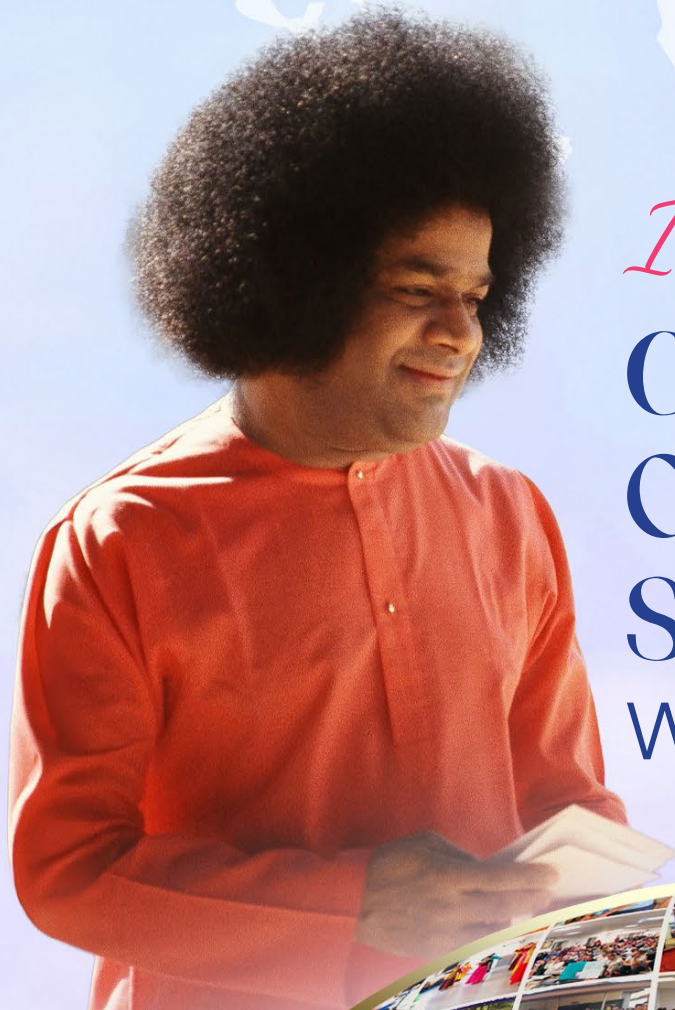




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With love, reverence, and gratitude, Sri Sathya Sai International Organization (SSSIO) presents a special publication at the divine lotus feet of our beloved Lord, commemorating the worldwide celebrations of the landmark 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. This publication is a historic record of the grand celebrations worldwide to cherish the wonderful experiences, and beautiful memories of the Centennial Birthday forever in the annals of Sai history.

This special compendium captures the extraordinary diversity and unity of the Sai family as countries across all ten SSSIO Zones celebrated this sacred occasion with devotional programs, Vedic chanting, *bhajans*, *yajnas*, cultural offerings, educational initiatives, interfaith gatherings, and service activities including, medical camps, food distribution, tree-planting, and numerous acts of humanitarian relief, inspired by Swami.

May this publication inspire us to move beyond commemorating a historic milestone and continue living Bhagawan's message each day.

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I do not think of one particular date in the calendar as My Birthday, for I consider the day when Divinity blossoms in your heart as My Birthday in you. Therefore, each of you should individually celebrate such a day as My Birthday. The day when you resolve to practice My advice, to follow My directives, to translate My message into acts of service, and to engage in spiritual discipline—that day is My Birthday for you.

The 23rd day of November, which you now honor as the day on which I was born, is just like any other day if you celebrate it in a routine, ritual fashion. Adore man; the adoration reaches Me. Neglect man; you neglect Me. Of what avail is it to worship the Lord and to suppress man, His counterpart? Love for God must be manifested as love for man, and love must express itself as service.

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ZONE 1



Across Canada, devotees and well-wishers gathered in large numbers, reflecting and honoring Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's message of love, unity, and selfless service.

A major national gathering took place in Brampton, Ontario, at the Pearson Convention Center, under the theme One World, One Love. The celebration brought together 600 people, including community leaders from across Canada. The program opened with a soulful flute recital by Deep Ganguly, followed by an invocation by the Sathya Sai School Students Choir. Addresses by Dr. Phil Gosselin, Chair of SSSIO Zone 1, and Prof. Siva Nadarajah, National Council President of SSSIO Canada, highlighted Swami's teachings. Several government representatives and civic leaders also conveyed their appreciation for the service activities inspired by Sai's message.

A highlight of the program was a drama presentation by SSE students from several Sai Centers across Ontario on the divine life of Sri Sathya Sai Baba and His humanitarian mission. The celebration also included a multifaith segment, featuring Islamic, Buddhist, Christian, and Hindu faiths, reflecting Bhagawan's teaching of the unity of all religions.

The event concluded with a lively musical finale, where devotional songs and a Sai Qawwali united the audience in joyful celebration. From the opening invocation to the final notes of devotion, the gatherings across Canada reflected a shared spirit of unity, gratitude, and dedication to Sai.

In Vancouver, more than 700 guests gathered at the Bell Performing Arts Center for an evening of devotional and cultural offerings. The program started with "Vedanjali" (offering of Vedic chants) and a Canadian Indigenous prayer. Highlights



featured “100 Years of Love,” musical and dramatic presentations by Sai Spiritual Education (SSE) students, traditional dances by children, and an inspiring talk by Satyajit Salian, reflecting on the spiritual significance of the milestone. A powerful choir performance titled ‘100 Echoes of Love,’ presented by 100 local musicians, created a memorable and inspiring experience. The program also highlighted 50 years of community service by the Vancouver Sai Center, along with a vibrant Young Adults

play presentation titled “The Divine Frequency 100FM.”

In Calgary, a musical tribute was held at Bella Concert Hall, attended by over 560 guests. The evening featured renowned artists Padma Shri Smt. Kavita Krishnamurthy and Dr. L. Subramaniam, whose devotional songs and classical music uplifted the audience. The program blended Indian classical traditions with international musical elements, turning the concert into an offering of sincere gratitude and heartfelt devotion.



JAMAICA

In Jamaica, devotees celebrated the event through satsangs and service activities that reflected Swami's message of compassion and selfless service.

In Montego Bay, devotees donated essential food supplies to the West Haven Children's Home, which cares for around 100 differently abled residents, as well as to the St. James Care Center, where nearly 60 homeless persons receive meals daily. A satsang at a devotee's residence drew about 30 people for devotional singing and fellowship.

In Kingston, SSSIO members also engaged in humanitarian relief efforts following the destruction caused by Hurricane Melissa. Food packages and toiletries were distributed in the affected areas of St. Elizabeth and Trelawny, reaching over 300 people in each parish. On Swami's Birthday, 200 individuals were offered food and cake at shelters and on the streets.

Around 70 people celebrated at the home of a devotee new to the organization, where SSE children performed dances and a creative tribute highlighting ten milestones in Swami's life. As a symbolic offering, 100 lollipops were strung together, commemorating the sacred milestone and bringing sweet joy to the younger participants.





SURINAME

Members of the Sri Sathya Sai Center Sonjastraat in Suriname gathered in a spirit of devotion and joy to honor Bhagawan Baba. Around 60 devotees and guests participated in a two-hour program centered on the theme My Sai, 100 Mine!

The program featured prayers and devotional singing, while continuous darshan videos of Swami played, filling the hall with peace and sanctity.

A beautifully decorated Birthday cake was offered as an expression of love for their beloved Lord. The gathering concluded with a joyful Birthday song invoking the unity of faiths.

The program concluded with Mangala Arati followed by the sharing of prasadam.



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

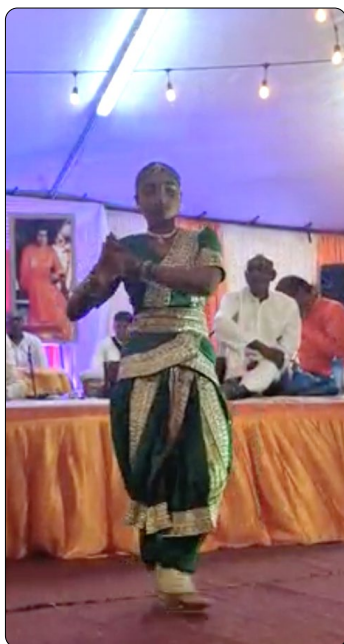
SSSIO members in Trinidad and Tobago gathered at Sai Nilayam to express their love and gratitude through devotional programs. About 160 Sai devotees and 25 guests participated in the celebrations. The program featured devotional singing, prayers, and reflections on Baba's life and teachings. Members spoke about the enduring relevance of His message—Love All, Serve All—and encouraged devotees to renew their commitment

to selfless service and spiritual discipline. A highlight of the gathering was the participation of the SSE children, whose presentations symbolized purity and innocence, reminding everyone of the importance of nurturing human values from an early age. The event also honored the pioneers who introduced Sai's teachings to Trinidad and Tobago, which is now home to several vibrant Sai Centers and several Sathya Sai Schools.

As part of the ongoing joyous celebrations, devotees from the South and South-Eastern regions organized a motorcade. Vehicles decorated with Sai flags and Centenary emblems carried messages of love, unity, and service through surrounding communities while devotional songs and prayers filled the air. More than 100 participants, including Sai devotees and members

of the wider public, joined the procession, which concluded with prayers, devotional singing, and reflections.

These gatherings served not only as devotional offerings but also as opportunities for community outreach, spreading Swami’s universal message of love, unity, and compassion to a wider audience across society.



OTHER CARIBBEAN TERRITORIES

In several Caribbean territories—including Aruba, Barbados, Curaçao, Guyana, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, and St. Martin—Sai devotees also celebrated the sacred milestone of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba’s 100th Birthday. In some places, celebrations took the form of small *satsangs*, devotional singing, and prayers, often hosted in devotees’ homes or modest community settings. These gatherings were intimate and reflected heartfelt

devotion and gratitude to Bhagawan. In a few locations, devotees also engaged in service, helping those in need within their communities and honoring the occasion through prayer, *bhajans*, and reflections on Swami’s teachings. Even in the most modest settings, the celebrations reflected deep devotion and a sincere commitment to living Bhagawan’s message in daily life.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Throughout the United States, devotees gathered to offer a deeply moving and multifaceted tribute to Swami, reflecting the country’s vastness and diversity. Spread across ten geographical regions, the celebrations unfolded through a

harmonious blend of programs and community outreach. From large regional gatherings and national-level events to intimate center-based programs, each offering carried the same spirit of love and gratitude for all.

REGION 1

Northeast USA (Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and New York) celebrated this sacred milestone through devotion, service, and community engagement.

A major highlight was the 50th Annual Memorial Day Weekend Retreat, organized jointly by Regions 1 and 2 at Camp Westmont in the Pocono Mountains under the theme, “Sai - The Eternal Companion.” The gathering of more than 1000 people was especially meaningful as it commemorated 100 years of Bhagawan’s advent, 60 years of the SSSIO-USA, and 50 years of annual spiritual retreats. Devotees participated in inspiring talks, uplifting *bhajans*, workshops,

and cultural programs. The retreat was further privileged by the presence of Dr. Sunder Iyer and Sri Satyajit Salian, Swami’s former personal attendants.

The occasion also received official recognition in Massachusetts, where the Sai community was honored with a Governor’s Citation and a House of Representatives Proclamation acknowledging its service activities.

Through the “Seeds of Love” initiative, devotees supported the Grafton Community Harvest Project, helping to grow and distribute fresh produce to families facing food insecurity. Devotional programs and *Mangala Arati* concluded the celebrations.



REGION 2



Mid-Atlantic USA (Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland) marked this sacred milestone with a major regional gathering hosted by the Sai Centers of New Jersey at the Medford Village Country Club. The event attracted around 200 devotees in a spirit of reverence and fellowship.

A beautifully arranged altar served as the spiritual centerpiece of the event. The program featured

soulful *bhajans* offered with devotion, with melodious musical accompaniment.

A particularly inspiring segment was presented by the SSE children, whose heartfelt performances reflected the values taught by their teachers and parents. Their confidence and innocence stood as living symbols of Swami's ongoing legacy.

The gathering also showcased the unity and collaboration among Sai Centers across the region.

REGION 3

Devotees across Region 3 of the United States, comprising Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina, jointly organized a blend of spiritual, cultural, and service-oriented offerings.

A major highlight was the SSSIO International Online SSE retreat held in Orlando under the theme "Love is the Only Way." This two-day gathering brought together over 100 participants—children, parents, alumni, and teachers—for a deeply engaging program that combined devotion, learning, and fellowship. Activities included the preparation of more than 100 care packages for the homeless, creative value-based offerings such as the "Lamps of Love" project,



panel discussions, workshops, and a cultural evening featuring a play on Sabari's devotion, along with musical performances. The retreat fostered unity across generations and reaffirmed Swami's message that love is the foundation of all spiritual practices.

At the local level, centers across the region expressed devotion in unique ways. The Sri Sathya Sai Center of Northeast Atlanta conducted a vibrant celebration featuring a ladies' procession with Veda chanting, a thoughtful SSE children's program, soulful *bhajans*, energetic musical medleys, and a graceful Jhoola ceremony.

In Florida, the Miami Central Sai Center combined devotion with service through initiatives such as distributing hygiene kits, providing school supplies for children, and holding yoga sessions for seniors. The Fort Lauderdale Sai Center offered a heartfelt cultural program where SSE children presented a play on Swami's childhood, interwoven with music and *bhajans*.



REGION 4

Devotees across Region 4 of the United States, comprising Mississippi, Kansas, Missouri, Kentucky, and Tennessee, celebrated the sacred occasion with a harmonious blend of service and devotion.

Service activities were a central part of the celebrations. At the Sai Center of Greater St. Louis, SSE students prepared approximately 420 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for residents of the Peter & Paul Shelter, serving nearly 400





individuals. This act of selfless service stood as a powerful expression of “Love All, Serve All” in action.

The Sai Center of Memphis marked the occasion with a heartfelt cultural performance by SSE children, who presented a play titled “We are the Messengers of Sai.” Through their innocent and expressive acting, they portrayed sacred

moments from Swami’s life and conveyed His timeless teachings of love, truth, and service, inspiring everyone present.

In Nashville, devotees attended a devotional program at the Ganesha Temple organized primarily by the ladies of the Sai Center of Nashville.

REGION 5



Midwest USA (North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan) celebrated this sacred milestone through devotional gatherings.

At the Detroit Metro Sai Center, 500 devotees gathered for two days of activities filled with devotion, service, and joy. The three wings of the Organization— SSE, Devotion, and Service—organized programs that encouraged participation across generations.

In the Chicago area, more than 450 people marked 50 years of Sai in Chicagoland with a

two-day celebration. SSE children presented a special music program as a heartfelt tribute to Swami, and the celebrations concluded with a Birthday cake offering. The second day featured a procession of ‘Swami’s chair’ accompanied by Vedic chanting, creating a sanctified atmosphere.

Additionally, the Chicago North Centers organized a program led mainly by SSE children, highlighting the active participation of the younger generation, showing how Swami’s divine message is spreading among families and youth.

REGION 6

Northwest USA (Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming) provided a range of devotional and service activities.

The Region 6 Women’s Wing undertook a Blanket Project, lovingly handcrafting 100 blankets for toddlers in need. About 40 women participated in knitting, crochet, and loom workshops, and the blankets were donated to KidVantage, a nonprofit organization in the Seattle area supporting children facing economic hardship.

Experience-sharing was also a key feature. At the Seattle Eastside Sai Center, the “Oh My Sai” series invited ten devotees to share personal experiences of Swami’s love and guidance over ten weekly sessions, inspiring faith, devotion, and gratitude.

Service initiatives included a community blood drive organized by the Lake Washington Sai Center in collaboration with a local blood bank. SSSIO volunteers and community members contributed to lifesaving blood donations.

Youth participation was vibrant throughout the region. The Seattle Eastside Center hosted a Carnival of Human Values, where interactive activities inspired reflection on Swami’s teachings. SSE children performed a drama depicting Swami’s early life and the origins of the Pandhari *Bhajan* group, conveying the message of harmony in thought, word, and deed.



