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What is Arya Samaj?

Arya Samaj founded by Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati is an institution based on the teachings of Vedas for the welfare of universe. It propagates the universal doctrines of humanity. It is neither a religion nor a sect.

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Saturday 1st December 2018

**Arya Samaj Bhavan - Doors Open 6pm sharp
"GAZAL KI SHAAM"**

By

Qammar Ali Khan & Meena Kumari of Sur Sangham

Tickets on Sale Now..... £20 per person

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Car Parking at Rookery School

Republic Day of India Celebrations

Sunday 27th January 2019

Arya Samaj Bhavan

11am to 1.30pm

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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.**

The Ultimate Protection from all Dangers

By Mr Krishan Chopra

स घा वीरो न रिश्यति यमिन्द्रो ब्रह्मणस्पति । सोमो हिनोति मर्त्यम् ॥ ऋग्वेद
१.१८.४

SA gha viro na risyati yamindro brahmanaspatih I somo hinoti
martyam II

Rg Veda 1.18.4

Meaning in Text Order

Sah = he

Virah = brave person

Na = never

Risyati = meet destruction

Yum = whom

Indarah = master of all power and possessions

Brahmanaspati = Lord of divine glory

Somah = the master of tranquillity and peace

Hinoti = protects

Martyam = mortal being

Meaning

The brave man who is protected by Indra, Brahmanaspati and Soma never encounter destruction i.e those who adhere to the divine qualities are always protected.

Contemplation

Are we brave enough, do we have the confidence to go through the difficult journey of life, are we sure that we will not be destroyed or suffer heavy losses or total destruction by our enemies? Is there any possibility that at the time of adversity, our confidence will be proven to be untrue, the pain will smoulder in our heart and we cry that we are defeated and have lost everything, we feel like a broken man defeated and dejected in life?

If there is the slightest doubt in your mind and your mind says that there is a difficult time ahead and it is hard for you to escape the misery and you cannot save yourself from destruction, then here is an open invitation to understand the path of the Vedas for your protection.

Protection is a great magical and meaningful word. Some aspects are hidden into it. It can be the protection of the conscious and materialistic protection; individual protection and national protection so on and so forth. A person is destroyed at every step, sometimes destroyed through lack of character, destroyed by unrighteous character, deprived of wealth, loses his integrity. It will be a great achievement to protect ourselves from destruction.

Indra is the representative of forwardness, bravery, steadfastness, destruction of enemies and the master of prosperity. Brahmnapati represents knowledge, superiority, vastness, wisdom and divine glory. Soma represents tranquility, harmony, creativity and virtuous inspirations. These qualities are a symbol of the existence of God.. When these qualities of God engage in our progress then there is no power in this world which can defeat us. If we do not take this message from the divine power then our external and internal enemies will defeat and destroy us.

DIWALI CELEBRATION AT ARYA SAMAJ

On 10th November 2018 the evening in Arya Samaj started with Havan at 6pm. At 6.30pm Diwali sweets and refreshments were served to guests.

About 150 guests including children attended this event.

Diwali Ghee lamps were lit by Dr. Narendra Kumar, Mrs. Mr. Ravinder Renukanta, Brij B. Duggal, Dr. Umesh Kathuria, Dr.P.D.Gupta and Mrs. Vimla Dodd.

Mrs. Vibha Cale was the compere of the cultural variety programme for the evening.

Acharya Umesh Yadav told the audience that Diwali has been celebrated since Vedic period and since the beginning of Creation when farmers started cultivating all varieties of cereals. Farmers celebrate the sowing of new crops of Gram and Wheat in their fields. People get their houses washed, cleaned and painted at the end of rainy season just before Diwali. Maryada Purushottam Shri Ramchandra returned to Ayodhya in Hindu Calendar Month of Chait (April) after spending 14 years in jungle and conquering over King Ravan of Sri Lanka and freeing his wife Sita Devi Ji from his captivity. In that year the citizens of Ayodhya celebrated Diwali with all pomp and show and in a very big way.

Diwali night has a special place in the hearts and minds of followers of Arya Samaj because it was Diwali night on 30th October 1883 when Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati left this world (Nirwan Diwas).

