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## Prophet Who Predicted the End of the World in 2011 Apologizes

Religion News Services

USA, March 9, 2012: Radio evangelist Harold Camping has called his erroneous prediction that the world would end last May 21 an "incorrect and sinful statement" and said his ministry is out of the prediction business.

"We have learned the very painful lesson that all of creation is in God's hands and he will end time in his time, not ours!" reads the statement signed by Camping and his staff and posted on his ministry's website.

"We must also openly acknowledge that we have no new evidence pointing to another date for the end of the world," he wrote. "Though many dates are circulating, we have no interest in even considering another date."

## **Sewa USA Offers Internship To Experience India From Within**

Source

HOUSTON, TEXAS, March 1, 2012 (Sewa USA, Press Release): As more and more American college students are opting to work in India to get a closer look at this emerging giant, Sewa International USA is offering an exciting internship opportunity to experience India from within.

"Yuva (Youth) For Sewa" (YFS), a 10-week long summer internship offered by Sewa, provides students a great opportunity to work in India's nonprofit sector. Interns will work with some of the highly energetic social service organizations in India.

"YFS started in 2006 and 44 students have served so far in various projects based on their interest and academic training. Health, education, environment and woman and child empowerment are four broad project categories," Prof. Sreenath, President of Sewa International USA, said

## New Jersey Balaji Temple's Hinduism Summit

Source

BRIDGEWATER, NEW JERSEY, March 8, 2012 (indoamerican-news.com): Recent surveys showed that a majority of Americans are leaning towards Hindu thought. At the same time, a study indicates that over 1/3rd of youth from Hindu families in America may be converting out of Hinduism. While the growing interest in Hinduism is a testimony to Hinduism's science and universal nature, the counter trend shows ignorance about Hinduism's uniqueness among many born Hindus.

The Hinduism Summit (Dharmajagruti Sabha), at the Balaji Temple Community Hall in Bridgewater addressed these trends as well as threats to Hinduism from direct assaults, denigration and 'digestion'.

Some of the speakers were: Hindu activist, Jitendra Oulkar ('Know denigration: preserve Hinduism'); Shilpa Kudtarkar ('Spiritual dimension underlying Hindu concepts and issues'); Rajiv Malhotra ('Breaking India - Western Interventions in Dravidian and Dalit Faultlines'); and Bhavna Shinde Hurley, spokesperson of Forum for Hindu Awakening, whose presentation was on 'Understanding, living and preserving Hinduism'.

Since the first Hinduism Summit held in July 2009 in Virginia, 12 Hinduism Summits have been held in North America, UK and Australia. For more information, visit: www.hinduawakening.org/

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