REGION 7

Devotees across Northern California and Nevada expressed their love and devotion through projects rooted in service, devotion, and inner reflection. Many of these initiatives began early and continued beyond November, with the understanding that this milestone is not merely a celebration, but a call to deepen spiritual practice and commitment.

Across the region, Sai Centers came together in vibrant and unique ways. The Central San Jose Sai Center hosted a grand gathering of over 100 devotees, featuring a beautifully decorated altar with a jhoola, a devotional procession, a children's play, and a joyful cake offering.

Similar enthusiasm was seen at the Fremont and Tri-Valley Sai Centers, each drawing over 100 participants and creating a joyful atmosphere.

Joyful celebrations were also held at the Sathya Sai Centers of Greater Sacramento, Peninsula, and San Jose.

A particularly special highlight was the Sai Center of Tracy, lovingly associated with Swami through a divine naming: "Prashanthi Nilayam," as the result of a unique and cherished experience. With a permanent center dedicated to His name, the celebrations there carried a deep sense of divine connection and grace.



REGION 8

Devotees across Region 8 of the United States, comprising Southern California, Hawaii, and Las Vegas, expressed their love and gratitude through impactful service initiatives and spiritual gatherings.

A key offering was the “1,000 Blankets for 100” initiative, where blankets were distributed to underserved communities, bringing warmth and care to those in need. The Chatsworth Sai Center distributed 100 hygiene kits for patients at the Adventist Health White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles.

SSSIO-USA, Region 8, had the unique blessing and privilege of hosting the historic SSSIO International 100th Birthday celebrations at Sai Prema Nilayam in Riverside, California, along with the 11th World Conference. Region 8 devotees also played a significant role in hosting the national and international participants at this event with love, dedication, and humility. Their selfless services ensured the smooth conduct of the grand celebrations, embodying the spirit of unity and service as taught by Bhagawan.



REGION 9

Southwest USA (Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah) celebrated the occasion through devotional gatherings and service activities that touched the wider community.

In Centennial, Colorado, members of the Sri Sathya Sai Centers of South East Denver and Boulder joined the Shirdi Sai Temple of the Rockies for a special program titled “100 Minutes of Sacred Songs.” About 54 Sai members and over 100 participants gathered for devotional singing that included a Birthday song, a video on Swami’s life, and uplifting *bhajans* led by young adults. The evening concluded with dinner and fellowship, where the participants were honored with

orange scarves in appreciation of the spirit of unity and devotion.

Another gathering took place at the Sri Sathya Sai Center of South East Denver, where devotees organized service initiatives reflecting *Love in Action*. Volunteers prepared 108 Sai sack lunches and 108 “Love All, Serve All” hygiene kits for the House of Hope shelter, supporting homeless mothers and children. The program also featured an SSE children’s play, reflections from a young adult speaker and a senior devotee, followed by uplifting *bhajans*, prayers for world peace, and a joyful Birthday offering to Bhagawan.



REGION 10

South Central USA (Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Louisiana) marked the occasion through large devotional gatherings and impactful service initiatives across several Sai Centers.

At the Austin Sai Center, over 200 people gathered for two days of programs featuring devotional music, panel discussions, and plays presented by SSE children and youth. As an offering of Love in Action, SSSIO members also organized the “100 Gifts, 100 Hearts” initiative, distributing wheelchairs, sewing machines, bicycles, laptops, mobile phones, toolkits, and Braille kits to those in need.

The Dallas Sai Center hosted a day-long celebration attended by over 400 devotees, featuring a procession with Vedic chanting, devotional singing, SSE children’s skits, cake cutting, and an inspiring talk by Dr. Sunder Iyer. The Center also

organized a special event honoring community service partners, including Richardson Mayor Amir Omar, city council members, and interfaith and civic leaders.

In Houston, the North and South Sai Centers hosted a joint gathering in Pearland attended by over 250 people, featuring SSE plays, devotional singing, and a video about service. The volunteers also distributed 800 pies to veterans in collaboration with the OTE Foundation.

Additional celebrations took place at the Hindu Temple of Oklahoma City, where devotees gathered for *bhajans* and a documentary about Swami’s life. San Antonio Sai Center had Vedic chanting, the recitation of Swami’s 108 names, and devotional singing, which concluded with cake cutting and fellowship.





ZONE 2A



COSTA RICA

In Costa Rica, nature itself seemed to join in the sacred celebrations. Gentle rain poured from the heavens, sanctifying the occasion held at the base of lush, green hills. An altar was reverentially prepared with Bhagawan's white robe placed on a chair, symbolically representing His divine presence. The celebration opened with a warm welcome and the chanting of Om, followed an address by Mr. Rafael Rodríguez, former President of the Sai Center of Costa Rica, on the significance of the Avatar's advent for the upliftment of humanity.

Devotional singing formed the spiritual core of the program. The chanting of the Gayatri and Sai Gayatri *mantras* elevated the collective consciousness, emphasizing purity of thought, word, and action, and invoking divine guidance. This was followed by *Arati*.

A discourse and study circle on purity invited participants to engage in self-inquiry, empha-



sizing purity as the foundation of spiritual life. Satsangs, including recorded interviews with senior devotees sharing personal experiences of Bhagawan's love and grace, fostered inspiration, gratitude, and spiritual purpose.

The shared *prasadam* (consecrated food), accompanied by the chanting of *mantras*, strengthened fellowship and unity. Collective *bhajans* in the

afternoon highlighted the power of group singing, followed by guided light meditation and the "Sai Light" ritual, symbolizing the awakening of the inner divine flame. The celebration concluded with Birthday *bhajans* offered to Bhagawan and the distribution of Centenary mementos, leaving participants with a sense of peace, joy, and renewed commitment to live His message.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The Dominican Republic marked the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with a solemn and heartfelt celebration held at the Autonomous University of Santo Domingo. It was attended by around 220 people, including devotees and distinguished guests. The program opened with reflections on Bhagawan's life of love, service, and spiritual teachings, inspiring participants to live His message of human values. A panel discussion explored the universal relevance of His teachings, while devotional music

and artistic offerings created a deeply reverential atmosphere. Sai Youth presentations, rich in gratitude and poetic expression, added youthful vibrancy to the occasion. The event also highlighted 100 service projects undertaken during the Centenary year and honored surviving founding members for their lifelong contributions and commitment. The celebration concluded with group devotional singing, floral offerings by children, and fellowship over a shared meal, reinforcing unity, love, and service.





EL SALVADOR



El Salvador hosted a profoundly inspiring, evocative, and richly symbolic celebration. Bhagawan was ceremonially carried in a procession on a small palanquin, seated in His white robe on a *jhoola*, accompanied by Vedic chanting. The lighting of candles by Mr. John Behner, a long-term devotee whose decades of service span leadership roles at national, zonal, and international levels, marked the formal commencement. Devotional songs, including a special composition in Spanish celebrating the Centenary of the *Poorna Avatar*, filled the hall.



A particularly powerful feature was a theatrical presentation of the declaration of Avatarhood by young Sathya, who sang the landmark *bhajan*, “*Manasa Bhajare*.” The representations of Swami at different time periods, by an SSE child, a Young Adult, and an adult, symbolized His omniscience and omnipresence, and the devotees’ heartfelt aspiration to “become Swami” through purity and love. The celebration concluded with a joyous cake-cutting ceremony and a feast, portions of which were lovingly distributed to the poor on the streets, who joined in singing *Bhagawan’s* Birthday song with gusto.



GUATEMALA

In Guatemala, the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated as a year-long expression of love through selfless service. Throughout the year, devotees lovingly knitted and distributed more than 150 sets of clothing for newborns in hospitals, serving economically vulnerable families, and reflecting Bhagawan’s message that true spirituality is fulfilled through compassionate action.

On November 23, the 100th Birthday, devotees started the day with service to those living on the streets, distributing breakfast to nearly 200 individuals in the early hours. This service was carried out in a spirit of unity, with participation from both SSSIO members and well-wishers, embodying the inclusivity of the Sai tradition.

Later in the morning, a devotional gathering brought together over 60 devotees for *bhajans*,



chanting *mantras*, *japa*, reflections on Bhagawan's teachings, and the sharing of sanctified food. Sacred gifts, including photographs of Swami, *vibhuti*, incense, and *japamalas*, were distributed as tokens of divine remembrance. A message drawn from Bhagawan's discourses was shared,

reminding participants of His divine mission: to awaken humanity to its inherent divinity, restore righteousness, implant love in every heart, and guide all toward inner peace through devotion, self-control, and service.



HAITI

In Haiti, celebrations were held with sensitivity and restraint, mindful of the country's prevailing social and political challenges. At the Sai Centers in Gonaïves and Port-au-Prince, some devotees came together for *bhajans*, discussions on Swami's life and teachings, and the sharing of *prasadam*. Although limited in scale, the depth of devotion was profound. The devotees' steadfast spiritual commitment, even amid adversity, stood as a silent testimony to their faith rooted in resilience and love.



Mexico’s Centenary celebrations stood out for their breadth, cultural richness, and integration of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba’s message of love and service into daily life and collective reflection. Across the seven Regions of the SSSIO Mexico, members came together to reflect on a central question: *How deeply have we internalized the message Bhagawan left us through His life, works, and teachings?*

In the Central Region, which includes major cities such as Guadalajara and Querétaro, devotees gathered for devotional singing, Gayatri *mantra* recitation, and commemorative readings reflecting on the hundred years of the Avatar’s physical presence, including personal journeys of inner transformation inspired by His teachings. Smaller cities such as San Luis Potosí and Morelia echoed the same spirit through heartfelt devotional meetings.

In the Gulf Region, especially in Chiapas—one of the most socio-economically vulnerable areas—service became the main way to celebrate. Devotees distributed baby care kits to families of newborns born on November 23, combining practical assistance with observing Bhagawan’s legacy of compassion. The service was preceded by early-morning chanting of *Om, suprabhatam*, and devotional songs, including an original musical offering composed for the occasion.





The Metropolitan area witnessed one of the largest and best-attended programs, with approximately 400 people celebrating Mexican cultural heritage through regional dance, music, and food. This joyous atmosphere was balanced by a deeply reflective discourse delivered by Dr. Luis Muñiz, founder of the first Sai Center in Mexico, who emphasized the rare fortune of being a contemporary of the Avatar and the accompanying responsibility.





In the Northeast, senior Sai devotees exemplified the ideal of “age as an asset” by organizing study circles and serving food at hospitals, while in Monterrey, a special commemorative gathering honored the senior devotees who laid the foundations of the SSSIO in the region more than three decades ago. Through shared memories, photographs, and experiences, generations were bridged in love and gratitude.



Across the North, Pacific, and Southeast Zones, celebrations ranged from children’s puppet shows and youth-oriented cultural events to devotional singing, sharing of messages, and simple acts of love. Notably, throughout 2025, 33 online study circles based on *the Swami’s* biography series titled, “*Sathyam, Sivam, Sundaram,*” were held to help the participants with their Self-inquiry.



Taken together, Mexico’s Centenary celebrations served as a powerful testament to Bhagawan’s vision of an organization practicing fundamental human values—where devotion naturally blossoms into service, culture becomes a vehicle for spiritual expression, and unity is sustained through love.





PANAMA

In Panama, the Centenary was celebrated with impactful medical and social service initiatives. Ten free cataract surgeries restored vision to beneficiaries in Colón City, while food bags and baby baskets were distributed in Chiriquí and Panama City. An SSE program featuring music, bhajans, and a moving drama on Swami's life touched the hearts of both children and adults and inspired them reaffirming the role of education in nurturing spirituality.




PUERTO RICO

In Puerto Rico, the Centenary celebration found expression primarily through food distribution and ration services, offered in humility and gratitude to Bhagawan, reinforcing the principle that service to man is service to God.





ZONE 2B



ARGENTINA

In Argentina, the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated with a series of spiritually vibrant gatherings across various regions, each reflecting devotion, unity, and the living spirit of His message. These celebrations collectively demonstrated how Bhagawan’s presence continues to inspire hearts throughout the nation.

A major highlight was the national gathering titled “100 Years of Embodied Love,” held in November 2025 at the Noccan Kani House, which welcomed 45 members of the SSSIO of Argentina. The venue, adorned with golden balloons and graceful pink drapes, radiated festive reverence. Since 1992, SSSIO has conducted numerous service activities at this location near Santa Fe. In 1995, an album documenting the construction of the building was blessed by Bhagawan Himself; it has since been preserved



at the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Santa Fe. The first national retreat held there in 1997 marked the beginning of decades of service, educational, and devotional activities. During the Centenary celebrations, Noccan Kani once again became a convergence point for Sai devotees in Argentina, reaffirming its legacy as a living symbol of love in action.

At Centro Alta Córdoba, 50 devotees participated in a joyful *Jhoola* Ceremony, where devotional singing filled the atmosphere with joy and reverence, strengthening bonds of unity and love for the Master.

In the metropolitan region of Buenos Aires, the Florida Center hosted a “Grand Day of Devotional Singing and Meditation,” attended by 50 participants. The hall was beautifully illuminated with one hundred lamps, symbolizing each year since Bhagawan’s advent, followed by the distribution of consecrated food to local families.

At Centro Uriarte, 45 Sai devotees gathered for a special *satsang* titled, “The Legacy of 100 Years.” The program included collective readings of Bhagawan’s messages on world unity. The gathering was further honored by an unexpected visit from the Ambassador of India, whose heartfelt appreciation added cultural harmony and mutual respect.

In San Marcos Sierra, Córdoba, SSSIO members of all ages—from children to elders—came together to sing beautiful bhajans in Sanskrit, English, and Spanish, underscoring the universal nature of Bhagawan’s message and the unity of hearts beyond language or generation.

Across Argentina, these diverse celebrations created a harmonious tapestry of devotion, remembrance, and service, lovingly offered at Bhagawan’s lotus feet as a collective expression of love and gratitude.





BOLIVIA

Bolivia commemorated the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with an intimate and spiritually charged National Meeting held from November 22 to 24, 2025, in La Paz. Hosted at the María Reina de los Apóstoles Retreat House, the event was organized by the Sai Center of La Paz, with the inspiring theme, “One Hundred Years of Love and Unity in Sai.”

The three-day program was thoughtfully designed to integrate devotion, knowledge, and service. Participants engaged in talks and workshops centered on Swami’s teachings, devotional singing, and chanting of mantras and the Vedas. These sessions were complemented by reflective sharing, allowing devotees to deepen both personal and collective sadhana. Four members from the Sai Centers of Sucre and Cochabamba delivered talks on Bhagawan’s message, while seven members from the La Paz Center worked tirelessly and lovingly to organize the event.

Thirty-four participants attended the gathering, which unfolded less as a formal conference and more as a spiritual family reunion—one where everyone lives for the other and all live for God. The atmosphere was marked by warmth, unity, and heartfelt connection, embodying the Sai ideal of love in action. The celebration strengthened bonds among devotees and reaffirmed their shared commitment to human values, selfless service, and the transformative power of divine love.





BRAZIL

All over Brazil, the Centenary of the Advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated with devotion, creativity, cultural richness, and spiritual depth through programs held in multiple regions, each reflecting the sincerity, diversity, and heartfelt dedication of the devotees.

At the Sai Center of Pendotiba in Rio de Janeiro, about 50 devotees gathered on November 23, 2025, for a celebration that also marked the Center's 28th anniversary. A touching retrospective spanning nearly three decades of loving service to the Master was presented, allowing participants to revisit milestones of devotion, unity, and transformation. The program unfolded over three and a half hours, interwoven with vibrant *bhajans* that created a palpable atmosphere of divine presence and inspiration. The gathering concluded with a lovingly prepared vegan lunch shared in fellowship, offered as an expression of unity, gratitude, and reverence to Bhagawan.

In Ribeirão Preto, a smaller but spiritually meaningful celebration on November 22 brought together ten devotees for devotional singing led on the keyboard by Maestro Sérgio, readings of Swami's messages, *Arati*, and the traditional Birthday offering. The simplicity of the gathering reflected the essence of Bhagawan's teaching that love in action is the truest form of devotion.