Mrs. Renu Aggrwal sang a melodious Bollywood song. Miss Astha presented a beautiful Bollywood dance.

Dr. Narendra Kumar, Chairman, told the audiences about activities of our Arya Samaj. He told the audience that Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands was trying to fulfil the aims of Maharishi Dayanand Sarswati as written in ten Principles of Arya Samaj. This was mainly to propagate the teachings of four Vedas namely Rigved, Yajurved, Saamved and Athrvaved.

This is being carried out by following activities.

- Congregation (Satsang) Every Sunday from 11am to 1pm.
- Radio XL First Sunday of every month from 7am till 8am - Recitations and sermons from Vedas by our learned priest Acharya Umesh

Yadav.

- Day Centre Every Wednesday from 11am to 1pm- Yoga Asanas, breathing exercises under guidance of Acharya Umesh Yadav ji
- Every thursday Parents and Toddlers Group from 10.30am till 12pm

He also informed the audience that from February 2019 a qualified Indian Classical Dance teacher will start teachings the students who would like to learn Indian classical Dance in Arya Samaj.

He appealed for volunteers to come forward and help their Arya Samaj in setting up and serving Rishi Langar every Sunday, to help our part time Manager Ms. Lisa Chauhan in office work, to help in efficient running of our very rich Library, to help and work with us to keep our massive building clean and tidy, to join and help in running of Parents and Toddlers group.

Dr. Kumar appealed to Doctors in the audience to come to Day Centre and talk about health related topics and contribute with relevant articles for publication in our monthly bulletin "Aryan Voice".

Our young member Mr. Suketu Yadav sang melodious happy Bollywood songs. Audience appreciated very much.

Mr. Vijay Kumar, newly co-opted member of Board of Trustees, congratulated audience on Diwali and spoke about importance of Diwali.

Mrs. Prama Yadav Sharma presented a beautiful bollywood dance. This was followed by recitation of a nice Gazal by Mr. Amandev, brother of Mrs. Vibha Cale.

Towards the end Dr. Kumar thanked all the participants for their time and effort. He thanked the members Dr. Umesh Kathuria, Mr. Harish Malhotra, Mrs. Brij B. Duggal and Mrs. Shanti Yadav who helped in setting up the halls for this event.

He thanked Mr. Sanjeev Kumar from Punjab National Bank, Soho Road for donating £150 towards Rishi Langar provided by Arya Samaj and setting up a stall of Punjab National Bank and Mr. Deshmukh Rana for taking care of Car park at Rookery School.

About 9pm hot vegetarian Dinner was served.

By Dr Narendra Kumar



PARENTS AND TODDLER GROUP

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands

We provide a safe and secure facility and support parents in the up bringing and learning of their children.

Time spent in this activity is beneficial to the whole family and this involves the following.

- Singing
- Games
- Music
- Books
- Educational Play and much more.....

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WHEN: - EVERY THURSDAY 10.30AM - 12PM

After a successful launch on Wednesday 6th June 2018 this play group will take place every week, but now on Thursdays.

Centrally located and housed in a spacious hall very well equipped and well-staffed.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 0121 359 7727 or 0121 246 7399 or email enquiries@arya-samaj.org.uk

Children's health, safety and wellbeing are of paramount importance to Arya Samaj Community

ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
Any suggestions welcome!



आर्य समाज - एक परिचय

आचार्य डॉ. उमेश यादव

स्थापना

वैदिक धर्म के पुनरुद्धार व वैदिक संस्कृति के प्रचार के लिये महर्षि दयानन्द सरस्वती जी ने चैत्र सुदि १, सम्वत् १९३२ तदनुसार दिन बुधवार ७अप्रैल १८७५ के दिन बम्बई में आर्य समाज की स्थापना की थी। दूसरे शब्दों में एक भव्य प्रकाश स्तम्भ स्थापित किया गया था। वैदिक धर्म प्रचारक संगठन की पक्की नींव रखी गयी थी। सुधार का कल्पतरु रोपित कर आर्य जाति में नूतन जीवन जागृति उत्पन्न करने का आमोघ साधन उपस्थित किया गया था। उसी दिन आर्य मानमर्यादा एवं आर्य गौरव-गरिमा की रक्षार्थ एक सेवक संग संगठित हुआ। जन-साधारण को सच्चे धर्म का दिग्दर्शन कराने के निमित्त गंगा का स्रोत खुला और दीन-दुःखियों की सेवा-सहायता के लिये सेवा-समिति उपस्थित की गयी। महर्षि ने किसी नये मत व सम्प्रदाय की स्थापना नहीं की थी।

