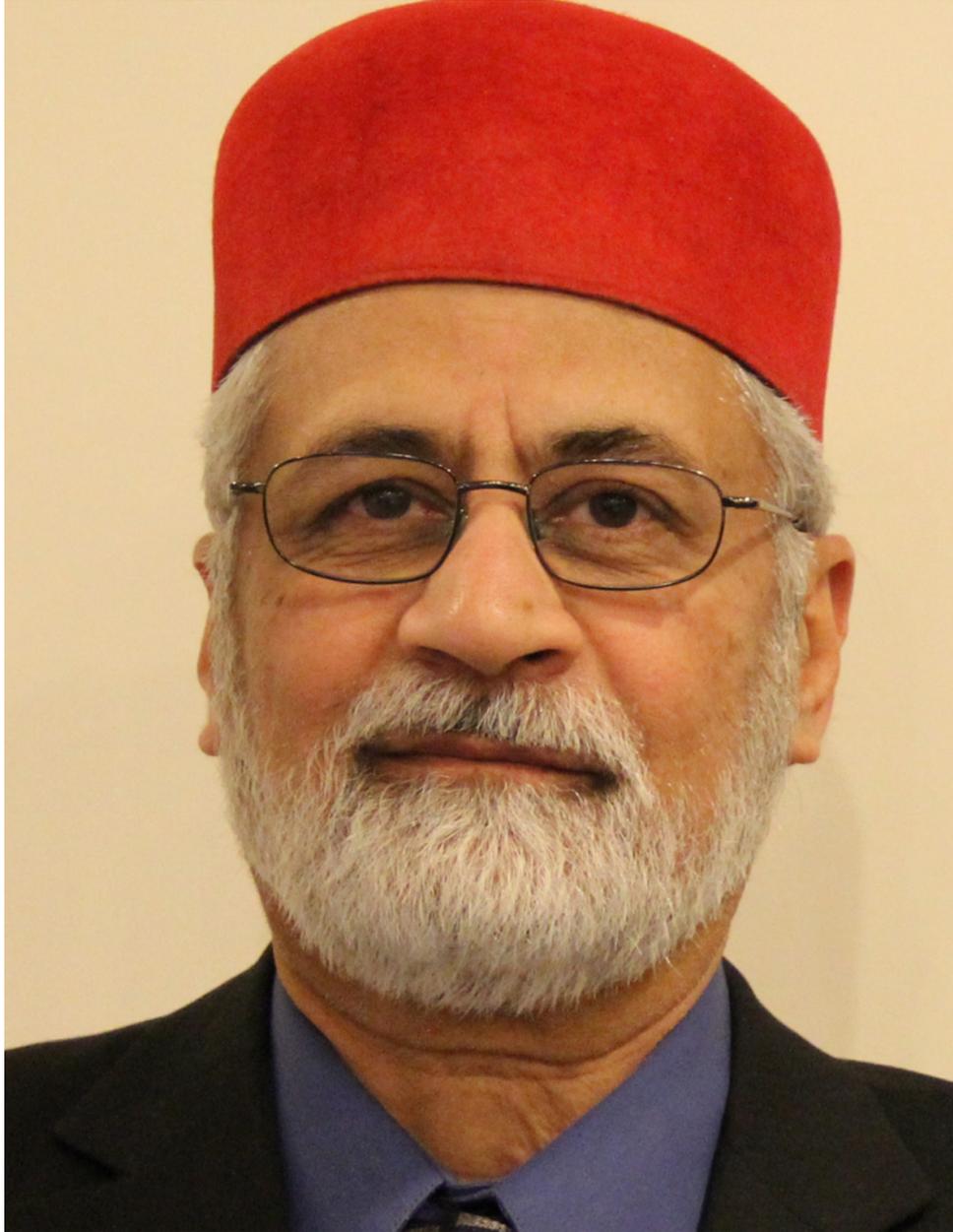


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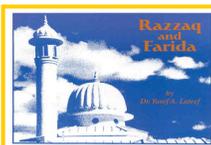
ا	at the beginning of the word, pronounced as <i>a, i, u</i> preceded by a very slight aspiration, like <i>h</i> in English word 'honor.'	ط	<i>ṭ</i> , strongly articulated palatal t.
ث	<i>th</i> , pronounced like <i>th</i> in English word 'thing.'	ظ	<i>ẓ</i> , strongly articulated z.
ح	<i>ḥ</i> , a guttural aspirate, stronger than h.	ع	' , a strong guttural, the pronunciation of which must be learnt by the ear.
خ	<i>kh</i> , pronounced like the Scotch <i>ch</i> in 'loch.'	غ	<i>gh</i> , a sound approached very nearly in the <i>r</i> 'grasseye' in French, and in the German <i>r</i> . It requires the muscles of the throat to be in the gargling position whilst pronouncing it.
ذ	<i>dh</i> , pronounced like the English <i>th</i> in 'that.'	ق	<i>q</i> , a deep guttural <i>k</i> sound.
ص	<i>ṣ</i> , strongly articulated s.	ء	' , a sort of catch in the voice.
ض	<i>ḍ</i> , similar to the English <i>th</i> in 'this.'	ں	<i>ñ</i> , nasalized sound like <i>ant</i> in croissant.

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And thy Lord has inspired the bee, *saying*, ‘Make thou houses in the hills and in the trees and in the trellises which they build, ‘Then eat of every *kind of* fruit, and then pursue submissively the paths prescribed by your Lord.’ There comes forth from their bellies a drink of varying hues. Therein is a cure for men. Surely, in that is a Sign for a people who reflect. (The Holy Qur’ān, 16 [Al-Nahl]:69-70)

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Anṣār Leadership Conference 2013



Held at Baitul Ḥameed Mosque, Chino, CA
Maqbool A. Tahir, Qā'id Umūmī

The 2013 Anṣār Leadership Conference (ALC) was held on January 19-20, 2013 at Baitul Ḥameed Mosque in Chino, California. The ALC is an annual gathering of Zu'amā, Nāzimīn, and National 'Āmilah to review Majālis' planned activities for the entire year, with specific targets to be achieved during the year. The forum is used to engage in intellectual discussions on ways to become more efficient and productive.

More than 85 delegates from 57 Majālis attended this event. Volunteers from LA East, LA Inland, and LA West Majālis worked hard to make this event successful. All the attendees stayed at the mosque. By the grace of Allāh everything was smoothly executed.

The program started on Saturday morning with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Naveed Malik, followed by a poem recitation by M. Dawood Munir. After the Anṣār pledge, Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa addressed the delegates and briefly highlighted the purpose of this conference and ALC program. The first session concluded with silent prayer led by Ṣadr Majlis.

Opening Address—Ṣadr Majlis

In his brief opening address, Ṣadr Majlis welcomed the delegates and highlighted the program and objectives of the ALC. He thanked all the attendees for coming to the conference to spend a day and a half in the company of the righteous. He

also thanked the families of all the attendees as most of the weekends are usually busy for most of us. Ṣadr Majlis mentioned that he strongly advocates having at least one weekend per month free for the families. He also shared the challenges and opportunities facing Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA for the upcoming year. He emphasized that the purpose of the ALC was to provide a forum in which we could discuss and understand the challenges which may arise and to find ways to implement instructions given by Khalīfatul Masīḥ (may Allāh be his helper). He mentioned that it takes a lot of effort to put this event together which takes more than a couple months of planning and organization. This year's plan is based on the National 'Āmilah's meeting with Ḥuḍūr. So this year's plan is based on the directions received directly from Ḥuḍūr. Ṣadr Majlis said that at this ALC, Majlis will try to provide the means that are needed to execute plans provided in the handbook. He also emphasized that as Anṣār we need to inculcate the love of Allāh, the desire to preach Islām, serve mankind, get involved in the moral training of our children, and maintain the spirit of protecting the institution of Khilāfat.

He shared the following key goals to be achieved by Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA during the year 2013:

- Increase attendance in meetings by at least 10% where members' attendance in meetings is below

30%;

- Maintain 90% participation in online reporting by Zu'amā;
- Encourage Anṣār to offer Prayers at mosques. Increase number by 5% (where applicable);
- Distribute at least 250,000 "Muslims for Peace" and other campaign flyers;
- Achieve at least 35% participation of Anṣār in educational tests—target is 50%;
- Initiate and sustain at least one social service activity in each Majlis; two activities for large Majālis;
- Streamline financial processes and track the individual Anṣār budget and Chandah payments;
- Increase number of Majālis holding Ta'limul Qur'an classes to 70%;
- Contact all Nau Mubā'i'in at least six times during the year;
- Increase participation in Tahrik Jadid and Waqf Jadid by 10% compared to last year;
- Make phone calls to 5 to 6 Zu'amā each month to ask them to update their Tajnid;
- Publish all issues of Al-Nahl for 2013 in the same calendar year;
- Have at least 40% of Anṣār exercise regularly (at least 3 times a week); and
- Visit to each Majlis in the region by respective Nāzimīn.

After sharing the goals with the Zu'amā, Ṣadr Majlis mentioned that this year we have provided a USB flash drive to the ALC participants which

contains the following items in PDF format:

- Anṣār Administrative Handbook
- Ta'lim (education) syllabus
- Constitution of Majlis Anṣārullāh

He asked Zu'amā to make copies of this USB and share with the members of their Majlis. Each Qā'id will strive to achieve these goals. While some of these goals came from the National Āmilah's meeting with Ḥuḍūr after last year's Jalsah, some goals have been on-going.

Ṣadr Majlis continued to emphasize the original purpose of the creation of Majlis Anṣārullāh as an auxiliary of the Aḥmadiyya Jamā'at. He explained that Majlis Anṣārullāh has been created to compliment the work of the Jamā'at and not for creating dissention. He mentioned that Majlis Anṣārullāh, as an auxiliary, is an independent entity but should work in co-operation with other auxiliaries and with the Jamā'at as a whole at all levels—local, regional, and national.

Ṣadr Majlis mentioned that this year 115 new Anṣār joined the Majlis. Their names and contact information will be shared with the Zu'amā. He asked Zu'amā to contact all new Anṣār in their respective Majālis. Ṣadr Majlis has already sent welcome letters to all of these Anṣār.

After the opening address, Ṣadr Majlis requested all delegates to introduce themselves. After the introductions, Ṣadr Majlis commented: "During the introductions, I noticed that most of the attendees held more than one office. So we carry the responsibilities of many offices, and due to this, families can be impacted. If you are asked to do something in addition to your already assigned responsibilities then evaluate your bandwidth. If you find that your time is coming out of the family time then it is perfectly fine to say 'No.' We need to be honest with ourselves and give full attention to our jobs as well as fulfill our obligations to our families. Taking on extra responsibility should not be at the cost of our family obligations."

Ṣadr and Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom Elections

Ṣadr Majlis mentioned that he wanted to point out another important matter, that is, later in the year, the elections for Ṣadr and Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom would be held. He explained the complete process in detail with deadline for each step:

1. Nomination of Ṣadr and Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom by Majālis must be submitted by June 21, 2013.
2. National Majlis Āmilah will review the nominations on August 17, 2013 in an Āmilah meeting.
3. Names of all nominations for Ṣadr and Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom will be submitted to Ḥuḍūr for approval by August 22, 2013.
4. All Zu'amā are requested to hold elections for the approved list of names by September 28, 2013 and submit election results by September 29, 2013.

Ṣadr Majlis answered questions about quorum and eligibility for these elections:

1) Quorum

- First attempt: All members in the Majlis should be included in the Quorum—Quorum is 50% of the total Tajnīd.
- Second attempt: Only eligible members to be included—Quorum is 33% of the eligible members.
- Third Attempt: Quorum requirement is waived.

2) Age

- Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom: Under 47 years old (on January 1st of the following year)

Next, the regular agenda of the ALC commenced. This consisted of department plans by Qā'idīn, a presentation on completing online reports, a special workshop "How to be a good leader" with Rizwan Alladin, "Role of Nāzimīn," an address by Imām Syed Shamshad Ahmad Nasir, and the award ceremony combined with the closing session.

Following are the brief highlights

of these events:

Department Plans for 2013 (Session 1)

All Qā'idīn presented their plans for 2013 and mainly focused on key goals that Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA will work on during the year.

While presenting Tabligh plan, Qā'id Tabligh mentioned that more than 300 million Americans need to know about Islām and it means that every Nāṣir has to reach more than 100,000 people and by the grace of Allāh we can achieve this target under the banner of Khilāfat. Zu'amā were requested to hold the following events during the year:

- Small town visits
- Retirement home visits
- Ethnic community visits
- Seminars, Interfaith events

The complete workflow of Tabligh plan was presented and Zu'amā were requested to make their Tabligh plans in their Āmilah and then present those plans in general body meetings. Zu'amā were requested to make teams, assign tasks, and then measure performance of those teams and make adjustments if needed to produce results.

Next, Qā'id Finance presented his plan and mentioned the percentages of Chandah as below:

Earning Members

- Membership dues: 1% of take home income
- Ijtimā' dues: 0.00125% of take home income
- Publication dues: \$10 per year

Non-earning Members

- Membership dues: \$2 per month
- Ijtimā' dues: \$1 per month

Qā'id Finance mentioned that in case of financial hardship, if any Nāṣir needs exemption, he needs to write to Ṣadr Majlis through his Za'im. He emphasized that it was very important to submit the next year's budget on time as many future Majlis decisions were made on the basis of budget and mentioned that the deadline to submit 2014 budget was July 31, 2013.

He also showed a live demo of the

new monthly deposit report and requested Zu'amā to submit the report as soon as they make any deposit.

While presenting his plan, Qā'id Tajnīd requested all Zu'amā to maintain accurate Tajnīd and record all changes promptly and submit these changes monthly in their report.

Qā'id Ta'lim emphasized increasing the participation in Ta'lim tests. He said that last year 33% Anṣār participated in both Ta'lim tests and Ḥuḍūr wished to have more than 50% participation. He said that all Zu'amā need to make extra effort to make sure that we achieve our target of 50% desired by Ḥuḍūr. He said that participation in essay writing competition also needed to be improved and that every Majlis must strive to submit at least one essay.

Qā'id Tarbiyat discussed the following moral training guidelines and requested Zu'amā to implement this plan at their local level:

- Inculcating Islāmic culture in families
- Activating inactive Anṣār
- Participation in congregational Ṣalāt in mosques and Ṣalāt centers
- Strong affiliation with Khalīfatul Masīḥ and the Jamā'at
- Moral training week—March 18-24, 2013
- Addressing rising problem of drugs, alcohol, and smoking
- Addressing social media's effects on youth
- Addressing social issues in Majālis

Qā'id Publications discussed the following points and offered guidelines for each:

- Main goals for the year, deadlines, and points allocated for each goal
- The main objective for 2013—To increase number of articles for Al-Naḥl received from Majālis by 25%.
- Emphasis on motivating Anṣār to write articles for Al-Naḥl
- Sending Majālis' activities information
- Sending information about deceased members
- Nominations for Majlis Anṣār Sulṭānul-Qalam (MASQ) award
- Guidelines for taking group photos
- Ordering Anṣār books

Qā'id Taḥrīk Jadīd emphasized the importance of this blessed scheme and requested Zu'amā to encourage all Anṣār to participate in this scheme.

After this the session was adjourned for Lunch and Ḍuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers.

Demonstration of Online Reporting System

In this session, Qā'id 'Umūmī emphasized the importance of submitting monthly Majālis reports on time and gave a brief tutorial on submitting reports online and also explained some common misconceptions regarding how to answer some specific questions in the report. Zu'amā were requested to file their monthly reports on time (before the 7th of each month). It was also mentioned that IT team was working on a new reporting system which would allow saving reporting data before the final submission.

Department Plans for 2013 (Session II)

Qā'id Ta'limul Qur'ān discussed the importance of reciting the Holy Qur'ān with correct pronunciation. He also mentioned about the online classes for Qur'ān learning, Classes for new converts, and online classes for correct Tartīl and Tajwīd. The minimum annual target for Qur'ān exhibition and Waqf-i-'Arḍī (short-term devotional) were communicated as follows:

- Small Majālis: One per year
- Medium Majālis: Two per year
- Large Majālis: Three per year

Qā'id Tarbiyat Nau Mubā'ī'in discussed the importance of keeping contacts with new converts by Zu'amā and making sure that they were properly trained. He also mentioned the monthly Tarbiyat conference call for new converts and an annual workshop which would be held in October 2013.

Qā'id Waqf Jadīd discussed the importance of this blessed scheme and requested Zu'amā to encourage all Anṣār in their respective Majālis to participate in Waqf Jadīd.

Qā'id Īthār discussed the ways

Anṣār at local level can participate in Īthār activities—providing food to the needy, helping others in finding jobs, and providing ride to members to name a few. He also requested Zu'amā to make their plans and let him know if they needed any financial help in executing those plans.

Qā'id Health emphasized the importance of health of all Anṣār to do the Jamā'at work. He requested Zu'amā to ride bike regularly as it was a very good exercise. Zu'amā were requested to hold an annual health fair to remind the membership about the importance of health.

The Auditor discussed how to prepare for audits, he emphasized the following points:

- Total amounts of the following should match each other:
 - Monthly deposit slips
 - Monthly collection/batch report
 - Total amount of receipts issued during the month
- Keep record of all voided/cancelled receipts and report to Qā'id Finance in the monthly collection/batch report.
- Obtain approval of expenses over the budgeted amount.

The session ended with break for Maghrib and 'Ishā Prayers. A group photo of all attendees was taken outside the mosque.

How to be a Good Leader (Moderated by Rizwan Alladin)

After Maghrib and 'Ishā Prayers, a special workshop was conducted by Rizwan Alladin on "How to be a good leader." He was invited to talk about how Zu'amā and Nāzīmīn can better lead their Majālis or regions.

All the attendees were divided into 12 groups and an effort was made to make sure that the groups were made up of Anṣār from different regions. Eight events were presented to all groups and they had to select one best option out of two given to them and on the basis of their selection of options they had to measure the Anṣār participation in events along with measuring completion of National Anṣār plans. It was an interesting interactive session that provided the opportunity to

everyone to express their opinion while selecting the best option. First part of the session ended with some questions from attendees to the presenter.

The first day of the ALC ended with dinner and a brief meeting with local Anṣār of the three host Majālis. Over 150 members attended the dinner. Local Anṣār were provided the opportunity to ask questions during the dinner. Ṣadr Majlis and regional missionary, Imām Syed Shamshad Ahmad Nasir, answered those questions.

Second Day of the ALC

The second day of the ALC started with the recitation of the Holy Qur’ān. After the recitation, Ṣadr Majlis talked about the role of Anṣār in Ṣaff Dom and encouraged all Ṣaff Dom Anṣār to participate actively in the Majlis’ activities.

Next, the second part of the “How to be a good leader” workshop started and Rizwan Alladin along with Ṣadr Majlis discussed all the events and options that were presented to the attendees in the first part of the workshop and explained how to select the best option according to the situation. At the end of this part, the results were shown to the attendees from the previous day’s discussion.

Nā’ib Ṣadr Awwal discussed the role of Nāzimīn in detail and mentioned some key challenges faced by the Nāzimīn. The Nāzimīn were encouraged to select their ‘Āmilah and distribute the work among ‘Āmilah members to get better outcome. The Nāzimīn were requested to visit every Majlis in their respective regions at least once in a year.

Concluding Session

The concluding session started with the recitation of the Holy Qur’ān followed by the annual award presentation in which the best performing Majālis were recognized based upon their performance throughout the year in small, medium, and large Majālis categories. The ‘Alam-i-In’āmī was awarded based upon overall best performance. The Nāzimīn were also recognized for their excellent performance and

Outstanding Nāzim awards were given to them. The award winning Majālis are listed below:

‘Alam-i-In’āmī

Willingboro Majlis

Za’im: Abdul Rehman Minhas

Large Majālis

- 1st Willingboro (Za’im: Abdul Rehman Minhas)
- 2nd Dallas (Za’im: Mubashir Ahmed)
- 3rd LA East (Za’im: Muzaffar Siddiqi)

Medium Majālis

- 1st York (Za’im: Zarar Bajwa)
- 2nd Cypress-Houston (Za’im: Iftikhar Ahmad Sheikh)
- 3rd Baltimore (Za’im: Nasir Jamil)

Small Majālis

- 1st Syracuse (Za’im: Muhammad Zafar Iqbal)
- 2nd Fitchburg (Za’im: Masood Ashraf)
- 3rd Minnesota (Za’im: Nasim Ahmad)

Most Improved Majlis

St. Louis

Za’im: Kalim Wali

Outstanding Nāzim Award

Region	Nāzim
Gulf States	Suhail Kausar
South West	Faheem Ahmad
Virginia	Basharat A. Wadan
New York	Arshad Janjua
Midwest	Abu Bakr Bin Saeed
Northeast	M. Zafar Iqbal
South East	Syed Abdul Shukoor

After the awards distribution, Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir, Regional Missionary, addressed the ALC attendees.

Anṣār’s Responsibility to the Next Generation

(Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir)

Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir started by mentioning that it was a great honor that Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA and Ṣadr Majlis decided to hold the National ‘Āmilah meeting and the ALC 2013 in this Majlis. He said that hopefully the practice would continue.

Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir said:

“The topic given to me is quite broad. This morning, Abu Bakr Bin Saeed gave a good example in his commentary on the Holy Qur’ān. He narrated the incident about a person who gave the best education to his son. It is a custom in Ghana that a successful student gets a presidential award. So this boy’s father went to the Amīr of Ghana, Abdul Wahab Adam, to request him to go with the son to receive the award, since this would also be a good opportunity to show presence by a Jamā’at official. Amīr Ghana was very happy to hear about the boy’s accomplishment and asked the boy to read the Holy Qur’ān. But the boy could not read the Holy Qur’ān. Amīr Ghana brought this to the attention of the father of the boy, saying that while the father focused on his son’s worldly education he neglected the spiritual education. Thus Amīr did not accompany the boy to the President’s office.

Another similar incident comes to my mind. In this incident, a son completed his PhD degree and right after that his father passed away. The boy started crying, as is the natural response. People paid their condolences to the boy and tried to console him by telling him that this happens to everyone. But the boy did not stop crying. The people asked the missionary to go and console the boy. The missionary approached the boy and talked to him. The boy told him: ‘I am not crying just because my father has passed away. I am crying because my father did everything he could for my worldly education. Now he has passed away and I don’t even know how to say his Janāzah (funeral) Prayer.’

In the first example, the father thought that taking the Amīr would be a Tabligh activity. But this is not Tabligh. The Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) came to connect us with God (not just to prove his truthfulness with arguments). To become a true servant of God people should have a live relationship with God. This was the mission of the Promised Messiah. He came to purify us.

So how do we become Godly people? Here are some of the simple



Baitul Hameed Mosque, Chino, CA—venue of 2013 Anshar Leadership Conference (ALC)



ALC participants gather for a group photo.



Members of Majlis 'Amilah, Majlis Ansharullah, USA with Imam Shamsad A. Nasir at the ALC

things I want to emphasize:

1. Prayer (Ṣalāt)

- I feel quite shy to tell Anṣār to say the Prayers after their age of 40 years (not 7). At 40, we should be setting an example for our children and grandchildren. Actions speak louder than the words. A practical example is needed from Anṣār. Children look at us and follow what we do. Some things may seem minor to you but they are not. For example, your dress. When we come to the Jamā'at podium or come to the mosque for Prayers, our dress should be appropriate.
- I was told a story in London: Two friends came to UK Jalsah and stayed at the guest house. Every morning, one friend dressed well, while the other did not care. One day, the friend who did not care about his dress asked his friend why he dresses up every day early in the morning for the Fajr Prayer. His friend replied: 'Don't you see Ḥuḍūr? He is always properly dressed with the long coat and the turban.' It leaves a good impression and effect on children when you are properly dressed whenever you go to the meeting, Jalsah, or the mosque. It is not necessary to look young by wearing clothes that teenagers wear. We should look like Anṣār. Some Anṣār don't have any beard. Do whatever you can do to present yourself well. You should not just go with the flow. When you come to the podium to deliver a speech, know that this podium is your honor and you are an officeholder or representative of the Jamā'at and thus should appear honorable and dress appropriately.

2. Wearing a Cap

Some Anṣār do not wear a cap during Prayers. How can such a Nāṣir be a role model for the next generation?

3. Etiquette of the Mosque

Some Anṣār talk when they come for Prayers to the mosque. It is very important to stay quiet when in the

mosque waiting for the Prayer to start.

4. Reading Holy Qur'an

Read the Holy Qur'an with a loud voice at home. In Qādiān and Rabwah, people used to read the Holy Qur'an after the morning Prayer at home such that a passerby could hear it. But if the grandfather and the father are asleep in the morning then how will the next generation will wake up and recite the Holy Qur'an?

5. Saying positive things about the Jamā'at

Always say good things about the Jamā'at, Khilāfat, and the officeholders, especially, in front of your children. Teach them obedience to Khilāfat and the Niẓām-i-Jamā'at (system of the Jamā'at). Do not talk bad about any officeholder in front of the children; otherwise this will poison your next generation.

6. Look within the Jamā'at for Spouses

- When selecting spouses for your children, find appropriate marriageable candidate within the Jamā'at. This is happening a lot that the next generation is seeking spouses outside. I will share an incident regarding Ḥaḍrat Maulawī Mohammad Ilyas of Peshawar. He was not very educated but loved the system of the Jamā'at. This incident is a contrast to the materialistic life that the people are chasing. A paramount chief sent a message of marriage to Maulawī Mohammad Ilyas' daughter, promising a lot of wealth and land to his future wife. Maulawī Mohammad Ilyas decided to go and respond to the chief in person. He told him that even if the King of Kabul came and asked him for his daughter's hand he would refuse and would prefer to marry her daughter to a poor person who is an Aḥmadī and have love for the Jamā'at.
- We should stay within the Jamā'at and look at the righteousness of people. Enhance the respect of the spouses, daughters, and sisters. The Holy Prophet (may peace and

blessings of Allāh be on him) gave the glad tidings that paradise at home is due to the wife and the daughters. So be respectful of them.

- He then recited verses 18-19 of Sūrah Luqmān (Chapter 31): 'O my dear son! Observe Prayer, and enjoin good, and forbid evil, and endure patiently whatever may befall thee. Surely this is of those matters which require firm resolve. And turn not thy cheek away from men in pride nor walk in the earth haughtily; Surely, Allāh loves not any arrogant boaster.'
- He explained that Allāh has recorded this advice of Ḥaḍrat Luqmān (may peace be on him) to his sons since this is a lesson for us to safeguard the teaching of our Prophet.
- He then quoted an article from a newspaper form March 16, 1936 in which Sardār Divān Singh Makhtoom wrote an article titled 'Status of Aḥmadiyyat.' The article says: 'If all the Aḥmadīs of the world are killed and only one Aḥmadī is left and he is told that he will face the same fate as those before unless he renounces his faith even then that lone remaining Aḥmadī will say 'no.' He will not leave the true Islām, Aḥmadiyyat. An Aḥmadī will not leave his beliefs, traditions, and practices.'
- The Promised Messiah says that the person who does Bai'at, follows me, and is obedient to me, he is the person who will be saved and be cured by my spirit during trials and tribulations and on the Day of Judgment. He said that you are the last people of God. Practice the good to an extent where it reaches its highest perfection (Kashtī-i-Nūḥ, 1902)."

