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A message from Sadr Majlis Ansarullah USA

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Dear Brothers, Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rehmatullah,

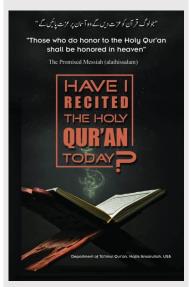
As we all await the new year, many in the world are busying themselves in writing resolutions and planning worldly goals and successes for 2023. However, we are planning our Tahajjud prayer so we may seek Allah's Grace as we begin the new year.

This desire to obtain Allah's continuous guidance and pleasure runs through the blood of every Ahmadi. Seeking His pleasure is a difficult task however, one that begins with supplication and is followed by actions and sacrifices made throughout the year.

In a recent Friday Sermon on Dec 23rd, Huzur (aba) stated that until one forsakes the material world and the status it has to offer, one will not find success in seeking Allah's pleasure. If we are inclined toward the world alone, we will never be able to achieve our objective. We must forsake the pleasures of this world and continue to struggle to attain the pleasure of Allah and achieve true success in life.

Huzur (aba) gave the example of Hazrat Abraham (as) who demonstrated this phenomenon in an excellent manner with his willingness to sacrifice his son for the pleasure of God. Huzur (aba) also described how both Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) and Hazrat Umar (ra) left behind their powerful and respected worldly status for the opportunity to dedicate their lives to the struggle of attaining Allah's pleasure. These grand examples may seem unattainable to us, however, Allah the Almighty fully knows our individual struggles and sacrifices. Anyone who strives even the slightest to obtain the pleasure of Allah, will be rewarded, and this reward lies with Allah the Almighty alone.

However, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize all the sacrifices you have made to serve the Majlis in your respective roles and capacities. Each one of you have sacrificed a portion of your time which could have







been spent otherwise, whether you are a Zaim, an Amla member, or a non-office bearing Nasir. You could have spent that time with your friends, taken an extra hour of sleep, or watched your favorite TV show. Instead, you chose to spare that time to do something for the Majlis. This may have been organizing or participating in a program, conducting, or attending meetings, filling out surveys, submitting reports, responding to emails or phone calls, staying in touch and taking care of each other.

All these routine tasks require time and effort on your part. These may appear to be small acts but in the eyes of Allah the Almighty, each and every gesture of service and sacrifice has a value known only to Him.

Therefore, I extend my most heartfelt gratitude to you all for your hard work and selfless service to the Majlis throughout this year. I also seek your forgiveness, if any of my actions or words caused you any hurt or offense. May Allah the Almighty forgive me for my omissions and accept all your sacrifices and services. May He abundantly reward you and your families with His Grace and successes you deserve in this upcoming year. And may He bless us all with the ability to continue to strive for His pleasure through our devotion and sacrifices to this Jama'at. Ameen.

With love and prayers,

Wassalaam, Imran Hayee humbly serving as Sadr Majlis Ansarullah USA

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