आर्य समाज से अपेक्षायें

देश-विदेश के अनगिनत बुद्धिजीवियों, तत्त्व वेत्ताओं, इतिहासकारों, साहित्यकारों और नेताओं ने आर्य समाज के प्रादुर्भाव का अभिनन्दन किया

था । और उससे बड़ी-बड़ी आशायेँ लगार्यी थीं । आर्य समाज विषयक अनेक प्रशस्तियों में से अमेरिका के सुप्रसिद्ध, तत्त्ववेत्ता ऐण्ड्रुज जैक्सन ही की प्रशस्ति को यहाँ दिया जाना पर्याप्त है वे लिखते हैं-

" मुझे एक आग दिखाई पड़ती है जो सर्वत्र फैली हुई है अर्थात् असीम प्रेम की आग जो विद्वेष को जलाने वाली है और प्रत्येक वस्तु को जलाकर शुद्ध कर रही है । अमेरिका के शीतल मैदानों, अफ्रिका के विस्तृत देशों, एशिया के प्राचीन पर्वतों, विशाल राज्यों और प्रशासकीय बुराइयों पर इन सब को जलाने और इकट्ठ टा करने वाली आग की लपटें दिखाई देती है । इसे देखकर मुझे बड़ा हर्ष और सम्बल प्राप्त होता है । इस की चर्चा निम्नस्थ देशों से उठी है । अपने सुख व उन्नति के लिये इसे मानव ने प्रज्ज्वलित किया है ।

सम्पूर्ण दोषों का एक साथ नित्य शुद्ध करने वाली भट्ठी में जलकर भस्म हो जायेगा । यहाँ तक कि रोग के स्थान पर आरोग्य, झूट ठे विश्वासों की जगह तर्क, पाप के स्थान में पुण्य, अविद्या के स्थान पर विज्ञान, द्वेष की जगह पर सद्भाव, वैर की जगह पर प्रेम, नर्क के स्थान में स्वर्ग, दुःख के स्थान पर सुख, भूत-प्रेतों के स्थान पर ईश्वर और प्रकृति का राज्य हो जायेगा । मैं इस अग्नि को मांगलिक समझता हूँ । जब यह अग्नि सुन्दर पृथिवी को नव-जीवन प्रदान करेगी तो सार्वजनिक सुख, अभ्युदय और आनन्द का युग आरम्भ होगा । यह आग एक भट्ठी में थी जिसे आर्य समाज कहते हैं जो अब ईश्वरीय ज्योति से युक्त भारत के सपूत महर्षि दयानन्द के पावन हृदय में प्राचीन वैदिक धर्म को शुद्ध स्वरूप देने के निमित्त प्रज्ज्वलित हुई ।"

आर्य कौन

आर्य समाज श्रेष्ठ व्यक्तियों का समाज है । आर्य का अर्थ है श्रेष्ठ, धर्मपरायण, सदाचारी व कर्तव्यनिष्ठ । “आर्य” शब्द किसी नस्ल जाति का बोधक नहीं है और न ही किसी देश-विदेश के व्यक्तियों के लिये ही इसका प्रयोग होता है । किसी भी देश में किसी भी वर्ग से स्त्री-पुरुष आर्य बन सकते हैं । यह सब गुण कर्म स्वभाव से है । जो व्यवहार में श्रेष्ठ हो वही आर्य है और इस तरह आर्य समाज का अर्थ हुआ श्रेष्ठ व्यक्तियों का समाज ।