Later, on November 29, the same city hosted a large public gathering attended by about 80 people, including guests and newcomers. Dr. Dalton Amorim, a member of the SSSIO Education Committee, spoke eloquently on the unity of world religions and the five human values. Mr. Charles Genehr, Vice President of the SSSIO of Brazil, emphasized selfless service as a direct path to spiritual growth and self-knowledge. Ms. Vera Silva concluded with an inspiring talk portraying Bhagawan as an educator of humanity, highlighting the transformative impact of values-based





education. A musical offering by the choir of the Sathya Sai School of Ribeirão Preto, composed of students and teachers, deeply moved the audience with its purity and innocence.

At the Sai Center of Copacabana, around 40 devotees gathered for a serene devotional gathering that included *bhajans*, inspiring talks, and darshan videos that helped participants connect with Bhagawan's living presence. The program concluded with *Arati*, leaving hearts filled with peace and gratitude.



Meanwhile, the Sai Center of Vila Isabel hosted nearly 100 participants for a vibrant and spiritually uplifting celebration. A dramatic presentation by the Young Adults portrayed the sacred moment of Bhagawan's divine declaration of Avatarhood. It also conveyed a powerful message from Swami, that true spirituality is expressed through loving action, that every act of kindness is an offering to God, and that the greatest miracle is the transformation of the human heart into an instrument of love. The drama emphasized



that Bhagawan’s mission continues through His devotees, reminding everyone that living a life of truth, love, peace, and nonviolence is living a divine life. The program also included a video presentation by the Sai School of Vila Isabel, a discourse by the Center’s Vice President, devotional singing, and the ceremonial offering of a commemorative cake bearing the SAI 100 emblem.

In Caxias do Sul, 14 devotees gathered for an intimate celebration filled with prayer, meditation, chanting *mantras*, and *bhajans*, beautifully rendered in Spanish, creating a universal spiritual atmosphere that transcended linguistic boundaries. The gathering concluded with sharing food and joyfully singing Birthday songs, embodying Bhagawan’s timeless teaching: “Be Happy.” Participants experienced a strong sense of communion, surrender, and closeness to divinity throughout the program.

Across these diverse gatherings—from intimate circles to public assemblies, from reflective study to artistic expression—the Centenary celebrations in Brazil blossomed into a radiant garland of devotion, service, unity, and love in action, reverentially offered at the lotus feet of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba.





CHILE

In Chile, the Centennial celebrations on November 22 and 23 at the Sai Center Seminario were infused with devotion and dynamism. The carefully organized program reflected love in action, spiritual depth, and active youth participation, creating a powerful offering to the beloved Master.

Each day began with prayers at the center, setting a sacred tone for the celebrations. On November 22, a workshop “Paths to Spirituality” was held to symbolize the vibrant future of Swami’s mission in Chile. The initiative was fully coordinated by the Young Adults. It was followed by devotional singing accompanied by a rich blend of Indian and Western instruments, filling the hall adorned with large and beautiful photographs of Bhagawan. The day continued with a Study Circle on “Purity is Divinity,” ending with a song lovingly dedicated to Sai.

On November 23, the day began with a Light Meditation, followed by a meaningful service

initiative: preparing and distributing 100 vegetarian lunches to the homeless, considering them as brothers and sisters. Thirty-two members participated wholeheartedly in this loving effort, bringing warmth, dignity, and hope to the underserved and neglected. It was only after the food distribution ended that the devotees shared a meal as a celebration of one hundred years of divine love.

The education, service, devotion, and Young Adults wings of the SSSIO presented spiritually uplifting contributions, including Vedic chanting—invocations to Lord Ganesha and Goddess Saraswati, “*Sahana Vavatu*”, and Sri Rudram—performed with remarkable clarity and precision. The celebration concluded with prasadam and two commemorative SAI 100 cakes, leaving all present strengthened in unity, gratitude, and commitment to live Bhagawan’s message of love and service.



COLOMBIA

Colombia's celebration of the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was a vibrant and deeply devotional national gathering attended by 148 devotees from Sai Centers and Groups across the country. Carefully planned months in advance, the event was thoughtfully organized and inclusive, with transportation arranged to enable devotees from various regions to join in this sacred offering in person.

The program featured a spiritually enriching Study Circle titled "Purity is Illumination," which provided a meaningful space for reflection and inner contemplation. The Sai Young Adults played a dynamic and inspiring role by conducting an outdoor activity featuring interactive stations, encouraging teamwork, and practical application of spiritual values. A theatrical presentation creatively highlighted conscious nutrition as an expression of love and awareness, while celebrating the natural abundance of Colombia.

The devotional singing, led jointly by the devotion wing and the Young Adults, was especially energetic and uplifting, filling the hall with enthusiasm and spiritual fervor. The beautifully arranged venue reflected serenity and universality, adorned with images of Lord Ganesha, Lakshmi, Jesus Christ, and Bhagawan, along with His quotations and the Centennial emblem. At the center stood a chair draped with Swami's robe, symbolizing His divine presence, before which multiple Birthday cakes were lovingly offered and ceremonially cut as devotees joyfully sang the Birthday song in Spanish.

The celebration ended with a lovingly prepared vegetarian meal, shared in fellowship and gratitude, leaving participants with a deep sense of unity, joy, and renewed commitment to follow Bhagawan's teachings.





ECUADOR

In Ecuador, SSSIO members celebrated Bhagawan's 100th Birthday through sustained environmental and community service initiatives, putting into practice His call to love all and protect Mother Earth.

In partnership with the Sai Center of Loja, the SSSIO of Ecuador, under the guidance of its president, undertook an environmental service project in Vilcabamba focused on reforestation. Twenty-one native trees were planted near the bypass road, approximately half a kilometer from the town center. The saplings, generously donated by Mi Compadre Hostería of Landanguí, were planted with a long-term commitment to care, including irrigation during drought and regular maintenance. To date, 20 of the 21 trees are thriving, and one has been replaced, symbolizing the volunteers' perseverance and dedication.

A second environmental initiative involved cleaning up solid waste along about two kilometers of trails surrounding the Chamba River, from the bridge near the Yamburara Recreational Center to the bridge by the Vilcabamba School.

Starting in March and culminating around November 23, three members of the Sai Center of Loja collected 103.32 kilograms of plastic, glass, cigarettes, and other waste materials. The participants were grateful to achieve their goal and reflected on the importance of cultivating greater environmental awareness and respect for Nature, a vesture of God.

In Quito, the Sai Center Santa Clara organized a joyful outreach at Rumipamba School in Rumiñahui Canton on November 29, 2025. Led by Ms. Mercedes Burbano, Mr. Luis Sánchez, and Ms. Gaby Zurita, with support from Dr. Johanna Ponce and Mr. Alejandro, the service benefited 78 children. The program included games, music, distribution of food, sweets, toys, and clothing. The initiative also received generous support from Ms. Blanca Zurita, Dr. Johanna Ponce, Mr. Jorge Glasfeld, Ms. Silvia Torres, the Mediadores Foundation, and the Challenger Company.

Together, these offerings in Ecuador beautifully embodied love in action—serving both nature and humanity in grateful homage to the divine teacher, Bhagawan Baba.





In Paraguay, the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was marked with a solemn and deeply meaningful Thanksgiving Mass held on November 23, 2025, at the Metropolitan Cathedral of Asunción. The sacred ceremony, celebrated under the auspices of His Eminence Cardinal Adalberto Martínez, commemorated the remarkable achievement of completing 1,000 cataract surgeries for the needy, completely free of charge. This selfless service was an offering of love and devotion to Lord Sai for His 100th Birthday.

Approximately one hundred participants attended, including members of the Sai Organization, guests, medical professionals, nurses, and patients whose sight had been restored, along with their families. The gathering stood



as a living testament to the transformative power of love expressed through service. During the Mass, several doctors shared heartfelt reflections on how participating in this humanitarian effort had profoundly deepened their understanding of compassion and spirituality.



Among the most moving moments was the testimony of a lady who tearfully expressed her gratitude. She said that, thanks to the SSSIO, she was once again able to read her Bible. Not only had her eyesight been restored, she added, but her connection to God was strengthened. Her words beautifully captured the true significance of the initiative—the restoration of vision was both a physical and spiritual blessing.

A commemorative video retraced the journey from the inception of this noble service to the completion of one thousand cataract surgeries. The celebration ended with tokens of appreciation given to the medical professionals, bringing the gathering to a close in an atmosphere of love, unity, and gratitude to the Divine.



PERU

In Peru, Bhagawan’s Centennial Birthday was celebrated with joy, devotion, and heartfelt unity, as around 70 devotees gathered to commemorate this sacred milestone. SSSIO members representing three centers in Lima and two centers from other regions of the country came together in a spirit of love and reverence that marked the occasion. The gathering was especially beautiful as it united devotees of all generations—from children and youth to elders—symbolizing that Bhagawan’s message is universal and eternal.

The program started with the recitation of the Vedas, followed by devotional singing that elevated the atmosphere with a sense of sacred-



ness and inner stillness. Throughout the celebration, a screen continuously displayed videos of Bhagawan, allowing participants to inwardly connect with Him. Offerings from various Sai Centers included a poem and a song lovingly dedicated to Swami, while the youth presented an inspiring segment that was both creative and spiritually uplifting. Musical performances and a short play further enriched the gathering, blending devotion with artistic expression.

The celebration concluded with the collective singing of “Happy Birthday,” followed by the sharing of prasadam and joyful fellowship as devotees exchanged memories and reflections. Participants also commemorated the occasion by taking photographs with a decorative frame bearing the Centennial emblem, preserving a visual reminder of the sacred day. The event closed in an atmosphere of love, unity, gratitude, and the unmistakable joy of gathering at Bhagawan’s lotus feet.





In Uruguay, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday was commemorated with devotion and unity on November 23, 2025, at the Sai Center of Montevideo. The celebration was jointly organized by multiple coordinators within the SSSIO, with cooperation, harmony, and dedication that characterize Bhagawan's mission.

Approximately 40 members of the SSSIO of Uruguay participated in a program that included Vedic chanting, devotional singing, and offerings of love. The venue was especially sanctified by the presence on the altar of Swami's robe and a slate bearing the sacred syllable "Om" written by Bhagawan in Sanskrit. These cherished items radiated a palpable sense of divine vibrations, filling the hall with reverence and spiritual upliftment.

The program also included the distribution of gifts and moments of heartfelt fellowship, allowing devotees to celebrate not only the Centenary but also their shared spiritual journey. Throughout the gathering, a deep sense of gratitude prevailed as participants reflected on Bhagawan's life, teachings, and enduring guidance.

The celebration concluded with a renewed commitment to live His message of love, service, and human values, strengthening bonds of fraternity and leaving everyone with a feeling of peace, unity, and divine vibrations.

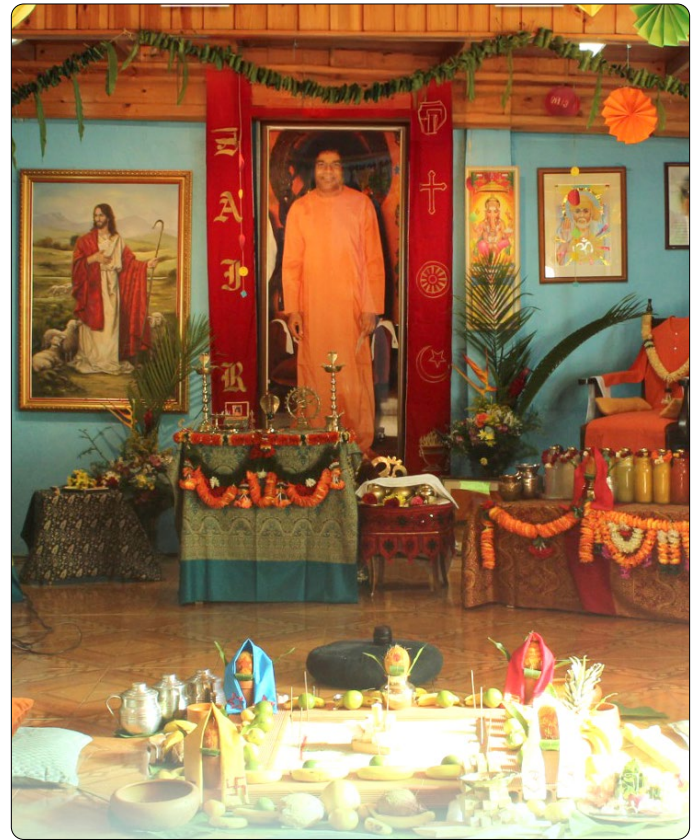


VENEZUELA

In Venezuela, the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was commemorated through an extensive year-long program of devotional and service activities, culminating in a remarkable series of events in November. Throughout the twelve months, all areas of the Sai Organization undertook special initiatives honoring the life, teachings, and humanitarian mission of the beloved Master.

Despite the well-known social and economic challenges facing the country, the spirit of devotion remained unwavering. In the midst of difficult challenges and uncertainty, love for God and commitment to service shone even brighter, demonstrating that faith and devotion can transcend difficult circumstances. The Centenary celebrations stood as a testament to resilience anchored in spiritual conviction.

On November 22, a Special Centenary Concert was held, featuring nationally recognized musicians alongside experts in traditional Indian music, creating an atmosphere of spiritual elevation. The next morning, the sacred Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai *Shatabdi* (100th year) *Homa* was performed with approximately one hundred participants. The Vedic chants—delivered entirely by Venezuelan devotees with remarkable precision, clarity, diction, and devotion—reflected extraordinary dedication and disciplined spiritual practice. The ceremony was offered as an



act of purification, gratitude, and invocation of divine grace.

In the afternoon, special *bhajans* and devotional singing brought the congregation together in unity and love. The celebration concluded with the traditional Birthday song, ceremonial cake cutting, and fraternal fellowship, reaffirming the resolve to carry forward Bhagawan's message of love, service, and human values into the new century.





ZONE 3



AUSTRALIA

Devotees across Australia came together in a spirit of unity, devotion, and gratitude, as all six regions organized well-attended celebrations marked by vibrant participation and heartfelt offerings. In many places, the day began early with sacred chants such as *Omkar* and *Suprabhatam*, setting a serene and uplifting tone for the day.

Devotional singing formed the heart of celebrations across the country, complemented by a wide range of cultural and spiritual presentations. SSE children played a central role, offering thoughtfully crafted dramas that reflected the challenges of spiritual life and the guidance of Swami's teachings. The ACT Region presented "Sai Outback Express," a creative journey through symbolic worlds such as "*Struggleopia*," "*Digitopia*," "*Christmasville*," "*Parentopia*," and "*Sayiration*," illustrating the pursuit of inner peace amidst life's pressures. SSSIO Queensland

Region staged "The Roof of Love," a large-scale production exploring Swami's omnipresence, guidance, and unconditional love. In Western Australia, SSE children presented 'The Rainbow of Human Values,' while the Sai Rhythms Band, comprising older youth and adults, offered delightful musical performances with a diverse range of instruments.

Devotional programs also formed an integral part of the celebrations, with many devotees speaking about their personal experiences of Swami's love and guidance. A recorded address by Mr. Aravind Balasubramanya for SSSIO Queensland was received with deep appreciation. In Tasmania, the program concluded with all participants sharing reflections on Swami's teachings that had most profoundly shaped their lives, creating a personal moment of reflection and introspection.



The Victoria Region marked the occasion with a spiritually immersive weekend retreat at Wombat Camp in the Dandenong Ranges. Surrounded by nature, Sai devotees engaged in devotional singing around a bonfire, nature walks, interactive sessions on health and well-being, and reflections on Swami's declaration, "Your life is My Message." This retreat was preceded by an inspiring 100-day *sadhana* that included organizing blood donation drives and preparing Christmas hampers for the homeless and economically challenged at the Queen Victoria Markets. During the retreat, devotees also packed hygiene kits for the 'Share the Dignity' organization, supporting women facing hardship, an effort later connected with the Ladies Day celebrations.