Imām Shamsḥad A. Nasir concluded his address with this prayer "May Almighty Allāh forgive our shortcomings and enable us to follow true teachings of Islām and Aḥmadiyyat (Āmin).

Concluding Address

Ṣadr Majlis stated that his address would just be a set of reminders or the summary of what has been covered

National Majlis ‘Āmilah meeting—held a day before the ALC— was addressed by Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir.



National Majlis ‘Āmilah meeting in session



ALC participants in a workshop session that was coordinated by Rizwan Alladin



Members of the three LA area host Majālis participating in a Q&A session with Şadr Majlis and Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir



Za‘īm of Willingboro Majlis, Abdul Rehman Minhas, receiving the ‘Ālam-i-In‘āmī

over the course of the last two days. He then suggested that the audience could go ahead and ask any questions of him first. Here is a summary of some of the questions and responses from the final session:

- Suggestion: Top ten Majālis list should be printed.

Response: Last year Willingboro was the most improved Majlis. This year we sent the evaluation to Zu'amā in July that provided status for the first 6 months. Also, the areas of improvement were sent as well. Willingboro took it to heart. It was a real challenge for us to decide the first and second position. I did not send the final list for a day or so due to very close results. Dallas should not feel bad. Willingboro did a little extra. We will share the ranking with all the Majālis, Inshā'allāh.

- Comment: 'Alam-i-In'āmī and the chance for small Majālis of winning it.

Response: 'Alam-i-In'āmī can be won by small Majālis. Large Majālis have been getting it because of the amount of work they do. Four or five terms ago the Research Triangle received it with only nine members.

- Question: Is the Syllabus book sent to every Nāsir?

Response: Yes. It was sent to the printer on December 11th or 12th. We found out in early January 2013 that somebody from the Jamā'at sent two more publications that delayed it by a month. It is printed now and it will be going out in the mail by the end of this week. All the information in the handbook is also on the website and on the USB flash drive (that was distributed during this ALC). Please share this information with members of your Majlis.

Şadr Majlis started his closing address by thanking the Zu'amā of the three host Majālis (LA East, LA Inland, and LA West), Presidents of these Jamā'ats, and Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir for hosting the National 'Āmilah meeting and the ALC. He said that everyone thoroughly enjoyed it. He mentioned that the event was an effort of about

three months and a lot of work had gone into it. Şadr Majlis then announced that the 2013 Anşār Ijtimā' would be held at Baitur Raḥmān Mosque in Silver Spring, MD on October 4-6, 2013 (Eid being on October 16, 2013). He mentioned that all the information about the competitions was in the handbook. While emphasizing the importance of Tajnīd Şadr Majlis said that it costs money to mail out the handbooks and if the Tajnīd is not accurate then there is a lot of waste.

Şadr Majlis reminded Zu'amā of their key responsibilities (listed on page 22 of the Constitution), especially, completing and submitting monthly reports on time. He said that if the report is not received on time then there was a domino effect, eventually impacting the report that goes to Ḥuḍūr.

Zu'amā were also reminded that the rules and regulations of the Majlis were there to be followed. Şadr Majlis highlighted the use of the agenda/plans available in the Anşār Handbook for conducting monthly Anşār meetings. He emphasized that Zu'amā or Muntaẓimīn should respond to Qā'idīn's requests in timely manner. He suggested that if a Za'im received a message from a Qā'id, he should acknowledge that even by only saying "Jazākallāh". Zu'amā were reminded that all the expenditure should be within the approved budget of the respective Majālis. He also reminded that the second round of election of Şadr and Nā'ib Şadr Şaff Dom at the Majlis level must be completed before September 29.

He mentioned that the Anşār Chandah rates for non-earning members have been fixed at \$24 per year as membership dues and \$12 per year for Ijtimā' dues. Exemption can be granted by Şadr Majlis (according to the Constitution of Majlis Anşārullāh). Ḥuḍūr's comment on the Shūrā proposal is that "...for exemption, provide reason and duration for exemption."

He concluded by reminding all present to pay attention to our obligations to promote:

- Love of Allāh
- Teachings of Islām
- Serving mankind

- Training of our children
- Obedience to Khilāfat
- Placing collective interest over personal interest

He read a quote from the writing of the Promised Messiah on how we can fulfill these obligations: "What I say is not an occasion for surprise, therefore, it is an occasion, rather, for rendering thanks—repeated thanks—to God. It is an occasion for renewing faith." [Victory of Islām]

The ALC 2013 ended with silent prayers for the attendees, for the Majālis and their members, the Qā'idīn, the Nāẓimīn, for the safe travel back home of all the participants, for Khalīfatul Masīḥ, and for all those who are facing any kind of hardship.

At the end of this report, I would like to mention the wonderful job done by all the Los Angeles area Anşār, Khuddām, and Aṭfāl whose selfless dedication helped to make this event a success, Alḥamdulillāh. They did a great job on all fronts, including conference venue, arrangements, transportation, accommodation, refreshments, and taking care of needs of all the guests. May Almighty Allāh give them and their families reward for making this ALC a memorable experience for all the attendees, Āmīn.



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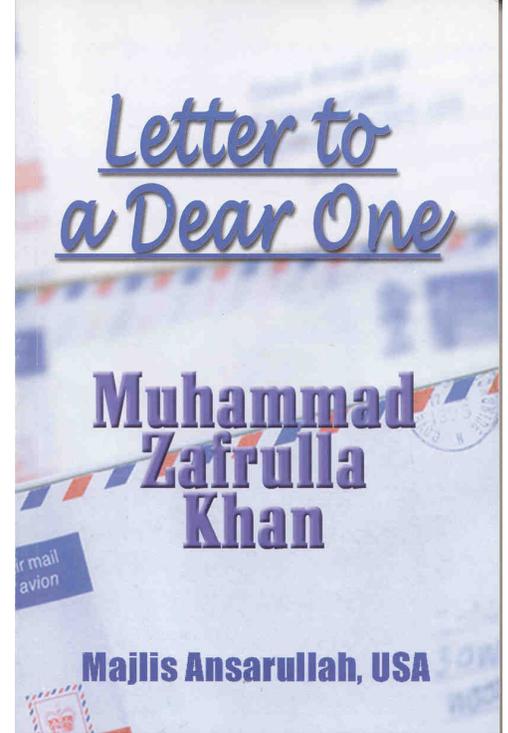


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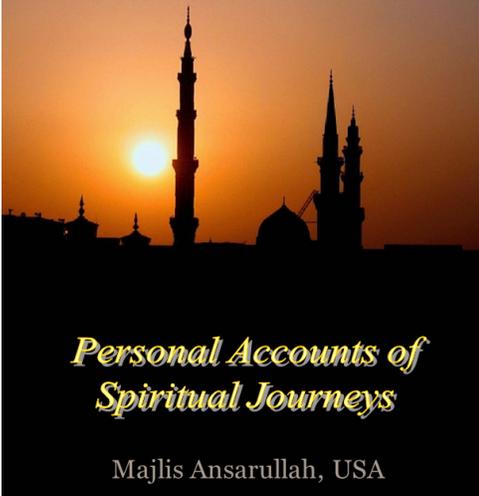
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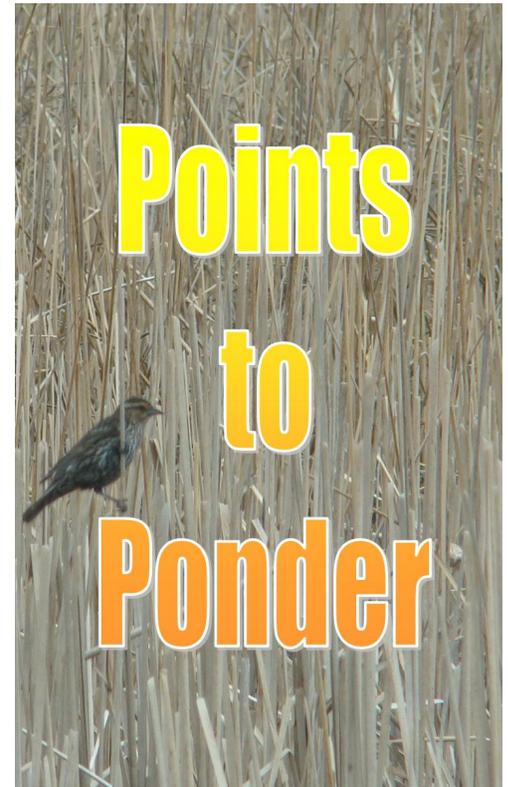


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National Ijtimā'



32nd National Ijtimā' and 21st Majlis Shūrā

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The 32nd National Ijtimā' of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA was held at Baitur Raḥmān Mosque in Silver Spring, MD on Friday, October 4 - Sunday, October 6, 2013. As is customary, the 21st Majlis Shūrā of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA was also held during this time. By the Grace of Almighty Allāh, both the Ijtimā' and Majlis Shūrā were very successful, with a combined total attendance of over 750 Anṣār from all over the USA which is the highest ever in any Anṣār National Ijtimā', Alḥamdulillāh. All the Ijtimā' and Shūrā sessions were held in the men's Prayer hall while the meals were served in a marquee erected at the outside grounds of the mosque; the breakfast was served in Anṣārullāh Hall. The men's Prayer hall was used for Prayers and Women's Prayer hall was used for accommodation. The indoor sports activities took place in the basement area of the mosque while the outdoor sports activities were held at the outside grounds of the mosque.

Among the salient features of the Ijtimā' and Majlis Shūrā were: opening and closing sessions; educational and sports competitions; Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act) sessions related to Tabligh, Tarbiyat, and Ta'līmul-Qur'ān; an interactive workshop on health; and presentations on Anṣār's role in Tarbiyat and matrimonial affairs. Following are some of the highlights of the various Ijtimā' events.

Opening Session

The opening session of the Ijtimā' started at 3:30 P.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Ḥāfiẓ Mubarak Kukoyi of Chicago East Majlis. Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, led Anṣār in recitation of the Anṣār pledge. Halim Chaudhry of Baltimore Majlis recited an Urdu poem of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). In his welcome address, Ṣadr Majlis welcomed attendees to the 32nd National Ijtimā'. He then read the message which Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul

Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) had specially sent for Anṣār Ijtimā'. In his message, which Ṣadr Majlis read word by word, Ḥuḍūr reminded all Anṣār about their responsibilities which include remaining steadfast in adversity, honoring their covenants, and being loyal to the cause of Allāh. Ḥuḍūr also reminded Anṣār to remember Allāh and stay at the path of righteousness even after the Ijtimā'. In his message, Ḥuḍūr emphasized understanding and following the great example of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him). Finally, Ḥuḍūr instructed all Anṣār to recite the Holy Qur'ān daily, be punctual in the five daily Prayers, and spread the message of Islām using all our abilities. After reading Ḥuḍūr's message, Ṣadr Majlis concluded his welcome address by requesting all Anṣār to pay special attention to their responsibilities as laid down by Khalīfatul Masīḥ and also to ponder over 10 conditions of Bai'at. Ṣadr Majlis then invited the respected Amīr Jamā'at, USA, Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, for the inaugural address.

In his opening address, the respected Amīr started with referring back to Ḥuḍūr's message which Ṣadr Majlis had just read. The respected Amīr reiterated that message and also mentioned about Ṣalāt and Du'ā. He emphasized that Anṣār should not only be punctual in five daily Prayers but also should be more regular in Nawāfil (non-obligatory Prayers), especially Tahajjud Prayers. The respected Amīr also shared with all Anṣār that Ḥuḍūr has instructed that the USA Jamā'at should start thinking about establishing a Jāmi'ah in the US. The respected Amīr requested all Anṣār to pray for this consideration and to also share any ideas about where the Jāmi'ah should be established. He requested that if there was a suitable and cost effective building available for sale, it should be brought to his attention. At the end of his address, the respected Amīr led members in silent prayers.

Shūrā Proceedings

Majlis Shūrā proceedings took place on Friday immediately after the opening session and then continued on Saturday evening. In the Friday session, the last year's approved proposals and implementation reports were presented by Qā'id Umūmī, Maqbool Tahir. The new proposals that were not selected for discussion and those selected for discussion were presented to the Shūrā body. Three subcommittees were formed for deliberations on the proposals that were accepted for discussion. The subcommittees were Tabligh, Finance, and Tarbiyat. Ṣadr Majlis also appointed a Chairman and a Secretary for each of the subcommittees. The subcommittees met and deliberated on their respective proposals until late on Friday night; all committees prepared comprehensive reports with recommendations.

The second session of Shūrā was held on Saturday at 8:00 PM. Elections for Ṣadr Majlis and Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom were held. Nā'ib Amīr, Imām Naseem Mahdi, conducted the election proceedings. The final session of Shūrā started at 9:00 P.M. The chairman of each of the aforementioned subcommittees presented their reports. The recommendations were deliberated by the Shūrā body. The recommendations were submitted to Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V for approval. The final Shūrā session ended at 10:30 P.M.

Educational Competitions

Many educational competitions including Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, Religious & General Knowledge, and Observation & Recall took place during the Ijtimā'. If there is one thing to be said about Anṣār Ijtimā', it is that the Anṣār educational competitions start on time! Promptly at 9:00 A.M. on a crisp but sunny October morning, the session got underway with the

Recitation of the Holy Qur'an competition. The Recitation of the Holy Qur'an competition this year was based on the recitation of verse 36 of Sūrah Al-Nūr (Chapter 24).

Next up was the nerve wracking Impromptu Speech competition; the competitors were randomly provided one out of the possible eighteen topics. A couple of the competitors were brave enough to start by saying that it was stressful standing at the podium. A Nāsir was honest to say that if he had paid more attention to the Anṣār syllabus material then the competition would have been much easier! Studying the syllabus was just one lesson for the audience to learn from the competition. We were reminded of our promises about the Conditions of Bai'at. A Nāsir made the very touching observation that he felt saddened that we needed to be reminded by our beloved Ḥuḍūr to listen to his Friday sermons. Another Nāsir reminded us that our prayers to Allāh during good times provides us access to an "ATM of prayers" in bad times.

Next came the Commentary on Ḥadīth competition with the competitors reciting and providing commentary on the Ḥadīth "Prophet of Allāh (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) stated that a person who desires that Allāh grants acceptance to his prayers at the time of difficulties and distresses should pray abundantly at the time of ease."

For the Religious & General Knowledge competition, the organizers continued with a web-based system accessed by a laptop or smart phone. The website is specially designed for multiple teams to receive the questions in a multiple choice format—and in a timed session—enter their response. There was a wide range of interesting religious and general knowledge questions. Each team was comprised of four participants—larger regions could have multiple four-person teams—however, this meant that there were more teams competing than in past years and unfortunately we had a long delay as it seemed we had overwhelmed the website! Ultimately, we managed to get started but not without some controversy as some of the teams could not access all the

questions. While these teams were disappointed, everyone participated in good spirit, and when all was said and done there was a tie between two teams: the North East Region and the Great Lakes region. This was settled through a set of three additional tie-breaker questions.

Sports Competitions

Many sports competitions including Darts, Horse Shoe Toss, Basketball Hoops, 100 Meter Dash, Table Tennis, Tug of War, and Volleyball were held during the Ijtimā'. The weather remained pleasant and sunny on all three days of the Ijtimā' which allowed successful organization of the outdoor events. The contestants enthusiastically participated in the various sports competitions and vied with fellow Anṣār brothers in a most congenial atmosphere. Cheering crowds provided much encouragement to individual and team participants.

Sports Competitions commenced on Saturday morning at 6:45 A.M. Competitions continued after the afternoon session and were completed on Sunday morning.

Each sports session was started with silent prayers. During the afternoon sports session on Saturday, in addition to providing cold water to keep the contestants hydrated, mango milk shake and fruit was also made available aplenty for contestants and spectators.

Talqin-i-'Amal Session —Ta'limul Qur'an

A Talqin-i-'Amal session on Ta'limul Qur'an was held in the Sunday morning session. The objective of the session was to motivate and improve Anṣār in the study of the Holy Qur'an and urge them to dedicate time to teach the Holy Qur'an or enroll themselves in online classes as student to learn correct recitation, translation, and commentary. To facilitate the enrollment of students and teachers, a table was set up outside with forms and applications. Members were reminded to enroll for classes via announcements 2-3 times a day.

During the session, the

importance of learning and studying the Holy Qur'an was stressed with references from the writings of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and Ḥuḍūr's Friday Sermon.

A few testimonies by Anṣār who had attended the online Ta'limul Qur'an class for correct recitation and benefited from it were presented. At the end of the session, Anṣār were urged to pray to Allāh to enlighten ourselves and enroll in Ta'limul-Qur'an classes as student or teacher.

Talqin-i-'Amal Session—Tarbiyat

An interactive Talqin-i-'Amal session on Tarbiyat (Cell phones & social media and our children—curse of the Internet) was held in the Sunday morning session. The session was hosted by Muhammed Owusu, Qā'id Tarbiyat and Imran Hayee, Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom.

First, Qā'id Tarbiyat introduced the topic and mentioned that Ḥuḍūr has instructed Majlis Anṣārullāh to take on this issue and make programs such that our future generations can be saved from the harms of the Internet. Following that instruction, two interactive workshops were held in regional Ijtimā'āt of Gulf States and Midwest regions.

After the introduction, Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom presented five scenarios that highlighted cell phone and email issues that children from ages 8 through 14 might raise with their parents and solicited the audience's response.

On the whole, the session was very interesting and informative. It is our hope and pray that the session will be a source of blessing for the audience. Inshā'allāh.

Talqin-i-'Amal Session—Tabligh

A Tabligh Talqin-i-'Amal session was held on Sunday at 10:20 A.M. Qā'id Tabligh, Syed Sajid Ahmad, was out of country; the session was conducted by Muhammad Dawood Munir, National Auditor of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, along with Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir. It was emphasized that the objective of the session was to motivate Anṣār towards Tabligh activities specifically by presenting some of the activities that



are being carried out in various Majālis and to learn from their experiences and then implement those methods of Tabligh that these Majālis have successfully employed.

Representatives from three Majālis—Dallas, LA Inland, and Silver Spring—shared their experiences in Tabligh and what worked for them in this arena.

Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir stressed that we should not be making excuses to not do Tabligh. He said that there is no magic to doing Tabligh; the only magic is Bismillāh (pronouncing the name of Allāh). He invited Anṣār to begin Tabligh with the name of Allāh. He also said that the language is not the problem. He gave an example of an Aḥmadī who did not know Dutch but that did not prevent him from doing Tabligh in a foreign country. He also pointed out that we were lacking in prayers. He emphasized the importance of one-on-one Tabligh.

The session ended after a Q&A session in which Anṣār offered comments and shared their experiences in Tabligh. Imām Syed Shamshad A. Nasir offered answers to many questions from Anṣār.

Health Workshop

A presentation and panel discussion on “Lifestyle and Nutrition” was moderated by Qā'id Dhahānat wa Ṣihat-i-Jismānī (Health), Dr. Tanvir Ahmed. A panel consisted of Dr. Mamoon Bukhari and Dr. Mansoor Qureshi offered their insights on the topic as it pertains to Anṣār.

Information presented was based on science as well as the teachings of Islām. Examples with respect to the conduct and advice of the Holy Prophet, the Promised Messiah, and Khulafā'-i-Aḥmadiyyat were given.

After the presentation and panel discussion, about an hour was spent on Q&A. Anṣār asked numerous questions on the various aspects of lifestyle and nutrition and some offered their experiences and insights.

First Aid Clinic

A clinic was staffed round-the-clock by these physicians: Dr. Tanvir Ahmed, Dr. Mamoon Bokhari, Dr.

Rafi Malik, and Dr. Rizwan Qadir. Dr. Ashraf Meelu graciously allowed the team to use his facility for the clinic. Medications, first aid, and referral to hospitals were provided to Anṣār. About 100 flu shots were administered free-of-charge.

Presentation—Anṣār as Role Models for Future Generations

In the Saturday afternoon session, Nasir Mahmood Malik, National Secretary Ta'lim, gave a presentation on the topic of “How can Anṣār be seen as role models for the future generation?” He started his presentation with verses 8 and 9 of Chapter 98 (Al-Bayyinah) of the Holy Qur'ān that relate to those people who do good deeds and always seek pleasure of Allāh, the Almighty.

He explained that Anṣār's behavior and lifestyle should be such that it stands out for our youth and that we should follow an ideal path of acting upon ten conditions of Bai'at laid out by the Promised Messiah. He stated that as role models, we should openly recognize our flaws and try to improve upon those in our lives. He then opened the floor for the audience to share their memories and observations from their youth in regards to the dealing of Anṣār of that time. A number of Anṣār members related their experiences and memories from their childhood and youth as to how they saw Anṣār of their time act as role models.

The presenter also reminded that Anṣār should be consistent in their private and public lives. He emphasized that Anṣār should realize that the context for our younger generations has changed and we all need to understand the environment around us. Anṣār need to understand what kind of legacy we should be leaving behind. The presenter also exhorted the attendees that Anṣār needed to return back to the basics including listening to Ḥuḍūr's Friday sermons and then discussing it with our children and families, studying books of the Promised Messiah, visiting mosques more often with our children, and striving for continuous improvement in our lives.

Presentation – The Role of Anṣār in Matrimonial Affairs of their Children

In the Sunday morning session, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, gave a presentation on the topic of “Role of Anṣār in Matrimonial Affairs of their Children.” Ṣadr Majlis started his presentation with Arabic sermon which is delivered on the occasion of the solemnization of a Muslim marriage. He then expounded on excerpts taken from Ata Ullah Kaleem's article “Marriage in Islām” published in Review of Religions, November 1992. Ṣadr Majlis engaged Anṣār audience in an interactive session by presenting multiple scenarios from the above-mentioned article focusing on the noble relationship that should exist between a husband and wife following the beautiful teachings of Islām.

Anṣār actively participated in the interactive discussion and provided their feedback by a show of hands. At the end of the session, Ṣadr Majlis gave brief introduction of the role of Rishtah Nātā department and encouraged Anṣār to use such services in the matrimonial affairs of their children.

Concluding Session

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started on Sunday at 11:30 A.M. and was presided by the respected Amīr Jamā'at USA, Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar. The session started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Abdul Rauf Rafique of Phoenix Majlis followed by the recitation of an Urdu poem of the Promised Messiah by Pervaiz Khan of Detroit Majlis. Prizes were distributed among the performing Majālis and Anṣār.

National 'Āmilah of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA presented an award to the outgoing Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, for his outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the Majlis over the past eight years as Ṣadr Majlis.

Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, presented a comprehensive annual report that outlined accomplishments and salient activities of the Majlis throughout the year and the challenges ahead. Ṣadr Majlis explained the purpose,



workings, and the results of various activities. The report showed that most of the yearly goals and objectives were achieved for each department. Şadr Majlis covered the activities of all the departments and made the audience aware of the important activities being carried out in each one of them. He then presented the names of Anşār who passed away during the year. He thanked all the volunteers who made the Ijtimā' a success. Şadr Majlis reported that the official registration for the Ijtimā' was 752 which is the highest ever in any Anşār National Ijtimā', Alḥamdulillāh.

In his concluding address, the respected Amīr Jamā'at, USA, Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, started out with the subject of sacrifice by stating that Anşār has sacrificed their time to gather here for a blessed purpose and have spent three days with each other building brotherhood and unity. He said that after going back from the Ijtimā', Anşār should continue to reflect on the blessings of this Ijtimā' and the spirit of brotherhood which they have developed and unity which they have shown. After his concluding address, the respected Amīr requested Şadr Majlis to lead Anşār in reciting Anşār pledge. The session concluded with Anşār pledge led by Şadr Majlis and silent prayers led by the respected Amīr.