आर्य समाज का उद्देश्य

आर्य समाज का मुख्य उद्देश्य विश्वभर को आर्य बनाना, सम्पूर्ण मानव जाति का उपकार करना अर्थात् लोगों की शारीरिक, आत्मिक और सामाजिक उन्नति करना । यह एक आन्दोलन है जिस ने विश्व आन्दोलन का रूप धारण किया हुआ है, जन-जन को नया प्रकाश दिया और अग्नि-शिखा के सदृश अविद्या, अंध भक्ति, अंधश्रद्धा व अंधविश्वासों के जड़ को हिलाया बल्कि इन सब बुराइयों को दूर कर एक स्वच्छ श्रेष्ठ समाज का आयना दिखाया । धर्म, सद्विद्या, परोपकार, वर्ण-व्यवस्था, कर्तव्य, ईश्वरीय ज्ञान आदि की नयी दिशा दी और सर्वत्र शुद्ध वैदिक सिद्धान्तों का आरोपण किया । इसने निसंदेह धार्मिक विचारधारा में एक सम्पूर्ण क्रान्ति दी । इससे लोगों में अतुलनीय सुधार आया । सही दिशा में लोग सोचने लगे । धार्मिक, सामाजिक और शैक्षणिक सुधार का वैदिक युग प्रारम्भ हुआ । सदियों से चले आ रहे अन्धविश्वासों पर आधारित रूढ़ियों व उनसे

पनपी परम्पराओं का सर्वथा विरोध किया । वुद्धि पर लगे जंग को शुद्ध वेदज्ञान रूपी गंगा से धोकर व प्रदिप्त वेदज्ञानाग्नि से दग्ध कर मानव समाज के मार्ग को प्रशस्त किया । जो हिन्दु समाज कुरीतियों का दास बना हुआ था, वह निसंदेह आर्य समाज की सहायता से उन सब अन्ध , अवैज्ञानिक, आडम्बरों व कुरीतियों से निजात पा अपने जीवन के सब आयामों को समुन्नत किया । आर्य समाज केवल एक जाति या सम्प्रदाय विशेष नहीं है । इसका प्रभाव इसी कारण देश-विदेश में भी हुआ और नस्ल, जाति, वर्ग, स्थान आदि के भेदों को तोड़ता हुआ सवत्र प्रचारित है । सभी वर्गों के लोगों ने लाभ लिया । हम कह सकते हैं कि यह सम्पूर्ण मानव जाति के लिये कल्याण प्रद है, हुआ और रहेगा । वेदों की कल्याणी वाणी सब मानव मात्र के लिये है । स्त्री-पुरुष, ब्राह्मण, क्षत्रिय, वैश्य, शुद्र, नौकर, राजा, छोटे-बड़े सब मानव समाज के लिये समान रूप से आर्य समाज का द्वार खुला हुआ है । वैदिक आदर्शों व शिक्षाओं के अनुसार महर्षि दयानन्द ने सबके कल्याणार्थ आर्य समाज के माध्यम से वेद-पठन-पाठन का पट सदा के लिये खोल दिया । सब मानव एक ही प्रभु की संतान हैं अतः जैसे सूर्य व चन्द्र किसी से कोई भेद नहीं करते वैसे ही वेद ज्ञान भी सबके लिये पठनीय है ।

आर्य समाज के नियम

महर्षि दयानन्द की विचार-दृष्टि अत्यन्त दूरगामी, स्पष्ट, वैदिक व वैज्ञानिक थी । अतः उन्होंने दस नियम भी ऐसे ही बनाये जो सर्वथा सार्वभौमिक है । धरती का हर आस्तिक व्यक्ति इन्हे मानेगा चाहे वह किसी भी वर्ग व जाति से हो । ये नियम इस प्रकार हैं-

