



## JSS Spiritual Mission

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### What's New at JSS Spiritual Mission

Dear Well-Wishers of JSS Spiritual Mission (JSS SM)

August 2022 was a banner month with many events leading up to the groundbreaking ceremony on 28<sup>th</sup> of a new 35,000 sq ft Spiritual Center and Temple. With the blessings of **HH Shivarathri Deshikendra Mahaswamiji**, no time was wasted between the time we received the final permit from the Montgomery County and groundbreaking celebration in August.

### Groundbreaking Ceremony

The groundbreaking ceremony on 28<sup>th</sup> was the most attended event in the history of JSS SM. We had more than 1100 devotees from local and across the US. The preparations leading up to the event were



very well executed by Saikumar Pinnepalli, HH Almatti Swamiji, Nanjundaswamy, and many dedicated volunteers. The event was presided by **HH Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Mahaswamiji**, and **HH Sri Ganapathi Sachchidanada Mahaswamiji** was our special guest. Many devotees attended to seek the blessings of gurus. In addition, we had local leaders – **Marc Ehrlich**, Montgomery County Executive, **Aruna Miller**, Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, **Lily Qi**, State delegate, and many others. Most of all, a big applause goes to all of you for attending

the event with family and friends. Please keep the momentum to visit the Mission as often as you can and enjoy the fruits of labor of numerous volunteers and staff.

When you create a holy sanctuary, a temple, you create something that improves the spiritual life of your family, of another person, may be of ten families, may be of thousand families. There is no higher calling than to make a difference in people's lives by



providing a place for spiritual haven.

LET US INGRAIN IN OUR Hearts the image of the new temple and begin connecting our vibrations so that the collective vibrations will materialize into a physical reality of temple.

*“When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed.”*

*“It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.”*

*“The time to give life to our dream is now!”* Let us *“Get in the arena and battle for your dream.”* Build the Temple and Spiritual Center by 2025 and celebrate success.

### **India Independence Day**

On August 15, we celebrated 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India's Independence Day in presence of **HH Almatti Swamiji** and other guests. It is a matter of extraordinary pride and joy to celebrate our Motherland's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Let us look forward to the Centennial celebration in 2247.



### **Yoga Program**

There are opportunities to join the Saturday chair yoga or Sunday full body yoga program. You are invited to join.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8346330359?pwd=WDJTeVcyYmtBQnVwUng0aWV6UDBudz09>

### **Sunday School Program**

We are continuing to bring to the notice of parents to register children to 2022 Sunday School program. The Sunday School will begin the classes on 18<sup>th</sup>, with orientation and final selection of classes by students. We look forward to your enquiries and registration. Here is the link to registration:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeG6Xnru0kHVEyxuTfalemIR8ECKnUnAwwhNNVm7J8BddPAQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeG6Xnru0kHVEyxuTfalemIR8ECKnUnAwwhNNVm7J8BddPAQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### **Ashram**

Prakash and our dedicated volunteers were remarkably busy in preparation of several North Karnataka food specialties for the Kaveri event as well as for the groundbreaking ceremony. It was one of the busiest months for the team. With the efforts of our volunteers and leadership of Prakash, food service to the Kaveri Golden Jubilee celebration was beautifully executed. We continue to receive many accolades for Prakash's preparations. We invite you to contact Prakash 240 729 1016 for your needs.



## Temple



Our priests Mahadeva Swamy and Rudresh performed Swarna Gowri pooja on 29<sup>th</sup> and Sri Ganesh Chaturthi on 30<sup>th</sup>. Our priests' warmth and personal service to devotees was well worth the experience, according to many visitors. You are welcome to call them to discuss your pooja needs. (Rudresh: 301-875-2051; Mahadeva Swamy: 240-883-4010).

Your temple has new carpeting that looks incredibly beautiful and feels warm.

Look forward to seeing you soon at the Mission. In the meantime, may the Divine grace shower you and your family with love and protection.

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