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An Abode for the Faithful

Alḥamdulillāh, with Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V's (may Allāh be his helper) prayers, the Anṣārullāh Housing project has entered into construction phase with groundbreaking on April 24, 2017. Ḥuḍūr has also graciously selected a lot for his own house in this community.

Many members have already signed their contracts with the builder. The overall interest in the project remains very high.

Since prices for the homes and upgrades are locked till August 30, 2017 we have decided to open up all the remaining lots to every member of the USA Jamā'at over the age of 55 on a first come, first served basis.

Anyone interested in buying a home is urged to contact us ASAP.

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Wake Up...

Faheem Younus Qureshi, Şadr Majlis

Thirteen years ago Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) expressed a desire that at least 50% of earning and Chanda-paying members should join the system of Waṣiyyat. Some of us thought, and thought about it while thousands of others took the plunge.

As a result, nearly 1000 members of Majlis Anṣārullāh USA joined the system of Waṣiyyat. But during the 2016 Anṣārullāh national Ijtimā', respected Amīr Jamā'at USA urged us to increase this number to reach the 50% mark. We said Labbaik.

My brother, if you are still thinking about Waṣiyyat, then consider this: It seems like yesterday, when our elders used to say, "mairay anjām bakhair kī du'ā karain" (pray for my goodly ending). Now we are in their shoes, worried about our goodly ending. But there is a recipe.

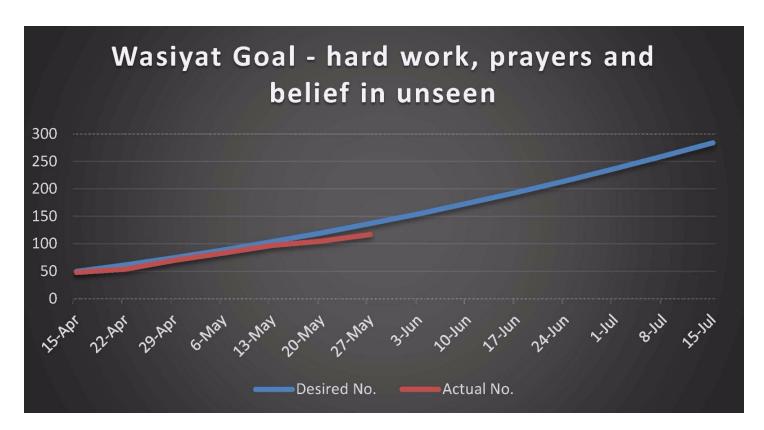
Join the system of Waṣiyyat because the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) said: "...People who are concerned about achieving a goodly ending and offer their prayers, should participate in this scheme." [Al-Fazl

International, Vol. 11, Issue No. 50, 2004]

Satan is sneaky. He whispers in our hearts that you are not good enough, or that you cannot afford it or that you have got a lot of time. Convincing us to postpone our good decisions is a favorite Satanic ploy.

That is why the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) reminded us: "Satan ties three knots at the back of the head of any one of you when he goes to sleep, striking each knot and saying: 'You have a long night ahead, so sleep.' If he wakes up and remembers Allāh, one knot is undone. If he does Wuḍū, two knots are undone. If he prays, all the knots are undone, and he starts the day energetic and in a good mood..."(Bukhārī and Muslim).

Wake up brothers. Wake up. The words of the Promised Messiah are calling you to join the system of Waṣiyyat: "Do not fall in love with the pleasures of the world, for they take you away from God. Choose a life of austerity for the sake of God. The pain which pleases God is better than the pleasure which makes Him angry. And the defeat which pleases God is better than the victory which invites the wrath of Allāh (Al-Waṣiyyat, page 9)."



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The Choice Is Clear but Time Is Short!