Service was a unifying thread across all regions. The Queensland region prepared 100 “Blessing Bags” for those in need, while the ACT Region assembled 30 grocery kits, distributed through OzHarvest to support vulnerable individuals and families. The New South Wales Region undertook numerous service initiatives under the ‘One Million Steps’ program dedicated to the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan, while Western Australia complemented its regular service activities with two special initiatives—visiting a wildlife sanctuary to care for injured animals, emphasizing Swami’s teaching that all beings are manifestations of the divine, and conducting a workshop focused on service.

Across Australia, the celebrations reflected not only diversity in expression but unity in purpose. Devotion, service, and spiritual reflection came together seamlessly, creating an atmosphere filled with joy and reverence. As many devotees observed, there was a distinct and palpable presence of Swami, filling hearts with love. It was truly a sacred occasion, with a renewed commitment to live His message.



 **FIJI**

In Fiji, the Centenary was marked by a beautiful combination of sustained spiritual outreach and a grand collective celebration, reflecting both depth of devotion and wide community engagement.

A remarkable offering came from the Lautoka Sai Center’s Spiritual Wing, which undertook an inspiring initiative titled “100 Homes for Swami’s 100th Birthday.” Spanning from February to November 2025, Sai devotees conducted devotional programs in 100 homes across Lautoka, Ba, and Nadi. Each visit included 108 recitations of Gayatri mantra or *Hanuman Chalisa*, *bhajans*, and *arati*, creating deeply peaceful and spiritually charged environments within homes. With participation ranging from 8 to 20 devotees and





volunteers at each gathering, the initiative not only strengthened the faith of existing devotees but also introduced Sai teachings to new families. The overwhelming response led to a commitment to continue this outreach beyond the Centenary year.

The celebrations culminated on November 23, 2025, with a grand gathering at Tilak High School in Lautoka, attended by over 160 devotees, inter-faith leaders, and members of the public. Held under the theme “Purity is Enlightenment,” the program featured devotional singing, cultural presentations, and musical offerings by the Jhankaar Band, creating an atmosphere of spiritual vibrancy and joy.

The event was graced by Hon. Sashi Kiran, Minister for Women, Children, and Social Protection, as Chief Guest, and Dr. Swaran Naidu of the SSSIO, Fiji, as Guest Speaker. Their reflections highlighted the enduring relevance of Swami’s teachings, especially the importance of purity in thought, word, and deed as the foundation for spiritual progress.

Across Fiji, the celebrations beautifully conveyed a central message that purity, love, and selfless service are not merely ideals, but living principles to be practiced daily. From intimate home gatherings to a large public celebration, Sai devotees experienced a deep sense of unity and inspiration, reaffirming their commitment to live Swami’s teachings with sincerity and devotion.



NEW ZEALAND

In New Zealand, SSSIO members came together in a spirit of devotion and unity through a vibrant national celebration and a series of devotional activities to honor Swami.

The main celebration was held on November 23, 2025, at the Mt. Eden War Memorial Hall in Auckland, drawing approximately 630 attendees, including the wider community. The program commenced at 3:00 PM with a heartfelt *Karakia*, the traditional Māori prayer, invoking divine blessings and setting a deeply sacred and inclusive tone for the afternoon. This was followed by the ceremonial welcoming of Swami's *Padukas*, which were reverentially placed on His chair, symbolizing His divine presence.

The program unfolded as a beautiful blend of devotion, culture, and service. Children and youth offered a thoughtful and inspiring presentation comprising a play, dance, and music, reflecting the values of love, unity, and selfless service. An inspiring talk by Dr. Dinesh Lal high-

lighted the various service initiatives undertaken by the community, including medical camps and other service projects, reinforcing the spirit of "Love All, Serve All."

Devotional singing (*bhajans*) formed the heart of the celebration. The entire gathering resonated with devotion as participants immersed themselves in singing the divine name.





The celebration concluded with *Mangala Arati*, after which all attendees were offered *prasadam*. The event received overwhelmingly positive feedback, with many expressing how spiritually enriching and uplifting the experience was.

Across New Zealand, the Centenary celebrations thus emerged not merely as a commemorative event, but as a deeply fulfilling collective offering, blending devotion, culture, service, and a deep commitment to live Swami's teachings.



ZONE 4



In India, the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated with heartfelt devotion, sacred rituals, and loving service, reflecting the spiritual richness and diversity of the country.

In Jodhpur, celebrations took place at Sucheta Kriplani Shiksha Niketan (SKSN), a residential school serving 400–450 children affected by polio. Devotees offered a special meal prepared for the children, along with a joyful cake-cutting ceremony. The venue was beautifully decorated with balloons, and the cake featured the Centenary logo. The gathering was filled with happiness, gratitude, and love for Swami and one another.

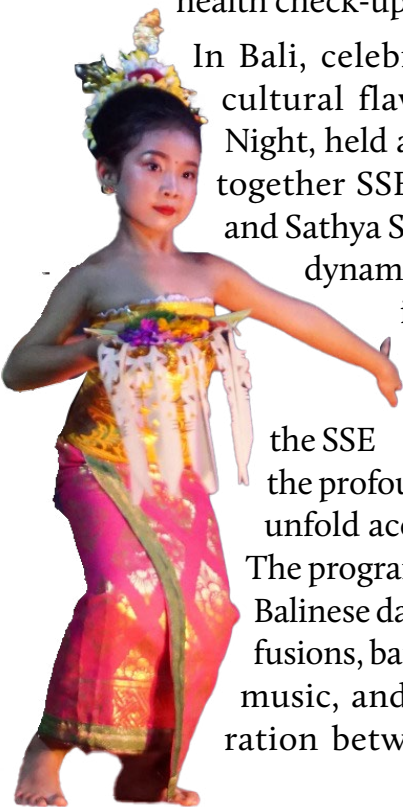


In Indonesia, the Birth Centenary of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated with a blend of compassionate service, cultural presentations, and value-based education, reflecting Swami’s teachings.

A major service initiative was carried out in Aceh Tamiang, where Sevadal members provided timely relief to flood-affected communities in Dusun Makmur, Tanah Berongga.

SSSIO volunteers delivered 3,840 food packages and prepared meals, along with 2,405 kg of rice, 401 liters of cooking oil, 241 trays of eggs, 96 units of 3 kg LPG cylinders and 7 units of 15 kg LPG cylinders, 120 boxes of mineral water, 50 gallons of drinking water, 3 units of 800-liter water tanks, 4 truck deliveries totaling 30,000 liters of clean water, 80 folding mattresses, 2 stoves, 1 electricity generator, 1 water pump and 20 liters of gasoline, along with clothing and other assistance for 61 students. Recovery efforts also included sanitation and house cleaning, trauma-healing activities for children, and health check-ups for 317 residents.

In Bali, celebrations took on a lively cultural flavor. The Denpasar Arts Night, held at the Sai Center, brought together SSE children, youth, ladies, and Sathya Sai School participants in a dynamic display of artistic offerings. A central highlight was the drama *Behind Every Event*, presented by the SSE children, which conveyed the profound message that all events unfold according to the divine will. The program also featured traditional Balinese dances, contemporary dance fusions, band performances, gamelan music, and even a unique collaboration between gamelan and tabla,





creating a beautiful expression of cross-cultural harmony rooted in spirituality.

Similarly, the *Harmony in Diversity Arts Night* at the Mahendradatta Sai Center created a warm, family-like atmosphere for devotees to gather, connect, and celebrate unity amidst diversity. Through a variety of performances, participants reflected on the values of tolerance, mutual respect, and harmonious coexistence, reinforcing

Swami's teaching that unity is the underlying truth of all diversity.

To further enrich the Centenary offerings, a Parenting Workshop was held at Sai Center Toili in Central Sulawesi on January 16–17, 2026, with around 150 participants. Led by an experienced early childhood educator, the workshop focused on guiding children with love and discipline in today's digital age, including interactive sessions on nurturing human values in everyday life.





MALAYSIA

In Malaysia, the Birth Centenary of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was celebrated with a nationwide display of devotion, unity, and selfless service, with activities across multiple states and a grand national gathering.

In Penang, the Sathya Sai Baba Center of Brown Garden marked November 23, 2025 with morning prayers including *Omkar*, *Suprabhatam*, *Namavali*, *bhajans*, and a *Gayatri Yajna*. The evening program brought together around 120 devotees for *bhajans*, a youth cultural dance, and an SSE drama titled *Sai-The Divine Advent*. An inspiring Tamil discourse by Sri Vairabharathi further enriched the celebrations. In addition, centers in Sungai Nibong and Penang jointly organized a public event at the Ramakrishna Ashram attended by about 400 people, complemented by distributing dry rations to 100 families, a blood donation drive, and a free medical camp.

In Perak, about 250 devotees gathered for a powerful *100 Bhajan* offering at Sai Kripa, along with extensive service activities including distribution of provisions, tree planting, medical and dental screenings, and visits to old-age homes.

Negeri Sembilan and Malacca jointly organized a grand procession of Swami's Padukas and His picture at Port Dickson, accompanied by the traditional *Nadaswaram* and *Chenda Melam*, symbolizing unity and devotion.

The national celebrations in Selangor wrapped up on December 7, 2025, with a Vedam procession, the installation of Golden *Padukas*, and a lively program featuring *bhajans*, multicultural performances, youth dramas, and the honoring of 72 senior members for their decades of service. The celebrations ended with cake cutting and *Arati*, leaving devotees inspired to continue Swami's mission of love and service.





PHILIPPINES

In the Philippines, devotees celebrated Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birth Anniversary with a year-long mix of spiritual practices and compassionate service activities. A major initiative was the Special Narayana Seva program, serving more than 1,200 beneficiaries over 12 months. Additional outreach activities supported families and children with disabilities. Devotees also engaged in spiritual *sadhanas*, including Light Meditation sessions and regular *Sathyanarayana Katha* (study of Sathya Sai's divine life story) programs, strengthening devotion and spiritual discipline.



SINGAPORE



In Singapore, devotees celebrated Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday with a grand and meticulously organized two-day event that beautifully blended devotion, worship, music, and cultural presentations.

The celebrations began with *Sai Sathyanarayana Vratam* and *Puja*, culminating in the reading of the *Sathya Sai Katha*, which features the stories of Lord Sathyanarayana and Sai. This was followed by the presentation of Swami's divine discourse,

in which He lovingly narrated aspects of His childhood, drawing devotees from all over. The day continued with vibrant *bhajans* and devotional offerings.

The evening program was especially rich and engaging. It featured a devotional music concert by Ms. Karthika Vaidyanathan, followed by *Mangala Arati* and a collective *bhajan* session by various Sai Centers. A Senior Citizens' High Tea was thoughtfully organized, reflecting love and



respect for elders. A key highlight was the SSE drama presentation by students, which conveyed deep spiritual values through creative expression. The evening concluded with another devotional music program by playback singer Mr. Sai Vignesh Ramakrishnan, followed by *bhajans* and *Mangala Arati*.



The second day began in the early hours with *Suprabhatam*, followed by *Veda* chanting that sanctified the atmosphere. Then, worship of Lord Shiva—whom Swami embodies—was performed, along with a *Yajna* and *Rudrahoma*, accompanied by the powerful chanting of *Namakam* and *Chamakam*. A special collective offering of 100 bhajans was presented on this day, marking the sacred Centenary with deep devotion. Soulful devotional singing uplifted the gathering, while moving visual presentations deepened the spiritual experience.



The evening program featured a grand welcome procession, devotional music perfor-



mances by renowned artists, an organizational presentation, and collective *bhajans* culminating in *Jhoola Mahotsavam*, cake-cutting, and *Mangala Arati*. Multi-faith prayers added a universal dimension, reflecting Swami's message of the unity of all religions.

Held at the Singapore Khalsa Association and attended by devotees and guests, the celebrations stood as a lively expression of unity, devotion, and Swami's timeless message of *Love All, Serve All*.

SRI LANKA



In Sri Lanka, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday was celebrated as a year-long national display of love, service, and spiritual renewal. Centers across the island dedicated the Centenary year to deepening *sadhana*, expanding selfless service, nurturing human values, and strengthening unity among communities. Throughout the year, Sai centers across Sri Lanka organized devotional gatherings, educational initiatives, and compassionate outreach activities rooted in the five human values of Truth, Right Conduct, Peace, Love, and Nonviolence.

In Colombo, the celebration began early in the morning at both Sai Mandir and Sivananda Nilayam, featuring *Omkar*, *Suprabhatam*, and *Nagara Sankirtan*. The devotional atmosphere deepened with *Veda* processions, *bhajans*, *Mangala Arati*, and flag hoisting ceremonies, as





devotees gathered in prayerful remembrance throughout the morning.

The main public celebration took place in the evening at the Temple Trees Auditorium, attended by over 650 devotees and well-wishers. The program started with a sacred Veda Procession, followed by *Shatha Koti Vandhanam*, a musical offering by the Young Adults. A short film titled “*COIN-A Toss by the Guru*” highlighted the significance of the Centenary and Bhagawan’s teachings. Sai Spiritual Education students presented a multifaith dance titled *Together We Rise*, beautifully reflecting unity in diversity, while the Young Adults staged a drama titled *Purity is Divinity*, based on Bhagawan’s message of purity and selfless service. A service presentation showcased ongoing Sai initiatives in healthcare, education, nutrition, and community welfare across the nation. The evening also included a divine discourse, *bhajans*, *Thiru Oonjal seva* (ceremonial gentle rocking of the Lord in the swing), and *Mangala Arati*, bringing the gathering to a heartwarming close.

In Jaffna, celebrations at the Sri Sathya Sai Seva Center commenced in the early morning with prayers, *Veda* chanting, and *Nagara Sankirtan*.





The day included devotional music, *bhajans*, *Narayana Seva*, and inspiring talks by distinguished speakers, including Sri Sai Murali, Consul General of India in Jaffna, and Mr. Krishnamoorthy Venkatraman, an alumnus of the Sai Institute in Tamil Nadu. SSE students and Young Adults presented dance dramas and educational plays based on Bhagawan's teachings. The cele-

brations concluded with *Thiru Oonjal*, *bhajans*, *Mangala Arati*, and a deep sense of collective gratitude and spiritual joy.

Throughout Sri Lanka, the Centenary celebrations strengthened unity among devotees and reaffirmed their commitment to Baba's message of love, humility, and selfless service.





THAILAND



In Thailand, devotees in Bangkok celebrated Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday with a grand and heartfelt gathering on January 31, 2026, bringing together approximately 100 members and 450 non-members in a vibrant expression of devotion and unity. Originally scheduled for November 2025, the celebrations were respectfully postponed due to national mourning following the passing of the Queen Mother.



were delivered by the Zone 4 Chairman, National Council President, Education Coordinator, SSE parents, graduating students, community beneficiaries, and the Chief Guest, all highlighting Swami's life, teachings, and the impact of Sai activities in Thailand.

The program began with Thai and Indian national anthems sung by Sathya Sai School students, followed by *Veda* chanting. A ceremonial procession with Swami's Padukas added a sacred touch to the opening. The event featured a wide variety of offerings, including cultural performances, devotional dances, *bhajans*, and a skit by SSE students. Sathya Sai School students also presented an exhibition, while speeches

A notable highlight was distributing commemorative gifts, with 100 of each item, such as car stickers, framed photos, keychains, pendants, and books with Swami's sayings, to the participants. A remarkable coincidence or 'Sai-incidence' was the unexpected arrival of a newly ordered throne for Swami on the very morning of the celebration, after months of delay, which was seen as a sign of divine grace. The program concluded with *Arati* and the distribution of *prasadam*, leaving all participants filled with gratitude and joy.





ZONE 5



CHINA

Swami's Centenary Birthday was celebrated in Guangzhou on November 23 with both morning and evening devotional programs, conducted in a spirit of gratitude and reverence. The day's observances brought together devotees for collective prayer, devotional singing, and remembrance of Swami's life and message.

Approximately 120 people attended the evening program, which was characterized by a serene, peaceful, and uplifting devotional atmosphere. As part of a special Centenary celebration, participants received beautifully crafted coins bearing the logo of the Sri Sathya Sai International Organization on one side and the specially designed Centennial Birthday logo on the other. A water flask imprinted with Swami's timeless message, "Love All, Serve All," was also distributed, serving as a practical and symbolic reminder to live His teachings in daily life.