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Prizes and Awards

At this point, it will not be fair if all those who participated in the various competitions held at the Ijtimā' are not recognized. Although, all of them deserve recognition and prayers, a list of ranked positions is given here.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation/Memorization of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Abdul Rauf Rafique (Phoenix)
- 2nd Mubashir Majoka (Rochester)
- 3rd Naemullah (Philadelphia)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Irfan Alladin (Long Island)
- 2nd Faheem Younus Qureshi (Baltimore)
- 3rd Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Irfan Alladin (Long Island)
- 2nd Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)
- 3rd Faheem Younus Qureshi (Baltimore)

Religious & General Knowledge

- 1st Great Lakes Region (Mansoor Qureshi, Perwaiz Khan, Muzaffar Mahmood, Khalid Ahmad)
- 2nd Northeast Region (Nasir Khan, Mubashir Majoka, Tahir Khokhar, Naveed Malik)
- 3rd Virginia Region (Zamir Mirza, Navid Aslam, Qamar Ijaz, Gulzar Ahmad)
- 3rd Gulf States Region (Mubashir Ahmad, Naseer Tahir, Mahfooz Sheikh, Tariq Malik)

Essay Writing Competition

- 1st Suhail Kausar (Dallas)
- 2nd Maqsood Ahmad (Milwaukee)
- 3rd Nooruddin Anwar Noori (Willingboro)

Majlis Anşār Sultānūl-Qalam Awards

Publication Award

- 1st Faheem Younus Qureshi (Baltimore)
- 2nd Imran Hayee (Minnesota)

Sports Competitions Awards

100 Meter Sprint Competition—Şaff Awwal

- 1st Imtiyaz Rajayki (Philadelphia)
- 2nd Khalid Khan (Laurel)
- 3rd Qadeer Malik (LA East)

100 Meter Sprint Competition—Şaff Dom

- 1st Baba Trawalley (Research Triangle)
- 2nd Amir Malik (Houston South)
- 3rd Alfa Bah Ahmadu (Zion)

Horse Shoe Toss

- 1st Iqbal Ahmad (New York)
- 2nd Rasheed Ahmad (New York)
- 3rd Jawad Ahmad (Oshkosh)

Darts

- 1st Jawad Ahmad (Oshkosh)
- 2nd Khalid Ahmad (Detroit)
- 3rd Ahmad Dard (Research Triangle)

Basketball Hoops

- 1st Fateh Qureshi (LA East)
- 2nd Sadaqat Ali (Milwaukee)
- 3rd Nasir Jamil (Baltimore)

Tug of War

- 1st Northeast Region (Captain Laeeq Khan)
- 2nd Detroit (Captain Maqbool Tahir)

Table Tennis

- 1st Iqbal Rana (LA East)
- 2nd Anwar Rafiq (Dallas)
- 3rd Naseem Khan (Detroit)

Volleyball

- 1st Great Lakes (Captain: Abdul Ghani)
- 2nd Central East (Captain: Waqar Malik)
- 3rd Virginia (Captain: Muhammad Mahmood)

Finance Awards

Meritorious Service in Finance

- Abdul Latif Mahmud (Cypress-Houston)
- Iftikhar Ahmad Khan (North Virginia)
- Ramazan Ul Haq Jattala (LA East)
- Mazhar ul Haque (LA Inland)
- Zafar Tahir Ahmad (Kentucky)
- Saad Ahmad Mian (Oshkosh)
- Saeed Ahmad (Willingboro)
- Mubashir Ahmad Mirza (Central Jersey)







Service to Local Majlis in Finance

Central East

- Naseem Mahmood Bajwa (Lehigh Valley)

Central West

- Mirza Muhammad Yunus (Bay Point)
- Muhammed Idrees Munir (Silicon Valley)

Great Lakes

- Ahsan Shemaz Syed (Columbus)
- Zia Nasim Zaidi Syed (Dayton)
- Muhammad Shahid Mahmood (Detroit)

Gulf States

- Malik Mohammad Altaf (Austin)
- Asim Shahzad (Houston South)

Headquarter

- M Ikram Chaudhary (Silver Spring)

Midwest

- Tanveer Ashraf (Minnesota)
- Arif Qureshi (Zion)

New York

- Irfanullah Sikder (New York)

North East

- Muzaffar Ahmad (Albany)
- Rashid Ahmad (Boston)
- Muzaffar Ahmad Chaudhry (Fitchburg)

South East

- Arif Mahmood Ahmed (Georgia -Carolina)

South West

- Munir Ahmad Malik (Phoenix)
- Moyenuddin A Sirajee (San Diego)

Administrative Awards

First to Register Online for the Ijtimā'

- Sadaqat Mahmood (Milwaukee)

Service to Local Majlis Award

- Mubarik Ahmed Khan (Detroit)
- Mohammad (Jonathan) Abdul Ghaffar (LA East)

Best Dā'ī Ilalāh Award

- Mahmood Ahmad Mirza (Columbus)
- Khadim Hussain Shah (Bay Point)

Meritorious Service Awards

- Munawar A. Saqib (Qā'id Mal)
- Maqbool A. Tahir (Qā'id 'Umumi)

Life Long Service Award

- Nasir Mahmood Malik (Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA – 2000 -2005)



Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA 2013 Annual Report



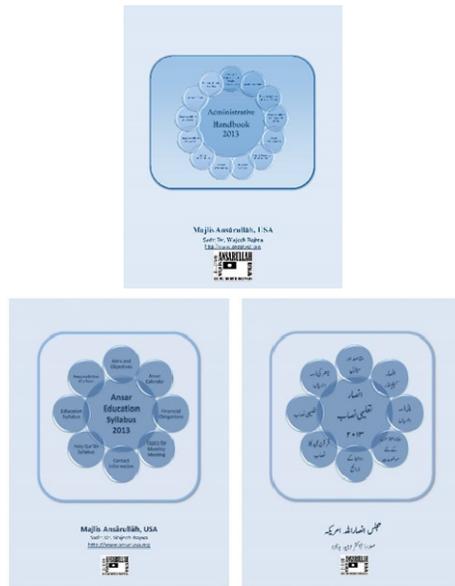
Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA (2006-2013)

Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA was established in 1981. Since then, growth has been significant in terms of number of Majālis as well as membership. In 2013, there were 69 established Majālis in 12 regions and the total membership was approximately 2,602. The U.S. Jamā'at currently has 73 chapters; four Jamā'ats did not have sufficient number of Anṣār to establish a Majlis.

Through Almighty Allāh's Mercy and Grace, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA continues to move forward with members' cooperation, support, and prayers. The year 2013 ended with the following significant achievements, Alḥamdulillāh.

1. Notable Activities for 2013

- Anṣār Leadership Conference (ALC)** was held in January 2013. A detailed report of ALC is presented separately (see pages 4-11 of this publication).
- Participation in Campaigns** Active participation by Anṣār members in the "Muslims for Life," "Muslims for Loyalty," and "Walk for Humanity" campaigns organized by the Jamā'at or other auxiliaries.
- Anṣār Administrative Handbook** The Anṣār administrative handbook was provided to Zu'amā in December 2012 so that the entire year's plan is in their hands before the start of the Anṣār Fiscal Year on January 1, 2013.



- Anṣār Education Handbook 2013** Hard copy of the education (Ta'lim) material was mailed to every Nāṣir in the U.S. This book also contained material needed for the two Ta'lim tests conducted during the year. Electronic (PDF) version was also made available on the Anṣār website (ansarusa.org)
- Anṣār website** at www.ansarusa.org was maintained and various updates and documents for members were provided at this site. Providing summary of Ḥuḍūr's (may Allāh be his helper) Friday summary was a regular feature of this website.

2. Special Projects

- Status of Purchase of Mosque in Haiti:** A property has been identified and an offer was accepted by the seller for \$400,000. Completion of sale is pending at this time awaiting Jamā'at's registration in Haiti as a not-for-profit religious organization and other necessary legal requirements.
- Home for the Elderly** Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA started a project in which efforts are being made to evaluate feasibility of establishing a "group home" where elderly couples or individuals can live together. The caretaker of this property may be a Nāṣir who will be responsible for the maintenance of the property and providing necessary support to the individuals living in this "group home." The idea is that this home should not be a nursing or assisted living home but more of a group home.

3. Departmental Activities

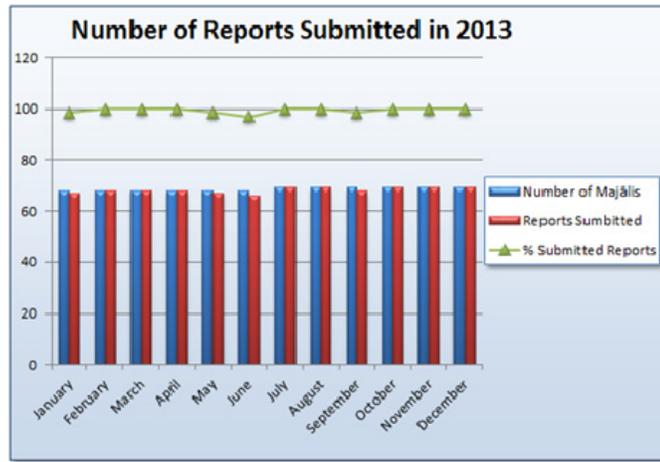
a. 'Umūmī (General)

A total of 817 monthly activity reports were received (out of a possible 822—this translates to 99.26%). This is the highest number of reports submitted during any fiscal year. Higher number of reports is attributed to constant reminders, follow-up emails, and phone calls, as

well as creation of an online report submission process that was implemented in 2010.

b. Tabligh

Following the directive of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V, visits to small towns remained the focus of Tabligh during 2013. The table on the right shows number of visits to small towns/villages as well as other significant activities under Tabligh.



c. Māl (Finance)

Financial sacrifices of Anṣār continue to be strong both for the Majlis itself and also in support of the Jamā'at system. In 2013, total collection was \$527,951.49 which is 123% of the budget of \$430,160, Alḥamdulillāh. Income and expense budget, and actual collection and expense for 2013 are shown in the table on the right.



Graphs on the next page show Anṣār Budget/Collection progression for the last 10 years, major expense in various categories during fiscal Year 2013, and the total Anṣār Tajnīd and number of members contributing towards Anṣār dues.

Comparison (percentage) of reports submitted from 2004 to 2013

The number of contributing members as compared to the total Tajnīd shows that there is a lot of room for improvement and all earning as well as non-earning members are urged to pay their dues regularly.

Activity	Numbers
Number of Anṣār who participated in all the propagation activities arranged by Anṣār, Jamā'at, or any other auxiliary	5,476
Number of visits to small town, ethnic groups, senior homes	448
Anṣār participation in events held specifically for nonmembers organized by the Jamā'at, Anṣār, or Khuddām	572
Number of nonmembers who came to the events	32,074
Number of nonmembers contacted by Anṣār in visits to small towns, senior homes, ethnic groups, etc.	15,630
Number of flyers, leaflets, CDs, DVDs, and books distributed or placed in reading rooms or libraries	91,351
Bai'ats realized through the efforts of Anṣār	28

Audit: Audit of the local and National finances was completed in 2013 and minor shortcomings identified both at the local and National level were addressed immediately. Auditor's suggestions to improve the financial system were also implemented.

Tabligh activity and participation in 2013

d. Ta'lim (Education)

i. Annual Essay Writing Competition: This competition was held in June 2013. Topics were:

- Importance of congregational Prayer (Ṣalāt) in an Aḥmadi Muslim family
- How to inculcate the love of Allāh in our children in a society where

Item	2013	
	Income	Expense
Budget	\$430,160.00	\$430,160.00
Actual	\$527,951.49	\$369,051.24

Income and expense budget and actual collection and expense for 2013

materialism rules

- Significance of prayers in parenting

The result of the Essay Writing Competition is shown on the next page.

ii. **Publication Award:** In 2013, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA recognized two Anṣār for publishing in news media or writing scholarly articles. The table on the next page lists Anṣār who were presented this award.

iii. **Ta’līm (Education) Tests:** Two Ta’līm tests were conducted during 2013. Total participation by Anṣār was 35%. Number of Majālis that met or exceeded the target of 50% was 17. Majālis that need improvement are 10—in these 10 Majālis not a single member completed the Ta’līm tests.

e. Ta’līmul Qur’ān

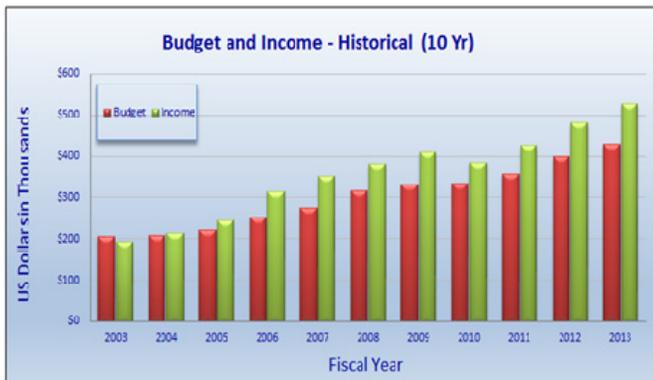
The Majlis continues to make efforts to teach correct reading of the Holy Qur’ān. The table on the next page shows Ta’līmul Qur’ān activities during 2013.

f. Tarbiyat

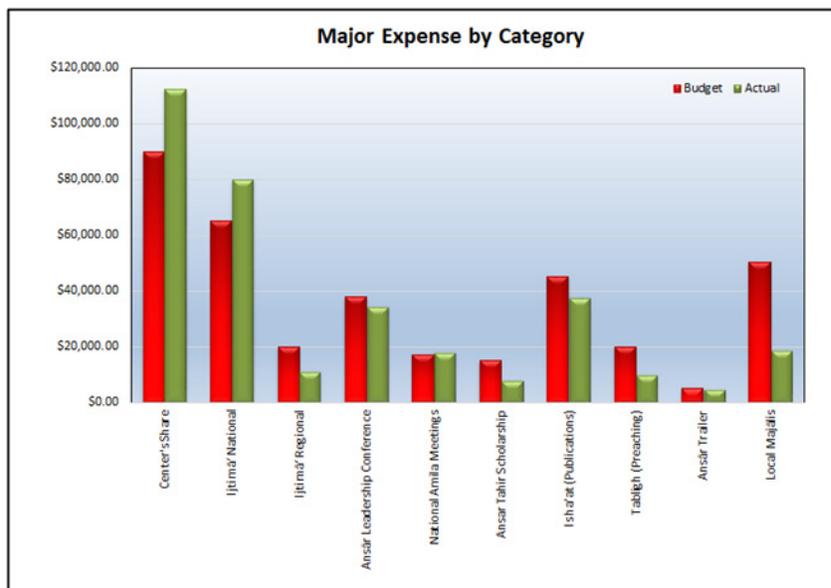
- i. Held a Tarbiyat week from Monday, March 18—Sunday, March 24 with a focus on individual Tarbiyat of Anṣār.
- ii. Three interactive workshops were conducted at regional Ijtimā’āt and one such workshop was conducted at the National Ijtimā’. Topic of these workshops was “Electronic and social media and our children.”
- iii. Distributed English summary of Ḥuḍūr’s Friday sermon on a weekly basis through Qā’id Publications.
- iv. The table on the next page gives information about the major Tarbiyat focus and member participation.

g. Publications

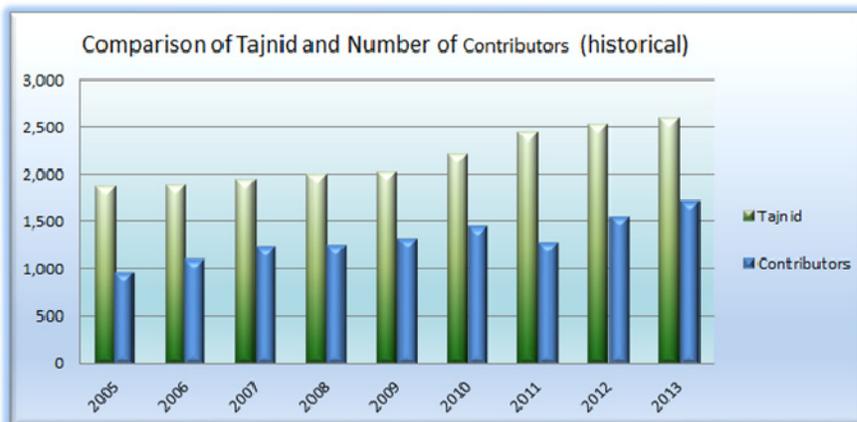
- i. The monthly newsletter “Anṣār”



Anṣār Income Budget/Collection progression for last 10 years



Major expense in various categories during fiscal Year 2013



Total Tajnid of Anṣār and number of members contributing towards Anṣār dues

was published every month and sent to members via postal service as well as electronically.

ii. **Al-Naḥl:** All issues of Al-Naḥl are provided free of charge to every member in the U.S. as well as to dignitaries around the world.

- Year in Review 2012 (Issue 4 for 2012) was published.
- 2013 Issues 1 and 2 were combined and all essays written during Khilāfat centenary essay writing competitions that received first position is their respective category (Anṣār, Khuddām, Lajnah, Aṭfāl, Nāṣirāt, Wāqifin-i-Nau) were published in this issue.
- 2013 Issue 3 was also published.
- The Year-in-Review 2013 (Issue 4 for 2013) is being worked on and will be published in 2014, Inshā'allāh.
- Electronic copies of all Al-Naḥl issues are available at: www.ansarusa.org/publications/alnahal and www.alislam.org/alnahal

iii. The following new or revised books were prepared and submitted for approval:

- The translation of both volumes of “Sabīlur Rashād” was completed and undergone review at the local level. Translation of Volume I was submitted to the Center for approval. Review by the Center indicated that additional changes are needed in the translation. We are moving forward with making those changes in both volumes.
- “Forty Gems of Beauty” was revised and submitted for approval to the Center. Complete Arabic text along with full reference for the Aḥādīth was added in the revised version.
- Two books “The Disciple” (English) by Rashid Arshad and “Intishār-i-Nūr” (Urdu) by Syed Sajid Ahmad were submitted for approval.

iv. A new edition of the book “Muḥammad in the Bible” with a redesigned cover was printed in Qādiān. 10,000 copies of the book

Name	Majlis	Position
Suhail Kausar	Dallas	First
Maqsood Ahmad	Milwaukee	Second
Nooruddin Anwar Noori	Willingboro	Third

Result of the Essay Writing Competition

Name	Majlis	Position
Faheem Younus Qureshi	Baltimore	First
Imran Hayee	Minnesota	Second

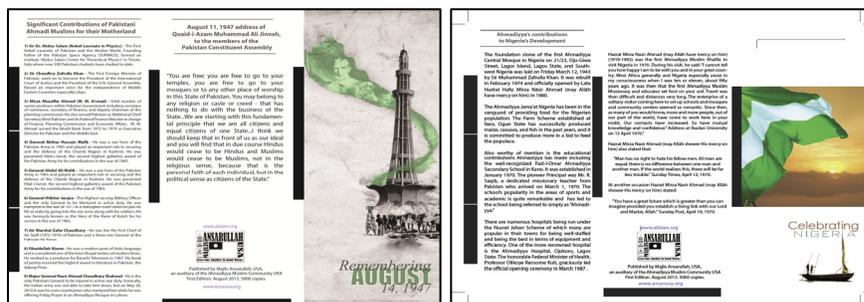
Publication Awards

Activity	Per Month Participation
Anṣār Learning Correct Recitation	439
Attendance in Ta'limul Qur'an Classes	362
Anṣār who memorized assigned verses	199
Participation in Waqf-i-'Arḍī (short-term devotional)	17
Holy Qur'an Exhibitions Held	5

Ta'limul Qur'an Activities

Activity	Per Month Participation
Number of inactive members contacted	189
Number of Anṣār who listen to Ḥuḍūr's Friday Sermon every week	731
Number of Anṣār who attend Friday Prayer every week	955
Number of Anṣār who say at least one Prayer in congregation daily	488

Ta'limul Qur'an Activities



Flyers for independence days of Pakistan and Nigeria were prepared and provided to local Majlis in support of Tabligh effort.

- were printed.
- v. A booklet “Operational Manual” was published electronically. This booklet provides information and instructions to the National officeholders of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA.
- vi. To support Tablīgh efforts, more than 1,500 DVDs with 80 titles/programs were provided for broadcast on local TV Channels. Broadcasts are happening in 20 communities (cities and counties) resulting in total of 348 broadcasts.
- vii. In support of Tablīgh effort and under the plan of “getting to know the communities in which we live,” flyers for independence days for two countries (Pakistan and Nigeria) were prepared and provided to local Majālis. An image of the two flyers is shown on the previous page.

h. Waṣīyyat

Information about Anṣār Mūṣiyān and new applicants is shown on the right. Status of Anṣār applicants since 2004 is as follows:

- 51 are still in the “Applied For” (Prospective Mūṣī) status.
- 4 applications were rejected by Majlis Kārpardāz.

i. Īthār (Social Services)

Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA provided financial assistance to members who needed help either for paying rent, taking care of utility bills, or other essential needs. The table on the right summarizes Īthār activities by Anṣār members during 2013.

j. Dhahānat wa Ṣihat-i-Jismānī (Intellect and Physical Health)

- Articles on health topics were distributed to all Majālis for discussion during the monthly Anṣār meetings.
- 35% Majālis regularly reported physical activities.
- Approximately 22% of Anṣār report some form of physical activity with varying regularity. The most common activities are:

Item	Number
Total number of Anṣār Mūṣiyān in the US	761
Total number of Anṣār applicants since 2004	314
Total number of Anṣār applicants approved since 2004	254
Number of Anṣār applications in 2013	38

Information about Anṣār Mūṣiyān and new applicants

Īthār—Service to the Community	(Activity) Per Month
Number of Anṣār Participated	340
Number of hours spent in Īthār activities	1,481
Estimated savings by Īthār activities	\$41,000

Īthār (Social Services) Activities



T-Shirts given to participants as souvenir to encourage registration and correction in the Tajnīd at the National Ijtimā‘ 2013 (October 4-6, 2013) held at Baitur Raḥmān Mosque, Silver Spring, MD.

- Walking, jogging
- Treadmill, weights
- Table Tennis

iv. BIKE4LIFE

Anṣār are encouraged to exercise regularly and in this regard Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA launched “Bike4Life” campaign in 2012 with the idea that members should ride bike on a regular basis. Roughly 250 Anṣār own a bicycle and report that they use it regularly.

v. Health Presentation

An interactive presentation on Health was held during the National Ijtimā'. Topic of this discussion was “Lifestyle & Nutrition.”

j. Tajnīd

A special effort was made to collect information about members who have lost contact with the Majlis/Jamā'at. Total of 567 Anṣār were identified which met the criteria of “inactive” and effort was made to contact them to find out their reasons for not being involved in the Jamā'at/Majlis activities.

4. Anṣār Ṭāhir Scholarship

Two scholarships were awarded in 2013 with total scholarship amount of \$7,874.33.

5. Ijtimā'āt

a. National Ijtimā'

The 32nd National Ijtimā' of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA was held at Baitur Raḥmān Mosque in Silver Spring, MD on Friday, October 4 - Sunday, October 6, 2013. As is customary, the 21st Majlis Shūrā of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA was also held during this time. By the Grace of Almighty Allāh, both the Ijtimā' and Majlis Shūrā were very successful, with a combined total attendance of over 750 Anṣār from all over the USA which is the highest ever in any Anṣār National Ijtimā', Alḥamdulillāh. All the Ijtimā' and Shūrā sessions were held in the men's Prayer hall while the meals were

served in a marquee erected at the outside grounds of the mosque; the breakfast was served in Anṣārullāh Hall. The men's Prayer hall was used for Prayers and Women's Prayer hall was used for accommodation. The indoor sports activities took place in the basement area of the mosque while the outdoor sports activities were held at the outside grounds of the mosque.

Among the salient features of the Ijtimā' and Majlis Shūrā were: opening and closing sessions; educational and sports competitions; Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act) sessions related to Tablīgh, Tarbiyat, and Ta'limul-Qur'an; an interactive workshop on health; and presentations on Anṣār's role in Tarbiyat and matrimonial affairs. A complete report of National Ijtimā' 2013 is presented separately (see pages 14-24 of this publication).

b. Regional Ijtimā'āt

Successful Regional Ijtimā'āt were held in 11 regions with National 'Āmilah members participating in all of these 11 regional Ijtimā'āt. Although scheduled, the regional Ijtimā' of Northwest region could not be held. The table on the next page gives schedule of these Ijtimā'āt.

6. Anṣār Leadership Conference (ALC)

The 2013 Anṣār Leadership Conference (ALC) was held on January 19-20, 2013 at Baitul Ḥameed Mosque in Chino, California. The ALC is an annual gathering of Zu'amā, Nāzimīn, and National 'Āmilah to review Majālis' planned activities for the entire year, with specific targets to be achieved during the year. The forum is used to engage in intellectual discussions on ways to become more efficient and productive.

More than 85 delegates from 57 Majālis attended this event. Volunteers from LA East, LA Inland, and LA West Majālis worked hard to make this event successful. All the attendees stayed at the mosque. By the grace of Allāh everything was smoothly executed. A detailed report of ALC activities is presented separately (see pages 4-11 of this

publication).

7. Performance Awards

'Ālam-i-In'āmī is awarded to a Majlis that performs well throughout the year. Majālis are evaluated on how well they execute each department's plan and provide reports of all activities in a timely manner. For 2013, two Majālis performed equally well, therefore, 'Ālam-i-In'āmī was awarded to the following two Majālis:

'Ālam-i-In'āmī

Dallas (Za'im: Mubashir Ahmed)

Willingboro (Za'im: Abdul Rehman Minhas)

Performance awards were also given to the following Majālis:

Large Majālis

- 1st Dallas (Za'im: Mubashir Ahmed)
- 1st Willingboro (Za'im: Abdul Rehman Minhas)
- 2nd New York (Za'im: Mahmood Ahmad Bhutta)
- 3rd LA - East (Za'im: Muzaffar Siddiqi)

Medium Majālis

- 1st York (Za'im: Mubasher Satkahi)
- 2nd Baltimore (Za'im: Nasir Jamil)
- 3rd Austin (Za'im: Maqbool Ahmad)

Small Majālis

- 1st San Diego (Za'im: Moyenuddin Ahmad Sirajee)
- 2nd Fitchburg (Za'im: Masood Ashraf)
- 3rd Oshkosh (Za'im: Mohyuddin Javed Ahmad)

Acknowledgements and Closing Comments

I wish to thank all members of the National 'Āmilah, Nā'ib Qā'idīn, Nāzimīn, Zu'amā, Muntazimīn, and members at large for their diligence and sacrifices. I also wish to thank the families of all officers and volunteers and pray that Almighty Allāh reward them abundantly, Āmīn.

May Almighty Allāh enable each and every member of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA to fulfill not only their spiritual and Majlis (Jamā'at) obligations but also their obligations to their families in these difficult financial times. Remember, Almighty

Allāh does not burden anyone of us beyond our capacity. Rest assured, He rewards our sacrifices many times over. Undoubtedly, the spiritual path we take as we go forward will be the one our future generations will follow closely.

May Almighty Allāh accept our humble efforts and forgive our mistakes, and guide us to further success through His Grace and Mercy, Āmīn.

No	Region	Majālis	Ijtimā' Date	Location	Assigned National Officer
1	Central East	Central Jersey, North Jersey, Philadelphia, Willingboro, Lehigh Valley	May 19	Baitul Hādī Mosque, Old Bridge, NJ	Rafiuddin Malik
2	Central West	Bay Point, Oakland, Sacramento, Silicon Valley	Jun 15	Baitul Baseer Mosque, Milpitas, CA	Monas Chaudry
3	Great Lakes	Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Detroit, Indiana, Pittsburgh, Kentucky	Jun 8-9	Mahmood Mosque, Rochester Hills, MI	Syed Tanvir Ahmed and Hassiem Abdullah Babatu
4	Gulf States	Austin, Cypress-Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston-N, Houston-S, New Orleans, Tulsa	Apr 20-21	Baitu Samee Mosque, Houston, TX	Rizwan Qadir and Kalim Wali
5	Headquarter	Baltimore, Laurel, Potomac, Silver Spring, York	May 19	Baitur Raḥmān Mosque, Silver Spring, MD	Munawar Saqib
6	Midwest	Chicago E, Chicago W, Kansas, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Oshkosh, St. Louis, Zion	Jun 1-2	Baet ul Jaamey Mosque, Glen Ellyn, IL	M. Dawood Munir
7	New York	Bronx, Brooklyn, Long Island, New York	Jun 1	Bait uz Zafar Mosque, Queens, NY	Basit A. Khan
8	Northeast	Albany, Binghamton, Boston, Buffalo, Fitchburg, Hartford, Rochester, Syracuse	Jun 02	Bait-un-Nur, Rotterdam, NY	Maqbool Tahir
9	Northwest	Portland, Seattle		Rizwan Mosque, Portland, OR	Muhammed Owusu
10	Southeast	AL-TN, Charlotte, GA-S. Carolina, Miami, Orlando, Research Triangle	Mar 30-31	Indian Springs State Park	Syed Fazal Ahmad
11	Southwest	LA East, LA Inland, LA West, Las Vegas, Phoenix, San Diego, Tucson	Sep 7-8	Baitul Hameed Mosque, Chino, CA	Syed Sajid Ahmad
12	Virginia	Central Virginia, North Virginia, South Virginia, Richmond, Washington	Sep 22	Masjid Mubarak, Chantilly, VA	Khaled A. Ata

Schedule of 2013 regional Ijtimā'āt

Listening to the Friday Sermon

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: "When it is a Friday, the angels stand at the gate of the mosque and keep on writing the names of the persons coming to the mosque in succession according to their arrivals. The example of the one who enters the mosque in the earliest hour is that of one offering a camel (in sacrifice). The one coming next is like one offering a cow and then a sheep and then a chicken and then an egg respectively. When the Imām comes out (for Friday Prayer) they (that is angels) fold their papers and listen to the sermon." (Bukhārī)

A Word of Gratitude and Recounting the Blessings of Allāh

“He who is not grateful to people is not grateful to Allāh.” (Tirmidhī)

National ‘Āmilah of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA presented an award at the 2013 National Ijtimā’ to the outgoing Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, for his outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the Majlis from 2006 to 2013 as Ṣadr Majlis. The award was just a token of appreciation; may Almighty Allāh—with whom the real reward lies—bless Ṣadr Ṣāhib immensely for his selfless service to the Majlis. Āmīn.

