said, the scriptures are entirely right. "One who commits adultery should be stoned, but one thing has been left out from the scriptures and that is that only the one who has never committed adultery nor has even thought of committing one has the right to throw stones."

There were leaders of the society in that crowd. Jesus said, nobody run away. Today we have to kill this woman. I want that person to come forward who has never even thought of committing adultery. After a while when he looked around, he saw that besides him and the woman, there was no one left in that deserted forest. The woman put her head at Jesus' feet and said, 'O God! Punish me! I could tell those people that I had not committed adultery but how can I tell you that?' Jesus replied, "Who am I to punish you? I am not a judge. I am not a judge. I have not given you life or birth. How can I punish you? You also should not become a judge of other's life. You can go."

The moral of the story is that we all become each other's judge. Without getting to know the full facts of the other person, we start giving our opinions and form our judgment based on it. How is someone and what is he doing, I do not have the right to know that and I do not have the capacity to know someone completely and truthfully.

'Stop making judgment about others.'