



BENUNTHI  
CELEBRATES  
GURPURAB  
2010

## *Benunthi is a Sikh*

- \* The Sikhs celebrate Gurpurabs all year
- \* Sikhs have a special calendar (Nanaksakhi)
- \* That calendar reminds us when the 10 ten teachers (Gurus) were born and other special times of their lives



# *All Gurburabs*

April	Birthday	Guru Tegh Bahadur
	Birthday	Guru Arjan
May	Birthday	Guru Angad
	Birthday	Guru Amar Das
May/June	Martyrdom	Guru Arjan
June	Birthday	Guru Hargobind
July	Birthday	Guru Har Krishan
November	Birthday	Guru Nanak
November/ December	Martyrdom	Guru Tegh Bahadur
December/ January	Birthday/ Martyrdom	Guru Gobind Singh/Sons'





*Benunthi's Family*

# *What Sikhs Do on Gurburabs*



- \* We do special things to celebrate their lives
- \* We read the holy book The Guru Granth Sahib Ji
- \* Play instruments and sing Shabad Kirtan (Hymns from Guru Granth Sahib Ji)
- \* We go to Gurdwara (Sikh Church)
- \* Make Parashaad
- \* Prepare Langar (Community Food) for everyone

# Guru Granth Sahib Ji



ਬਦੀ ਚੀਨਾ ॥੧॥ ਭਈ ॥  
ਰੁ ਡਾਰਿਓ ਕੁੰਕ ਓ ॥੧॥  
ਤਿ ਰਚਿਓ ਕਰਿ ਓ ॥੧॥  
ਨਹੁ ਸਦਾ ਦੁਪਲਾ ॥  
ਰਿ ਕਿਰਪਾ ਦੇਓ ਮੇਰਿ ਨਾਮ ॥  
੧ ॥ ਸਾਧਸੰਗਿ ਚਿੰਤਿ ਕਰਿ ॥  
ਕੇ ਮੇਰਾ ਦੁਸਮਨੁ ਕਰਿ ॥  
ਈ ॥੨॥ ਸਭੁ ਕੇ ਮਿਦੁ ॥  
ਤੁ ਕੀਓ ਮੇਰੇ ਰਾਜਨ ॥  
ਸਭ ਨਿਵਾਸੀ ਨਾਨਕ ॥  
ਏ ਆਏ ॥ ਮਹਾ ਅੰਗ ॥  
ਇਓ ॥ ਭਇਓ ਪੁਕਾਰੁ ॥  
ਤਰਿ ਵਸਿਆ ਤਾ ਦੁਖੁ ॥  
ਤ ਅਚਿੰਤਾ ਸੋਚ ਅਲ ॥  
ਤ ਕੀ ਟਹਲ ਕੁਰੂ ਕੇ ॥  
ਥਾਈ ॥੪॥੪॥  
ਨ ਹੀ ਸੁਣਿਆ ਦੁਖੁ ॥  
ਨ ਕਰਿ ਕੇ ਸੁਖੁ ॥  
ਨ ਮੰਤਾਨੀ ॥ ਡਿਰੀ ॥







*Shabad Kirtan*



*Pray Together as a Family*





*Gurdwara*





## *Recite Ardaas*

*A prayer said at every Sikh service (at home or in the Gurdwara) that remembers all 10 Gurus and how they are forever embodied in the Guru Granth Sahib Ji*

*Make Karah Parshaad*









*Prepare Langar*

# *What Sikhs Do on Gurburabs*

- \* Have Street Parades
- \* Continue to do Sewa (Community Service)
- \* Some organize poetic readings, plays, engage in intellectual seminars and folk music.
- \* Some Sikh make gifts for or give gifts to others.

# *We Come Together as a Community*



# *References*

- \* *Singh, Nikki-Guninder Kaur. "Sikhism" 3rd Edition, Chelsea House Publishers, New York, NY 2009.*
- \* *All pictures are from Benunthi's Family Albums.*

# *More Information*

*For more information please visit*  
[www.sikhismguide.org](http://www.sikhismguide.org)