To be thankful to Allāh and recount His blessings, in the following, we are sharing thoughts of two members of National ‘Āmilah of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA as well as the Majlis’ significant achievements during the period Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa had the blessed opportunity to serve as Ṣadr Majlis.

Syed Sajid Ahmad, Qā’id Īthār, writes: *“Dr Wajeeh Bajwa, who served as Qā’id ‘Umūmī during the previous period, continued to enhance the use of modern electronic communications for faster and easier entry and retrieval of monthly reports data and collection of other data. He established the website of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA and made it a place to go to for almost all Anṣār internal communication. An online expense entry and automated timely payment is another great facility created during his tenure.*

He realized that Anṣār lived large distances from each other and only a few could meet at Ijtimā’āt and annual conventions. He started rotating National ‘Āmilah meeting all over the country to provide an opportunity for the local members to meet and know the ‘Āmilah members to be able to interact with them better and for the ‘Āmilah members to have greater contact with local members and realization of the local conditions.

One of his greatest achievements was an almost 100% submission of monthly reports from local Majālis.

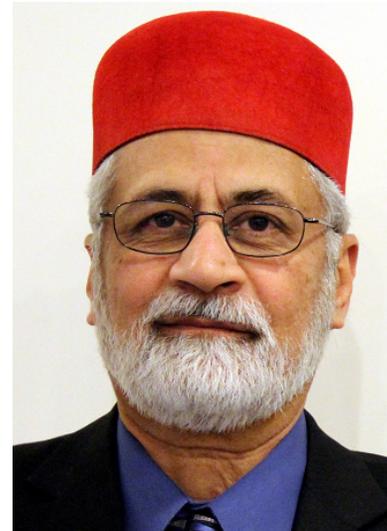
He also initiated programs to make contact and support the Aḥmadīs outside the country, one of them being the distribution of bicycles in Burkina Faso and another is the

support for providing a mosque in Haïti for local members there. Anṣār Hall in the Baitur Raḥmān complex will remain a living memory of his accomplishments for a long time.

Majlis Anṣārullāh will Inshā’allāh continue to move forward united and continue to achieve new goals and distinctions forever under the leadership of Khilāfat and the Ṣadrān (plural of Ṣadr) approved by the Khalīfatul Masiḥ. I could not have imagine two and a half decades ago where I find Majlis Anṣārullāh today and we cannot imagine today where Majlis Anṣārullāh will be during the next centuries to come but we can say for sure by looking at the past that the future will continue to see incredible and unimaginable progress, activity, and achievements, Inshā’allāh.”

Imran Hayee, Nā’ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom—recalling his first encounter and subsequent experience with Ṣadr Ṣāhib—writes: *“The first phone call from Ṣadr Ṣāhib: Just a couple of months before I graduated from MKA (Majlis Khuddāmul-Aḥmadiyya), I received a call from Ṣadr Ṣāhib who first introduced himself and then described the purpose of his call. He asked me if I was willing to serve in his ‘Āmilah. I asked what role he had in his mind. He said Qā’id Umūmī. I did not understand that term. I asked what Qā’id Umūmī was. He explained to me that the role of Qā’id Umūmī is equivalent to Mu’tamid of MKA. That was the first Majlis Anṣārullāh term, he taught me using an analogy which I could easily understand. Later on, during that phone call, I asked him many more questions about his expectations from me as Qā’id Umūmī and mentioned my potential limitations. He gave positive twist to all my limitations and answered all my questions very patiently to my full satisfaction. He showed that kind of attitude a kind hearted elder brother or a true mentor would have shown. He maintained that generous attitude throughout his tenure.*

First email from Ṣadr Ṣāhib: A day after that phone call, I received first email from Ṣadr Ṣāhib. He asked me if I was Mūṣī or whether I had applied for Waṣiyyat. In that email, he also



Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa
Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA
(2006 - 2013)

mentioned that he had promised to Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) that all members of his ‘Āmilah would be Mūṣiyyān. That was a way to kindly remind me to apply for Waṣiyyat if I were to be part of his ‘Āmilah. Although, I was Mūṣī at the time but that first email which I received from him showed me his strength of character and his devotion to Khilāfat. Throughout his tenure, I witnessed the same strength of character in him.

First Meeting with Ṣadr Ṣāhib: My first meeting with Ṣadr Ṣāhib was in January 2009 during our first ‘Āmilah meeting. Ṣadr Ṣāhib greeted me and welcomed me with such a respect and love that brought tears to my eyes and changed my perception about Majlis Anṣārullāh. In a sense, I would say, that meeting made my first impression of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. Throughout my tenure with Ṣadr Ṣāhib, I enjoyed similar respect and friendly attitude which certainly was much more than I actually deserved.

I want to say Jazākumullāh to Ṣadr Ṣāhib for his first phone call, first email, and first meeting. It meant a lot to me and whatever I am today, the credit goes to Ṣadr Ṣāhib.”

Almighty Allāh has always bestowed innumerable blessings on Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA and enabled the Majlis to accomplish many achievements over the years. By the

grace and mercy of Almighty Allāh, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA moved at a rapid pace from 2006 to 2013. There were numerous significant achievements which were results of prayers and guidance of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V and hard work of several dedicated members of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA.

Majlis Anṣārullāh said Labbaik to each and every call of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V, and several projects and efforts were undertaken in response to Ḥuḍūr's calls. For example, promoting Niẓām-i-Waṣiyyat (the system of Waṣiyyat), drawing members' attention to Ta'limul Qur'ān, paying attention to listening to Ḥuḍūr's Friday sermons, activating inactive members, Anṣār becoming real role models for their families, and paying close attention to family life to name just a few.

Ḥaḍrat Mirzā Ghulām Aḥmad Qādiānī (may peace be on him), the Messiah and Mahdī of this age, says: *"Blessed is he who adopts righteousness on the occasion of success and delight."* (Malfūzāt, Vol, 1, Page 99). He also says: *"If you are truly thankful then adopt the ways of purity and righteousness and I give you glad tidings that you are standing on the frontier and none can defeat you."* (Malfūzāt, Vol, 1, Page 49). May Almighty Allāh enable us to become truly thankful and sincerely adopt the ways that lead to righteousness, Āmin.

Following are the significant achievements of the Majlis under the leadership of Ṣadr Ṣāhib.

- Built Anṣārullāh Hall as part of the Khilāfat Centenary Celebrations. Building of the Anṣārullāh Hall was recommended by Majlis Shūrā of 1996 and approved by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ IV (may Allāh shower His mercy on him) in 1998.
- A special essay competition (Topic: "The Institution of Khilāfat") was held and managed by Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA as part of the Khilāfat Centenary Celebrations in 2007-2008 in which members of all auxiliaries and Wāqifin-i-Nau participated.

- Records of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA from 1993 to 2006 were converted to electronic format (PDF format). This eliminated several boxes that required storage space and constant monitoring. All records generated from 2006-2013 were maintained in electronic format.
- A robust and efficient communication system (email based) was established for the officeholders.
- A database was developed that contained all Shūrā proposals, recommendations, and implementation reports from 1993 to 2013.
- The Majlis initiated a program in which Nau Mubā'i'in were supported to travel to the UK Jalsah Sālānah and have the opportunity of audience with Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V.
- Chandah collection increased from \$244,226.00 at the end of 2005 to \$527,951.49 at the end of 2013 which is 116.17% increase in Chandah collection during this period.
- Number of Anṣār members paying Anṣār dues increased from 965 to 1,732—an increase of 79% in Chandah paying members.
- Number of Anṣār members participating in Ta'lim tests increased from 19% to 35%. Ta'lim tests in Urdu and English were made available to members both in printed and online versions.
- Majlis' reporting system was converted to electronic system. Number of reports submitted increased from 80% to 99%. Process of Majālis evaluation for 'Alam-i-In'āmī was streamlined and a mid-year evaluation of performance was provided to Majālis.
- Members' participation at the National Ijtimā' increased from 317 (2006) to 752 (2013)—an increase of 137%.
- Total of 70 Anṣār Ṭāhir Scholarships (ATS) were awarded with the total amount of \$70,000.
- Online Qur'ān learning classes were initiated for all levels of

students.

- Total of 440 Anṣār members joined Niẓām-i-Waṣiyyat (the system of Waṣiyyat).
- Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA supported building model villages in Africa (supply solar power to five villages). Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V mentioned about contribution of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA for this project in his Friday sermon of February 3, 2012 in these words: *"This year there are five model villages being built in different countries, Inshā'allāh. Anṣārullāh of USA and UK have taken the responsibility to fund these projects. Those who are enthusiastically working on this project become Moḥsinīn and those who are providing the funds are also included."* (Moḥsinīn is plural of Moḥsin which means "one who confers something on someone without any effort on the recipient's part.")
- Assigned country: Sierra Leone, Cost: \$80,000; Status: Completed in 2012, Alḥamdulillāh.
- Bicycles for Burkina Faso: 302 Bicycles and 10 tricycles were provided to Burkina Faso Jamā'at for distribution to Jamā'at members. Department of Social Services of Burkina Faso government also received 50 bicycles and 20 tri-cycles.
- Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA assisted in identifying a property in Haiti that could be used as mission house and Mosque and pledged \$450,000 towards this project.
- The monthly newsletter "Anṣār" was published every month and sent to members via postal service as well as electronically.
- Anṣār Education Handbook was published every year and was provided free of charge to every member in the U.S.
- The following books, pamphlets, and other material was published or revised and submitted for approval to the Center:
- Al-Naḥl - Year-in-Review issue was published every year.
- A booklet "Welcome to Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA" (Qty: 1,000)

- “Forty Gems of Beauty” was published (Qty: 9,000). Third edition (a revised version) of “Forty Gems of Beauty” was submitted to the Center for approval in 2013.
- Translation of book “Points to Ponder” was printed (Qty: 2,000).
- Translation of book “Homeopathy Remedies” was printed (Qty: 1,000)
- Book “Approaching the West” was published twice—First edition (Qty: 1,000) in 2008 and Second Edition (Qty: 1,000) in 2012.
- Pamphlet “Jesus, Son of Mary” (Qty: 120,000)
- Bookmarks “Love for All, Hatred for None” (Qty: 20,000)
- Spanish pamphlet: “EL ISLAM
- UNA RELIGION DE PAZ Y AMOR” (Qty: 54,000—published 20,000 pamphlets twice and 14,000 pamphlets once)
- Spanish pamphlet: “¿JESUCRISTO MURIÓ EN LA CRUZ?” (Qty: 40,000—published 20,000 pamphlets twice)
- Şalāt Chart (Qty: 5,000)
- Prayers for Khilāfat Jubilee were printed and distributed free of charge.
- Book “Why Islām is My Choice—Personal Accounts of Spiritual Journeys” (Qty: 5,000). This book contains the stories of 20 Anşār who tell how they accepted Aḥmadiyyat.
- Two Arabic flyers were printed for distribution among Arabic-speaking Americans, each containing a Qaṣīdah—poem written by the Promised Messiah in praise of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him). 5000 copies of Qaṣīdah “bimuttali’in” were published and 10,000 copies of Qaṣīdah “yā ‘aina faiḍillāh” were published and another 5,000 copies of a flyer in Arabic were published.
- The translation projects were initiated for:
 - Sabīlur Rashād (Vol:1)—Translation was completed and submitted to the Center for review and approval. This translation is being revised based on the Center’s review.
 - Sabīlur Rashād (Vol:2)—Translation initiated.

The Review of Religions Subscription

Haḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) has stressed the need to increase the subscription of the Review of Religions magazine. Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) mentioned the low subscription of this very useful publication and advised to increase the number of subscribers.

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) himself started this magazine in 1902 that has covered religion, history, philosophy, law, economics, latest scientific discoveries, and many more subjects for over 100 years. The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) expressed the purpose of the magazine as follows:

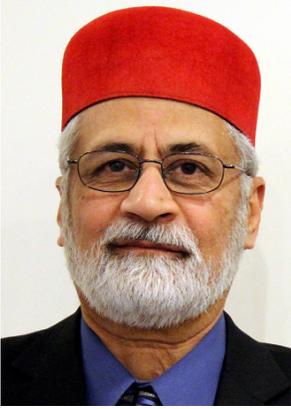
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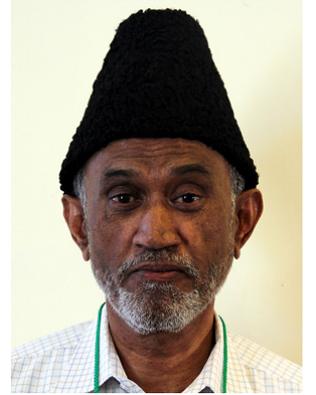
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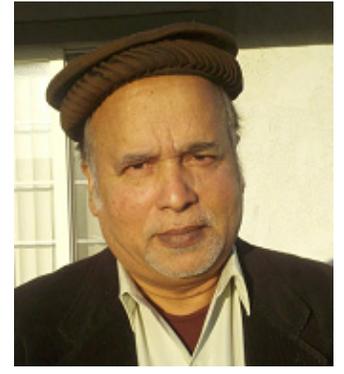
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in Long Island, NY on May 25, 2013

Right: Bait-ul Hudā Mosque in in Amityville, NY

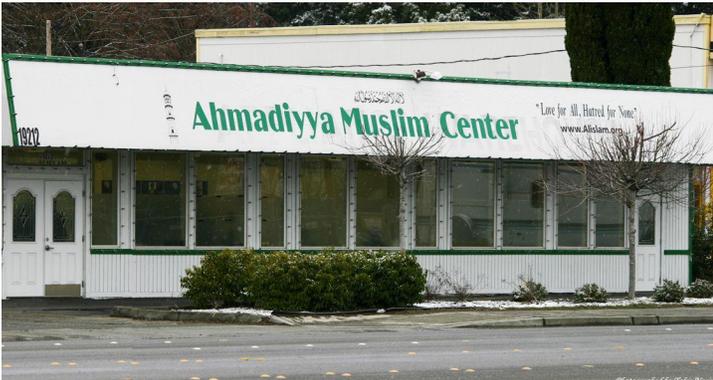
Middle left: National 'Āmilah meeting in session

Middle right: A meeting of National 'Āmilah members
with local Anṣār

Bottom: A group photo with Anṣār of
Long Island Majlis



National 'Āmilah Meeting of Majlis Anşārullāh, USA held at Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community Center of Seattle on August 17, 2013



Left: Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community Center of Seattle in Lynnwood, WA

Middle left: A meeting of National 'Āmilah members with local Anşār

Middle right: Malik Mubarik Ahmed, Za'īm of Seattle Majlis; Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, Şadr Majlis; and Mahbulul Alam Ali, Nāzīm of Northwest region at the meeting with local Anşār

Bottom: A group photo with Anşār of Seattle Majlis



The last National 'Āmilah Meeting of 2013 of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA held at Baitur Raḥmān Mosque in Silver Spring, MD on November 16, 2013



National 'Āmilah meeting in session



Group photo of National 'Āmilah members

2013 Regions

No	Region	Majālis	Nāzim
1	Central East	Central Jersey, Lehigh Valley, North Jersey, Philadelphia, Willingboro	Naseem Ahmad Waseem
2	Central West	Bay Point, Oakland, Sacramento, Silicon Valley	Musawwir Momen
3	Great Lakes	Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Detroit (Toledo), Indiana, Kentucky, Pittsburgh	Bashiruddin K. Ahmad
4	Gulf States	Austin, Cypress Houston, Dallas, Houston North, Houston South, New Orleans, Tulsa	Suhail Kauser
5	Headquarter	Baltimore, Laurel, Potomac, Silver Spring, York	Halim Muhammad Chaudhry
6	Midwest	Chicago East, Chicago West, Kansas, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Oshkosh, St. Louis, Zion	Abubakar Bin Saeed
7	New York	Bronx, Brooklyn, Long Island, New York	Muhammad Arshad Janjua
8	Northeast	Albany, Binghamton, Boston, Buffalo, Fitchburg, Hartford, Rochester, Syracuse	Muhammad Zafar Iqbal
9	Northwest	Portland, Seattle	Mahbubul Alam Ali
10	Southeast	AL-TN, Charlotte, Georgia-South Carolina, Miami, Orlando, Research Triangle	Syed Abdul Shukoor
11	Southwest	Los Angeles East, Los Angeles West, LA Inland, Las Vegas, Phoenix, San Diego, Tucson	Zafar Abdul Basith
12	Virginia	Central Virginia, North Virginia, Richmond, South Virginia, Washington DC	Basharat Ahmad Wadan

2013 Regional Nāzimīn



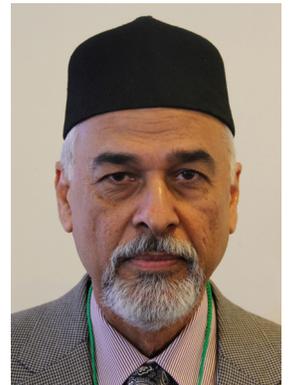

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Prayer in Congregation

Ḥaḍrat Abū Hurairah (may Allāh be pleased with him) has related that the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: “Prayer in congregation is more than twenty-five times greater in merit than Prayer at home or in the shop, etc. Therefore, when a person makes his ablutions carefully and proceeds to the mosque with the sole purpose of joining in the service, his station rises in grade at every step and one of his sins is wiped out. From the moment he enters the mosque he is accounted as a participant in the service while waiting for the service to begin, and, so long as he causes no inconvenience to anyone and his state of purity is maintained, the angels continue to pray for him: Allāh, have mercy upon him; Allāh, forgive him; Allāh, turn to him with compassion.” (Bukhārī *and Muslim*)

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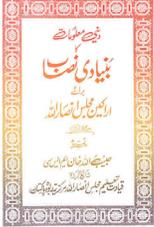
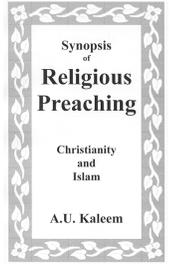
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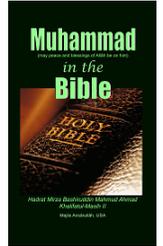
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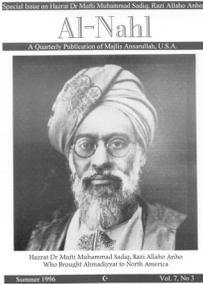
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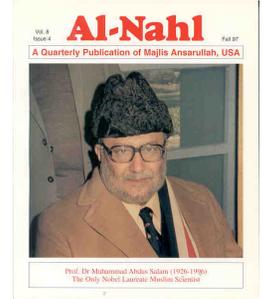
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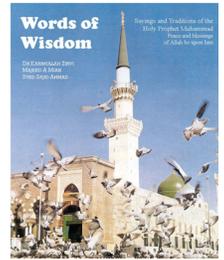
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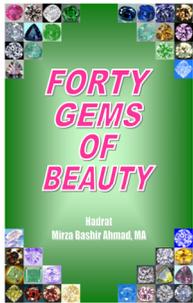


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Central East Regional Ijtimā‘

Imtiyaz Rajayki, Nā'ib Nāzim Central East Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of Central East region was held on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at Baitul Hādī Mosque in Old Bridge, NJ. 72 Anṣār from five Majālis (Central Jersey, Lehigh valley, North Jersey, Philadelphia, and Willingboro) attended the Ijtimā‘. Qā'id Publications, Rafi Malik, attended the Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA.

The day started with individual Tahajjud Prayer followed by Fajr Prayer in congregation and Dars. Breakfast and registration started at 8:00 A.M.

The opening session of the Ijtimā‘ started at 10:00 A.M. and was presided by Qā'id Publications. The session began with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Mobashir Sayyed of Central Jersey Majlis followed by Anṣār pledge led by Imtiyaz Rajayki, Nā'ib Nāzim of Central East Region. An Urdu poem was recited by Mohammad Jamil Chaudhry of

Central Jersey Majlis. Nā'ib Nāzim of Central East Region welcomed the Ijtimā‘ participants in his welcome address. This was followed by the opening address by Qā'id Publications. The opening session concluded with silent prayer.

After the opening session, the educational competitions were held. Anṣār fervently participated in the educational competitions including Recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, Religious & General Knowledge, and Observation and Recall. This was followed by lunch and Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers.

Due to unfavorable weather conditions, outdoor sports could not be held. However, individual Table Tennis and an interesting Musical Chair competition filled that gap.

The final session of the Ijtimā‘ started at 2:15 P.M. The session was shortened—limiting only to the

recitation of the Holy Qur'an, prize distribution, thank you note, and pledge—in order for Anṣār to participate, via MTA, in the International Bai'at and listen to the concluding address of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīh V (may Allāh be his helper) at Jalsah Sālānah of Western Canada. The session concluded at 2:45 P.M. with silent prayer.

It is noteworthy that members from different areas gathered a night before the Ijtimā‘ and stayed at Baitul Hādī Mosque for Tahajjud and Fajr Prayers.

The Ijtimā‘ was very successful in terms of participation, program's content, adherence to the schedule, and Diāfat and other arrangements. Za'im of the host Majlis, Abdul Nasir, and his gracious team members worked very diligently with the highest level of hospitality and management. May Almighty Allāh reward them abundantly, Āmīn.





Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Naeemullah (Philadelphia)
2nd Hammad Malik (Central Jersey)
3rd Abdul Nasir (Central Jersey)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Salim Nasir Malik (Central Jersey)
2nd Hammad Malik (Central Jersey)
3rd Nooruddin Anwar Noori (Willingboro)

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Hammad Malik (Central Jersey)
2nd Nooruddin Anwar Noori (Willingboro)
3rd Muhammad Ahmad

Observation & Recall

- 1st Asad Chaudhary (Lehigh Valley)
2nd Muhammad Ahmad
3rd Nibras Mir

Religious and General Knowledge

- 1st Team D - led by Hammad Malik
2nd Team A - led by Lutful Manan
3rd Team B - led by Nooruddin Anwar Noori

Sports Competitions Awards

Table Tennis

- 1st Khalid Ahmad (Central Jersey)
1st Nasir Ahmad (Central Jersey)

(Note: Table Tennis competition was cut short in order for Anṣār to participate, via MTA, in the International Bai'at and listen to the concluding address of Ḥadrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) at Jalsah Sālānah of Western Canada.

- 3rd Hammad Malik (Central Jersey)

Gulf States Regional Ijtimā'

Suhail Kauser, Nāzim Great Lakes Region

The regional Ijtimā' of Gulf States region (Majālis: Austin, Cypress Houston, Dallas, Forth Worth, Houston North, Houston South, New Orleans, Tulsa) was held on Saturday-Sunday, April 20-21, 2013 at Baitus

Samee Mosque in Houston. Qā'id Social Services, Rizwan Qadir, and Qā'id Waqf Jadīd, Kalim Wali, attended the Ijtimā' as representatives of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. Nā'ib Ṣadr Ṣaff Dom, Imran

Hayee, and Qā'id Moral Training, Muhammed Owusu, also attended the Ijtimā' and held a Tarbiyat workshop. Anṣār participated in the various educational and sports competitions. Overall, the Ijtimā' was a success.



Great Lakes Regional Ijtimā'

Mohammad Ahmad, Muntazim 'Umūmī, Detroit Majlis

The regional Ijtimā' of Great Lakes region (Majālis: Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Detroit, Indiana, Pittsburgh, Kentucky) was held on Saturday-Sunday, June 8-9, 2013 at Masjid Mahmood in Detroit. 49 Anṣār from Columbus, Cleveland, Dayton, and Detroit Majālis attended the Ijtimā'. In addition, 10 Aṭfāl and 4 Khuddām attended various parts of the Ijtimā', making the total attendance 63.

The Ijtimā' preparations started well in advance with a team led by Za'im of Detroit Majlis, Nasir Bukhari. Multiple planning meetings were held to make sure aspects of the Ijtimā' from registration, accommodation, food, sports and educational competitions to Tarbiyat programs are covered and well planned.

An interesting and interactive Tarbiyat workshop was held at the Ijtimā' that allowed parents to provide an in-depth understanding of the perils of social media, cell phones, and Internet. Not only did the workshop reviewed real-world scenarios detailing how the new generation is being addicted to Facebook, twitter, and other social media it also provided answers as to why and when parents should get their children cell phone, when and how much they should allow their son or daughter to use social media. This very practical workshop was much liked by the parents and the younger members alike.

The formal Ijtimā' program started on Saturday afternoon, at 4:15 P.M., with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Anṣār pledge, and poem. Regional Nāzim of Great Lakes region, Dr. B. K. Ahmad welcomed Anṣār brothers from across the region. He reviewed the logistical details along with the benefits of the regional events especially the regional Ijtimā' in light of the spirit of brotherhood and learning that takes place at such

events. He encouraged all members to participate—irrespective of age—in all the educational and sports competitions to benefit fully from the regional Ijtimā'. Afterwards, Qā'id Taḥrīk Jadīd, Hassiem Abdullah Babatu, who attended the Ijtimā' as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis, addressed the audience.

After a short break, the educational competitions started that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, Observation & Recall, and Religious & General Knowledge. Members took part in the educational competitions with great interest. Recitation of the Holy Qur'an competition was based on the Sūrah Al Nūr (Ch. 24, Verse 36). Members who memorized and recited were able to score additional points. For the Impromptu Speech competition, participants picked topics randomly from the 20 preselected topics. For the Religious & General Knowledge competition, Anṣār were grouped into various teams.

Respected Imām Irshad Malhi along with Naeemullah—who came from Philadelphia especially to conduct a Ta'limul-Qur'an workshop for Jamā'at's Department of Ta'limul-Qur'an—and Hassiem Abdullah Babatu, served as judges for the educational competitions. At the conclusion of the educational competitions, Anṣār enjoyed tea and refreshments.

The sports competitions started in the late afternoon. Badminton and Table Tennis matches started concurrently with qualifying rounds. Sportsman spirit of Anṣār brothers was at its full display during these highly contested matches.

At the grounds of the mosque, Anṣār brothers competed in the Horseshoe Toss, Shot Putt, and Darts competitions in a very pleasant weather.

After the sports competitions, members enjoyed a delicious dinner prepared on the premises by the Dīāfat team. After dinner, Maghrib and 'Ishā' Prayers were offered in congregation. After the Prayers, a Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act) session on the topics of 'Safeguarding from the ill effects of Internet' was conducted.

On Sunday, the program started with collective Tahajjud and Fajr Prayer and Darsul-Ḥadīth (commentary on Ḥadīth). After breakfast, member's wrapped up the sports and educational competitions. A Talqīn-i-'Amal session on the topic of Tablīgh concluded the early morning session.

