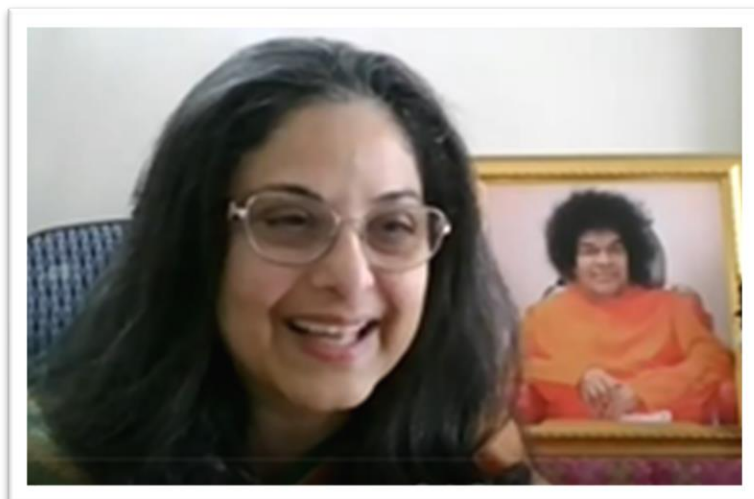




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Faranak Khandadia



Sister Faranak is currently the SSIO Online SSE Coordinator. She grew up in a Sai family, knowing Swami as God in Human Form. Faranak has been a Bal Vikas guru for over 40 years. She was chosen by Bhagawan Baba as one of the first EHV trainers on the Bombay Team, when Swami initiated His EHV program in the early 1980s. Faranak was also one of the first trainers for Bal Vikas gurus in Bombay and has trained many BV and SSE teachers from all over the globe. She has conducted Parenting workshops for teachers and parents internationally. Beside Bal Vikas and EHV, she feels

humbled to have served in varied service activities of the Sri Sathya Sai Organization. She worked as the Lead Psychologist for Bombay's Vocational Guidance wing of the Sri Sathya Sai Organization. She has guided and worked for slum betterment programs in Bombay, run free psychotherapy clinics for the underprivileged children, has been a reader and mentor for the visually handicapped college students, and a Sunday speaker on many spiritual topics at Dharmakshetra, Mumbai. The most important life lesson that Faranak has learnt at Swami's Feet, is to live Swami's teaching that "Happiness is Union with God" which is possible only by walking in His Footsteps.



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Shalini Krishnan



Sister Shalini's family came into the Sai fold in the 1970s. She started in the Sathya Sai Balavikas program at the age of 6 years with sister Geetha Mohan Ram. She belongs to the first batch of students in Swami's school at Ooty in 1978. He then moved them to Parthi in 1981 where he built a new Primary/Higher secondary School. She studied in His Primary/Higher Secondary Schools between 1978 and 1986 for a period of 8 years. She currently resides in Columbus, Ohio. Shalini is a business systems analyst for a manufacturing company and has a degree in electrical engineering. She is a passionate SSE teacher, teaches Vedam and actively participates in all the activities of the Columbus Sai center.



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Ajay Yekkirala



Brother Ajay was fortunate to complete high school and B.Sc. in Biosciences at Sri Sathya Sai Higher Secondary School and Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning (SSSIHL), respectively. With Swami's blessings, he was part of the SSSIHL Brass Band as a percussionist and guitarist and has performed several times in Swami's Divine presence. He holds a PhD in Pharmacology from University of Minnesota and finished his research fellowship in Neurology at Harvard Medical School. Ajay is also co-founder and CSO of Blue Therapeutics, a startup focused on developing non-addictive painkillers. Swami blessed his father who served as a visiting professor at SSSIHL and his

mother served in the IT department of Swami's Whitefield super-speciality hospital. Ajay served as Region 1 male YA rep till 2019 and he and his wife, Sonia, attend the Norwood Sai Center in MA.



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Krutika Puntambekar



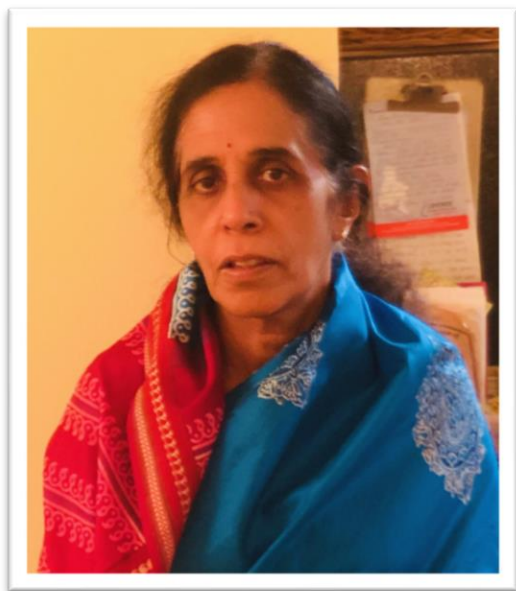
Krutika was introduced to Swami by her parents, at a very young age. She grew up going to SSE in California and always loved it. Krutika was introduced to Yoga in her teens, but didn't connect with it till a bit later. When she was in College and had to take a yoga class, she had a moment of clarity where she felt like she needed to become a Yoga teacher. She signed up to get and finished, her 200 hours in 2016. Even though she now works in tech, she finds joy in helping adults and kids and yoga has been one of those ways through which she's able to do that.



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Vasantha Govindarajan



Vasantha is an active member of Chicago Metro Sai Center for the past 25 years. She has also been the SSE Coordinator for two terms at her center. Vasantha has been involved with SSE for the past 20 years and has been teaching SSE Group 1 for a number of years. She has been actively involved with number of SSE activities like plays, service, art and crafts. Outside of Sai Center, Vasantha has been working with Special Education students in a Public High school for the past 20 years.



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Priya Panneerselvam



Priya is a 3rd year obstetrics and gynecology resident physician who is currently completing her residency. She was fortunate to grow up in Swami's fold and went through the SSE program. As a YA, she has been involved with medical camps/clinics, computer literacy classes for mothers in rehab, and teaching for migrant workers. Originally from the Bay area, Priya is currently residing in Columbus, Ohio.



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Ananta Gudipaty



Brother Ananta is a software engineer by profession, a teacher by nature, and per his own description, a *Student of Human Psychology*. Born in India and brought up in the state of Alabama, he is blessed with a rich mix of eastern and western thought. He was also deeply touched by the Sai Spiritual Education (SSE) at a very young age and realized its immense value in his college years. This insight instigated him into pursuing a life of teaching and mentoring children in the Education in Human Values program. He has taught hundreds of children over the last twenty-five years, applied the human values principles at workplace and in management forums, and is currently serving as an active faculty member at the Institute of Satya Sai Education, USA. He currently works as a Sr. Manager on the Learning Platform at Amazon, helping build a platform that provides training and education to every Amazon employee across the world. He lives in the Seattle, Washington area with his lovely wife and two young boys.