



Jayaguru

Nilachala Saraswata Sangha, Puri

America Saraswata Sangha

Sangha Puja Session Report

Date- 09-20-2026 (Sunday)

Palia- Sharanya & Sarthak Bhai

Time-7:15 AM to 11:55 AM (ET)

Attendance: The link to attendance sheet is available on AMSAS website.

Adhibasa Puja(6:30 PM to 9:00 PM): Adhibasa Puja was held on Sep 19th at Nigama Smruti Mandira along with the North Carolina Monthly Patha Chakra.

Morning session (7:15 AM to 8:45 AM):

The morning session of the puja started at 7:15 AM with Prateeksha. Nihar Bhai sang “Neeti hela abasaanare” and Anjali Maa sang “Aanandamaya Nigamananda Jaya”. During that time all the devotees joined the puja at Nigam Smruti Mandir or via tele-conference. Sanujit Bhai did Puja Archana & offered Aarati to Shri Shri Thakura Maharaj. Brundaban Bhai led “Bandai Guru Charana” and Stotra Bandana. After Stotra Bandana, Sonali Maa read Shri Shri Guru Geeta verse #86. Braja Bhai led Parichaya Patra Patha, followed by Sammilani Prayer and the prayer for the expansion of the Asana Mandir. Sarthak bhai read Sangha Sebaka 31st year Part 4 where Prarthana Kari ka Prati tells us that the greatest obstacle on the spiritual path is complacency which is a false sense of contentment with one’s spiritual state. Ordinary people mistake this laziness for genuine detachment, but true spiritual teaching never advocates indifference toward one’s own soul’s growth Even when nature delivers suffering and hardship, people console themselves and refuse to awaken. Example is provided where Lord Indra was born as a pig and he had forgotten heaven while happily living like a pig. The true sign of spiritual progress is an intense yearning for God and decreasing attraction to worldly things. After Sangha Sevaka Patha, Sarthak Bhai invited Shri Shri Thakura Maharaj and Bhaktas to attend the second session. The first session was concluded with Jayaguru Mahaanaama Kirtana. Balya Bhoga was offered to Shri Shri Thakura Maharaj. All bhaktas were served with Prasad.

Second session (9:45 AM to 11:55 AM):

The second session of the puja started at 9:45 AM with Prateeksha. Bhakti Maa sang “mana mora chaahein Sebibaku sada” and Suvendhu Bhai sang “Tume daakicha boli mu aasichi dhaayin”. Aasana was open with Bhaba Bandhana mochana pranama gaana. Milu Maa sang “Ratna Singhaasane ghana sundara ubhare” bandana song. Pruthwiraj Bhai read Nigama Upadesha Page: 159-160 – The Path of attainment of Truth. In this Kaliyuga, Thakura asks us to if needed give up a desire of practicing difficult Gyana Yoga and work on simple and easy path of Saadhana which will purify our mind. Ashwini Bhai read minutes of last sangha puja session report. Biswaranjan bhai read Leela Prasanga (Page 37 to Page 42). Just to summarize, these

pages of Leela Prasanga tell us about Brahmananda Giri who a great ascetic and attained spiritual perfection through intense penance and was prophesized to incarnate as Swami Nigamananda Saraswati. It also tells how Thakura knew what he was in his previous 2 births and what his disciples were in their previous births. Smita Bai maa sang Praarthanaa Sangeeta "Aamaar Maathaa Nata Kare Daao". Ipseeta Maa read the English Translation of Yogi Guru page 169 to 172 (Atmajyoti Darsana, the vision of Istadeva). Here it outlines the spiritual techniques using focused concentration, solar gazing and shadow reflection to behold deities and one's self reflection. It also defends Hindu image worship as perceiving the universal Supreme Reality within all physical forms.

Then, Braja bhai led the Q&A session. YA session started with Sreeja singing Prarthana song "Khojiba pain mu khoji Nahin Prabhu". Bhakti Maa conducted the YA session where she asked YA to read the story about Ganesha and the Businessman and then asked Yas questions about that. After the YA session ended, Sharanya and Sarthak Bhai did Bhaba Binimaya seva. Then Sarthak bhai invited Shri Shri Thakura for the Madhyanna Bhoga and the evening puja. Saraswat, Vakta Bhai and Pooja maa invited Shri Shri Thakura to the next Sangha Puja to be held on 09-27-2026. Sarthak Bhai prayed for forgiveness from Shri Shri Thakura on behalf of all the sebaka and sebikaas for any mistakes with the seva. The session was concluded with Bidaya Prarthana song by Rashmi C Maa. Aasana was closed with Jayaguru Nama Kirtana and Pranama. Biswajit Bhai took the attendance for bhais and maas. Madhyahna Bhoga was offered to Shri Shri Thakura followed by Prasad Sebana by all Bhais, Maas, and YAs.

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Shri Shri Thakura Charanashritaa

Sharanya & Sarthak Bhai