The concluding session started at 10:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Muzaffar Mahmood of Detroit Majlis. This was followed by prize distribution. In his concluding address, the national representative, Hassiem Abdullah Babatu emphasized the role and responsibilities of an Anṣār in achieving the pleasure of Allāh. He then led Anṣār in the pledge. The Ijtimā' concluded with collective silent prayer led by respected Imām Irshad Malhi. Following the silent prayer, Anṣār gathered in the mosque Prayer hall for a group photo. Afterwards, Anṣār enjoyed the lunch.

Many Anṣār brothers spent long hours in preparations for the Ijtimā'. From registration, transportation, and food preparation to organizing various competitions, several Anṣār of the Detroit Majlis were at the forefront and worked very hard to make the event a great success. Several Anṣār worked tirelessly to make necessary arrangements. May Allāh abundantly reward the efforts of all workers for their dedication and selfless efforts in hosting this event, Āmīn.

May Allāh reward all the participants who took time to attend and benefit from the event, Āmīn.





Members participating in the educational competitions at the 2013 Great Lakes Regional Ijtema





Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)
2nd Maqbool Tahir (Detroit)
3rd Khalid Ahmed (Detroit)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)
2nd B. K. Ahmad (Detroit)
3rd Nasir Bukhari (Detroit)

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)
1st Pervaiz Khan (Detroit)
2nd B. K. Ahmad (Detroit)
3rd Saleem Tahir (Detroit)

Observation & Recall

- 1st Mansoor Qureshi (Detroit)
2nd Ahsan Syed (Columbus)
3rd Shahid Munir (Detroit)

Religious and General Knowledge

- 1st Team of Saleem Tahir, Mubarik Ahmed, Tahir Nasir, Tahir Malik (Detroit)

- 2nd Team of Munir Ahmed, Maqbool Tahir, Naseem Ahmed, Imtiaz Khanir (Detroit)
3rd Team of Mansoor Qureshi, Nasir Qureshi, Anwar Lone, Nadeem Mian (Detroit)

Sports Competitions Awards

Badminton Doubles

- 1st Maqbool Tahir (Detroit)
Usman Mangla (Detroit)
2nd Naseem Khan (Detroit)
Naseem Ahmed (Detroit)
3rd Pervaiz Khan (Detroit)
Imtiaz Ahmed (Detroit)

Table Tennis

- 1st Sharjeel Malik (Detroit)
2nd Rafi Malik (Columbus)
3rd Khalid Maqsood (Detroit)

Horseshoe Toss (Şaff Dom)

- 1st Naseem Khan (Detroit)
2nd Usman Mangla (Detroit)
3rd Ahsan Syed (Columbus)

Horseshoe Toss (Şaff Awwal)

- 1st Imtiaz Khan (Detroit)

Darts

- 1st Shahid Munir (Detroit)
2nd Ahsan Syed (Columbus)

Shot Putt (Şaff Dom)

- 1st Naseem Khan (Detroit)
2nd Imtiaz Ahmed (Detroit)
3rd Usman Mangla (Detroit)

Shot Putt (Şaff Awwal)

- 1st Imtiaz Khan (Detroit)
2nd B. K. Ahmad (Detroit)
3rd Anwar Lone (Detroit)

Offering Supererogatory Prayer for Suffering Aḥmadīs

Addressing Aḥmadīs of all the Jamā'ats around the world in his Friday sermon of December 3, 2011, Ḥaḍrat Khalifatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) drew attention to the Aḥmadī brothers who are enduring hardship and persecution. Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) said that a true believer is the one who feels the suffering of his believer brother as his own, like the whole body feels the pain if a part of the body is in pain. Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) said that each Aḥmadī should offer two *Nafl* (supererogatory Prayer) daily, solely for those Aḥmadīs who are going through any torment due to their belief in Aḥmadiyyat and are deprived of their civic and religious rights through vicious laws. Anṣār are encouraged to say *Labbaik* to the call of our beloved Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) and offer two *Nafl* daily and pray to Almighty Allāh that the atrocities against Aḥmadīs may be removed, Āmīn.

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Central West Regional Ijtimā‘

Musawwir Momen, Nāzim Central East Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of Central West region (Majālis: Bay Point, Oakland,, Sacramento, Silicon Valley) was held on Saturday, June 15, 2013 at Baitul Baseer Mosque, Milpitas, CA. Members from Baypoint, Oakland,

Merced, Sacramento and Silicon Valley attended the Ijtimā‘.

Qā'id Education, Monas Chaudhry attended the Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Şadr Majlis Anşarullāh, USA.

A record number of members attended the regional Ijtimā‘. The total attendance was 48.

Anşār participated in the various educational and sports competitions. Alḥamdulillāh, the Ijtimā‘ was a



Headquarter Regional Ijtimā‘

Halim Chaudhry, Nāzim Headquarter Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of Headquarter region (Majālis: Baltimore, Laurel, Potomac, Silver Spring, York/Harrisburg) was held on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at Hādee Mosque in Harrisburg, PA. The Ijtimā‘ was held in Harrisburg by invitation from the York/Harrisburg Majlis and with agreement of all Zu‘amā of the region.

The opening session of the Ijtimā‘ started 15 minutes late, at 11:05 A.M., to accommodate a group of Anṣār who were traveling long distance in a rainy weather. The session was presided by Qā‘id Finance, Munawar Saqib, who attended the Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. The session commenced with the recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān and translation by Naveed Malik of Silver Spring Majlis. Qā‘id Finance led Anṣār to reaffirm the pledge of the Majlis. This was followed by a few Urdu couplets from Durr-i-Thamīn, melodiously recited by Kaleem Bhatti of York/Harrisburg Majlis. He also presented the translation of the poem in English.

Zarar Bajwa, Za‘īm of the host Majlis, welcomed all Anṣār to their new mosque and expressed his gratitude to the members who traveled long distances to come to Harrisburg. This was followed by an address by Qā‘id Finance. In order to

know each other better and have a face-name recognition, all Anṣār self-introduced themselves.

At the start of the Ijtimā‘, only 40 Anṣār were present, but later during the day the total attendance peaked to 70. The attendance exceeded last year’s maximum—67 members—when the regional Ijtimā‘ was held at Baitur Rahman Mosque in Silver Spring, MD, a venue with lesser distance from many Majālis. Considering a new and distant venue, this is very encouraging, Alḥamdulillāh. May Allāh enable us to do even better, Āmīn.

About 10 members participated in each of the educational competitions. Four teams—each comprising of four members from four Majālis—competed in Religious & General Knowledge competition. Almost 40 members participated in the sports competitions of their choice.

All the educational competitions (Recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān, Commentary on Hadīth, Impromptu Speech, and Religious & General Knowledge) were completed by 1:30 P.M. This was followed by Ṣuhr and ‘Aṣr Prayers.

At 2:15 P.M., Anṣār enjoyed a delicious lunch cooked by volunteers of York/Harrisburg Majlis. May Allāh bless the time and services they offered for serving the guest, Āmīn.

In the interest of time, all the sports competitions started simultaneously at 3:00 P.M. that included Badminton, Horseshoe Toss, Table Tennis, and Volleyball. Anṣār had to choose to participate in sports of their preference. The sports session concluded at 4:00 P.M.

After the sports session, the concluding session of the Ijtimā‘ began. Qā‘id Finance led Anṣār in pledge. He then addressed Anṣār and reminded members to pay Anṣār dues earlier, rather than later, during the year, and according to the prescribed rate.

Regional Nāzim of Headquarter region, Halim Chaudhry, thanked members for attending the Ijtimā‘ and expressed his gratitude to the host Majlis for their outstanding hospitality.

Prizes and certificates were awarded to the first position holders in all the educational and sports competitions, while certificates were presented to recognize the second and third position holders. Baltimore Majlis won the most prizes in the educational competitions while York/Harrisburg Majlis shined more in the sports competitions.

With silent prayer, led by Qā‘id Finance, this spiritually and physically uplifting event ended at the scheduled time of 4:30 P.M.

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- **Anṣār membership dues:** 1% of yearly (take home) income; or \$2/month for non-earning members
- **Ijtimā‘ dues:** 1/8th of total Anṣār Chandah; or \$1/month for non-earning members
- **Publication dues:** \$10 yearly; non-earning members: none

Midwest Regional Ijtimā‘

Abubakar Bin Sa-eed, Nāzim Midwest Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of Midwest region (Majālis: Chicago East, Chicago West, Kansas, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Oshkosh, St. Louis, Zion) was held on Saturday-Sunday, June 1-2, 2013 at Bait ul Qadīr Mosque in Milwaukee, WI. All of the region’s seven Majālis were represented at the Ijtimā‘. Total attendance as 73.

Auditor of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, M. Dawood Munir, attended the

Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. Qā’id Moral Training, Muhammed Owusu, and Yakub A. B. Abubakar of Ghana, brother of Abubakar Bin Sa-eed, Nāzim of the Midwest region, also attended the Ijtimā‘.

Anṣār participated in the various educational and sports competitions. Anṣār also participated in interactive discussion during the Ijtimā‘.

Alḥamdulillāh, the Ijtimā‘ was very successful. Attendance of Anṣār from various Majālis is shown below.

Milwaukee	31
Chicago west	14
Chicago East	12
Zion	12
St. Louis	7
Oshkosh	4
St. Paul	3



New York Regional Ijtimā‘

Iqbal Ahmad, Muntazim ‘Umūmī New York Majlis

The regional Ijtimā‘ of New York region (Majālis: Bronx, Brooklyn, Long Island, New York) was held on Sunday, June 2, 2013 at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque in Queens, NY. A concerted effort was made to contact all Anṣār for the Ijtimā‘ that included personal phone calls, emails, and announcements at the mosque. Approximately, 75 members, including a few Khuddām and Aṭfāl, attended the Ijtimā‘.

Breakfast was served at 9:00 A.M. The opening session of the Ijtimā‘ started at 10:30 A.M. and was presided by Qā‘id Ta‘līmūl-Qur‘ān, Syed Fazal Ahmed, who attended the Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, and Regional Nāẓim of New York region, Arshad Janjua. The session began with the recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān by Rashid Ahmad followed by Anṣār pledge. In his opening address, Qā‘id Ta‘līmūl-Qur‘ān emphasized the importance of Ijtimā‘ and responsibilities of Anṣār.

After the opening session, educational competitions were held that included Recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech. Educational competitions were conducted by Iqbal Ahmed.

This followed by a Talqīn-i-‘Amal (exhortation to act) session in which Imām Daud Hanif reminded Anṣār about the purpose of holding Talqīn-i-‘Amal sessions. He went on to discuss

the basis and the reason for the creation of mankind, explaining the necessity of prayers. He discussed in detail the five pillars of Islām and emphasized the importance of these pillars. Towards the end of the session, he invited questions from the audience. An interactive discussion ensued in which topics such as improving the attendance in the meetings and making mosque attractive so that more members come for Prayers were discussed. Imām Daud Hanif exhorted the present Anṣār to convey the message of the importance and blessings of the Jamā‘at at programs to others.

After Ṣuhr and ‘Aṣr Prayers, members gathered for a group photo. Afterwards, members enjoyed lunch which was prepared on the premises by the Dīāfat team.

Sports competitions were started at 2:30 P.M. and ended at 4:15 P.M. that included Horseshoe Toss, Shot Putt, and Volleyball. Sports competitions were conducted by Abdul Ghafoor.

After the sports session, the concluding session of the Ijtimā‘ began with the recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān. Qā‘id Ta‘līmūl-Qur‘ān and Regional Nāẓim of New York region, Arshad Janjua, presented prizes to the winners of various competitions. The Ijtimā‘ ended with concluding remarks by Qā‘id Ta‘līmūl-Qur‘ān, pledge, and silent prayer, at 4:40 P.M.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān

- 1st Naeem Janjua
- 2nd Mahmood Ahmad Bhutta
- 3rd Irfan Alladin

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Irfan Alladin
- 2nd Mohammad Afzal
- 3rd Naeem Janjua

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Irfan Alladin
- 2nd Ahmad Mubarik
- 3rd Rafi Ahmed

Sports Competitions Awards

Horseshoe Toss

- 1st Mohammad Afzal
- 2nd Salim Mahmood Cheema
- 3rd Mohammad Salim

Shot Putt

- 1st Mohammad Salim
- 2nd Mohammad Wasim
- 3rd Tahir Mahmood
- Saleem Mahmood Cheema

Volleyball

- 1st Ahmad Mubarak
- Muhammad Ahmad Chaudhry
- Mohammad Salim
- Majeed Malik
- Rafi Ahmed

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Northeast Regional Ijtimā‘

Masood Ashraf, Muntazim ‘Umūmī Northeast Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of New York region (Majālis: Albany, Binghamton, Boston, Buffalo, Fitchburg, Hartford, Rochester, Syracuse) was held on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at Baitun-Nūr, Albany, NY. Total attendance was 32.

The opening session of the Ijtimā‘ began at 9:30 A.M. The session was chaired by Qā‘id Umūmī, Maqbool Ahmad Tahir, who attended the Ijtimā‘ as the representative of Şadr Majlis Anşarullāh, USA, and Regional Nāzim of Northeast region, Zafar Iqbal. The session started with the recitation of Holy Qur‘ān by Mubashir Ahmad Majoka of Rochester Majlis followed by Anşār pledge led by Qā‘id Umūmī. Tahir Khokhar of Rochester Majlis recited a few couplets from a poem of Ḥaḍrat Muşliḥ Mau‘ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him).

Next, educational competitions were held that included Recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, and Impromptu Speech. The participation in these competitions was very good. An individual Observation & Recall competition was also held. Six teams of 4 members each participated in the Religious & General Knowledge competition. The top team answered 20 out of 25 questions correctly to win the competition.

Afterwards, lunch was served. After Zuhr and ‘Aşr Prayers, Imām Zafar Ahmad Sarwar addressed the gathering on the topic of “Conduct of Anşār as Role Model.”

In the afternoon, sports competition were held. Outdoor sports competitions could not be held due to heavy rain. Indoor sports competitions including Musical Chair, Table Tennis, and Arm Wrestling were

held. Arm Wrestling competition was very interesting and intense. Afterwards, members gathered for a group photo.

The final session of the Ijtimā‘ started with the recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān, followed by prize distribution. Regional Nāzim of Northeast region thanked the Za‘im of the local Majlis and president of the local Jama‘at for their hospitality in his cosing remarks. He also recognized the local youth members for their help and support. In his concluding address, Qā‘id Umūmī thanked everyone for attending the auspicious event. Regional Nāzim of Northeast region led members in Anşār pledge. The Ijtimā‘ ended with silent prayer led by Imām Zafar Ahmad Sarwar.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur‘ān

- 1st Mubashir Ahmad Majoka (Rochester)
2nd Masood Ashraf (Fitchburg)
3rd Hafeez-ur-Rahman (Albany)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Hafeez-ur-Rahman (Albany)
2nd Kusi Ahmad (Hartford)
3rd Raza Ahmad (Hartford)

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Hafeez-ur-Rahman (Albany)
2nd Khalid Abdul Rasheed (Albany)
3rd Naeem Chaudhry (Syracuse)

Observation & Recall

- 1st Aziz-ur-Rahman (Albany) 28/37
1st Raza Ahmad (Hartford) 28/37
1st Hafeez-ur-Rahman (Albany) 28/37

- 2nd Tahir Ahmad Khokhar (Rochester) 27/37
3rd Qudratullah Tariq (Boston) 26/37

Religious & General Knowledge

- 1st *Team A (20/25)*
Hafeez-ur-Rahman (Albany), Aziz-ur-Rahman (Albany), Aftab Naaz (Albany), Naeem Chaudhry (Syracuse)
2nd *Team C (18/25)*
Bashiruddin Mehmud (Fitchburg), Qasim Ahmad (Albany), Hisham Qureshi (Albany), Sarjo Trawley (Boston)
2nd *Team D (18/25)*
Mahmood Qureshi (Hartford), Raza Ahmad (Hartford), Kusi Ahmad (Hartford), Pervaiz Khan (Hartford)
3rd *Team E (17/25)*
Muzaffar Chaudhry (Fitchburg), Abdul Aziz (Fitchburg), Manzoor Ghalib (Boston), Qudratullah Tariq (Boston)

Sports Competitions Awards

Arm Wrestling

- 1st Khalid Abdul Rasheed (Albany)
2nd Kusi Ahmad (Hartford)
3rd Sarjo Trawley (Boston)

Musical Chair

- 1st Hisham Qureshi (Boston)
2nd Qasim Ahmad (Albany) [Non-Aḥmadī guest]
3rd Tahir Khokhar (Rochester)

Table Tennis

- 1st Khalid Abdul Rasheed (Albany)
2nd Hafeez-Ur- Rahman (Albany)
3rd Hisham Qureshi (Boston)

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Southeast Regional Ijtimā‘

Syed Abdul Shukoor, Nāzim Southeast Region

The regional Ijtimā‘ of Southeast region (Majālis: AL-TN, Charlotte, GA -S. Carolina, Miami, Orlando, Research Triangle) was held on Saturday-Sunday, March 30-31, 2013 at Indian Springs State Park, 678 Lake Clark Road, Flovilla, GA. Regional

Ijtimā‘ of Majlis Khuddāmul-Ahmadiyya was also held.

Anṣār from many Majālis attended the Ijtimā‘. Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, Qā'id Tablīgh, Syed Sajid Ahmed, regional Nāzim of Southeast region,

Syed Abdul Shukoor, National Tarbiyat Secretary, Nasir Mahmood Malik, and Imām Yahya Luqman also attended the Ijtimā‘.

Anṣār participated in the various educational and sports competitions. The Ijtimā‘ was very successful.



Southwest Regional Ijtimā'

Zafar Basith, Regional Nāzim Southwest Region

13th regional Ijtimā' of Southwest region (Majālis: LA East, LA West, LA Inland, Las Vegas, Phoenix, San Diego, Tucson) was held on Saturday-Sunday, September 7-8, 2013 at Baitul Hameed Mosque, Chino, CA.

Total attendance was 117. Registration started at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday morning. Few guests from Tucson and Phoenix arrived on Friday night.

The opening session of the Ijtimā' began at 11:30 A.M. with the recitation of Holy Qur'an. Anṣār pledge was led by Qā'id Tabligh, Syed Sajid Ahmad, who attended the Ijtimā' as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. This was followed by a poem recitation by Fasih Ahmed. Regional Nāzim of Southwest region, Zafar Basith, welcomed the participants. President of LA Inland Jama'at, Asim Ansari, addressed the audience, emphasizing the importance of Anṣār becoming role models.

In his address, Qā'id Tabligh drew attention of Anṣār towards their duty of conveying the message of Islām to others. He reminded members about the desire of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper) about reaching out to non-English speaking people that he had expressed earlier that year in a Friday sermon delivered at the same mosque—the venue of the regional Ijtimā'.

Regional Nāzim of Southwest region then read an excerpt from Ḥuḍūr's Friday sermon of October 1, 2010 in which Ḥuḍūr had emphasized the importance of Anṣār becoming role models. The session ended with silent prayer. After the session, Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers were offered and lunch was served.

Next, the educational competitions session started that was presided by Qā'id Ta'lim, Monas Chaudry, and was moderated by Za'im of Phoenix Majlis, Munir Malik. This year, participation in educational competition was very encouraging: 20

Anṣār participated in the Recitation of the Holy Qur'an competition; 17 Anṣār participated in the Commentary on Ḥadīth competition; 11 Anṣār participated in the Impromptu Speech competition.

After a brief tea break, Religious & General Knowledge competition was held. This competition was conducted by Za'im of San Diego Majlis, Moyenuddin Sirajee, in a novel way. Participants were divided into 11 groups each comprising of 4-5 Anṣār. Questions were projected on a screen. Upon projection of answers, the participants were asked to grade themselves.

Next, the sports competitions were held that were conducted by Ismael Dar, Mansoor Malik, and Tahir Rafique. Members participated in sports competitions with great zeal that included Basketball Hoops, Table Tennis, Tug of War, and Volleyball competitions were held. Non-participating Anṣār enjoyed by watching these competitions.

Afterwards, dinner was served that was followed by Maghrib and Ishā' Prayers. Next, a Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act) session was held that was conducted by National Tarbiyat Secretary, Nasir Mahmood Malik that also offered an opportunity for members to ask questions. The session ended around 9:00 P.M.

On Sunday, the day started with congregational Tahajjud that was offered by 40 members. This was followed by Fajr Prayer and Dars. Breakfast was served at 7:30 A.M.

The final session of the Ijtimā' started at 10:15 A.M. and was presided by Qā'id Tabligh. Abdul Rauf of Phoenix Majlis, the first prize winner in the Holy Qur'an competition recited a few verses of the Holy Qur'an. Mazhar ul Haq recited a poem. Next, Zu'amā presented reports about their respective Majālis.

The Ijtimā' coordinator, Faheem Ahmed presented a report. He also

thanked all the Zu'amā and members who had worked hard to reach a record number of 121 attendees at the Ijtimā'. He thanked the Almighty Allah that had made this possible and said that achieving this milestone was very encouraging for all the workers.

Next, prizes and certificates were presented to the winners of various competitions. This was followed by a speech by Nasir Noor on the topic of "Responsibilities of a Nasir as a role model."

Dr. Tahir Khan made a presentation on dental hygiene and its pros and cons. This was a learning experience for all the attendees. He did dental screening on Saturday and Sunday of the members who wished to be screened. His screening office was set up in the Baitul Hameed Conference hall. He also distributed tooth brushes to all the attendees.

In his closing remarks, President of LA East Jamā'at, Dr. Ahsan Khan, thanked all the members who traveled long distances to attend the Ijtimā'. Next was the concluding address by Qā'id Tabligh followed by Anṣār pledge and silent prayer.

A group photo was taken with the Anṣār present at the concluding session. Afterwards, Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers were offered and lunch was served. Attendees really enjoyed the fool prepared by the Ḍiāfat team that was headed by Arshad Rajpoot. Special gifts were presented to recognize their hard work. All teams worked with dedication and diligence to make the Ijtimā' a success.

The table on the next page shows Tajnīd, target assigned, and the actual attendance for Majālis of the Southwest region. Everyone worked very hard to achieve these targets. The attendance at the Ijtimā' was a record high, Alḥamdulillāh. Various statistics of the Ijtimā' are also listed on the next page.

Majlis	Tajnīd	Target Assigned	Target Achieved
LA East	91	46 (50%)	53 (58%)
LA Inland	59	30 (50%)	34 (58%)
LA West	36	18 (50%)	18 (50%)
Phoenix	15	7 (47%)	3 (20%)
San Diego	5	4 (80%)	2 (40%)
Tucson	20	5 (25%)	4 (20%)
Las Vegas	11	5 (45%)	1 (9%)
Other			2
Total	237	115	117 (50%)

Activity	Participation
Opening session	80+
Closing session	90+
Educational competitions	50
Sports competitions	35
Tahajjud Prayer on Saturday	40
Dental screening	30
Waqār-i-‘Aml on the eve of Ijtimā‘	20
Books sold at bookstall during Ijtimā‘	\$100+
Ḍiāfat team members	10
Food prepared for guests (including for 220 Lajnah members whose Ijtimā‘ was being held simultaneously)	350
Previous highest attendance	80
Total attendance	121





Virginia Regional Ijtimā'

Basharat Ahmad Wadan, Regional Nāzīm Virginia Region

The regional Ijtimā' of Virginia region (Majālis: Central Virginia, North Virginia, South Virginia, Richmond, Washington) was held on Sunday, September 22, 2013 at Mubārak Mosque, 4555 Ahmadiyya, Drive, Chantilly, VA. Total attendance was 66.

The Ijtimā' started with Tahajjud Prayer let by Sher Ali Khan Basharat of North Virginia Majlis. This was followed by Fajr Prayer and Dars by Attaul Mujeeb Chowdhry of Central Virginia.

Afterwards, a walk and sports competitions were held that were conducted by Zamir Mirza. Sports competitions included Arm Wrestling, Basketball Hoops, Darts, Musical Chair, Table Tennis. Breakfast was prepared and served at 7:00 A.M. by Tahir M. Chaudhry of Central Virginia Majlis..

The official opening session of the Ijtimā' started at 9:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Zahid Nasrullah of South Virginia Majlis. The session was presided by Nā'ib Ṣadr Awwal, Dr. Khalid Ahmad Ata, who attended the Ijtimā' as the representative of Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. Sheikh Muhammad Arshad of South Virginia Majlis recited a poem of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). Regional Nāzīm of Virginia Region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan welcomed the participants of the Ijtimā'. Afterwards Dr. Khalid Ahmad Ata addressed the audience emphasizing the responsibilities of Anṣār.

After the opening session, the educational competitions session started that was conducted by Malik Munawar Ahmad, Nā'ib Nāzīm of Virginia Region. The educational competitions included Recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, and Observation & Recall. This was followed by a brief break.

Regional Nāzīm of Virginia Region decided to cancel the

afternoon program due to funeral Prayer of Ṣāhibzādī Bibī Amtul Rashīd Ṣāhibah that was to be offered at Baitul Rahman Mosque, Silver Spring, MD at 1:30 P.M.

The concluding session was presided by Nā'ib Ṣadr Awwal. The recitation of the Holy Qur'an was presented by Zahid Nasrullah of South Virginia Majlis. Prizes were presented to the winners of the competitions. The Ijtimā' concluded with an address by Nā'ib Ṣadr Awwal and silent prayer. Lunch was prepared and served by Tahir M. Chaudhry of Central Virginia Majlis.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'an

- 1st Zahid Nasrullah (SVA)
- 2nd Wasim Haider (NVA)
- 3rd Sheikh Arshad (SVA)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Gulzar Ahmad (SVA)
- 2nd Wasim Haider (NVA)
- 3rd Sardar Amjad Zaman (CVA)

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Khalid Mahmood (WDC)
- 2nd Gulzar Ahmad (SVA)

Observation & Recall

- 1st Dr. Abdul Hameed (NVA)
- 2nd Navid Aslam (CVA)
- 3rd Ismael Kwartaug (SVA)

Sports Competitions Awards

Arm Wrestling (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Habibullah Chaudhary (SVA)
- 2nd Abdul Jabar Mirza (CVA)

Arm Wrestling (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Mohammad Mahmood (SVA)
- 2nd Zamir Mirza (CVA)

Basketball Hoops (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Mohammad Arshad Sheikh (SVA)

- 2nd Gulzar Ahmad (SVA)
- 3rd Habibullah Chaudhary (SVA)

Basketball Hoops (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Tahir M. Chaudhary (CVA)
- 2nd Mohammad Mahmood (SVA)
- 3rd Zamir Mirza (CVA)

Darts (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Ishmael Kwartung (SVA)
- 2nd Mohammad Arshad Sheikh (SVA)
- 3rd Syed Nadeem Shah (NVA)

Darts (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Wasim Butt (CVA)
- 2nd Abdul Hanan (SVA)
- 3rd Mohammad Mahmood (SVA)

Musical Chair (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Abdul Jabbar Mirza (CVA)
- 2nd Ishmael Kwartung (SVA)
- 3rd Chaudhary Fazal Ahmad (NVA)

Musical Chair (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Zamir Mirza (CVA)
- 2nd Sardar Amjad Zaman (CVA)
- 3rd Novid Aslam (CVA)

Table Tennis (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Basharat Ahmad Wadan (CVA)
- 2nd Nadeem Shah (NVA)

Table Tennis (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Dr. Nadeem Khan (NVA)
- 2nd Mujeeb Chaudhary (CVA)

Meritorious Service Awards

Ijaz Ahmad Qamar (SVA)
Munawar Ahmad Malik (SVA)
Zamir Ahmad Mirza (CVA)
Chaudhary M. Tahir (CVA)
Chaudhary Fazal Ahmad (NVA)
Novid Ahmad Aslam (CVA)
Razwan Ahmad Sindhoo (Richmond)
Col. Bashir Ahmad (WDC)
Farrukh Javed (WDC)

Nāsir of the Year Award

Chaudhary Rashid Ahmad (CVA)



First Regional Anṣār Leadership Conference of Virginia Region

M. Khawas Bhatti, Nā'ib Nāzīm Publications, Virginia Region

In December 2012, the Regional Nāzīm of Virginia region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan, established the Ḥalqa (section) system in the Virginia region with the permission of Ṣadr Majlis, as allowed in the constitution of Majlis Anṣārullāh. In the Virginia region, Central Virginia, North Virginia, and South Virginia are the largest Majālis. Central Virginia was divided into three Ḥalqa Jāt (sections), South Virginia was divided into four Ḥalqa Jāt, and North Virginia was divided into three Ḥalqa Jāt.

