

Youth Empowerment

“The foundation of every state is the education of its youth,” Diogenes. Youth have the power to change the world. They have unlimited potential and imagination. Given the right direction and teachings, they can do extraordinary things. But without the right guidance, their potential is wasted. That is why it is so imperative to empower our youth so that they can be valuable participants of our mission.

Education has empowered me by teaching them what is right and what is wrong, making sure that I am on the right path. Satsang does just this. My parents encouraged me from a young age to attend satsang, familiarizing me with satguru’s teachings. By educating me on the importance of humility and love, my parents hoped that I would grow up with these values and morals. These teachings will always stay with me, making me who I am today. The more we familiarize our youth with these basic values, the more they are inclined to follow them and stay on the path.

Seva means selfless acts. Doing things for others in which we have nothing to gain. Volunteering at a local mission event or anywhere else, instills the importance of helping others in our youth. For example, my parents and school have pushed me to volunteer wherever I can, whether it be in a local food share or travelling to Paraguay to help the poor. These experiences made me realize how fortunate I am for all the luxuries I have and made me grateful to nirankar. We have to give our youth the opportunity to help others and make them realize the importance of such acts. If we

encourage them to do such acts when they are young, they will do them by themselves when they get older without an additional push.

We have to educate our youth on the work of the mission and the importance of such a path. With the right guidance and support, they will be able to flourish and become true satsangis and help expand the mission.