In keeping with Swami's emphasis on selfless service, one hundred homeless individuals were served as part of the Centenary celebrations. This act of love in action reflected the true spirit of the occasion—honoring Swami not only through devotion, but also through compassionate service to those in need.





The SSSIO Hong Kong celebrated the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with a grand cultural program from 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM at the Holiday Inn Hotel. Around 700 people attended, including special guests from other Indian spiritual organizations and senior members of the Indian community, reflecting the reverence for Swami's universal message.

The evening started with a ceremonial "Paduka procession" symbolically welcoming Swami, followed by the chanting of Ganesha *Stotram* by the SSE Gurus and a graceful Ganesha Vandanam dance by the Sri Shakti Academy. Devotional singing by the SSE children from the Tsuen Wan Center and singers from the Tsim Sha Tsui Center filled the hall with joy and devotion.

A highlight of the evening was the musical piece "An Ode to Sri Sathya Sai Baba," performed by the SSE children, portraying



episodes from Swami's younger days. This was followed by the play *Linking Dots to the Divine*, performed by the Young Adults and Ladies' Wing. The play depicted volunteers distracted during a service project, illustrating how ego and personal tendencies can hinder service. Through a creative re-enactment of Lord Krishna's *Damodar Leela*, the drama conveyed the importance of *namasmarana*, humility, love, and focused effort in doing service.

The program also featured a lively Qawwali (Sufi devotional music), celebrating unity in devotion. The evening concluded with a grand finale where even senior devotees joined in joyful dance, reflecting the spirit of unity and bliss.

The Dhanyosmi (gratitude) initiative, was inaugurated, and the celebration concluded with cake cutting and *Arati*, leaving all present filled with bliss, gratitude, and devotion.



ZONE 6



BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

In Bosnia and Herzegovina, devotees and the public gathered at Atelier Figure for prayers, sharing of experiences, and fellowship. The venue carried a unique warmth and artistic charm, with devotees seated together in a cozy, candlelit setting adorned with spiritual artwork and simple decorations.

A video talk by Mr. Aravind Balasubramanya, which was translated into Bosnian, was the highlight of the program, allowing local participants to connect more deeply with Swami's life and message. Long-time devotees also shared personal experiences and reflections, creating an atmosphere of heartfelt gratitude and inspiration.

Volunteers lovingly prepared vegetarian food, sweets, fruits, and refreshments, which were shared with all present, reinforcing the spirit of unity and togetherness. As part of the Centenary celebrations, SSSIO members also





served Mother Nature by planting approximately 150 trees in Sarajevo (Mount Igman) and Tuzla during October and November 2025. One initiative was conducted in cooperation with a local forestation company, while another took place on a devotee's land. The SSSIO also took part in the annual Interfaith

Prayer Meeting held in Sarajevo on November 15, 2025, organized by the Franciscan Community. Representatives of various faiths gathered in a spirit of peace, harmony, and mutual respect, with the SSSIO represented by Mr. Jadranko Panjeta, the former National Council President.



CROATIA



In Croatia, about 100 devotees and guests gathered in the cities of Pula, Rijeka, Split, and Zagreb to celebrate Baba's 100th Birthday. The event saw the participation of many guests, well-wishers, and newcomers to the Sai Organization, who comprised more than half the audience.

The program included introductory talks on the significance of the Centenary, readings from Swami's Birthday discourses, and devotional

singing that created a peaceful and uplifting atmosphere. Participants also had the opportunity to learn more about Swami's life and teachings through available Sai literature and books. Food and refreshments were lovingly served, fostering a spirit of unity and togetherness that marked the celebrations.



FRANCE

In France, around 30 devotees and guests gathered with deep love and gratitude to offer their heartfelt prayers at the lotus feet of Swami and to honor His legacy on the occasion of His 100th Birthday.

The program began with the chanting of *21 Omkara*, followed by *Ganapathi Prarthana* and the recitation of the 108 names of Baba (*Ashtotara Shata Namavali*), creating a sacred and uplifting spiritual ambience. Devotees then listened to an inspiring address by Ms. Nicole Cressy, National Council President of the SSSIO France, who

reflected on the universal human values taught by Swami and their importance in building a more compassionate and harmonious world.

The celebrations continued with a beautiful, devotional bhajan session, followed by a music and dance program that was warmly received and enjoyed by those present. The event concluded with the distribution of *prasadam*. Many participants took home spiritual books and photographs of Swami that were lovingly gifted by the SSSIO.



GREECE

In Greece, devotees gathered at the main Sathya Sai Center in Athens to celebrate the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba in an atmosphere of devotion, joy, and spiritual unity. The celebration reflected the spirit of Swami's teachings and the warmth of the Greek Sai community. The program featured a video presentation on Bhagawan's life and message, readings from Swami's discourses, and soulful *bhajans* sung collectively by devotees. The celebrations concluded with the joyful cutting of a Birthday cake and renewed commitment to the divine mission.



IRELAND

In Ireland, devotees celebrated Swami's 100th Birthday with a two-day program filled with devotion, cultural presentations, and spiritual reflection. The first celebration, held on November 16, 2025, focused primarily on cultural presentations by SSE children and members of the Young Adults wing. The highlight of the program was a Young Adults drama based on the theme Purity is *Enlightenment*, conveying Swami's message on inner transformation and purity of thought, word, and deed.

The main Birthday celebration took place on November 23, 2025, when devotees lovingly offered 100 *bhajans* in honor of Swami's sacred Centenary. Approximately 120 devotees and guests participated in the gathering, creating a deeply devotional atmosphere filled with prayer, music, and gratitude for Bhagawan's life and teachings.





Israel conducted two intimate and heartfelt gatherings to commemorate the Centenary Birthday of Bhagawan Baba. One was held at Tirat Hacarmel near Haifa on November 21 and the other at the Sathya Sai Center of Tel Aviv on November 22, 2025. The gathering near Haifa drew around 20 devotees from northern Israel and the Tel Aviv area. The celebration was lovingly hosted at the home of a senior devotee who, being wheelchair-bound, was unable to travel elsewhere. Devotional songs were sung in Sanskrit, Hindi, English, and Hebrew, following a specially prepared program. The National Council President of SSSIO Israel and others also shared personal experiences and reflections on Swami's loving guidance and inner transformation through short talks.

The Tel Aviv celebration similarly brought devotees together for *bhajans*, spiritual talks, Birthday cake cutting, and spiritual fellowship. A sumptuous vegetarian meal was shared among all participants. Devotees lovingly brought dishes they felt Swami would especially appreciate, including Indian delicacies and festive offerings. The Centenary celebrations in Israel were a meaningful opportunity to reflect on Swami's universal message, *Love All, Serve All*, and to renew the devotees' dedication to unity, peace, and selfless service.





ITALY

Across Italy, SSSIO members celebrated the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba through heartfelt gatherings in numerous cities, including Bologna, Torino, Milano, Bolzano, Parma, Bergamo, Mestre (Venezia), Lecce, Conegliano (Treviso), Faenza (Ravenna), Cossato (Biella), Bulgarograsso (Como), Pescara, as well as several other Sai Centers across the country.

The celebrations were primarily centered around devotional singing, with *bhajans* offered lovingly in intimate home gatherings, Sai Centers, meditation halls, and larger community venues. Devotees of all ages came together in an atmosphere of joy, unity, and deep devotion. In several Sai Centers, musical offerings included guitars, harmoniums, percussion instruments, and group chanting, creating a vibrant and uplifting spiritual atmosphere.

The venues were beautifully decorated with Swami's photographs, flowers, candles, banners, and specially prepared altars. Birthday cakes bearing the Centenary logo and messages of love and gratitude were ceremonially cut and shared. Lovingly prepared vegetarian feasts and refreshments were offered after the programs at many locations across Italy.

In Bulgarograsso (Como), children participated enthusiastically in a creative cultural program using animal masks and symbolic presentations, bringing joy and innocence to the occasion. Several Sai Centers also included readings from Swami's discourses, silent meditation, experience-sharing, and presentations on Swami's teachings and His continued presence in devotees' lives. These celebrations reflected both the diversity and unity of the Sai family, with gatherings ranging from small devotional circles in homes to large public programs.





SERBIA

After nearly six months of dedicated effort, a national celebration was organized in Belgrade on November 23, 2025. The program featured devotional singing, recitations, and heartfelt offerings by devotees, followed by the distribution of *prasadam*. The prevailing feeling throughout the gathering was one of unity and spiritual fellowship. Both the guests and the organizers were especially touched by the devotional singing, which many felt carried a sweetness and

feeling beyond the usual renderings displayed throughout the year.

A second celebration was held in Senta, in northern Serbia, where devotees organized a program that included Veda chanting, ritualistic worship, devotional singing, and a fellowship dinner. Members of Bhakti Marga Serbia also attended as guests, adding to the spirit of interfaith harmony and friendship.





SLOVENIA

The Sai Center in Ljubljana became the blessed venue to celebrate the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba in Slovenia. Around 50 devotees and guests attended the four-hour celebration, which began with Veda chanting. This was followed by a video presentation and *Ashtotara Shata Namavali* chanting. The President of the Sai Center then delivered an inspiring talk, reflecting on Swami's teachings and emphasizing the importance of love, selfless service, and unity. *Bhajans* followed, after which devotees made their personal, loving offerings to Swami at the altar. The celebration concluded with *prasadam*, lovingly prepared vegetarian food, joyful interactions, and a beautifully decorated Birthday cake.

As part of the Centenary celebrations, the Sai Center also organized an 'Open Day' initiative, during which everyone was warmly welcomed



to visit the center, sit quietly, meditate, pray, ask questions, or simply experience the spiritual atmosphere. Sai books were offered at a special discounted price, and *prasadam* was distributed. The 'Open Day' also became a meaningful reunion, as several devotees who had not visited the Center for a long time returned to participate in the celebrations.



SPAIN

In Spain, the Centenary celebrations were organized by the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Madrid at the Jhulelal Temple on November 23, 2025. The event was held in a beautifully decorated prayer hall adorned with flowers, lights, and colorful Centenary displays, creating a warm and festive ambience of love and devotion, open to the public.

About 80 people attended the celebrations, including SSSIO members and others from the local community. The program included devotional singing, reflections on Swami's teachings, prayers, and moments of silent contemplation before the beautifully decorated altar. Devotees participated wholeheartedly in *bhajans*, filling the hall with a spirit of unity and joy. The gathering reflected the multicultural and inclusive



spirit of Sai devotees in Spain, with people of different backgrounds joining together in love and unity.

A specially prepared SAI 100 booklet in Spanish was also shared during the celebrations, which concluded with Birthday cake cutting, *prasadam*, and a lovingly prepared vegetarian meal shared among all attendees. Participants spent time in joyful conversation, expressing gratitude for Swami's love and guidance.



SWITZERLAND



In Switzerland, around 200 devotees and guests gathered from Sai Centers across Basel, Vaud, Baselland, Ticino, Bern, Aargau, St. Gallen, and Zurich in a parish hall in Zurich on the freezing morning of November 23 to celebrate the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Baba. The beautifully decorated hall, filled with flowers and photographs of Swami reminiscent of a miniature Prasanthi Nilayam, radiated warmth and joy despite the winter cold outside. Devotees were lovingly welcomed with hot chai and croissants prepared by dedicated volunteers, while old friends reunited and newcomers were embraced like family.

The celebration began with uplifting *bhajans* and devotional singing, followed by a procession with Swami's palanquin, the sacred *padukas*, and flags representing the various Sai Centers

in Switzerland. The lighting of candles formally inaugurated the event, after which Mr. Michael Bieri, National Council President of SSSIO Switzerland, reflected on the divine significance of Swami's advent and His declaration at the age of 14: "*My devotees are calling Me.*"

A highlight of the program was an inspiring talk by Mr. Arun Kharidehal, former student of the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning and former Radio Sai staff member, who shared personal experiences of Swami's guidance, grace, and transformative love. He illustrated how Bhagawan gradually expands from a simple idea in the mind into an infinite divine presence that uplifts humanity from ignorance. The celebrations also featured devotional Western songs, classical music performances, and an Indian musical concert accompanied by violin and

pakhawaj, showcasing the beautiful blending of cultures. A large Birthday cake was ceremonially cut and shared with all, followed by a sumptuous vegetarian lunch served by many volunteers who had worked tirelessly behind the scenes since early morning.

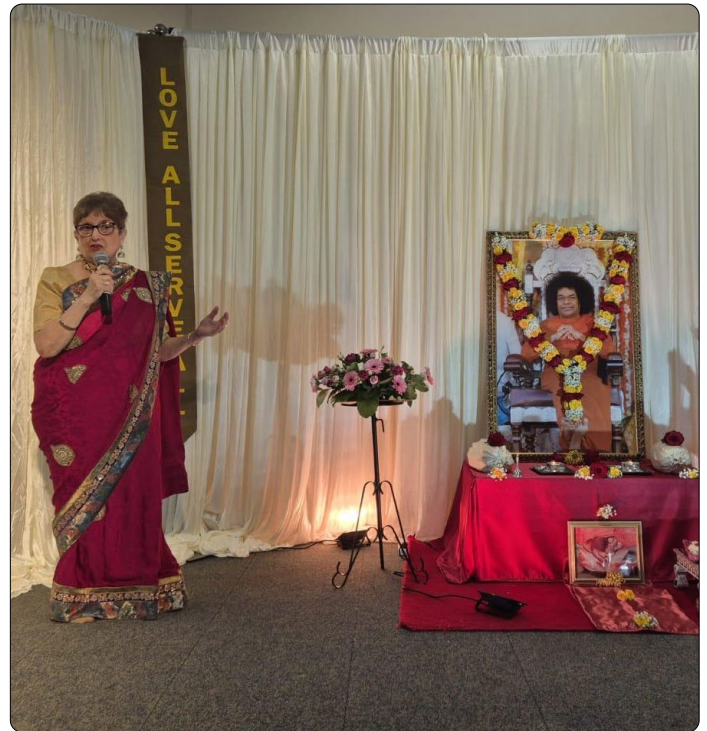
The gathering concluded with the chanting of the Sai Gayatri mantra, after which devotees quietly offered rose petals at the sacred *padukas* before departing with hearts filled with gratitude, peace, and divine energy.





SSSIO UK commemorated the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan with a grand community celebration on November 23 in Harrow, London. The event brought together more than 200 attendees, including devotees, community members, interfaith representatives, educators, and local dignitaries, underscoring the universal respect and affection for Swami.

The program featured devotional singing, prayers, and inspiring talks centered on the timeless relevance of His teachings. Distinguished guests included the Worshipful Mayor of Harrow, Councillor Anjana Patel; Ms. Soonu Malkani, executive member of an interfaith organization; Mr. Kuha Kumaran, Pinner Ward Councillor; and Mr. Jim Dees, Head Teacher of West Lodge Primary School. Each speaker high-





lighted the importance of the five human values — Truth, Right Conduct, Peace, Love, and Nonviolence — and their role in fostering harmony, compassion, and responsible citizenship in today’s world.

The celebration also showcased the ongoing service and educational activities of the SSSIO UK, including regular Sunday gatherings and human values education classes for children that focus on character development and community responsibility. The event concluded in a spirit of unity and gratitude, reaffirming the organization’s commitment to spiritual growth, interfaith harmony, and selfless service across the UK.





ZONE 7



AUSTRIA



The Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba was marked by joyful and unifying celebrations at both national and regional levels. The national Birthday celebration was significant, bringing together nearly 40 participants, including children, for a rare 'all-Austria' gathering after many years. The program opened

with the reading of Bhagawan's message, followed by the ceremonial lighting of a hand-decorated candle, symbolizing the awakening of the lamp of love in every heart.

Devotional *bhajan* singing formed the spiritual core of the celebration, with even the children leading the singing. An afternoon



presentation showcasing recent Sai activities in Austria inspired newcomers and resulted in a tangible outcome—the formation of a new Sai group in Steyr, born from new connections and shared resolve. The celebration concluded with ceremonial cake-cutting, fellowship over tea, and the distribution of quotation cards featuring Bhagawan’s assurances, offered as spiritual keepsakes. Participants departed with renewed

joy, strengthened bonds, and concrete plans for the future.