The regional Nāzīm invited all Zu'amā of these Majālis and those of the newly founded Ḥalqa Jāt to a meeting held in February 2013 at Mubarak Mosque in Chantilly, VA. Zu'amā of Ḥalqa Jāt were asked to constitute their 'Āmilah and submit to Ṣadr Majlis for approval as soon as possible. The regional Nāzīm announced in the meeting that once the approval had been received for

'Āmilah of each Ḥalqa, a regional Ansar Leadership Conference would be held in April for the training of the new newly approved 'Āmilah of the Ḥalqa Jāt.

As planned, the first Regional Ansar Leadership Conference of Virginia region was held in April, 2013 at Mubarak Mosque in Chantilly, VA. The first session of the ALC started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Bashir Ahmad, Za'im of Washington D.C. Majlis followed by Ansar pledge led by Munawar Saqib, Qā'id Finance. The session was presided by Qā'id Finance. After the individual introductions, Qā'id Finance and the regional offered their opening remarks. Next, Qā'id Finance thoroughly explained how the Department of Finance works including, Chandah collection and deposit procedures. He then answered questions from the officeholders.

The second session was presided

by the Regional Nāzīm of Virginia region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan. He asked each member of the regional 'Āmilah, regional Nā'ib Nāzīmīn, to explain the responsibilities of their respective departments and how to fulfill these responsibilities according to the 2013 Ansar Handbook. Followed by the presentation of each Nā'ib Nāzīm, officeholders were provided opportunity to ask questions. Muntazim and Nā'ib Zu'amā of Ḥalqa Jāt asked very good questions.

The session concluded at 1:30 P.M. with silent prayer led by the regional Nāzīm. Nā'ib Nāzīm Social Services M. Tahir Chodhary arranged lunch for the 26 participants of the conference. After the lunch congregational Zuhr Prayer was offered. Alhamdulillah, the first Regional Ansar Leadership Conference of Virginia region was successful and proved very beneficial and informative for the officeholders.





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Maqbool Ahmed
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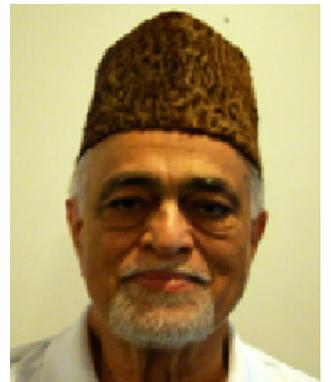
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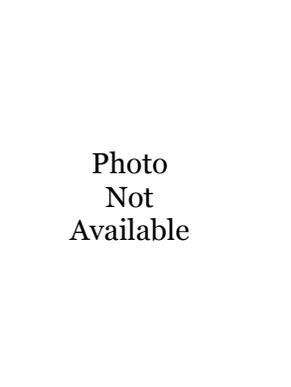
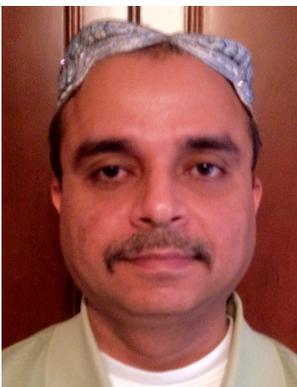


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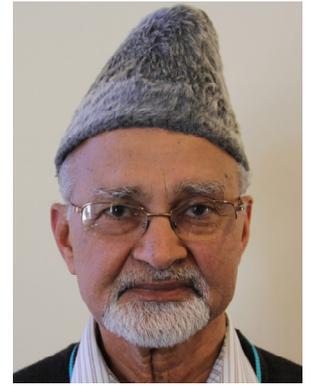
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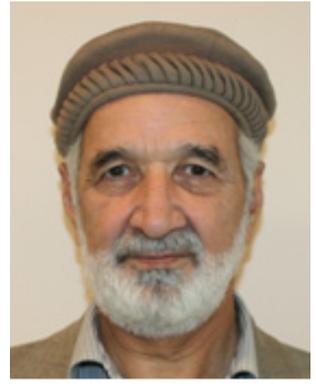
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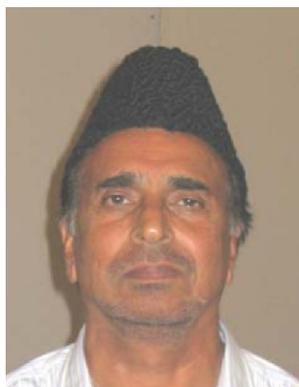
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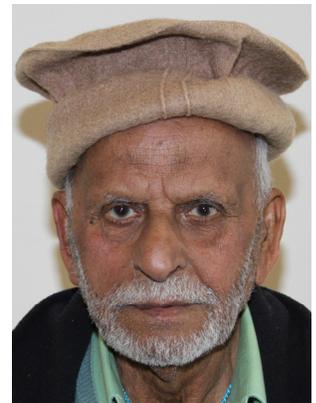
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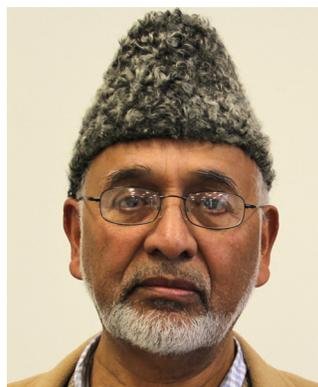
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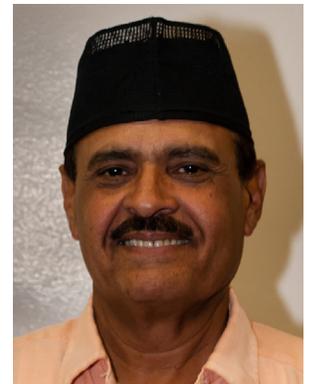
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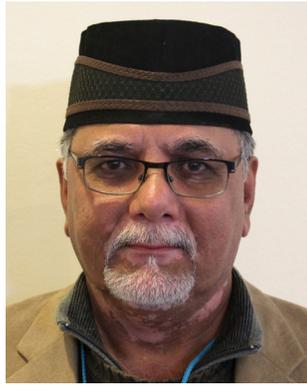
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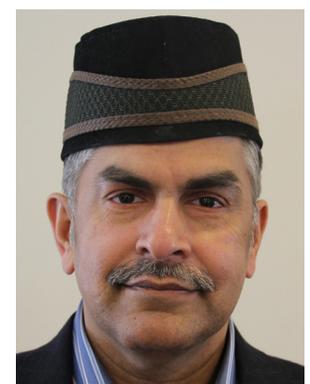
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Local Ijtimā' of Dallas Majlis

Mahfooz Sheikh, Muntazim Publications, Dallas Majlis

The local Ijtimā' of Dallas Majlis was held on Sunday, March 17, 2013 at Bait-ul Ikrām Mosque in Allen, TX. 40 Anṣār attended the Ijtimā'.

The Ijtimā' started at 9:00 A.M. with registration and breakfast. Health screening was performed from 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. by Muntazim Health. During the health screening, blood pressure, blood sugar, and weight were checked of each Nasir.

The sports competitions started at 10:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān. Table Tennis and Darts competitions tools place between 10:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.

The opening session of the Ijtimā'

started at 11:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān followed by Anṣār pledge, poem, the opening remarks by Za'im Majlis, and silent prayer.

Next, the educational competitions were held that included, Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, Observation & Recalls, and Religious & General Knowledge.

After lunch, the remaining sports competitions were held that included Basketball Hoops, Horse Shoe Toss, and Tug of War. Many Anṣār participated in these competitions.

Next, a Son to Father Workshop

was held. Anṣār bothers participated in interactive discussions.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started at 5:00 P.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān and poem. This was followed by the prize distribution. The session was presided by the regional Nāzim of Gulf States region and president of Dallas Jamā'at, Suhail Kausar.

Ijtimā' was successful. All the prescribed educational and sports competitions were held. A group photo of all Ansar was taken at the end of the Ijtimā'.





Local Ijtimā' of Houston North and Houston South Majālis

Amir S. Malik, Za'im Houston South

Nasir H. Malik, Acting Za'im Houston North

The combined local Ijtimā' of Houston North and Houston South Majālis was held on Sunday, March 3, 2013 at Baitu Samee Mosque in Houston, TX.

The attendance at the Ijtimā' was good—15 members registered for the Ijtimā'. The Ijtimā' started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an by Dr. Tanuli followed by Anṣār pledge. Nasir Malik, the acting Za'im North Houston Majlis, conducted the session.

Almost all members participated in the Recitation of the Holy Qur'an competition in which members recited verses 36-41 of Chapter 24, Sūrah Al-Nūr.

In the Commentary on Ḥadīth competition, members participated with zeal, explaining that if a person who desires that Allāh grants acceptance to his prayers at the time of distresses and difficulties, should pray abundantly at the time of ease.

For the speech competition, it was decided that members would speak on divine revelation concerning Muṣliḥ Mau'ūd, since we had just had Muṣliḥ

Mau'ūd Day the previous week. Speaking on the topic, Anṣār members shed light on the prophecy.

Several members also spoke on the subject of the achievements of the Jamā'at that have been made throughout the world.

Members who registered for the Ijtimā'

Abdus Jamil Salam
Dr. Amir Shakoor Malik
Dr. Atta Ahmad
Kalim Rana
Mubarak Kahlon
Munawar Kahlon
Muzafar Mirza
Muzaffar Kahlon
Nasir Faruqi
Nasir Malik
Nasir Tanauli
Nisar Ahmad Khan
Shamsul Hadi
Sheikh Mohammad
Syed Altaf Hussan Bukhari

Educational Competitions Results

Recitation of the Holy Qur'an

Mushtaq Ahmad (80 points)
A. Salam Jamil (70 points)
Kalim Rana (60 points)
Nisar Ahmad (60 points)
Sheikh Mohammad (55 points)
Mirza Muzafar (50 points)
S. Altaf Hussain (50 points)
Shams Hadi (50 points)
Dr. Tanauli (45 points)

Commentary on Ḥadīth

A. Salam Jamil (80 points)
Mushtaq Ahmad (75 points)
S. Altaf Hussain (70 points)
Dr. Tanauli (65 points)
Kalim Rana (60 points)
Shams Hadi (60 points)
Mirza Muzafar (45 points)

Speech

Mushtaq Ahmad (80 points)
S. Altaf Hussain (75 points)
A. Salam Jamil (70 points)
Munawar Ch. (70 points)
Dr. Tanauli (65 points)



Local Ijtimā' of Los Angeles East Majlis

Muzaffar Ahmad Siddiqi, Za'im Los Angeles East

The annual local Ijtimā' of Los Angeles East Majlis was held on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque, Chino, CA. The theme of the Ijtimā' was "Conduct of Ansar as Role Model." A very beautiful and thoughtful banner on this theme was especially prepared and was displayed on the stage.

45 members attended the Ijtimā'. Every member played a very active and vital role to make the Ijtimā' a successful event.

Since many Anṣār were busy in duties for preparation for the upcoming visit of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper), it was decided—in consultation with the regional Nāzīm of Southwest region—that the Ijtimā' will be held for a shorter duration, 9:30 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

The opening session of the Ijtimā' was presided by the regional Nāzīm of Southwest region, Zafar Basith. The session started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Saeed Saud. A

poem was recited by Naeem Ahmad. The regional Nāzīm led Anṣār in pledge and addressed the audience focusing on the Ijtimā' theme. He emphasized the importance of listening to Ḥuḍūr's Friday sermons and watching MTA. He also touched upon the sacrifice of Master Qudoos with reference to Ḥuḍūr's Friday sermon and the lessons it offers to all of us.

After the opening session, the educational competitions were held. Anṣār participated in the competitions with zeal that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, and Religious & General Knowledge.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started at 1:00 P.M. The session was presided by Imām Shamshad Ahmad Nasir who reminded Anṣār of their responsibility to become role models for the younger generation. Certificates were awarded to the participants of the various educational competitions. The

regional Nāzīm led Anṣār in pledge. The session concluded with silent prayer led by Imām Shamshad Ahmad Nasir.

After the concluding session, a group photo of Ijtimā' participants was taken. Congregational Zuhr Prayer was offered and lunch was served.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Muzaffar Ahmad Siddiqi
- 2nd Monas Chaudhry
- 3rd Addul Qadir Malik

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Monas Chaudhry
- 2nd Saeed Saud
- 3rd Muzaffar Ahmad Siddiqi

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Tahir Minhas
- 2nd Ahad Chudhary
- 3rd Saeed Saud



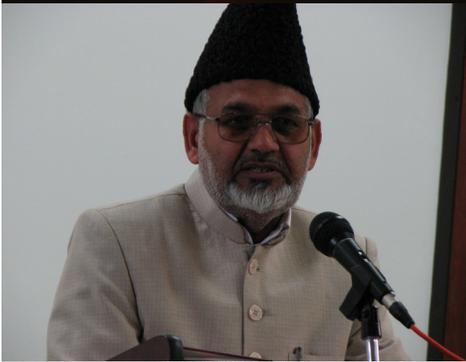


بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
In the name of Allah, the Merciful
مَجْلِسُ أَنْصَارِ اللَّهِ
We are the helpers of Allah



Conduct of Ansar as Role Model

Majlis Ansarullah 17th Annual Ijtima'
LA East
Sunday, April 14, 2013
Baitul Hameed Mosque, Chino, CA



Local Ijtimā' of Los Angeles West Majlis

Memet Mahmud Ahmad Surahman, Za'im Los Angeles West

The local Ijtimā' of Los Angeles West Majlis was held on Saturday, March 23, 2013 at Bait-us-Salam mosque in Hawthorne, CA. Anṣār Ijtimā' was held together with a Family Tarbiyat Night held on Friday, March 22. The theme of the Ijtimā' was "Let's come to the mosque more frequently." 11 Anṣār attended the event.

Anṣār took part in many educational competitions that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, and Impromptu Speech. A speech competition based on the Friday Sermon of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V

(may Allāh be his helper) delivered on March 8, 2013 "Seeking and supplicating for Allāh's benevolence" was also held. Nasir Mahmood Malik and Ibrahim Naeem served as judges for the educational competitions.

Imām Shamshad Ahmad Nasir awarded prizes to the participants of the various educational competitions.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Zafar Basith
- 2nd Syed Sohail Ahmed
- 3rd Yousuf Mahmood

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Zafar Basith
- 2nd Saud Khan
- 3rd Abdul Rahim Syeikh

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Mahmud A Sur-Rahman
- 2nd Zafar Basith
- 3rd Abdul Rahim Syeikh

Speech

- 1st Amanullah Khan
- 2nd Zafar Basith
- 3rd Abdul Rahim Syeikh



STEADFASTNESS

Anas relates that the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: "When Allāh decrees good for a servant of His, He afflicts him quickly in this world; and if He decrees evil for him, He does not hasten to call him to account for his sins in this world but takes him to task on the Day of Judgment." He (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) also said: "High reward is for high Endeavor; and when Allāh, the Exalted, loves a people, he puts them to trial. Then for him who accepts the affliction cheerfully is His pleasure, and for him who evades or shirks it is His wrath." (Tirmidhī)



Anṣār at local Ijtimā' of Baltimore Majlis held on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at Bait-ul Karīm Mosque in Baltimore, MD



Anṣār at combined local Ijtimā' of Boston and Fitchburg Majālis held on Sunday, April 21, 2013 at Bait-uz-Zikr Mosque in Fitchburg, MA

Local Ijtimā' of Las Vegas Majlis

Ahmed Masood, Za'im Las Vegas

The local Ijtimā' of Las Vegas Majlis was held on Sunday, March 10, 2013 at Sahara West Library, 9600 W Sahara Ave, Las Vegas, NV. A room at the library was rented for the Ijtimā' for three hours.

Two distinguished guests from Southern California, Regional Nāẓim of Southwest region, Zafar Basith, and Asim Ahmad Ansari of LA Inland Majlis, President of LA Inland Jamā'at, traveled to Las Vegas to attend the Ijtimā'.

5 out of 11 Anṣār of the Las Vegas Majlis attended the Ijtimā'. The other 6 Anṣār who could not attend the Ijtimā' were either working, out of town, or sick.

The Ijtimā' started at 11:15 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an

and was presided by Asim Ahmad Ansari. Anṣār took part in the educational competitions that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Commentary on Ḥadīth, and Impromptu Speech. The sports competitions were not held.

In spite of the condensed program of the Ijtimā', it was a very good experience. It was enlightening for all the Anṣār who attended and participated in the Ijtimā'.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'an

- 1st Ahmed Masood
2nd Tanveer A. Khokhar

- 3rd Shafiq Muhammad

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Ahmed Masood
2nd Tanveer A. Khokhar
3rd Shafiq Muhammad
4th Luqman Abdul Jalaal

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Mahmud A Sur-Rahman
2nd Zafar Basith
3rd Abdul Rahim Syeikh

Speech

- 1st Luqman Abdul Jalaal
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Local Ijtimā' of New York Majlis

Iqbal Ahmad, Muntazim 'Umūmī, New York Majlis

The local Ijtimā' of New York Majlis was held on Sunday, May 5, 2013 at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque in Queens, NY. Efforts were made to contact all Anṣār for the Ijtimā' that included personal phone calls, emails, and announcements at the mosque. Approximately, 60 members, including a few Khuddām and Aṭfāl, attended the Ijtimā'.

Breakfast was served at 9:00 A.M. concurrent with the registration. Regional Nāẓim of New York region, Arshad Janjua, presided the Ijtimā'. The opening session of the Ijtimā' started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Rashid Ahmad followed by Anṣār pledge and opening remarks by the regional Nāẓim in which he reminded members about their duties and responsibilities as Anṣār.

After the opening session, the educational competitions were held that were conducted by Iqbal Ahmad. The educational competitions included Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, and Impromptu Speech.

Next, a Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act) session was held that was conducted by the regional

Nāẓim and Abdul Hadi Nasir, Muntazim Ta'limul Qur'ān.

Zuḥr and 'Aṣr Prayers were offered at 1:30 P.M. followed by a group photo. Afterwards, lunch was served that was prepared at the mosque by the Dīāfat team.

Next, the sports competitions were held that were conducted by Abdul Ghafoor. Horse Shoe Toss, Shot Put, and Volleyball competitions were held.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Mohammad Afzal. The regional Nāẓim and Za'im Majlis presented prizes for various competitions. The regional Nāẓim offered his concluding remarks. Prayers were requested for the deceased members, and for the elderly members who could not attend the Ijtimā' due to their health. The Ijtimā' concluded with Anṣār pledge and silent prayer.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān
1st Mohammad Afzal

2nd Karim A Sharif
3rd Mahmood Ahmad

Commentary on Ḥadīth

1st Karim A Sharif
2nd Abdul Majid Yanful
2nd Mohammad Afzal
3rd Abdul Ghafoor

Impromptu Speech

1st Ahmad Mubarik
2nd Karim A Sharif
2nd Jibrael Adu-Faried
3rd Mohammad Afzal

Sports Competitions Awards

Horseshoe Toss

1st Iqbal Ahmad
2nd Rafiq Ahmed
3rd Naeem Ahmad

Shot Putt

1st Tahir Mahmood
2nd Mohammad Ahmad Chaudhry
3rd Naeem Ahmad

Volleyball

1st Queens - Mohammad Afzal
2nd Bronx - Nazir Cheema



Local Ijtimā' of North Jersey Majlis

Khalid. M. Ahmad, Za'im North Jersey

The local Ijtimā' of North Jersey Majlis was held on Sunday, April 21, 2013 at Baitul Wahid Mosque in Clifton, NJ. 19 Anṣār attended the Ijtimā'.

presided the Ijtimā' program, representing Regional Nāzim of Central East region, Naseem Ahmad Waseem, who was recovering from an accident.

Ullah and Naeem Ahmad prepared lunch for the Ijtimā' participants. May Allāh bless all the participants and volunteers who made the Ijtimā' a success, Āmīn.

Hāfiẓ Samiullah Chaudhry

The Ḍiāfat team led by Zabeeh



Local Ijtimā' of San Diego Majlis

Moyenuddin A. Sirajee, Za'im San Diego

The first local Ijtimā' of San Diego Majlis was held on Saturday, April 6, 2013 in San Diego Šalāt Center. Qā'id Ta'līm, Monas Chaudry, Regional Nāzīm of Southwest region, Zafar Basith, Za'im of Los Angeles East Majlis, Muzaffar Siddiqi, and a Nāšir of Los Angeles East Majlis traveled to attend the Ijtimā'. All Ansar of San Diego Majlis and Five local Khuddām attended the Ijtimā'. The total attendance was 15.

The opening session of the Ijtimā' started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an and a poem from Durr-i-Thamīn followed by Anšār pledge. Attendees were asked to give a brief introduction of themselves. Following the ice breaker session, Za'im of San Diego Majlis, Moyenuddin A. Sirajee, welcomed everyone. The Regional Nāzīm addressed the attendees and led members in silent prayer.

After the opening session, the educational competitions were held. 8 members participated in the Recitation of Holy Qur'an competition while 6 members participated in the Commentary on Ḥadīth competition.

Next Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers were offered followed by lunch. Then the educational competitions resumed. 5 members participated in the Speech competition and 6 members participated in the Impromptu Speech competition. A Religious & General Knowledge competition was also held. After the educational competitions, the sports competitions were held.

At the end of each competition, announcement of the results were mad. It is noteworthy that the guests and Khuddām also graciously participated in these competitions despite not having any prior preparation.

After the competitions, members participated in a lively and informative discussion on the struggles the contemporary Muslims face in our society.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' commenced with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an. Dr. Tahir Ijaz, president of the San Diego Jamā'at, read and English poem. He also expressed his gratitude to Almighty Allāh and thanked everyone for attending the blessed Ijtimā'. Qā'id Ta'līm offered his comments on the Ijtimā' and after the Anšār pledge he led the concluding prayer.

Afterwards, Maghrib 'Ishā' Prayers were offered and dinner was served. After the dinner, all the local Ansar and Khuddām conducted Waqār-i-'Aml to clean the facility. May Allāh blessed all the attendees of the Ijtimā' abundantly, Amīn.





TRUTHFULNESS

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: “Truth guides to virtue and virtue guides to Paradise. A person persists in telling the truth till in the sight of Allāh he is named Truthful. Lying leads to vice and vice leads to the Fire; and a person goes on lying till in the sight of Allāh he is named a liar.” (Bukhārī and Muslim)

Local Ijtimā' of Seattle Majlis

Malik Mubarik Ahmed, Za'im Seattle

The local Ijtimā' of Seattle Majlis was held on Sunday, April 14, 2013 at Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community Center of Seattle. The registration started at 10:15 A.M. Regional Nāẓim of Northwest region, Mahbulul Alam Ali, attended that Ijtimā'.

The opening session of the Ijtimā' started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Nasim Ahmad followed by Anṣār pledge. A poem was recited by Tayyab Ahmad. Za'im Majlis addressed the members and led the silent prayer.

After the opening session, the

individual educational competitions were held that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Poem, Prepared Speech, and Impromptu Speech. The topic of the Prepared Speech competition was "Importance of remaining faithful to God in all circumstances."

The team competitions were also held that included Observational & Recall and Religious & General Knowledge.

Lunch was served at 1:15 P.M. followed by Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers. After the Prayers, the sports

competitions were held that included Basketball Hoops, Three Legged Race, and Tug of War.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started at 4:00 P.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Shafqat Khan. Prizes were presented to the participants of the various competitions. The regional Nāẓim offered his concluding remarks and led members in Anṣār pledge and silent prayer. Afterwards, Anṣār gathered for a group photo.



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Local Ijtimā' of South Virginia Majlis

Ijaz Ahmad Qamar, Za'im South Virginia

The local Ijtimā' of South Virginia Majlis was held on Sunday, May 19, 2013 at Triangle Center in South Virginia. 26 Anṣār, 9 Aṭfāl, and 2 regional 'Āmilah members attended the Ijtimā'.

The opening session of the Ijtimā' started at 10:30 A.M. and was presided by Regional Nāẓim of Virginia region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan. The session started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Nasrullah Zaid followed by Anṣār pledge led by Za'im Majlis, Ijaz Ahmad Qamar, and poem by Sheikh Muhammad Arshad. In his welcome address, Za'im Majlis reminded Anṣār brothers about their responsibilities. In his opening address, the Regional Nāẓim also emphasized the responsibilities of Anṣār quoting from a speech of Ḥaḍrat Muṣliḥ Mau'ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him).

After the opening session, the educational competitions were held that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Commentary on Ḥadīth, Impromptu Speech, Observation & Recall, Poem, and Message Relay. The educational competitions were conducted by Munawar Malik and Nasrullah Zaid. Irshad Ahmad Siddiqui, Nā'ib Nāẓim Tarbiyat, and Professor Noveed Aslam, Nā'ib Nāẓim Tajnid of Virginia region, served as judges for the educational competitions.

After the educational competitions, Zuhr and 'Aṣr Prayers were offered and a BBQ lunch was served that was prepared by the Diāfat team headed by Sheikh Muhammad Arshad and Mahmood Ahmad Gondal.

Next, the sports competitions were held that were conducted by Muhammad Mahmood and Mubarak Ahmad. The sports competitions included Arm Wrestling, Brisk Walk, Darts, and Table Tennis.

