







#### **Arya Samaj Greater Houston**



- ASGH founded July 14, 1991
- DAV Library inaugurated July 1993
- DAV Sanskriti School started July 1994
- Moved to present facilities Aug, 1997
- DAV Montessori School started Aug, 2000
- DAVS Building & Yagyashala, Aug, 2001
- DAVS Building Expansion, 2012



### **ASGH Major Activities**



- Sunday Satsung- A Spirtual Experience
- DAV Schools
- Library Open for all Adults & Children
- Adult Education- Upanishads & Sanskrit Classes, Yoga Classes, Misc. Seminars
- Charitable Projects Jeevan Prabhat,
   Bhutanese Refugees, Haiti Earthquake
- Services provided by both Acharya jis for all Vedic Sanskars and Weddings etc.



### DAV Sanskriti School School Objectives Parents Goals



- Teach our children Vedic culture and values
- Facilitate the learning of Hindi language
- Follow a structured curriculum
- Have strong discipline
- Get parents and children involved together

Non-violence, Youth, Discerning, Service, Prayer



## DAV Sanskriti School Activities

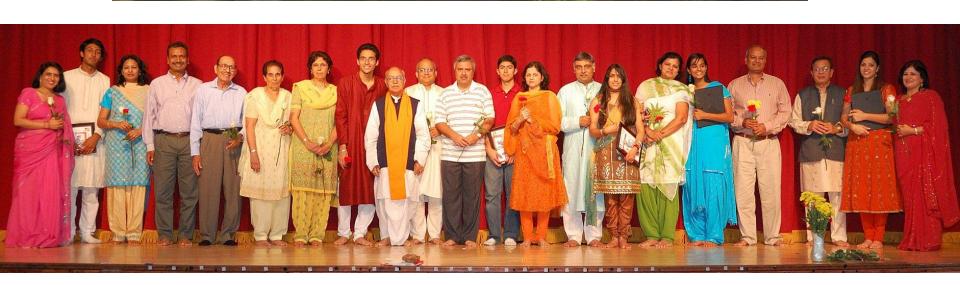


- Shloka and Essay Competitions
- Readathon
- Arya Yuvak Mandal
- Youth Camps, Youth Discussions Groups
- Youth Mentoring
- DAV Fraternity











#### **DAV Montesoori School**



- Academic Excellence, Spiritual Growth
- Children: Kindergarten to 1<sup>st</sup> Grades
- Next year expansion to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades
- School capacity 100, 25 wait listed
- New School Expansion under Construction with total capacity 200
- One of a kind school in North America



### Work time is fun at DAV Montessori School







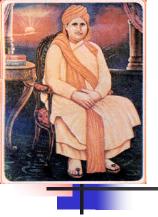




# DAVM Graduation Class of 2011



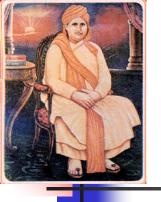




### **Stage Performance**







## Visit to the Museum of Health & Medical Sciences





## **Puppet Show: Nature Discovery Center**



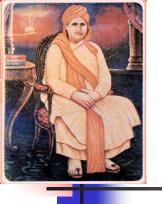




### **Trick**



**Treat** 

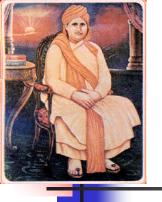


### Services Provided Main Stream America





- Blood Drive around Sept. 11 every year
- Yoga Classes Saturday & Sunday, Free
- AYM member serve hot dinner on Thanks Giving Day.
- ASGH MC member serves on Interfaith Ministry Board



## **Bhutanese Refugee Empowerment Project**



- ASGH adopted 15 families, raised funds, provided clothes transportation.
- Help them to find Jobs
- Results:
  - one person in each family has a job,
  - some adults are driving,
  - children are doing well at school,
  - senior students preparing for college



# Jeevan Prabhat Concept, Objective & Goals



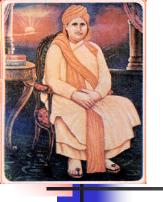
- Raise underprivileged children just like our own
- Give education to children to their maximum potential
- Children attend private schools for better education
- Teachers for additional coaching, art work & home work
- Provide healthy food & nurturing environments
- Bottom line, raise children just like any middle class family in every respect.



#### **Jeevan Prabhat**



- Jeevan Prabhat Gandhidham- Instituted by Arya Samaj Gandhidham, after very major earth quake in Gujarat in 2001,
- 170 Children being raised as model citizen- 5 children in college now.
- Jeevan Prabhat Pondicherry- instituted by Arya Pratinidhi Sabha America after Tusnami in Indian Ocean in 2005



### Jeevan Prabhat Pondicherry



- Care of children started in rented facilities in 2005
- Construction Completed in 2007 at the cost of \$400,000
- 42 children now, 48 by the end of this year
- Creating local team of sponsors:
  - Dr. Varma's team from Bangalore taking the lead
- I visit Pondicherry every year to monitor progress
   Encourage all Samaj members to visit Pondicherry.
- Started a Youth Internship Program
- 100 % of Funds raised are used for our children of Jeevan Prabhat

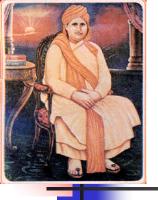
#### SPONSOR A CHILD



Sponsorship for Education for one year \$180
Sponsorship for food, shelter & education for one year \$500

#### OUR INTENTION IS TO RAISE THESE CHILDREN JUST LIKE OUR OWN.

Your contributions to Jeevan Prabhat USA Inc. go to work immediately and are utilized 100% for uplifting the life of young children and the little babies, victims of natural disasters of the 2001 massive earthquake that struck the state of Gujarat & 2004 Tsunami in the Indian Ocean, who had very little chance to survive without your help.

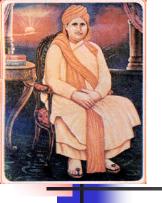


#### **Readathon:**



A very noble way to experience charity and giving. Students set goals to read books

- They take pledges for reading books
- Donors commit lump sum or based on
  - Number of books
  - Number of pages read
- They read books keep a reading log
- Collect funds and submit log with the funds



## **Annual event at our DAV Sanskriti School**



- 2007: donated \$9000 including matching of \$4500.
- 2008: donated \$12,000
- 2009: donated \$10,900.
- 2010: donated \$14,000
- 2011: donated \$22,000
- 2012: donated \$22,000