Imran Hayee, Nā'ib Şadr Şaff Dom

Thirteen years ago, our beloved Imām, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul -Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper), expressed a wish for 50% of Chanda-paying members to enter the system of Waṣiyyat. Today, we still fall short of fulfilling this noble wish of our Imām whom we proclaim to love and pledge allegiance to. Our inability to fulfill the thirteen years-old wish of our beloved Imām does not support our claims of love for him and offer any sacrifice to guard the institution of Khilāfat. This is a harsh reality, which respected Amīr Jamā'at USA pointed to in his concluding address during the last year's Anṣār national Ijtimā'. He looked into our eyes and reminded us that we were neither at par with our claims to love our Imām, nor did we justify our status of being the role models for our families, as we, as Anṣār, are behind Khuddām and Lajna in our Waṣiyyat goal.

This is indeed the harsh reality of our lives. The good news, however, is that most of us despise this in our hearts. Therefore, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA has taken the corrective measures to change the course by pledging that we will fulfill the thirteen years-old wish of our beloved Imām before this year's national Ijtimā' in September, Inshā'allāh.

While many Anṣār are taking the plunge to join the system of Waṣiyyat as a gesture of showing obedience to our beloved Imām, it is important to understand the real purpose behind the system of Waṣiyyat which Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ III (may Allāh's blessings be on him) beautifully explained, in his Friday sermon of April 30, 1982. He said:

"The purpose of Waṣiyyat is that among the members of the Aḥmadiyya movement, there should be a group of people which should fulfill its obligations in view of the teachings of Islām with such diligence and sacrifice that it should become clearly distinguishable from the others. Waṣiyyat does not mean merely to sacrifice one tenth of one's property. Rather it is a system which lifts man from the depths of the earth and elevates him to the heights of heaven."

After contemplating the real purpose of Waşiyyat and reading the book Al-Waşiyyat (The Will) repeatedly, many Anṣār show a concern that they do not consider themselves to be spiritually fit to join the system of Waṣiyyat. In their hearts, they want to follow through the call of their Imām but think that their standard of piety is not high enough to join the system of Waṣiyyat.

However, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V has addressed their concern in these words:

"This is such a revolutionary system that if a person joins it with true intentions and later makes sincere efforts for self-improvement in accordance with the sayings of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), then with the blessings of this system the long spiritual journey that would have taken years to finish will be covered in days, and that of days will be covered in hours." (Al Fazl International, Vol. 11, Issue No. 50, 2004)

No other auxiliary today needs this reminder more than Majlis Anṣārullāh. When we were Aṭfāl (children), we thought that our whole lives were ahead of us. We soon graduated from Majlis Atfālul-Ahmadiyya to become Khuddām. We still thought we were too young. We then graduated from Majlis Khuddamul-Ahmadiyya to become Anṣār. After our final graduation from Majlis Anṣārullāh though, we have only one place to go, where we all wish to have an Anjām Bakhair (goodly ending). This is such a convincing reason to join the system of Waşiyyat, leaving us no choice whatsoever. Thirteen years ago, expressing his wish of 50% Anṣār entering the system of Waṣiyyat Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V said, "The Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) mentioned that people who are concerned about achieving an Anjam Bakhair (goodly ending) and offer their prayers, should participate in this scheme."

The time to join the system of Waşiyyat was thirteen years ago or even before that. If we are lucky enough to be alive today to hear the call of our beloved Imām again, we ought to hurry. The risk of any further delay is chillingly high, as the Holy Qur'ān depicts, "And spend out of that with which We have provided you before death comes upon one of you and he says, 'My Lord! if only Thou wouldst grant me respite for a little while, then I would give alms and be among the righteous." (The Holy Qur'ān, 63 [Al-Munāfiqūn]:11)

Alḥamdulillāh, many Anṣār throughout the nation are paying heed to the call of their beloved Imām by joining the system of Waṣiyyat and Zu'amā are working diligently to communicate the message to each and every Nāṣir in their respective Majālis.

The work is far from over, though.

My dear brothers, let's continue to pray and strive hard that may Almighty Allāh enable us all to fulfill the thirteen years-old wish of our beloved Imām before our national Ijtimā' in September.

Now, it's up to us to make a choice about which half of the Anṣār we want to be part of. The choice is clear but time is short.

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