The concluding session of the Ijtimā' started at 4:00 P.M. and was presided by the Regional Nāẓim. The session started with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān by Nasrullah Zahid followed by a poem by Mahmood Ahmad Gill. Prizes were presented to the winners of the various competitions. The certificates were prepared by Tanveer Ahmad Zafar and Mahmood Ahmad.

In his concluding address, the Regional Nāẓim appreciated the well-organized Ijtimā' as well as good attendance and participation in the competitions. He congratulated Za'im Majlis, Zu'amā of the Ḥalqa Jāt (sections of Majlis), and all Anṣār brothers for holding a successful Ijtimā'. He also encouraged members to attend the upcoming regional Ijtimā' in the month of August. He also talked about the first Masroor Table Tennis tournament to be held soon. Next, the Anṣār pledge was said. The Ijtimā' concluded with silent prayer led by the Regional Nāẓim.

Educational Competitions Awards

Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān

- 1st Nasrullah Zahid
- 2nd Tanveer Ahmad Zafar
- 3rd Mohammad Afzal Shah

Commentary on Ḥadīth

- 1st Nasrullah Zahid
- 2nd Mahmood Ahmad Nasir Gondal
- 3rd Tanveer Ahmad Zafar

Poem

- 1st Mahmood Ahmad Gill
- 2nd Masood Ahmad Gill
- 3rd Sheikh Mohammad Arshad

Impromptu Speech

- 1st Gulzar Ahmad
- 2nd Tanveer Ahmad Zafar

- 3rd Nasrullah Zahid

Observational & Recall

- 1st Tanveer Ahmad Zafar
- 2nd Muhammad Mahmood
- 3rd Mubarak Ahmad
- 4th Kareem Ullah Kaleem
- 5th Gulzar Ahmad

Message Relay

Teams of 5 members

- 1st Team headed by Gulzar Ahmad
- 2nd Team headed by Mubarak Ahmad

Sports Competitions Awards

Arm Wrestling

- 1st Muhammad Mahmood
- 2nd Muhammad Afzal Shah
- 3rd Masood Ahmad Gill

Brisk Walk (Ṣaff Awwal)

- 1st Abdul Razaq
- 2nd Gulzar Ahmad
- 3rd Habib Ullah

Brisk Walk (Ṣaff Dom)

- 1st Mahmood Ahmad Gondal
- 2nd Mubarak Ahmad
- 3rd Masood Ahmad Gill

Darts

- 1st Muhammad Mahmood
- 2nd Munawar Saeed Khan
- 3rd Mahmood Ahmad Gondal

Table Tennis

- Muhammad Mahmood
- 1st Kareem Ullah Kaleem
- 2nd

Special Award

A special award was presented to Sheikh Arshad (Za'im of Stafford & Triangle Ḥalqa) for good attendance.



Local Ijtimā' of Willingboro Majlis

Tahir A. Tasneem, Nā'ib Za'im Willingboro

The local Ijtimā' of Willingboro Majlis was held on Saturday-Sunday, April 20-21, 2013 at Al-Naşr Mosque in Willingboro, NJ. The average Ijtimā' attendance was 33.

The Ijtimā' started on April 20 after 'Aşr Prayer. All the sports activities were scheduled on the first day of the Ijtimā'. A senior Nāşir led the members in silent prayer. Za'im Majlis informed members about the sports competitions, their venue, and the names of the coordinators.

The sports competitions included Billiard, Table Tennis, Volleyball. The most interesting sport was Volleyball

that was played between Anşār and Khuddām. The sports competitions continued till Maghrib Prayer. The first day of the Ijtimā' concluded with the dinner. Arrangements were made for overnight stay in the mosque.

On Sunday, the formal session began at 10:00 A.M. with the recitation of the Holy Qur'an and Anşār pledge. Za'im Majlis welcomed Anşār and presented a brief report of activities of all the departments held during the year 2012.

Next, the educational competitions started that included Recitation of the Holy Qur'an,

Commentary on Hadith, Impromptu Speech, and Religious & General Knowledge. An Observation & Recall competition was also held that the participants really enjoyed.

The Ijtimā program was set fully in accordance with the guidelines provided by the center. There was a blend of speeches, educational competitions, mental exercises, and quiz programs. By the grace of Allāh, everything went well according to the schedule. The Ijtimā' concluded with Zuhr and 'Aşr Prayers. After the Prayers, members enjoyed a delicious BBQ lunch.







Members of Majlis ‘Āmilah of Dallas Majlis - March 17, 2013



Members of Majlis ‘Āmilah of New York Majlis with Imām Daud Hanif - March 3, 2013



Members of Majlis 'Āmilah of Willingboro Majlis - January 27, 2013



Members of regional Majlis 'Āmilah of Virginia region at their meeting held on August 31, 2013
At Mubarik Mosque in Chantilly, Virginia - VA



Anṣār of New York Majlis with other members of New York Jamā'at - March 3, 2013



Anṣār of Willingboro Majlis gathered for a group photo after Anṣār general meeting on January 27, 2013



Anşār of Willingboro Majlis at Tahajjud Prayer on January 1, 2013 at Al-Nasr Mosque, Willingboro, NJ



Anşār of Central Jersey Majlis in Anşār general meeting held at Baitul Hādī Mosque on February 24, 2013



Anşār of York Majlis with Nā'ib Amīr, Imām Azhar Hanif - March 24, 2013



Members at Khilāfat Day and Anṣār general meeting of Orlando Majlis held on May 11, 2013



Anṣār of Miami Majlis gather for a group photo at their monthly Anṣār meeting held on November 16, 2013



Members of regional Majlis ‘Āmilah of Virginia region at their first meeting of the year held in February 2013



Regional Nāzīm of Virginia region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan, attending ‘Āmilah meeting of Central Virginia Majlis on June 9, 2013



Anṣār of Columbus Majlis gathered for a group photo after Anṣār general meeting held on March 24, 2013

Left to right: Rafi Malik, Anwar Din, Dr. Mehdi Ali Bashiruddin Qamar Shaheed, Abdus Salam Malik, Ahsan Syed (Za'im), Mirza Mahmood Ahmad, Muhammad Ashraf, Naseer Wasim, Maqbool Bhatti



Anṣār of Boston Majlis gathered for a group photo after Za'im election held on November 10, 2013

Standing (Anṣār, left to right): Hisham Qureshi, Shazad Butt, Anwar Saeed, Akmal Parwaz, Masood Shammas, Ahmad Rana, Mahmood Rana

Sitting on chairs: Sanna Cham, Amjad Choudhry, Fazal Rana, Rashid Ahmad, Amer Malik, Sarjo Trawalley

Sitting on floor (Anṣār, left to right): Nasir Rana, Karim Sharif, Rasheed Khalid



National ‘Āmilah of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA presented an award at the National Ijtimā’ to the outgoing Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, for his outstanding leadership and dedicated service to the Majlis over the past eight years as Ṣadr Majlis



A Lifelong Service Award was presented at the National Ijtimā’ to Nasir Mahmood Malik, former Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA (2000-2005), for his dedicated service to the Majlis that has left lasting impact on the Majlis



Za‘im of Willingboro Majlis, Abdul Rehman Minhas, received ‘Ālam-i-In‘āmī for his Majlis at the 2013 ALC



Khadim Hussain Shah received the Best Dā‘ī Ilallāh Award at the National Ijtimā’



Munawar Ahmad Saqib, Qā‘id Finance, was presented a Meritorious Service Award at the National Ijtimā’ for the dedicated service in his department



Mqabool Ahmad Tahir, Qā‘id ‘Umūmī, was presented a Meritorious Service Award at the National Ijtimā’ for the dedicated service in his department



Mirza Mahmood Ahmad of Columbus Majlis was presented the Best Dā'ī Ilallāh Award—that was announced at the 2013 National Ijtimā—on December 15, 2013 at Baitun Nāṣir Mosque in Columbus, OH



Regional Nāzīm of Virginia Region, Basharat Ahmad Wadan, presenting a recognition award to Mirza Zameer Ahmad, outgoing Za'im of Central Virginia Majlis, at a farewell meeting held on December, 5, 2013

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Members of Minnesota Majlis gathered for weekly Dars during Ramadan that was arranged by a Nāsir who traveled 100 miles for the event.



Anṣār of Zion Majlis gather for 'Īd-ul-Fiṭr Prayer



Anṣār of Dayton Majlis visiting the mayor Kettering, OH, Donald E. Patterson



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis at a meeting with Maher Maso, the Mayor, and George Purefoy, the City Manager, of Frisco, TX



Anṣār of Dayton Majlis with the guests from Presbyterian Church on October 27, 2013 at Faḍl-i-'Umar Mosque



Anṣār of Minnesota Majlis at an Interfaith event arranged by the local Jamā'at on May 11, 2013



Anṣār of Columbus Majlis with guests at local Jamā'at's Interfaith Symposium held on July 27, 2013 at Baitun Nāṣir Mosque in Columbus, OH



Anṣār of Dayton Majlis with the guests from Unification Church on October 7, 2013 at Faḍl-i-'Umar Mosque in Dayton, OH



An exhibition and bookstall arranged by Willingboro Majlis at a local flea market on April 28, 2013



A Nāṣir serving at a Tabligh stall held on Labor Day weekend at Los Angeles County Fair



Anṣār at a bookstall in Pittsburg, CA



Weekly Tabligh stall of St. Louis Majlis held at a local Flea Market on February 23, 2013



Anṣār of New York Majlis participated in a 3-day exhibition of the local Jamā'at held at BookExpo America in New York on May 30-June 1, 2013



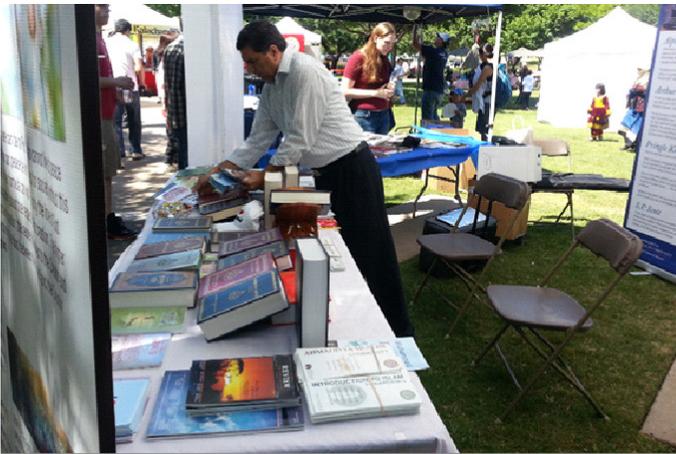
Za'im of Minnesota Majlis along with other members of Minnesota Jamā'at at a bookstall held in June 2013 at First Diversity Festival of the City of Brooklyn Park, MN



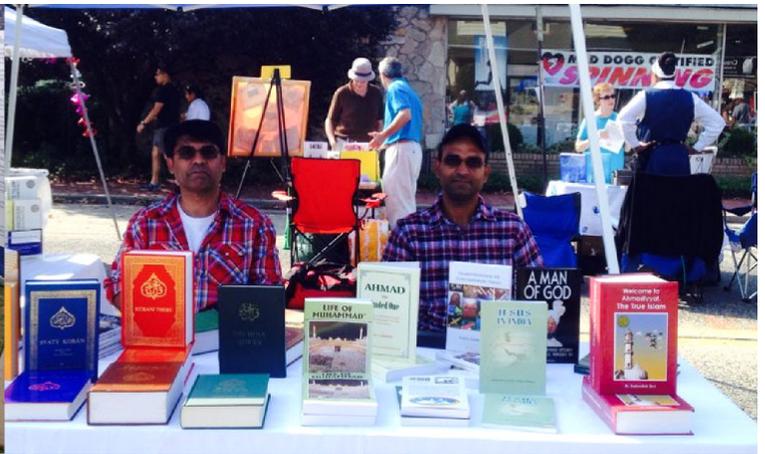
Anṣār of LA West Majlis met with the librarian of UCLA's library, David Hirsch, and provided the books of the Promised Messiah for the library



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis venturing out for door-to-door flyer distribution for Muhammad - Messenger of Peace event



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis participated at a Tabligh stall held at Plano Asia Fest on May 4, 2013



Anṣār of Willingboro Majlis dedicated their time for setting up and serving at the Tabligh booth at the Collingswood Book Festival in New Jersey on October 5, 2013



A Nāṣir of Austin Majlis at Jamā'at's bookstall at the famous Texas Book Festival held on October 26-27, 2013 in downtown Austin, TX



Anṣār of St. Louis Majlis hold a weekly Tabligh Stall at a local flea market - February 26, 2013



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis participated in a 4th of July program held by the local Jamā'at in coordination with a church

Anṣār of Dayton Majlis at the stall held for the Muslims for Loyalty event held by the local Jamā'at on 4th of July



Anṣār of Orlando Majlis at the stall held for the Muslims for Loyalty event held by the local Jamā'at on 4th of July

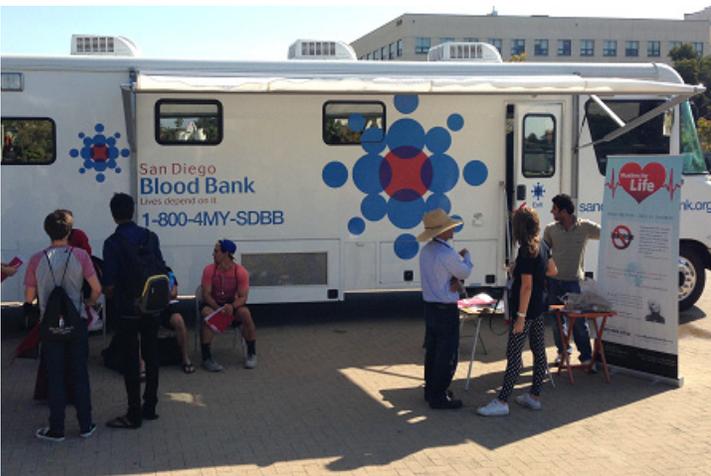
Anṣār of Dallas Majlis prepared a BBQ for all the guests at the Muslims for Loyalty event held on a 4th of July



Anṣār of Orlando Majlis with Mayor of Lakeland, FL at an event held to honor 9/11 victims on September 11, 2013



A Nāṣir of Baltimore Majlis was invited to give a lecture to students on September 11, 2013 about situation in Syria



Anṣār of San Diego Majlis participated in two blood drives for the Muslims for Life campaign in September 2013



Nigeria Independence Day event held by St. Louis Majlis at Baitul Ḥafeez Mosque on October 19, 2013



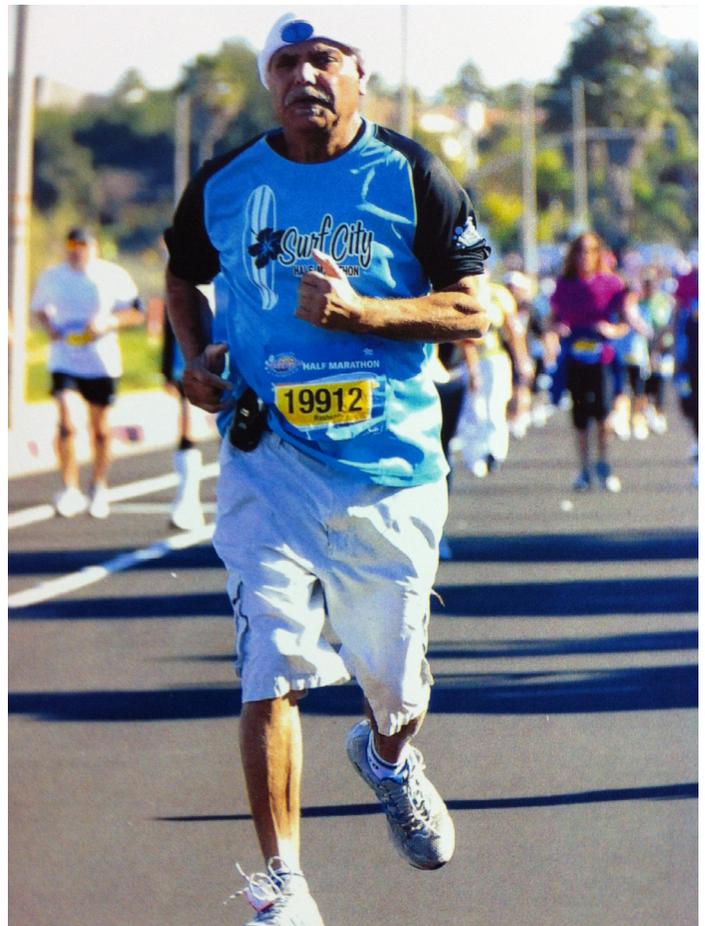
Anṣār at Fitchburg Majlis' weekly soup kitchen and food pantry event



Members serving at a local homeless shelter in Fitchburg Majlis on March 29, 2013



Members at a picnic of York Majlis held on April 13, 2013



Rashid Mian Syed of Los Angeles East Majlis ran a 13 mile Marathon for the 4th consecutive year. Leading an active lifestyle helps him stay away from the health issues he has experienced in the past including lower back problem and arteries blockage.



Anṣār of New York Majlis arranged a picnic for NY Metro Jamā'ats on August 18 that was attended by 90+ members



Anṣār of St. Louis Majlis at a combined picnic with Khuddām on June 16, 2013



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis arranged a picnic on May 12, 2013 and invited Aṭfāl and Khuddām brothers to enjoy with them

Anṣār of Dallas Majlis volunteered to prepare for BBQ for Dallas Jamā'at's picnic held on October 20, 2013



Anṣār of LA East Majlis arranged a Kulū Jami'ā (potluck) held by the local Jamā'at on Thanksgiving Day, August 28, 2013 at Baitul Ḥamīd Mosque that was attended by 325+ members including 52 Anṣār



Anṣār of Baltimore Majlis at a family event held on April 19



Anṣār of Dallas Majlis participating in the "Love Where You Live" program of the City of Plano, TX

Departed Souls

The following U.S. Anṣār departed this temporary abode in 2013 on their journey towards eternal bliss in the next life. May their souls rest in peace. Āmīn. The information given for deceased individuals is provided by the family, friends, or local administration. Information about some individuals could not be obtained but will be included in the subsequent issues if and when made available. Readers are encouraged to write about the deceased to preserve history and their good example for the next generations to follow. The information can be provided at <http://www.ansarusa.org/information-about-deceased-members>.

Dr. Izhar ul Hassan Pirzada



Dr. Izhar ul Hassan Pirzada of Columbus Majlis passed away on March 18, 2012 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. Dr. Pirzada was born in Munchinabad, Pakistan in 1928. His father Dr. Pir Buksh was the first Aḥmadī in the state of Bahawalpur who accepted Aḥmadiyyat after he met and accepted the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). Dr. Pirzada practiced medicine in Pakistan, United Kingdom, and Libya. He had great love for poems of the Promised Messiah and recited them at various Jamā'at functions held at Baitun Nasir Mosque in Columbus, Ohio. He once presented a poem of the Promised Messiah in a function in Tripoli, Libya where late Muammar Qadafi, the Libyan president, was also present. Dr. Pirzada was Hāfiẓ Qur'ān.

Shafiq Ahmad Malik

Shafiq Ahmad Malik of Central

Jersey Majlis suffered a heart attack and passed away on January 6, 2013 at the age of 68, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. At the time of his demise, he was serving as the National Property Secretary of the USA Jamā'at and the President of Aḥmadī Architect and Engineers Association, USA. He is survived by his wife and three sons.

Malik Mohammad Hussein

Malik Mohammad Hussein, father of Iftikhar H. Tariq and Malik Altaf H. Qasim of South Virginia Majlis, passed away on January 13, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Luqman Fareed Ahmad

Luqman Fareed Ahmad of Long Island Majlis passed away on January 17, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Sheikh Rifaqat

Sheikh Rifaqat of Houston North Majlis passed away on January 27, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Dr. Basharat Munir Mirza

Dr. Basharat Munir Mirza of Athens Majlis passed away on February 8, 2013 at the age of 78, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He served the U.S. and Canada Jamā'ats in the area of publishing with great zeal and devotion for many decades. He was a Muṣī.

Abdul Majeed Niaz

Abdul Majeed Niaz of Austin Majlis, son of Abdul Raheem, Darvesh Qādiān, and father-in-law of Maqbool Ahmad, Za'im of Austin Majlis, passed away on February 12, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Amanullah Waeen

Amanullah Waeen of Miami Majlis passed away on February 15, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi

rāji'ūn.

Mubarik Ahmad Malik

Mubarik Ahmad Malik of Dallas Majlis, father of Munawar Malik, Vice President of Dallas Jamā'at and former Qā'id Tajnīd, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, passed away on February 15, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He had been a member of Dallas Jamā'at since 1994.

Ḥājji Abdul Hakeem



Ḥājji Abdul Hakeem of Zion Majlis passed away on March 30, 2013 at the age of 65, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He was the brother of Hasan Hakeem, President of Zion Jamā'at and National Secretary Tabligh. Ḥājji Abdul Hakeem accepted Islām in 1967 and was a longtime devoted member of the Zion Jamā'at. He leaves behind two daughters, a son, five grandchildren, and 3 great grandchildren.

Dr. Munawar Ahmad

Dr. Munawar Ahmad of Cleveland Majlis passed away in 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He was the elder brother of Imām Mubasher Ahmed, Missionary Northwest Region.

Manzoor Bajwa

Manzoor Bajwa of Miami Majlis passed away on April 28, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Karam Ilahi



Karam Ilahi of New York Majlis passed away on May 11, 2013 at the age of 77, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He leaves behind his wife, three sons, two daughters, and fourteen grandchildren.

Shahid Saleem

Shahid Saleem of Dayton Majlis passed away on May 27, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Mohammed Sharif

Mohammed Sharif of Oakland Majlis, a Mūṣī, passed away on June 23, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Ahmad Saeed

Ahmad Saeed of St. Louis Majlis passed away on July 29, 2013 at the age of 89, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 1949. He was a pioneer member of the Midwest region and an integral member of the St. Louis Jamā'at for

over 60 years.

Bashir Lutfur Rahman

Bashir Lutfur Rahman of Zion Majlis, former president of Zion Jamā'at, passed away on September 6, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Tahir Ahmad

Tahir Ahmad of Bay Point Majlis passed away on September 11, 2013 at the age of 77, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Ahmad Shareef

Ahmad Shareef (also know as Pete Sheffield) of Pittsburgh Majlis passed away on September 30, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Shafiq Ahmad

Shafiq Ahmad of Tucson Majlis passed away on October 2, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Rana Anwar Khalid

Rana Anwar Khalid of Georgia-SC Majlis passed away on October 10, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Dr. Bashiruddin Usama

Dr. Bashiruddin Usama, a senior and devout member of Cleveland

Majlis, passed away on November 3, 2013, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He served as the president of three different Jamā'ats.

Muhammad Sadiq Malik

Muhammad Sadiq Malik of Willingboro Majlis passed away on November 5, 2013 at the age of 96, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

Mian Ghulam Ahmad

Mian Ghulam Ahmad of Indiana Majlis passed away on December 16, 2013 at the age of 96, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He had the opportunity to serve the Jamā'at for a long period of time. He served as Amīr Ḍil' of Wazirabad and Gujranwala, Pakistan for over 50 years.

Dr. Yusef Abdul Lateef

Dr. Yusef Abdul Lateef of Fitchburg Majlis passed away on December 23, 2013 at the age of 93, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. Dr. Lateef was born on October 9, 1920 in Tennessee. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 1948, having read the books of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and Ḥaḍrat Muṣliḥ Mau'ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him).

May Allāh grant peace to the souls of the deceased and grant patience and steadfastness to their families, Āmīn. Anṣār are requested to remember the deceased and their families in their prayers.

Information about Deceased Members

Information about members who pass away is published in the newsletter with request for prayers for the departed souls and their families. Members are requested to provide information about deceased members at <http://www.ansarusa.org/information-about-deceased-members>.

Dr. Basharat Munir Mirza

Dr. Basharat Munir Mirza of Athens Majlis passed away on February 8, 2013 at the age of 78, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*.

He has served the Jamā'at in various capacities for a long time. Most notably, his printing press, Faḍl-i-'Umar Press, in Athens, Ohio has been instrumental in printing and mailing various Jamā'at publications for almost five decades since early 1960s.

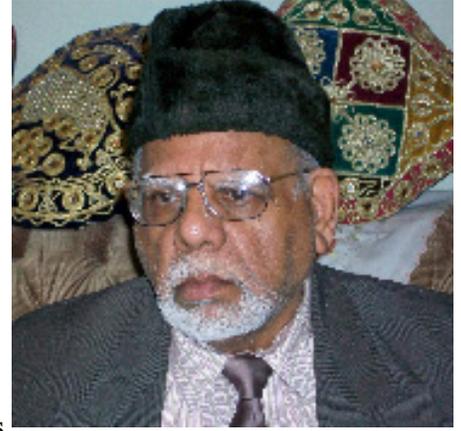
Dr. Mirza was a Professor of Nuclear Physics at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio, conducting pioneering research at Brookhaven National Lab for eleven years. He also actively served the community he lived in. In 1990, Dr. Mirza started a food pantry for the town of Chauncey—a small municipality next to Athens, Ohio. In 1991, he helped the Athens County Adult Education program that was about to be eliminated and managed to keep it running. At that time, he received a letter of commendation from the Ohio House of Representatives commending him as a “remarkable individual, combining civic concern and commitment with selfless initiative to become a dynamic leader.” Noting his services in terms of giving of his time, energy, and resources, the letter said, “we commend you for your dedicated service to the community and salute you as one of Ohio’s finest citizens.”

In 2007, Dr. Mirza was elected to the town council for a four-year term. In 2008 and 2009, he was elected as the president of the town council for one-year terms for two consecutive years. On March 9, 2009, Dr. Mirza became the Mayor of Chauncey when the sitting mayor resigned. As such, Dr. Mirza became the first Aḥmadi to become a mayor of a U.S. town. Upon hearing from Dr. Mirza about his appointment, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his support) congratulated him and said “Alḥamdulillāh” and prayed that may Allāh empower him to discharge his duties efficiently and that may He be his Protector and Helper.

In the publication of March 4, 2009 of The Athens Messenger, a citizen recognized Dr. Mirza’s services for the town and referred to him as one of the “Champions of Chauncey.” In his letter to the paper’s Editor he writes: “Dr. Mirza, the President of Village Council, has donated his time as well as his money many times over the years to help out the village. Even before his elected position he bought spreaders for the village dump truck to help keep the streets and roads cleaned and safe. He has paid for blacktop out of his own pocket to fill and repair potholes in the village. He has run a food bank and helped with the homeless, among other things, all with very little or no thanks or recognition.”

He served the U.S. and Canada Jamā'ats in the area of publishing with great zeal and devotion for many decades. He was a Mūṣī.

Dr. Mirza is survived by his wife of 56 years, two sons, two daughters, thirteen grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. Members are requested to pray that may Almighty Allāh accepts his services he offered in the cause of Aḥmadiyyat and humanity and that may He enable his offspring to follow in his footsteps, Āmīn.