संसार की उन्नति के लिए आर्यसमाज के नियम

1. सब सत्यविद्या और जो पदार्थ विद्या से जाने जाते हैं, उन सबका आदिमूल परमेश्वर है।
2. ईश्वर सच्चिदानन्दस्वरूप, निराकार, सर्वशक्तिमान, न्यायकारी, दयालु, अजन्मा, अनन्त, निर्विकार, अनादि, अनुपम, सर्वाधार, सर्वेश्वर, सर्वव्यापक, सर्वान्तर्यामी, अजर, अमर, अभय, नित्य, पवित्र और सृष्टिकर्ता है, उसी की उपासना करनी योग्य है।
3. वेद सब सत्यविद्याओं की पुस्तक है। वेद का पढ़ना-पढ़ाना और सुनना-सुनाना सब आर्यों का परम धर्म है।
4. सत्य के ग्रहण करने और असत्य को छोड़ने में सर्वदा उद्यत रहना चाहिए।
5. सब काम धर्मानुसार अर्थात् सत्य और असत्य को विचार करके करने चाहिए।
6. संसार का उपकार करना इस समाज का मुख्य उद्देश्य है अर्थात् शारीरिक, आत्मिक और सामाजिक उन्नति करना ।
7. सबसे प्रीतिपूर्वक धर्मानुसार यथायोग्य वर्तना चाहिए।
8. अविद्या का नाश और विद्या की वृद्धि करनी चाहिए।
9. प्रत्येक को अपनी ही उन्नति से संतुष्ट न रहना चाहिए किन्तु सबकी उन्नति में ही अपनी उन्नति समझनी चाहिए।
10. सब मनुष्यों को सामाजिक सर्वहितकारी नियम पालने में परतन्त्र रहना चाहिए और प्रत्येक हितकारी नियम में सब स्वतन्त्र रहें।

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands

Newly Refurbished Venue Hire

Our new home at 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B21 9PR has been newly refurbished and is the perfect venue for you to hire for all your events.

Venue Information:

- **Main Banqueting Hall Seating up to 300+ guests**
 - **Function/Dining Hall With Stage**
 - **Yajna Shala (Havan Room)**
 - **Kitchen Facilities**
 - **On site cleaner**
 - **Parking for events**
 - **Hindu Priest Service**

Our venue is perfect for Weddings, Engagements, Anniversaries, Birthdays for all ages, Religious Ceremonies, Community Events, Family Parties, Meetings, Wakes and all other functions.

**For more information or viewings please call us on
0121 359 7727**

Monday to Friday between: - 2pm to 6pm,

Except Wednesday: - 10.30am to 1.00pm

Bank Holidays – Closed

- **Excellent rates – Vegetarian ONLY – No Alcohol**

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 2018:

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 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.
- **Now on facebook -**
<https://www.facebook.com/aryasamajwestmidlands/>



YOGA CLASSES

Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands YOGA and MEDITATION Lessons for young children.

Where: - Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham, B21 9PR.

When: - Every Tuesday – Starting on Tuesday 3rd July 2018.

Time: - 5pm – 6pm.

Our learned, trained and qualified Yoga teacher Acharya Dr. Umesh Yadav ji will provide these lessons.

Parents and grandparents with young children who would like some more information about these sessions please get in touch with our Arya Samaj by phoning on 0121 3597727 or email on enquiries@arya-samaj.org.

News

Get Well Soon:

- 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.
- Mrs Deepika Datta is on waiting list for a kidney transplant. We wish her to get better soon.
- Mr Ram Sarup Kohli is in hospital & is suffering from general poor health. We wish him a speedy recovery

Condolence:

- Mrs. Minu Agarwal & family - for loss of her beloved husband Mr. Brij Bhushan Sharan Agarwal on 27th October 2018. Mr Agarwal was ex-Vice President of Arya Samaj West Midlands year 2005 – 2006. May God grant the departed soul eternal peace and give strength to the family members to bear their loss.
- Mr. Satyarth Prakash Datta and family - for loss of his beloved wife Mrs. Kanchan Datta on 6th November 2018. May God grant the departed soul eternal peace and give strength to the family members to bear their loss.

Congratulations:

- Mr Hitesh Dabas & Mrs Ritu Dabas - for the naming Sanskar for their daughter Lawanya. Wishing her a happy & healthy life.
- Mrs. Prama Yadav & Mr. Sumit Sharma – Havan for celebrating 1st Wedding Anniversary. Wishing them both a happy married life.
- Mr. Mohit & Muskan Vatta - for Grih Pravesh Havan. Wishing them happiness in their new home.

- Mr. Naveen & Shruti Seth – for Grih Pravesh Havan. Wishing them happiness in their new home.
- Drs. Manish & Nidhi Arora - for Grih Pravesh Havan. Wishing them happiness in their new home.

Sponsors (Yajman):

- Mr J.P Sethi & Mrs Santosh Sethi & family - for Havan on Sunday 04th November 2018. Wishing them happiness and good health.

