



# REGION 8 ONLINE DEVOTIONAL PROGRAM

Tuesday, December 8th at 7PM

Vedam and Bhajans Followed by Guest Speaker:

**Ryan Kintz**

*"Gratitude"*



Narayana (Ryan) Arthur Kintz was born in the beautiful southern California mountain town of Idyllwild. Blessed to be born into a Sai Family, Narayana's parents, Bruce and Mahri Kintz, gave him an upbringing filled with Baba's love and invaluable teachings. Attending Balvikas (Education in Human Values), Sai Retreats, and traveling to India 10 times, Narayana's life was and is immersed in all things Sathya Sai Baba and spirituality.

Raised in the mountains, where he gained a deep love and respect for the environment and all of Baba's creations, Narayana took this passion to college, the University of California Santa Barbara, where he obtained a double major in Environmental Science and Physical Geography in 2008. He then obtained his Master's in Environmental Science and Management from UCSB in 2012. Narayana has taken Baba's life message of selfless service to be his guiding compass in his career and life. Following graduation from his Master's program, Narayana worked in environmental remediation for agencies in Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties. He worked for the City of Ventura as an Environmental Specialist, Management Analyst, and Code Enforcement Manager from 2014 to March 2020. Since March, he has transitioned to the City of Goleta as the Assistant to the City Manager. In this position, he works as Swami's instrument to assist in the management of all City operations and provide high-quality public service to the great and beautiful City of Goleta. Outside of work, Narayana enjoys spending time in nature, meditating and practicing yoga, surfing, mountain biking, and snowboarding. He also continues to serve the community as a Board member of the Central Coast Green Building Council and as a Board member of the Municipal Managers Association of Southern California. Narayana now resides in the City of Santa Barbara where he and his wife, Heally Kintz, have laid down roots where they care for Narayan's elder father, Bruce Kintz, and begin to plan for creating another Sai Family.

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