A day earlier, a regional celebration took place in Tyrol for senior devotees who couldn’t travel. Fourteen devotees gathered in a similarly reverential atmosphere, celebrating the occasion with devotional singing, lighting candles, and sharing fellowship. Both celebrations reflected heartfelt gratitude, unity, and a renewed commitment to live Bhagawan’s message.

BELGIUM

On November 23, 2025, approximately 50 devotees gathered at the Wabo Center in Watermael-Boitsfort, Belgium, to celebrate the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with a day-long program that featured presentations on Swami’s life through slides and videos. The event allowed participants to reflect on His divine mission and legacy. Devotees delivered talks on ‘Love and Service,’ highlighting the practical application of Baba’s teachings in daily life. Children participated by chanting the Vedas. The program also featured readings from Sai literature and excerpts from His discourses.

A special session of *bhajans* and a spiritual talk further deepened the atmosphere of reflection and devotion. A special cake and fruits were offered with love, followed by *Mangala Arati* and the distribution of *prasadam*. The gathering was a fitting tribute to Bhagawan’s Centenary, reaffirming the values of love, selfless service, and spiritual unity that He exemplified throughout His life.





CZECH REPUBLIC



In the Czech Republic, about 20 devotees and guests gathered in a spirit of devotion, fellowship, and reflection to celebrate this sacred milestone of Swami's 100th Birthday. The program featured *bhajans*, meditation, an uplifting video discourse by Swami, and a study circle that encouraged participants to reflect deeply on His teachings and practice them in daily life. Devotees also

reviewed and shared experiences from recent SSSIO activities, creating an atmosphere of gratitude and inspiration. The celebration provided an opportunity for participants to renew their commitment to Bhagawan's universal message of Truth, Right Conduct, Peace, Love, and Nonviolence, as they promote the five human values.



DENMARK

The Birthday celebrations in Denmark were held across many devotee homes. Swami was celebrated as a beloved member of the family. The

devotees in Denmark held a few beautiful private celebrations expressing their love and gratitude on the occasion of Swami's 100th Birthday.



ESTONIA

SSSIO Estonia held a warm, intimate national celebration in Pärnu. Devotees from the Sai Groups of Tallinn, Tartu, and Pärnu gathered for a spiritually enriching program that included group prayers, reflective talks, media viewing, *bhajans*, and open-hearted discussions, allowing participants to reflect on Bhagawan's life and message.

The celebration, which lasted about three hours, was attended by around 15 devotees, while the leader of the Tallinn Sai Group, Ms. Evelyn



Kanepi, represented Estonia at the landmark Centennial celebrations of the SSSIO at Sai Prema Nilayam in the USA. The participants then enjoyed a healthy buffet.

The event closed with the ceremonial sharing of a specially prepared Birthday cake for Swami, lovingly made by devotees, symbolizing love, gratitude, and devotion. The Estonian celebration radiated sincerity, devotion, and togetherness, highlighting Bhagawan's love and His presence.



GERMANY

In Germany, the 100th Birthday of Swami was celebrated in almost all Sai Centers across the country. People gathered in large numbers everywhere. Hamburg is a case in point. To everyone's amazement, a Sai devotee brought along a homemade five-tier cake. The three-hour celebrations began with a long meditation session, viewing pictures from Swami's life. It was followed by sharing stories and experiences, and a *puja* to express deep gratitude to Swami. A lovely high-

light was a performance by the SSE children about the friendship ceremony of the Nepalese Tihar festival. Its significance was also explained. Furthermore, the participants were fortunate to welcome the founding members of the Hamburg Sai Center, which was established in 1988. After the celebrations, the participants bonded through conversation and were deeply grateful to experience this joyful celebration.



Devotees from across the country gathered in Budapest on November 23, 2025, in a spirit of profound gratitude, devotion, and unity. The day-long celebration, held at the Sri Sathya Sai Center from 11 AM to 8 PM, brought together approximately 100 devotees from different parts of Hungary.

The program reflected the many ways devotees express their love for Swami. Several devotees composed and recited original poems dedicated to Bhagawan, while others sang songs they had personally written in His honor. A folk choir presented special musical offerings prepared for the Centenary celebrations, adding a uniquely Hungarian touch. Many devotees contributed through selfless service, helping in organizing and lovingly preparing meals for all attendees.

A special guest at the celebration was Mr. Dhroeh Nankoe from the Netherlands, a long-

time friend of the Hungarian Sai community who has participated in several commemorative events and once again joined devotees in celebrating Swami's Birthday.

The program also included the screening of a Hungarian-subtitled video on Swami's mission, released on Aradhana Day, allowing devotees to reflect deeply on Bhagawan's life and message. Presentations on human values placed particular emphasis on love—the foundation of all human values and the essence of Swami's teachings.

The gathering was a joyful and uplifting expression of devotion, where devotees felt blessed by Swami's immeasurable love and grace. Celebrating together as one Sai family, they offered their heartfelt gratitude to the *Paripoorna Avatar* and renewed their commitment to living His message of love, unity, and selfless service.





ICELAND

Iceland commemorated the Centenary with a vibrant and inclusive celebration held in Reykjavík at the country’s largest Sai Center. The gathering brought together about 30 participants, including devotees and other attendees who were being introduced to Bhagawan’s message for the first time. It thus served as a public outreach event for newcomers and a devotional program for Sai devotees.

A thoughtfully curated program was offered to deepen understanding of Bhagawan’s life and message. Devotees prepared an extensive informational booklet on Sai Baba’s teachings, divine discourses, light meditation, and the significance of the Gayatri *mantra*. This was complemented by a video presentation featuring Bhagawan’s *darshan*, selected miracles, and *bhajans*, allowing participants to experience His presence.

Participants were also given literature on *namasmarana*, along with *vibhuti* packets and photographs of Bhagawan, many of which were further shared with family and friends. The celebration concluded joyfully with the cutting of a Birthday cake and fellowship over Indian tea and traditional sweets. As a gesture of gratitude,



a large, framed photograph of Bhagawan was installed in the main hall of the Sai Center as a commemorative offering. The event left participants with a deep sense of joy, grace, and the unmistakable feeling of Bhagawan’s presence.



LATVIA

Latvia celebrated the birth Centenary with a deeply interactive and intimate gathering that brought together over 40 participants, many of whom were attending a Sai Center event for the first time. The celebration unfolded as a shared journey of reflection, connection, and gratitude, rooted in Bhagawan’s message of love and unity.

The program started with a video presentation, followed by the chanting of the 108 names of Bhagawan. Each participant received one translated name of Swami along with its meaning,





inviting personal contemplation. A brief meditation session created a collective inner stillness, setting the tone for deeper engagement.

An innovative ice-breaker activity helped the group connect meaningfully, as devotees greeted one another with the affirmation, “The divine in me greets the divine in you.” This was followed by study circles where participants reflected on two questions: the greatest gift received from Bhagawan and the gift they could offer Him in

return. These exchanges were marked by sincerity, emotional depth, and joyful bonding.

The celebration culminated with Birthday songs, candle-lighting, and the sharing of a festive cake, followed by a powerful *bhajan* session that was deeply moving. The gathering left everyone with a strong sense of unity and gratitude, affirming the presence of Bhagawan in shared devotion and love.

LITHUANIA

In Lithuania, the main celebrations took place on November 23 at the Sathya Sai Centers in Vilnius and Kaunas, while other devotees observed the sacred occasion in smaller groups and family gatherings.

In Vilnius, 23 devotees gathered for a spiritually uplifting program that included Vedic chanting, *bhajans*, and the sharing of Bhagawan’s quotes. A significant part of the celebration was devoted to reflecting on the early history of the Sai movement in Lithuania. Two short documentary films took participants back to the formative years of the Sai Center, rekindling memories of devotion, perseverance, and collective growth.

A moving contribution was made by Ms. Antanina Banelytė, the translator of the Lithuanian editions of Sathya Sai Speaks. She recalled her first pilgrimage to Prasanthi Nilayam in 1989,



the earliest visit by a devotee from Lithuania. Upon returning, she shared her inner transformation with friends and colleagues, sowing the seeds of the Sai movement in the country.

Today, 14 volumes of Sathya Sai Speaks have been translated and are available in Lithuanian, bearing witness to decades of dedicated service.

The gathering was enriched by the senior devotees sharing their life experiences. Ms. Elena Kurklietytė Bubnienė, a 92-year-old journalist and writer, and Mr. Vytautas Mockevičius, a 93-year-old educator of Lithuanian language and literature and founder of the wellness club Ryžtas in Alytus, spoke movingly about how Swami's teachings continue to guide and sustain them. Ms. Elena recalled how she and her husband, the late writer Vytautas Bubnys, after their first visit to Baba, authored the book *Slaptingoji Prema* (The Secret Prema), documenting their profound spiritual experiences for readers across Lithuania.

In Kaunas, about 25 devotees, including some who had not visited the Center for some time, gathered joyfully for a program that included devotional singing, viewing of Bhagawan's discourse, and a virtual pilgrimage through video footage, allowing devotees to relive the bliss of Swami's *darshan*. Former students of the human values classes—now young adults—presented a skit highlighting human values, showing their endurance across generations. In conclusion, devotees shared spiritual experiences and expressed gratitude to the divine teacher who called them to the spiritual path, guided them, and lovingly protects them.





The Netherlands organized a national celebration that brought together devotees, guests, and newcomers in a spirit of devotion, inclusivity, and cultural harmony. Held on November 22, 2025, at the Protestantse Gemeente De Schutse in Uithoorn, the event brought together approximately 160 devotees to commemorate the Centennial of Baba’s advent.

The day began with prayers and chanting of *mantras*, followed by the ceremonial lighting of the candle, symbolizing the eternal flame of divine love that Bhagawan ignited in every heart turned toward Him. A warm welcome was followed by a presentation on the SAI 100 project, which highlighted many initiatives related to the Centennial celebrations. Then came the chanting of the Sai Gayatri *mantra* and a devotional *bhajan* session. Divine discourses delivered in both English and Dutch ensured that Bhagawan’s universal message reached all participants across linguistic backgrounds. A key highlight of the program was an inspiring talk by an alumnus of the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Mr. Ramakrishnan Sitharaman, whose reflections on Bhagawan’s teachings enriched the celebration.

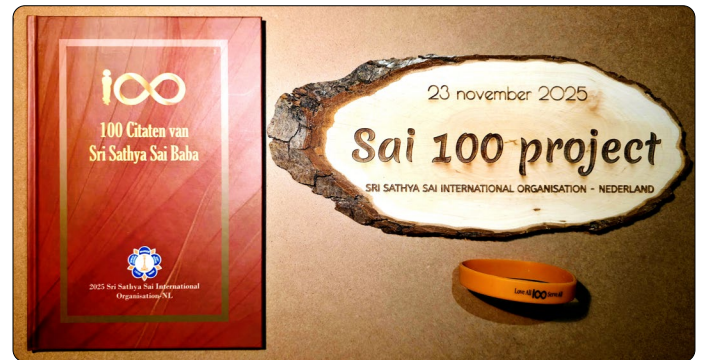




A particularly significant segment of the program featured presentations and performances by teenagers and children. Their participation served as a living testimony to the continuity of His message across generations. After lunch, the celebrations resumed with artistic expressions through dance and movement, followed by a performance by the choir Ubi Caritas, whose offering beautifully echoed the Sai message that love is God and God is love.

The latter part of the program included a second discourse, readings on Bhagawan’s life, and a film presentation, offering both reflection and inspiration. The celebration culminated in the collective singing of the Birthday song, ceremonial cake-cutting, and a closing *bhajan* session, bringing the day to a heartfelt and prayerful conclusion.

At the Sai Mandir in Rotterdam, devotees celebrated the sacred occasion by singing 100 *bhajans* in honor of Bhagawan’s 100th Birthday with love and devotion.





NORWAY

SSSIO members in Norway joyfully celebrated the Birth Centenary of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with devotion, unity, and selfless service. The event brought together more than 40 devotees who expressed their love and gratitude to Bhagawan through prayer, reflection, cultural offerings, and service activities.

The celebration featured a vibrant *bhajan* session filled with devotion and spiritual fervor, creating an atmosphere of peace and divine grace. Devotees also participated in a meaningful study circle, reflecting on Bhagawan's teachings and discussing how His message of love, service, and unity can be practiced in daily life.

A special highlight of the celebration was the participation by the children and young adults, who offered devotional music, dance performances, and a beautiful flute recital. Their heartfelt presentations brought joy and inspiration to all, showcasing the values of devotion, discipline, and service being nurtured in the younger generation.

The gathering culminated in a joyful cake-cutting ceremony to commemorate this historic



milestone. The festivities were further enriched by service initiatives. Blankets were distributed to those in need, embodying His message of compassionate service to humanity. In addition, during the months of September, October, and November, devotees collectively prepared and distributed food packets to about 100 people in need. The Centenary celebrations in Norway were a heartfelt tribute to Bhagawan's legacy, strengthening bonds among devotees and inspiring them to continue to "Love All, Serve All."



POLAND

In Poland, devotees observed Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday through devotional gatherings, spiritual activities, and a remarkable musical offering that showcased Poland's contribution to the global Centennial celebrations.

A particularly significant offering came from the Sarva Dharma Choir, which has spent nearly two decades promoting Swami's message of unity of faiths through music. The choir dedicated months of preparation to its Centennial performances, drawing upon a repertoire developed



over 17 years of presenting devotional music from various spiritual traditions. The choir is a living expression of Bhagawan's teaching that all religions lead to the same divine goal.

A highlight of the year was the choir's participation in the 11th SSSIO World Conference and the celebrations held at Sai Prema Nilayam in California, USA. The choir presented two special concerts. The first, on International Ladies Day, honored the feminine aspect of the divine through songs inspired by women saints and sacred traditions from different cultures. The second concert, presented during the World Conference, was a tribute to Swami's universal message of the unity of faiths. Featuring devotional songs from various religious traditions and sung in multiple languages, the performance beautifully demonstrated that while religions may be many, God is One. The concert received a prolonged standing ovation and deeply moved the audience.



On November 23, 2025, devotees in Poland gathered to celebrate Swami's sacred Centenary through prayers, devotional singing, and reflections on His life and teachings. The occasion was marked by gratitude for Bhagawan's love and guidance and by a renewed commitment to living His message of love, selfless service, and unity.

SWEDEN

Devotees gathered in Stockholm on November 23, 2025, for a grand celebration honoring the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. The Centenary celebration focused on Swami's timeless message of love, selfless service, human values, and the unity of mankind.

The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from devotees of all ages, with the Young Adults playing a key role in organizing the program, decorating the venue, preparing prasadam, and leading devotional singing. Their dedication and teamwork reflected Swami's ideal of selfless service performed with love.

A major highlight of the celebration was a musical drama performed by Sai Spiritual Education (SSE) children aged 5 to 16 years, titled *Nothing is Useless*. They also sang the uplifting song, *Peace*,



Peace, Peace, Peace on Earth, in unison. Through song, dialogue, and creative performances, the children beautifully conveyed Swami's teachings on love, compassion, and human values. The SSE students also chanted the Vedas enthusiastically. The gathering brought together all participants in an atmosphere of devotion, joy, and gratitude.



ZONE 8



AZERBAIJAN

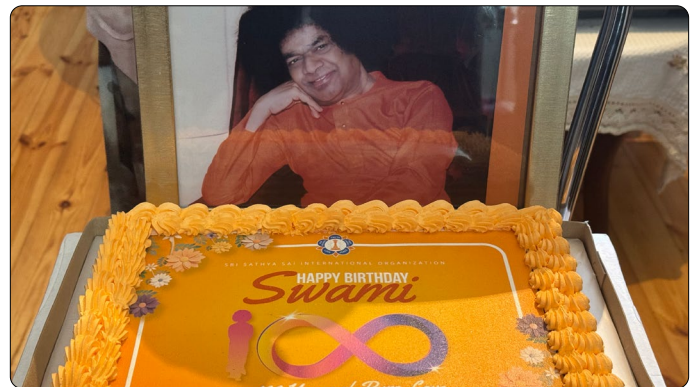
In Azerbaijan, 22 devotees gathered for a small yet heartfelt celebration to mark the Centenary of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's advent. The occasion felt like a close-knit family coming together in love and gratitude to honor their beloved Swami.

