

Manav Ekta Diwas and Blood Donation Drive SNM Greater San Francisco Branch Sunday, April 27th 2025

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On Sunday, April 27, 2025, SNM Greater San Francisco branch members gathered to participate in the **Manav Ekta Samagam and annual Blood Donation Drive** in order to pay tribute to Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji Maharaj. The samagam began with Sewadal Prathana and Ardas where Dr. Rai Ji blessed the entire Sewadal for their selfless sewa, he prayed that the entire congregation continue to perform selfless Sewa, Simran and Satsang.



After this, several saints united to honor Baba Hardev Singh Ji Maharaj's message that "Blood should flow in veins, not in drains." **Approximately 55 saints registered to donate blood and 45 units of blood were collected!** By working alongside American Red Cross, many saints had the blissful opportunity of donating blood to patients who will be undergoing surgery, surviving injuries or chronic illnesses.





During the satsang program, saints presented several devotional bhajans as well as speeches highlighting their thoughts on human unity is needed in a time where man has created several walls amongst one another. Following this, **Saksham Chitkara Ji, Jagjit Lakha Ji, Maan Singh Ji**, presented poems on Human Unity.



From the youth sangat, **Anandani Komal Ji** presented a poem on “Human Unity”, which emphasized how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji had a legacy built on “oneness, [and] of love unconfined, / With hearts open wide, a vision for mankind”. She went on to reflect on how “The foundation of truth has already been laid / May we honor our Mission, igniting the light, / For together we flourish, as one we will rise”.



We then heard from **Aaliyah Sooch Ji and Aarna Ji**, who recited a poem “Unity in Harmony”. They expressed how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji “taught us of oneness, of love that transcends / In the fabric of kindness, our journey extends.” They continued to uplift the satsang by reminding us that “In the face of division, let love be our guide, / With unity our strength, we’ll stand side by side.” Both youth members focused on the need “to unite, in the name of humanity” by radiating joy, love and compassion through our Satguru’s teachings.

We also had a devotional bhajan by **our youth saints Varuni Ji, Vanshika Ji, Hansini Ji, Paawan Ji, Shlok Ji, Prince Ji and Ashmeet Ji**.



Following this, we had **Trishika Ji, Eshaan Ji and Anika Ji's presentation discussing the core values of universal brotherhood and oneness within the Saint Nirankari Mission**. As members of the Bal Sangat, they highlighted how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji responded to opposition with love by saying “They are all mine.” They went on to recognize how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji initiated several groundbreaking programs in the fields of education, health and empowerment. They also recognized Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj’s teachings, which include how a saint’s true transformation starts after understanding the omnipresent presence of Nirankar. In conclusion, these young saints underscored how each person has the ability to spread kindness and to break barriers by serving humanity through compassion.

Archisha Ji and Rajan Ji, members of youth sangat, also presented on “The Divine Teachings of Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji”, by highlighting his strong belief that the same divine light exists in every human being. They went on to emphasize his principle

that true saints are humble in thought, words and action. They concluded by looking at the Avtar Bani: “There is no greater act than the service of saints.”

The congregation also received blessings from **S M Singh Ji, Parmukh SNM Singapore**, who shared his personal experiences as well. When he was initially planning to relocate to Singapore, he reflected how Baba Ji had hinted to him that he may be staying longer in Singapore than he originally intended. He went on to say that our Satguru knows what is written for us, which he highlighted after disclosing that he ended up relocating to Singapore permanently.



After many bhajans and speeches reflecting on the importance of human unity, we received numerous blessings from **Dr. Rai Ji** during the Vichar. He contemplated on how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji had first come to Dr.Rai's Convocation ceremony in California several years ago. In the near future, the Greater San Francisco bhawan was created within the same vicinity. Dr.Rai also revealed that Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji had gone on a road trip traveling to cities ranging from Yuba City to Chicago. If we look at these places today, there are large blissful communities of Nirankaris that have grown tremendously. Overall, he recognized how Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji was truly an Era changer who transformed the Sant Nirankari Mission.