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:

• Mr Hitesh Dabas with Rishi Langar	£401
• Mr S.P. Datta	£11
• Mr Chankya Arya with Rishi Langar	£400
• Mr Arun Sharma	£20
• Mr J.P. Sethi with Rishi Langar	£301
• Mr Hemraj Sharma	£100
• Mrs. Prama Yadav Sharma with Rishi Langar	£231
• Mrs. Rani Banga	£21
• Dr. Om Sanehi with Rishi Langar	£245
• Mrs. Usha Khosla	£10

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

• Mr. Mohit & Muskan Vatta	£51
• Mr. Naveen & Shruti Seth	£51
• Dr. Manish Arora	£101
• Mr. Satyarth Prakash	£51

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 will be 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. Next 6th January 2019 & 3rd February 2019.**

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

New Building Refurbishment Fund

In month of November 2018 following people have donated...

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DONATION</u>
NEW DONATIONS:-	

TOTAL SO FAR

£54940.15

Thank you!

Haven't Donated Yet ????

Those of you who would like to donate money to
"Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands"
New building fund please do so now!!!

Your help is highly appreciated.

By cheque - Payable to 'Arya Samaj West Midlands' and
send back to us at 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth,
Birmingham, B21 9PR

or

Bank Transfer – The Co-operative Bank
Name of account – Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands
Account number – 65839135 Sort Code – 08.92.99

Work carried out in the month of October 2018.

- Cutrains fitted in Swami Shraddhanandan Hall
 - Cutrain Fitted in Yajna Shala Hall
 - Blinds Fitted in 2 Offices and Library

A TRIBUTE TO **SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN SHARAN AGARWAL**

On Saturday, 27th October 2018 Shri Brij Bhushan Sharan Agarwal breathed his last in Good Hope Hospital, Sutton Coldfield, UK.

He served Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands very well. He worked at different posts for the Executive Committee of Arya Samaj West Midlands.

In July 2000 when I became President I phoned and requested Brij ji to join me as a Secretary and help in taking our Arya Samaj forward to a higher level. Brij ji spoke in a very soft voice and told me his willingness to work for our Arya Samaj.

We eleven members of Executive Committee and seven members of The Board of Trustees worked together as a team. We had regular meetings of the Executive committee. When I paid my tribute to him on 5th November 2018 at Sandwell Valley Crematorium I could visualise the calm, happy and positive constructive atmosphere of our meetings when he was Secretary.

Brij ji, as I always called him, contributed enormously in each and every meeting. He welcomed and thanked members and guests who attended Sunday congregations in Arya Samaj on a regular basis.

In August 2003 Brij ji as a Secretary helped me a lot to set up Arya Pratinidhi Sabha UK (APSUK) in Arya Samaj West Midlands big hall. Following that he helped in organising and presenting the annual functions of APSUK in Birmingham, Coventry and London.

In year 2004 Brij ji became Vice President and worked with Mr. Krishan Chopra as President. During this period Brij ji worked very hard in refurbishment of Arya Samaj Bhavan at 188 Inkerman

Street, Nechells, Birmingham. This refurbishment was a big project and physically and mentally very demanding on Brij ji.

I was very pleased to welcome Brij ji in our new Arya Samaj Bhavan on 29th April 2018 inauguration day of new Bhavan at 321 Rookery Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

Brij ji took part in Annual General Meeting in July 2018 and Gayatri Maha Yajna in Arya Samaj on 9th September 2018. This event was recorded live by Aastha TV Chanel. His visits to Arya Samaj became less frequent but I stayed in contact with him by regular telephone calls.

Over last couple of months before his demise Brij ji seemed to have lost will of living any more. In spite of requests of all his well wisher he almost stopped eating and drinking. Gradually he became very frail and looked like a shell of his original self.

On Saturday 27th October 2018 he passed away peacefully. He had given very clear instructions to medical staff for "Do Not Resuscitate".

On behalf of whole community of Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands I offer my condolence and last respect to my elder brother Brij Bhushan Sharan Agarwal.

May Almighty God rest his soul in peace and give members of his family strength to bear his loss.

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Dr. Narendra Kumar
Chairman
Arya Samaj (Vedic Mission) West Midlands