A beautifully decorated cake was specially prepared for the celebration, featuring the official 100th Birthday logo that symbolically represents both Swami's physical form and His infinite, eternal presence. The cake was a central offering of devotion during the event.

The program included devotional singing and Sanskrit and Hindi *bhajans* that had been sung in Swami's physical presence at the *ashram*. Although the pronunciation of Sanskrit and Hindi words was challenging, the devotees sang with love and devotion, demonstrating their dedication and reverence.

The celebration concluded joyfully with the cutting of the commemorative cake, followed

by the traditional *Mangala Arati* offered to Bhagawan. The gathering, though small, overflowed with devotion, unity, and gratitude, reflecting the deep love of the devotees in Azerbaijan.



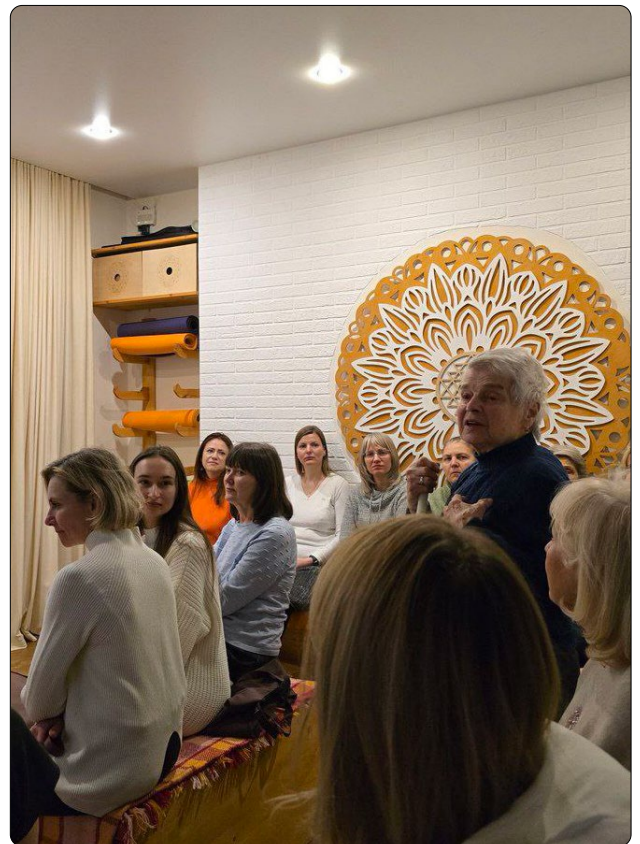
BELARUS

Devotees in Belarus have celebrated Swami's Birthday since 1993, and the Centenary celebrations offered a special opportunity to share the significance of the Avatar's life and mission with a wider audience. The event was celebrated with two festive gatherings and services conducted in three cities. The celebrations brought together 58 participants: 16 members of the SSSIO including four Young Adults, 37 guests, and five children. The meetings were held in rented halls, where devotees also invited relatives and friends to introduce them to Swami's life and teachings. The gatherings began with welcoming guests, expressing gratitude to Swami, and celebrating the sacred occasion of His Birthday. Group chanting helped create an atmosphere of inner peace and harmony. Devotees shared personal reflections on how Swami entered their lives and guided them toward a life of joy and spiritual growth. Speakers also presented the activities of the SSSIO in Belarus, with photos, describing service initiatives, educational activities, and work with children.

Two round-table discussions were held on the theme, "*How do you feel the presence of God in your life?*" Participants shared their experiences of Swami's guidance and their transformation through His teachings. The celebration concluded with *bhajans*.

The atmosphere throughout the gathering was warm and family-like. Devotees prepared cakes for a tea gathering, while guests also brought homemade treats. Members of the Organization prepared cards with Swami's quotations, and participants joyfully selected one of these and reflected on it in relation to their own lives.

Service activities were also undertaken by devotees, who prepared and delivered meals to seven people in need, visited a family of elderly pensioners with disabilities, and gave them food packages. They also cleaned a forest area as an environmental service.





KAZAKHSTAN

SSSIO members in Kazakhstan celebrated the Centenary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba with a joyful gathering attended by about 70 participants. The celebration was held in a beautifully decorated hall where Swami's chair, draped with His robe, was lovingly placed on the stage, symbolizing His divine presence. A large screen displayed inspiring images of Bhagawan, while a special Centenary banner bearing the message "100 Years of Pure Love" added to the sanctified atmosphere.

The program included talks about Swami's life and teachings, reminding participants of His message of love and selfless service. Devotees also presented a drama depicting King Janaka, illustrating spiritual wisdom and detachment, values emphasized by Swami.

The audience participated enthusiastically during the presentations with devotion and joy. The event provided a beautiful opportunity for everyone to celebrate the timeless teachings of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba.





Kyrgyzstan celebrated the 100th anniversary of the advent of Swami with a devotional gathering that brought together many spiritual aspirants.

The event was attended by SSSIO members and 32 guests, representatives of other spiritual movements, dancers from the Saraswati dance group, and others. The program started with an informative talk about the life, mission, and teachings of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. The first speaker introduced participants to Swami's life story and His divine mission of uplifting humanity. The talk also touched upon ancient prophecies related to the coming of great spiritual teachers and explained how devotees regard Sathya Sai Baba as an Avatar who came to revive the practice of the five fundamental human values.

The audience listened with great interest to stories from Swami's childhood and early life, and His humanitarian service projects—especially in education, healthcare, and drinking water projects benefiting millions around the world. The talk emphasized Swami's central teaching that love and selfless service are the foundations for transforming both individual lives and society.



Participants then watched a video produced by the SSSIO, where devotees from different parts of the world shared their personal experiences of Swami and described how His teachings and boundless love had transformed their lives.

The program also included *bhajans* in Sanskrit and devotional songs in Russian. A special highlight of the celebration was the performance by the Saraswati dance group, whose dancers presented graceful pieces inspired by the Vedic tradition. They portrayed divine forms such as Lord Shiva, Lord Vishnu, Lord Brahma, Goddess Parvati, and Lord Ganesha, delighting the audience.

The program concluded with a friendly tea gathering. The entire celebration was uploaded to YouTube, allowing others to enjoy the event and learn more about Swami's life and teachings.



RUSSIA

In Russia, the Centenary celebrations of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba were held across many regions of the country, uniting devotees of all ages in joyful expressions of love, gratitude, and devotion. From

large auditoriums to intimate gatherings at homes and Sai centers, devotees organized heartfelt programs that reflected Swami's universal message of love, service, and unity.

CAUCASUS REGION

SSSIO members in the Caucasus Region organized an intimate gathering to celebrate Swami's 100th Birthday, with 57 people attending the event. The venue was decorated with balloons, and devotees joyfully sang *bhajans*. Many participants shared touching reminiscences of their personal experiences and memories of Bhagawan. The celebration concluded with the distribution of *prasadam*.

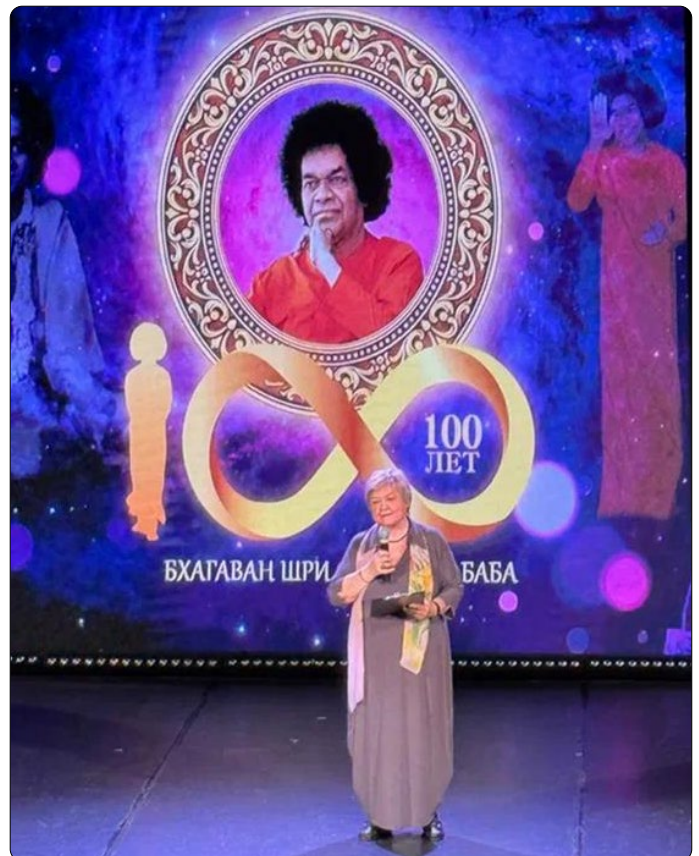


CENTRAL REGION

In the Central Region, Sai devotees organized a vibrant celebration in a beautiful auditorium with 430 participants. The stage was set up with a beautiful altar with Swami's chair and His robe draped over it. The altar was decorated with large roses and a beautiful photograph of Swami smiling lovingly.

The program featured a drama and cultural presentation involving participants of all ages—from young children to adults and grandparents. During the program, a message of Swami was displayed in Russian:

“There should be nothing ostentatious in service. Serve not for reward, attention, or gratitude, nor to feel pride in your wealth, abilities, position, or authority. The only motivation for service should be love.”—Sri Sathya Sai Baba.





The volunteers later led energetic *bhajans*, with the entire audience in the auditorium joining in devotional singing. Soulful group songs were presented in Russian, while beautiful photographs of Swami and glimpses of SSSIO’s service, educational, and devotional activities were shown on a large screen, including pictures of Russian devotees singing in Prasanthi Nilayam.

The program also included a concert by children, a presentation on the Ramayana—an epic deeply loved by Swami—and a Sai literature exhibition where dozens of Russian-language titles were available. The celebration concluded joyfully with everyone singing the SSSIO “Happy Birthday” song together, dancing, and tossing balloons in celebration.





NORTH-WEST REGION

Devotees in the North-West Region organized celebrations across multiple venues, with 170 people taking part in the festivities. Each venue was beautifully decorated with altars featuring Swami's chair with His robe draped over it, large smiling photographs of Bhagawan, flowers, and balloons.

One gathering included a warm round-table feast where devotees shared food in a spirit of unity and love. A beautiful Birthday cake decorated

with exotic fruits and the special SSSIO 100th Birthday logo, added to the festive atmosphere.

In the large hall, devotees collectively chanted the Gayatri Mantra, filling the space with powerful divine vibrations. The celebration also featured a delightful group concert by women dressed in traditional Russian attire, who sang devotional songs while inspiring images of Swami were displayed on a large screen. The entire audience enthusiastically joined in, clapping along in the joyful spirit of devotion.

SIBERIAN REGION



On November 23, 2025, joyous celebrations marking the 100th anniversary of the advent of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba were held in all the centers and groups of the Siberian Region of Russia, bringing together 100 devotees across the region. Swami has often said that a true Birthday is when hearts are filled with happiness, when hearts open, and when love resides within. This spirit of love and unity permeated all the celebrations.

Devotees lovingly decorated the altars with flowers and flower garlands, creating a sacred and festive atmosphere. With hearts full of devotion, they offered prayers of love and gratitude to their beloved teacher. *Bhajans* praising the Lord were sung with deep devotion, and devotees shared divine stories from Swami's life as well as personal experiences.

In two cities, SSSIO volunteers performed short plays depicting parables and recited poems dedicated to our beloved Lord. A *sevadal* initiation ceremony was conducted for new members of the SSSIO. Devotees who had met Swami many years ago but were not formally part of the Organization also joined the celebrations, singing a song dedicated to Swami and performing a beautiful Indian dance.

In one city, members from two Sai Centers jointly presented a performance based on the well-known fairy tale "Kolobok," creatively illus-



trating the importance of human values. This was followed by an engaging quiz on inspiring moments in Swami's life.

In two other cities, devotees listened to Swami's divine discourse addressed to women on November 19, 1995, Ladies Day. The program also included poetry recitations, sharing of memories, *darshan* videos of Swami, and uplifting *bhajans*. The following morning, SSSIO volunteers lovingly served 14 people, offering sweets and traditional buns with poppy seeds and tea.

A creative workshop was organized in one of the cities where devotees collectively created decorative artwork dedicated to Swami's Centenary, expressing their love and unity through creative service. Festive tables with delicious *prasadam* were lovingly prepared in each center, including special cakes and sweets for the event. Across all eight centers and groups of the Siberian Region, the atmosphere was filled with joy, smiles, devotion, and heartfelt gratitude to the teacher of teachers, Bhagawan Baba.



SOUTHERN REGION

SSSIO of South Russia celebrated the Centenary in a beautifully artistic venue adorned with numerous paintings that created a serene and inspiring atmosphere. The event was attended by 200 people. The program included a musical performance on the harp, which added

a special touch to the celebration. A lively group song performed by four devotees energized the gathering, with the entire audience joining in enthusiastically. A lovely Birthday cake was also prepared to mark the occasion.



URAL REGION



In the Ural Region, 150 participants, including more than 120 members of the public, gathered to celebrate Swami's 100th Birthday. The program featured inspiring talks on Swami's teachings, musical offerings, and a drama dedicated to Bhagawan. A beautifully decorated 100th Birthday cake added to the festive spirit of the gathering.



VOLGA-URAL REGION

The Volga-Ural Region celebrations took place in multiple venues, with 200 participants joining the festivities. In the main hall, devotees gathered for devotional singing accompanied by instruments such as the accordion and guitar, creating a joyful and vibrant atmosphere.

Videos of Swami were shown, and the event was broadcast live so that those who were unable to attend in person could join the celebrations virtually. This created a sense of unity as participants from several venues could celebrate Swami's Birthday together.

Across Russia, the Centenary celebrations reflected the deep love that SSSIO members hold for Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. Through prayers, music, cultural programs, service activities, and joyful fellowship, devotees expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the Lord whose message of love and selfless service continues to inspire hearts around the world.





ZONE 9



In Benin, devotees joyfully celebrated Swami's Birth Centenary with unity and gratitude through a grand gathering of more than 200 devotees, all dressed in a specially prepared green uniform for the sacred occasion. The program started with the reading and translation of a proclamation signed by the Mayor of Abomey, followed by theater, dance, and choreography.

Service was an integral part of the celebrations. For three days before the event, food was lovingly served to those in need. The gathering concluded with a cake-cutting ceremony and the distribution of *prasadam*, leaving everyone filled with joy and gratitude.





BOTSWANA

In Botswana, the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Gaborone celebrated Swami’s Birthday on November 23, 2025, with a day filled with activities comprising three special sessions. Various activities were also organized throughout the year.

The celebrations started early in the morning with *Suprabhatam*, followed by *Nagara Sankirtan*, where devotees sang *bhajans* while walking around the Center, spreading positive vibrations. The session concluded with Birthday cake-cutting, the singing of Happy Birthday, and *Arati*.

Later in the morning, devotees gathered for Veda chanting, *bhajans*, and *Namasmarana*, including the recitation of Swami’s 108 names. SSE children also participated in devotional singing.

In the final session, children presented value-based exhibitions that beautifully decorated the hall. A highlight of the celebration was the lighting of 100 lamps, filling the venue with both physical and spiritual light. The auspicious event concluded with vibrant *bhajans* and *Mangala Arati*.



CONGO DR

In the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Sri Sathya Sai Baba Center in Mbuji-Mayi celebrated the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan with heartfelt devotional programs, and service to the community.

The celebrations began on November 21, 2025, with a special focus on senior citizens and people living with disabilities. They were served food in a spirit of love and respect. More than 300 people were served rice and beans, reflecting Swami’s teaching of *Annam Brahma* (food is God). Throughout the event, Veda chanting sanctified the atmosphere. A devotional program took place in the evening, featuring *bhajans* and sharing meals.

The Centenary celebrations on November 23 continued at the Sai Center with the distribution of rice and beans to over 150 people, including the elderly, orphans, and the indigent. Volunteers also planted trees, thus offering a meaningful tribute to Swami by practicing His message of love and selfless service.



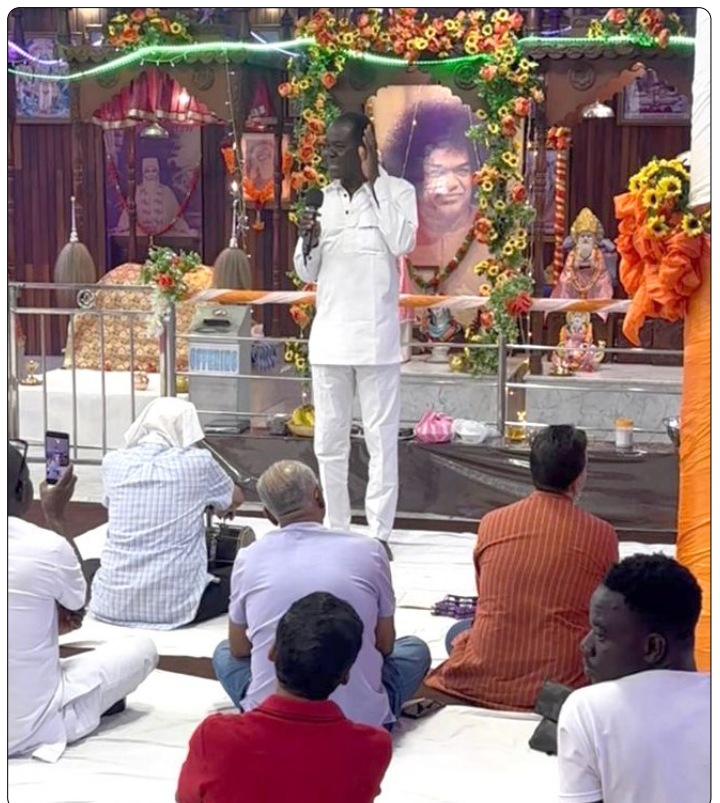


In Ghana, the SSSIO celebrated the Centenary through a beautiful combination of selfless service, devotional programs, and interfaith activities.

The observances began on November 18, 2025, when the Ladies Wing served breakfast and lunch to 150 patients at the Accra Psychiatric Hospital. Volunteers also provided food items such as rice, beans, cooking oil, biscuits, fruit drinks, and bottled water. The patients, nurses, and doctors expressed heartfelt gratitude for the loving gesture. On November 22, the devotees conducted another major service at the Pantang Mental Hospital in Accra, serving hot lunch to 350 people.

The celebrations culminated on November 23, 2025, with devotional singing at the Osu Sai Temple, where devotees gathered to thank Swami for His care, protection, peace, and love over the years. The gathering was attended by 120 people, including members of the Hare Krishna movement, the Hindu Monastery of Africa, the Center for Spiritual Awareness, and other faith communities, reflecting Swami's message of the unity of faiths.

Also on the same day, students of the Sathya Sai School donated soap, detergents, blankets, bedsheets, and buckets to 50 patients at the Tafo Hospital.





IRAN

In Iran, devotees observed Bhagawan's 100th Birthday in a quiet and dignified manner, reflecting local circumstances with sensitivity and devotion. The celebration was held virtually, with devotees connecting online from different locations to share Birthday wishes, personal experiences, and stories of Swami's love and guidance.

The gathering fostered a warm sense of unity despite the physical distances. Swami's teachings were also shared in Persian, allowing participants to reflect deeply on His timeless message. One quotation especially resonated with devotees: "An auspicious day is the day on which your mind is cleansed."



IVORY COAST

In the Ivory Coast, devotees commemorated Swami's 100th Birthday with a focus on service and sustainable community welfare. The celebrations centered on two key offerings inspired by Swami's teachings—serving food and developing agricultural initiatives to support the needy.

From October until Swami's Birthday, devotees conducted regular service on alternate Sundays in and around the Sai Temple. Six devotees participated in these loving efforts, serving food to about 30 people each time, most of whom were children and elders.

Alongside this, agricultural activities were initiated with the long-term goal of creating a food bank for the good of vulnerable members of society. Through steady service, compassion, and practical planning, devotees in the Ivory Coast offered a fitting tribute to Swami on His Birth Centenary.





KENYA

In Kenya, the Centenary was celebrated in multiple venues. The Sri Sathya Sai Center of Mombasa celebrated the sacred occasion with a combination of spiritual activities and impactful service. The day began with an early morning *Nagara Sankirtan* at Surat District Hall. In honor of Ladies Day, devotees showed Swami's love and compassion by distributing food rations to 200 families in the drought-affected Bamba region of Kilifi County. The main evening cele-

bration at Shayona Hall, Nyali, drew a gathering of over 230 devotees. A memorable moment during the program was the steady movement of the tip of Swami's garland throughout the event in a still, air-conditioned hall, which many considered a sign of His divine presence. The program included uplifting *bhajans*, ceremonial cake cutting, words of gratitude from the Chairman, *Mangala Arati*, and dinner.



At Sathya Sai School in Kisaju, students and the local community came together in a spirit of joy, gratitude, and selfless service. Food hampers were distributed to underprivileged families facing economic hardship, and the celebration concluded with joyful Birthday songs offered to Swami.

At Sathya Sai School, Uthiru, the event was celebrated in the presence of board members, teachers, former students, learners, and children from surrounding villages. The gathering emphasized humility, love, and selfless service, and Swami's message of *Love All, Serve All* deeply resonated with everyone present.



MADAGASCAR

In Madagascar, the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Antananarivo offered a wide range of educational, environmental, medical, devotional, and humanitarian initiatives involving students, staff, devotees, and the wider community.

One of the earliest major activities was large-scale tree planting on February 23, when 1,000 trees were planted by schoolchildren, staff, and devotees. In April, Dr. Ramadevi Sankaran conducted a wellness workshop for 151 students, 162 parents, teachers, and staff on responsible eating, self-discipline, hygiene, exercise, and awareness of thought, word, and deed.

From April 21 to 25, one of the largest medical camps was organized by the SSSIO with over 40 international doctors and around 10 local doctors

serving the regions of Fiombonana and Andoharanofotsy. More than 6,600 patients received treatment during the five-day camp.

Activities also included distributing meals to observe Madagascar's Independence Day, an art competition in August where Sathya Sai School students won first and second prizes, and a special Birthday program in honor of Swami on November 23.

The Sathya Sai Primary School achieved a 100% success rate in the national CEPE examinations in both 2024 and 2025. The year concluded with a joyful Christmas celebration for children, featuring plays, music, gifts, meals, and outreach to neighboring families.





In Malawi, around 50 to 60 devotees gathered in a spirit of love and reverence to celebrate the 100th Birthday of Baba with a serene, heartfelt evening of prayer and devotional singing. The sacred occasion was marked by a sense of unity, gratitude, and joy. A beautifully decorated altar, adorned with Swami's photographs, flowers, lamps, and sacred symbols, served as the focal point of the gathering. The program focused on special prayers and uplifting *bhajans*. A particularly touching moment occurred during the cake-cutting ceremony, when the special Centenary Birthday song released by the SSSIO was

played, and everyone joyfully sang along in unison, offering their love to Swami.

Devotees in Malawi also organized a special service program at the Beit Cure Orthopedic Hospital's Children's Ward, which cares for children undergoing treatment for cleft lip, congenital deformities, and other orthopedic conditions, often at little or no cost. The volunteers lovingly distributed care packages containing bread rolls, milk, bananas, biscuits, and sweets to cheer the young patients. Clothes such as girls' dresses, tops, shorts, and pajamas were also offered to the children.



MAURITIUS

In Mauritius, devotees gathered in large numbers to celebrate the November 23 at the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Tyack, Savanne. Organized as a national event of the SSSIO of Mauritius, the celebration drew approximately 335 participants. The sacred day began at 5:00 AM with *Suprabhatam*, invoking the awakening of Sai within all hearts. Next, five different aspects (*kandas*) of Bhagawan’s divine life and mission were narrated, inspiring everyone. The celebrations continued with devotional musical offerings and Veda chanting from 6:00 PM onward. The musical segment was organized by the Young Adults of the Sri Sathya Sai Center of Tyack, whose heartfelt participation added energy and devotion to the gathering.



NIGERIA

In Nigeria, the Centenary was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm at the Sathya Sai School in Lagos, where students, parents, staff, and members of the Indian community gathered in large numbers. The celebration featured lively cultural and educational performances. A major highlight was the colorful Wazobia dance, representing Nigeria’s three major ethnic groups—Yoruba, Hausa, and Igbo—symbolizing unity in diversity. Another significant feature was the presentation of the school’s Green Warriors initiative. This environmental project promotes a litter-free campus, reduction of plastic





waste, tree planting, and eco-friendly habits both in school and at home.

The program also included musical renditions of Nigeria’s National Anthem, environmental songs by younger students, and creative presentations such as a student news segment. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Sonali Gupta, Principal of the Indian Language School in Lagos, commended

the school’s efforts and encouraged continued excellence. As part of the celebrations, support staff received gifts in gratitude for their service, while outstanding teachers were honored with awards. The joyful day ended with refreshments for all attendees. The Centenary celebration in Nigeria thus became a memorable tribute to Swami’s ideals of unity, gratitude, service, and education in human values.

SOUTH AFRICA

In South Africa, Swami’s 100th Birthday was celebrated with great devotion, large-scale services, and inspiring programs across Sai Centers, schools, and communities, becoming a nationwide expression of Swami’s message of *Love All, Serve All*.

A major national service initiative united centers across the country to distribute 135 grocery hampers and hot meals, benefiting approximately 450 people. In addition, rice packs, sanitary supplies, sweets, and refreshments were also shared, providing nourishment and dignity to many families.

At the Denis Hurley Center in Durban, devotees lovingly served meals to the needy. At the same time, the devotional gathering on November 23 included speeches, children’s skits, prayers, *bhajans*, and cake cutting. The Sai





Ananda Center in Durban also celebrated the Centenary over two days, combining service with a devotional program featuring a children's play on Swami's Birthday, *bhajans*, talks, *Arati*, lunch, and commemorative gift bags for the attendees.

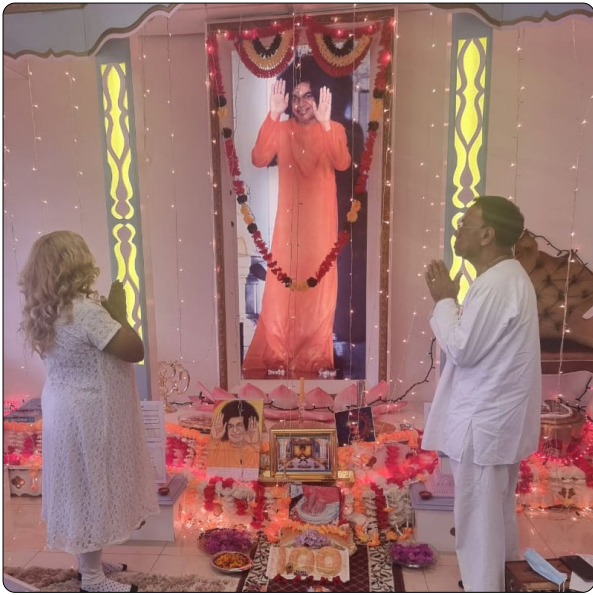
The Prema Dhaara Sai Center in Midrand held a month-long celebration. Activities included a wellness and healthcare day for 100 disadvantaged women, *Paduka Puja* and *Laksharchana* (chanting of the divine name 100,000 times), a spiritually immersive Birthday program, *Sri Sathya Sai Katha*, and the distribution of over 1,000 meals to children's homes and feeding centers.

The Silverglen Sai Center organized dawn prayers, *Havan*, *bhajans*, and inspiring SSE children's dramas. The Forderville Sai Center in Estcourt offered *bhajans*, *Havan*, *Abhishekam*, and a free healthcare project that provided 367 screenings and counseling services during 2025. The Ladysmith Sai Center welcomed over 200 devotees for prayers, *bhajans*, a divine discourse, and food distribution to the needy.

The Sathya Sai School in Chatsworth celebrated the occasion with dances, plays, poems, speeches, and offerings prepared by students and teachers, reflecting unity, creativity, and gratitude.

Across South Africa, the Centenary was not only a celebration of Swami's Divine Advent but a living demonstration of service, education, devotion, and transformation inspired by His eternal teachings.







TANZANIA

In Tanzania, devotees celebrated the 100th Birthday of Bhagawan at the Sanatan Dharma Temple in Dar es Salaam. The program was held from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon and featured the chanting of 108 names of Swami, followed by two hours of uplifting *bhajans*. It ended with *Arati* and the distribution of *prasadam*.



UGANDA



In Uganda, devotees observed the Centenary with deep devotion, joyful participation, and meaningful service. The sacred day began at 5:30 AM on November 23 with *Suprabhatam*, whose auspicious vibrations filled the hall with peace, followed by soulful *bhajans*. The evening program resumed at 6:00 PM with uplifting *bhajans* sung by devotees and students from the Sai School in Jinja. The Mahila Wing also offered a medley of *bhajans*, creating an atmosphere charged with love, unity, and spiritual joy. Two inspiring skits added depth to the program—one portraying the steadfast devotion of Prahlada, and another by the Sai School children conveying Swami's universal message of *One God, One Religion*. A graceful dance by two young girls was also offered with love, devotion, and innocence.

A joyful moment followed when devotees born in November joined in cutting the Birthday cake while everyone sang Swami's Birthday song. The celebrations ended with the melodious "*Jhoola* song," leaving hearts filled with bliss and gratitude.

Preparations started two weeks earlier with blood donation camps at three locations, collecting 55 units of blood. The ladies also decorated the hall and prepared gift bags. More than 220 devotees and guests attended the program, which included speeches highlighting SSSIO activities in Africa, Sai School initiatives, regular center programs, and gratitude to all donors and volunteers who supported the event. Gifts, calendars, sweets, and *prasadam* were also distributed.



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

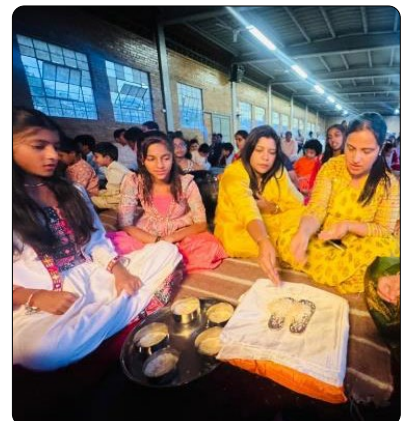
In the United Arab Emirates, devotees at the Abu Dhabi Sai Center celebrated Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday in a warm and welcoming atmosphere, marked by heartfelt prayers, collective singing, and gratitude for Swami's continued guidance and blessings. A special Centenary cake was lovingly prepared for the occasion and cut amidst joyful singing. Though small in scale, the gathering reflected remarkable unity and devotion to the divine mission.




ZIMBABWE

In Zimbabwe, devotees celebrated Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's 100th Birthday with enthusiastic community participation and special gatherings in November 2025. The celebrations began on Sunday, November 9, with *Akhanda Bhajan* in coordination with other *bhajan* groups, creating a vibrant atmosphere of collective devotion and unity for about 80 people.

The main Birthday celebrations took place on November 22, attracting approximately 120 participants. The beautifully decorated venue featured a lovingly arranged altar and Centenary displays prepared in honor of Swami. The program included devotional singing, prayers, and cultural offerings that reflected gratitude for Bhagawan's life and teachings. A special highlight was a delightful skit featuring a young child portraying Swami, which brought joy to everyone present and reminded devotees of His divine charm and loving presence, even as a child.





You must be thinking about the gift you have to offer Swami on this Birthday. You can be happy that you have given Swami a proper gift only when you love your fellowmen, share their sufferings, and engage yourselves in serving them. That is the only gift I wish for. The present given to God has to be pure, steady and selfless Love.

Sri Sathya Sai Baba

November 23, 1982



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