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Mubarik Ahmad Malik

Mubarik Ahmad Malik of Dallas Majlis, father of Munawar Malik, Vice President of Dallas Jamā'at and former Qā'id Tajnīd, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, passed away on February 15, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'un. He had been a member of Dallas Jamā'at since 1994.

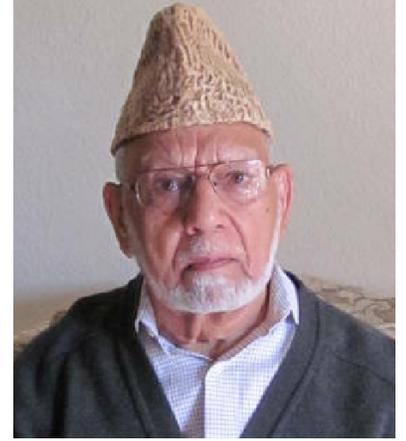
He was born on December 25, 1930. His grandfather, Ḥaḍrat Maulawī Allāh Ditta of Nat Batālah, was among the first 313 companions of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). His services to the Jamā'at started as early in his age as 13 when he served as Za'im Ḥalqa in Bāghbān Purah, Lahore. On the call of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ II (may Allāh be pleased with him), he joined Khuddām Force to go to Qādiān during partition of the Subcontinent to protect and bring the convoy of women, children, and old people safely to Pakistan. He was also part of the battalion of Aḥmadī volunteers sent by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ II to aid Pakistan army in Kashmir in 1948.

He served the Karachi Jamā'at for a long time in various capacities starting from Za'im Ḥalqa Khuddāmul-Aḥmadiyya (Ram Swāmī), Nā'ib Qā'id, and then Qā'id Khuddāmul-Aḥmadiyya Karachi. During his tenure, the Majlis was awarded 'Alam-i-In'āmī. He served as Secretary Waqf-e-Jadīd Karachi from 1962-1994 under Imārat of Chaudhry Abdullah Khan, Sheikh Rehmatullah, Chaudhry Ahmad Mukhtar, and Nawab Maudood Khan. After emigrating to the U.S., he served the Dallas Jamā'at as Finance Secretary for 10 years and as Secretary Ta'līmul Qur'ān for 3 years.

He brought up his children in a pure and spiritual environment. One of his sons, Munawar Malik, has served as Vice President of Dallas Jamā'at and Qā'id Tajnīd of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA and the other son Mansur Malik has been serving as Secretary Tabliḡ for a number of years.

His passion and love for Islām and Khilāfat-i-Aḥmadiyya has always been outstanding and worth emulating. Despite his old age, he was always looking for opportunities to serve the Jamā'at enthusiastically. He loved to love all the members of the Jamā'at and believed that every Aḥmadī must have experienced some kind of inspiring sign and miracle in his life.

In recognition of his services to the Jamā'at he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA in 2011. He was a Mūṣī.



GIVING IN THE WAY OF ALLAH

Ḥaḍrat Abū Hurairah relates that a man came and asked the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him), "Which giving away in charity is more acceptable to God?" He (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) answered, "That which you give away while you are in good health, seeking wealth, fearing adversity, and hoping for prosperity. Do not delay spending in charity till you are in extremity to say: To So and So this, and to So and So that; for by then they already belong to So and So." (Bukhārī and Muslim)

Ahmad Saeed

Hāfiẓ Nasiruddin, Son of Ahmad Saeed



Br. Ahmad Saeed of St. Louis Majlis passed away on July 29, 2013 at the age of 89, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 1949. He was a pioneer member of the Midwest region and an integral member of the St. Louis Jamā'at for over 60 years.

Br. Ahmad Saeed's conversion to Islām would forever change his life and impact those around him. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 1949 during the Second Khilāfat. His conversion came after interrogating his childhood friend, Rashid Ahmad, who had just returned from Pakistan. Br. Saeed would ask Br. Rashid, "what is this Islām you are preaching?" Having accepted Aḥmadiyyat, in St. Louis, Missouri and after returning home to East St. Louis, Illinois, he converted all of his friends to Aḥmadiyyat. His commitment and love for Tabligh was comparable to only a few. From his conversion through his later years, Br. Saeed would consistently be active in Tabligh.

Br. Saeed was a pioneer in the Aḥmadiyya community. Through his organizational and financial efforts, the St. Louis Jamā'at purchased a building to be used as their first mosque at 4401 Oakwood Ave in St. Louis, after years of conducting Jumu'ah in homes and rented halls. He served as Jamā'at's Financial Secretary for over 20 years.

Br. Saeed established Arabic and Islāmic studies classes. Through the 1970s and 1980s, he would teach the young and old, how to read, recite, and memorize Qur'ān in Arabic. He would begin students with the Yassarnal Qur'ān and advance them to the Holy Qur'ān, then memorization. Br. Saeed would graduate his students with certificates of completion and gift them their very own Holy Qur'ān. These classes were critical to Islāmic education and development in St. Louis, as many members were converts without access to an Imām or Muslim members in their families to teach. He established a monthly Youth Day where Nāṣirāt, Aṭfāl, and Khuddām would deliver speeches and recitation to the Jamā'at.

He never missed a Jalsah or any regional or local event. He organized chartered buses for members to travel to Jalsahs. He would offer his van to transport members to regional events in Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City, and other cities. If any local members needed a ride to the mosque he would willingly comply. He also established and coached an ice skating team of speed skaters comprised of local Aṭfāl and young Khuddām. These young Muslim skaters would compete at local and national skating events. He would demand preparation and excellence in all activities. Br. Saeed served his Jamā'at as teacher, mentor, advisor, coach, uncle, father, and servant. He is a recipient of the MKA Muftī Muḥammad Ṣādiq Lifetime Achievement Award. Perhaps his most adored service was giving candy to the youth every Jumu'ah and Sunday meeting.

May Allāh shower him with mercy, Āmīn. From Allāh we come, to Allāh we return.

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Receiving awards were Peer Ahmad of Khuddam for finishing the primer in Arabic for reading the Holy Quran in Arabic. Hafiz Nasiruddin for memorizing the last ten Suras (chapters) of the Holy Quran in Arabic. Jawad Foster for finishing primer in Arabic for study and reading Quran in Arabic, also, for memorizing last ten Suras (chapters) of the Holy Quran in Arabic. The Morabbi of Atfal (children from ages 7 to 15) and instructor of class was Mr.



Left to right, (back row): Peer Ahmad; Ahmad Saeed and Jawad Foster. Front row (left to right): Hafiz Nasiruddin and Nafi Cherry.

Ahmad Saeed of the Monitor Newspaper staff.

Mr. Saeed's son Hafiz Nasiriddin is an outstanding student at the Woodland Elementary School in Jennings, Missouri. He maintains an A average in all his studies.

He also was city champion in the Novice Division in speed skating in the 400 meters this past winter for the City of St. Louis. He also can be found selling Monitor Newspapers in the East End of East St. Louis every Thursday.

Mr. Peer Ahmad in addition to operating the Tayyib Food Market in Pine Lawn, Missouri is also the vice president of the Mammatti Ahmadiyya Mission in Pine Lawn, Missouri. He devotes much time and energies for serving the Jammāt (congregation) for the spread of Islam.

The five will be travelling to Blairstown, New Jersey this coming week for a rally and Quranic and sports competition of Muslims from all over the United States.

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An article in East St. Louis Monitor Newspaper of East St. Louis Monitor, Illinois, 1979; Br. Ahmad Saeed in middle

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Bashir Lutfur Rahman

Khaleel Rehman, Son of Bashir Lutfur Rahman

My beloved father, Commander (Rtd) Bashir Lutfur Rahman of Zion Majlis, a long time Zion Jamā'at member and former president of Zion Jamā'at, passed away on September 6, 2013 in Gurnee, IL at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

By the Grace of Allāh, my father was a devout Aḥmadi and had been a Mūṣī for almost three decades. Aḥmadiyyat came into our family through his grandfather during the time of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). He was born in Amritsar, India in 1931 and spent his early childhood in Amritsar and Qādiān. He attended Ta'lim-ul-Islām College in Lahore during the time when Ḥaḍrat Hāfiẓ Mirzā Nāṣir Aḥmad (may Allāh shower His mercy on him) was the principal of the college.

He served in the Furqān Force in Kashmir and later joined Pakistan Navy. As a cadet, he was selected to attend Royal Naval College in Greenwich, England. He was known for his masterful defense of other officers in naval courts during Court-Martials. He always got acquittals for his clients. Throughout the Navy, he was affectionately known as B.L. He served his country for 22 years and retired as Commander in 1976.

After retiring from Navy, he joined Abbott Laboratories as Director in Pakistan. While at Abbott, he negotiated tirelessly with Abbott USA to win the Retirement Benefits for Abbott Pakistan's employees for which he is remembered even today. His colleagues and subordinates at Abbott mention time and time again that "he will always be considered and forever be remembered as a legendary leader." His management style, critical analysis, and visionary leadership were recognized throughout Pakistan Navy and Abbott Laboratories. In 1984, he was offered a position at Abbott's headquarters in North Chicago, IL. He moved to Lake Bluff, IL and worked at Abbott until his retirement in 1996.

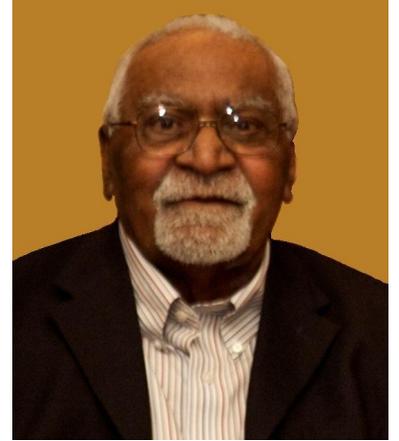
While living in Lake Bluff, he served as President of the Zion Jamā'at for 6 years. He was influential in establishing and teaching the protocols of Aḥmadiyyat and its organizational structure in Zion Jamā'at. At monthly 'Āmilah meetings, he would insist that members' conduct was in accordance with that of Khalīfatul Masīḥ and that respect and discipline were of paramount importance to him. He taught the members the significance of traditions of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) and such celebrations as Masīḥ Mau'ūd Day and Muṣliḥ Mau'ūd Day. After retirement from Abbott in 1996, he moved to Albany, NY where he was instrumental in acquiring a mosque for the local Jamā'at and served as Finance Secretary. He made his presence felt in Albany for 10 years and was known as "Commander Ṣāḥib". He returned to Zion Jamā'at in 2007.

He was a very humble and kind hearted man who lived every aspect of his life with strong principles and great integrity. Whoever came in touch with him surely walked away with having learnt something new—be it work, social behavior, or religious understanding. He was always available for people who worked under him and he treated everyone equally whether they were at a higher level or at the lowest level in an organization. During his days in Pakistan Navy, people who worked under him called him their 'father' because he was always there for them regardless of whether their problems were work related or personal. He was a big proponent of education and always went out of his way to help youngsters to receive higher education. Members of our extended family looked up to his example of hard work and determination when he studied in the evenings while serving in the Navy for advanced studies.

He treated everyone, whether young or old, with respect and dignity. He was very patient with children and continuously helped them to learn about Islām and Aḥmadiyyat. In the end, his love for his family and friends as well as devotion to his faith is what will be missed.

He is survived by my mother, 3 of my sisters, 7 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. His final resting place is in Chapel Hill Cemetery, outside of Chicago, in an area reserved for Mūṣiyān.

May Allāh rest his soul in peace and Grant him a high status in Paradise, Āmīn.



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The rate of Chanda Literature, for Anṣārullāh, has been set at \$10.00 per year. Members are urged to pay their share of Chanda Literature as soon as possible. May Allāh enable us to fulfill our obligations in a timely manner. Āmīn.

Ahmad Shareef

Abdul Rahman Sharif, Son of Ahmad Shareef

Ahmad Shareef (also known as Pete Sheffield) of Pittsburgh Majlis passed away on September 30, 2013 at the age of 82, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

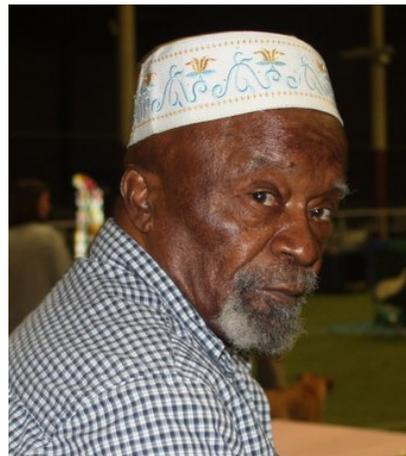
Clarence Russell "Pete" Sheffield was born on April 13, 1931 in Whitman, West Virginia. He accepted Islām (Aḥmadiyyat) and his name was changed to Ahmad Shareef. Ahmad and Alieyyah Taha were united in marriage on October 6, 1956. Three sons and three daughters were born from this union.

Ahmad Shareef served as the executive director of the community-based youth organization, Homewood Brushton Athletic Association for more than two decades and received hundreds of awards and accolades for his unquestionable dedication to the lives of anyone who walked into his office and organization.

His various athletic, mentoring, and tobacco programs have helped hundreds of young men and women in Homewood and the surrounding neighborhoods.

He has also worked with the Abraxes Youth Center guiding and mentoring their young men and women in their everyday decisions in life. He has also worked on many political campaigns and have gained much respect and admiration from politicians young and old. He completed the Citizens Police Academy where he gained the respect and admiration of law enforcement personnel.

May Allāh shower him with Mercy, Āmīn.



Mian Ghulam Ahmad

Waseem Ahmad, Za'im Indiana Majlis

Mian Ghulam Ahmad of Indiana Majlis passed away on December 16, 2013 at the age of 85, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn.

He was well known for his long and memorable service to the Jamā'at in Pakistan. He served as Amīr Dīl' of Wazirabad and Gujranwala, Pakistan for over 50 years. During his service to the Jamā'at as Amīr for over half a century, nothing slowed him down. The persecution persevered by the Pakistan Jamā'at in 1974 produced many inspiring examples of fortitude and forbearance. Mian Ghulam Ahmad and his family will always be remembered for bravely facing—with undaunted faith—the biggest financial loss inflicted on any Aḥmadi family in Pakistan during the 1974 pogrom. His rice factories and other properties in Hafizabad and Wazirabad were set on fire and destroyed, along with the factory of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ III (may Allāh shower His mercy on him). After such devastating losses, his faith did not shrink, even as much as a single grain of rice. His love for the Jamā'at and Khilāfat remained undaunted throughout his life.

We in the Indiana Jamā'at and Majlis were very fortunate to have him among us for the last few years. He and five of his sons moved to West Lafayette area in Indiana from Maryland. Even though he had become quite weak over the last few years and could not walk, he still had great desire to participate in Jamā'at's activities. Hence, we were always very happy to see him whenever he could make it to the events—usually on a wheelchair.

He was blessed with seven sons: Mian Naseer Ahmad (Milwaukee, WI), Khwaja Iqbal Ahmad (Ellicott City, MD), Mian Rasheed Ahmad, Dr. Saeed Ahmad, Mian Zafar Ahmad, Mian Mahmood Ahmad (West Lafayette, IN), and Mian Hafeez Ahmad (Islamabad, Pakistan).

Mian Ghulam Ahmad will indeed be missed not only by all in the Indiana Jamā'at and Majlis, but also by many more around the world. As a young person, while visiting Ḥaḍrat Muṣliḥ Mau'ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him), he asked Ḥuḍūr what might he do that Ḥuḍūr may always remember him. With great affection Ḥuḍūr assured him that he will now always remember him indeed.

He was a Mūṣī. May Allāh have mercy on his soul and grant him a special place in the next world under the shade of His Love and Affection, Āmīn. May Allāh bring peace into the hearts of the surviving family members and grant them strength to bear this loss with patience and fortitude, Āmīn. May Allāh give us all the strength of faith and passion for serving the Khilāfat with the same zealousness that Mian Ghulam Ahmad showed throughout his life, Āmīn.

Dr. Bashiruddin Usama

Dr. Bashiruddin Usama, a senior and devout member of Cleveland Majlis, passed away on November 2, 2013 at the age of 81, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji‘ūn.

He was born to Percy and Louise Nelson as Percy Nelson on August 4, 1932 in Detroit, Michigan. Growing up, Dr. Usama attended public schools and later served in the Korean War, Army from 1952 to 1954, in which he received several ribbons and medals. On March 29, 1955, he accepted Islām and legally changed his name. He was married to Fatima Begum Kaloo, daughter of Kamaluddin and Habeeba Kaloo. The two married on June 9, 1956 and from this marriage they had 4 sons.

Revered as a devout Aḥmadi Muslim, in 1977, he and his wife had the pleasure of performing Ḥajj. He served as the president of three different Jamā‘ats. Dr. Usama was recognized as the first African-American Aḥmadi Muslim to receive a doctorate as an Oral Surgeon, from Howard University Medical School. On June 15, 1963, he opened his first dental practice in Detroit, and by 1974 moved his family to Cleveland, Ohio where he opened his second practice.

Recognized as a leader, Dr. Usama was very well respected in both his medical and religious communities. He is the author of “Muḥammad the New Hope” (1965), “Men of Excellence” (1985), and numerous articles published in “The Review of Religions.”

As recently as March 24, 2007, he was honored by receiving the Forest City Dental Society and Lifetime Achievement Award for 32 years of dedicated care & service to his patients. Dr. Usama’s words of wisdom, loyal friendship, and genuine compassion will be tremendously missed by his family, extended family, friends, and acquaintances. He is survived by his beloved wife, Fatima, and sons, Muqit Adil, and Zafrullah.

The following is a brief autobiography written by Dr. Usama on November 11, 2008.

“I was born on August 4, 1932. I am the third child of immigrant parents to America from the island of Jamaica, British West Indies. I grew up in Detroit, Michigan and migrated to New York in my late teens which opened up a whole new world for me. A fellow Jamaican, Vincent, who had heard about Islām, suggested that we visit the Mission House at 110 E. 116th street. The missionary at that time was Brother Ghulam Yasin who was a strict disciplinarian in the teachings of Islām and Aḥmadiyyat which I later learned resulted in the conversion of many new members of which 2 or 3 became Ḥāfiẓ of the Holy Qur’ān. Alḥamdulillāh.

Several months later, I began reading more about Islām and Aḥmadiyyat; it became more appealing. So one day, I decided to embrace Aḥmadiyyat—the true Islām—but Brother Ghulam Yasin said that I study comparative religions and then return and see if I still felt the same about Aḥmadiyyat. So I did and shortly after embraced Aḥmadiyyat in September 1951.

Shortly thereafter, I was drafted into the U.S. Armed Services where I practiced being an Aḥmadi Muslim as best as possible. After two years in the service, I returned home to become an IBM operator in the U.S. Government. Ironically, one day at work I decided that I did not want to do that for the rest of my life. I called the Center—American Faḍl Mosque in Washington, D.C. — and asked the Missionary in Charge, Dr. Khalil A. Nasir—whom I became acquainted with earlier and who later became my mentor—if I could come to study Islām and Aḥmadiyyat. He said he would be most pleased and delighted if I would. So I arrived that summer, started my studies of the Holy Qur’ān, Sunnah, and Aḥādīth with Dr. Khalil A. Nasir and his assistant, Syed Jawad Ali. Alḥamdulillāh, I was blessed with a job at the General Services Administration in Washington, D.C. and started going back to college. I had spent one year in college before going to the Service.

With my arrival in the summer of 1955, my life at the American Faḍl Mosque in Washington, D.C. turned out to be one of the most rewarding time in my life and helped to bring about unimaginable blessings that significantly shaped my future. I studied under Dr. Khalil A. Nasir who profoundly influenced me and helped shape my spiritual, moral, and intellectual life in a most positive way and became like a father to me.

I also had the extreme honor and fortune to be in the presence of and spending many days and hours with Dr. Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan whose last position was the President of the International Court of Justice at the Hague. He was an eminent scholar in the world of law, politics, diplomacy, and religion.

On June 9, 1956, I had an arranged marriage with an East Indian American woman, Fatima Begum Kaloo, whom I did not know but she was a born Aḥmadi. She was not Jamaican. We were blessed with four boys: Muqit Adil, Jalaluddin, Zafrullah, and Asif Hasib. By the Grace of Allāh, we have been married for over 52 years, Alḥamdulillāh.

I completed my training from Howard University College of Dentistry in 1963 and later returned in 1971 to Howard University Hospital and Veterans Administration Hospital in Washington, D.C. to become an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon. In 1963, I became the first American born Aḥmadi to receive a Doctorate.

I traveled to many Aḥmadi mosques in Europe, Africa, Middle East, and Pakistan. I had the fortune to have performed ‘Umrah a few times as well as a Ḥajj. I have also been blessed with the honor of addressing the Jalsah Sālānah in Rabwah in 1967 that was presided by Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ III (may Allāh shower His mercy on him).

I had the pleasure of meeting Sheikh Rehmatullah of Karachi—the father of Dr. Nasim Rehmatullah, Nā’ib Amīr of USA Jamā‘at—with whom a very close relationship has endured thorough the years.

I had the blessing of serving as the President of the Washington, D.C., Detroit, and Cleveland Jamā‘ats. Almighty Allāh has abundantly showered His Grace on my family and me, in addition to giving and receiving a shared love and friendship of Muslims and non-Muslims all over the world.”

Dr. Yusef Lateef

Dr. Yusef Abdul Lateef of Fitchburg Majlis passed away on December 23, 2013 at the age of 93, Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji‘ūn.

Dr. Lateef was born on October 9, 1920 in Tennessee. He accepted Aḥmadiyyat in 1948, having read the books of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and Ḥaḍrat Muṣliḥ Mau‘ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him). He was a devout Aḥmadī and was one of the early African Americans to accept Aḥmadiyyat. He used to say often that it had become incumbent on him to do Bai‘at and if he had not done so he would be counted as having turned away from God and become one of those who had turned their face away from the truth.

He had earned a doctorate in education and taught in different universities as a professor including his tenure at University of Massachusetts from 1987 to 2002. He also taught at a university in Nigeria in the 1980s. He had written several books including his autobiography.

Because of his fame, the news of his demise spread all over the U.S. and the world immediately and all the main U.S. newspapers published this news. Many other news sources also published the news along with his spiritual and professional achievements. Herb Boyd, in his biography of Dr. Lateef, “The Gentle Giant,” describes his patience, soft-spoken demeanor, and compassionate heart. Dr. Lateef had received the Grammy Award in 1987 and the National Endowment for the Arts Award in 2010.

When President Clinton invited him to the White House, despite the fact that he was an African American and not a Pakistani, Dr. Lateef went to the White House wearing the Shalwār Qamiṣ dress. This speaks volumes about his love for the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and his Khulafā’.

Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper), in his Friday sermon of January 3, 2014, spoke about the demise and life of Dr. Lateef at length and led his funeral prayer in absentia. Ḥuḍūr noted that being an Aḥmadī, Dr. Lateef never compromised his faith and that he had written a great deal about music but never played at locations where alcohol was sold. Ḥuḍūr talked about his Taqwā, love and kindness for others, Da‘wat Ilallāh, steadfastness, and outstanding financial sacrifices.

He had tremendous love for Khilāfat. He had met Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ III (may Allāh shower His mercy on him), Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ IV (may Allāh shower His mercy on him), and Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his helper).

He used to say: Even today I have the same level of faith that I had when I had done the Bai‘at and the way of Aḥmadiyyat is the way of truth and it is that same path which was the path of the Holy Prophet Muḥammad (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him). I am convinced that no one taking this path can come to destruction and I am convinced that by treading this path my family and I will achieve salvation and it is my faith that Aḥmadiyyat conveys the teaching that will help develop and foster brotherhood among all humanity.

He loved to convey the message of Islām and always carried Jamā‘at’s literature with him and conveyed the message to his friends, relatives, and neighbors, and while travelling by plane, distribute to others. He had books of the Jamā‘at—Philosophy of the Teachings of Islām and books related to the training of children—published at his own expense for the blind.

He was blessed to have served the Jamā‘at in various capacities for a long period of time. In a monthly report, as Za‘īm of Boston Majlis, he had noted: Me and my wife (Tahira) were invited to the White House by President Clinton and Mrs. Clinton on June 20th, to welcome the King of Morocco, Muhammad the VI. We presented them Ḥuḍūr’s “Revelation, Rationality, [knowledge] and Truth.” My wife presented “Pathway to Paradise” to Mrs. Clinton and the Princess of Morocco.

Dr. Lateef was fortunate to have performed Ḥajj twice. He was blessed with the opportunity to visit Qādiān and Rabwah. He was a Mūṣi.

He is survived by his wife, Ayesha Lateef, son, Yusef Lateef, a granddaughter, and great-grandchildren. May Almighty Allāh enable his offspring to follow in his footsteps. Āmīn.



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Guidelines for Group Photos

Syed Sajid Ahmad

When taking group photos at events such as local and regional Ijtimā'āt, the following protocol should be followed to ensure that the group photos are in line with the guidelines provided by the Publication department of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA.

For local Ijtimā'

Front row should have odd number of chairs—5, 7, 9, 11, etc. (if no chairs are being used then odd number of standing people). Nāẓim (if

attending) otherwise Za'im should be seated/standing in the middle; local President, if present, on the right, then right to the local President should be Nā'ib Za'im Ṣaff Dom; Nā'ib Za'im Ṣaff Awwal on the left to the Za'im, then Muntaẓim 'Umūmī. After that other 'Āmilah members or elders can be seated.

For regional Ijtimā'

Front row should have odd number of chairs—5, 7, 9, 11, etc. (if no chairs are being used then odd

number of standing people). Representative of National 'Āmilah should be seated/standing in the middle; regional Nāẓim on the right, host Majlis' Za'im on the left. Zu'amā of other Majālis should then be on either side to fill the chairs and then elders. If a missionary is present, he should be seated right to the person sitting in the center (Za'im, regional Nāẓim, or National Representative). The protocol should also be followed for group photos taken at Majlis' other programs—such as general meetings.

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3. Top three writers will be awarded \$200, \$150, and \$100 awards for publishing on websites. The reputation and popularity of the sites will be a factor in determining the winners. To enter the competition please submit the links to your writings at the above-mentioned link.

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Precautionary Measures in Light of Financial Crisis

Discussing the probable worsening of the global financial crisis, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ Al-Khāmis (may Allāh be his helper), in his Friday sermon of November 4, 2011, said, "There is no telling where the financial crisis will lead and how intense it will get. While there is no need to panic, Aḥmadīs should definitely stock dry food supply at home at all times as a precautionary

measure."

Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) also explained, "Underdeveloped countries are used to such situations and people make some provision or the other but here [in the West] people do not know what such a crisis entails. The last crisis they faced was in WWII and their new generation has no idea of what can come to pass."

Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper)

advised, "While taking the precautionary step of stocking some food supply, we should also pray that may Allāh enable the world to recognize their Creator and is saved from chastisement."

Members are urged to heed the advise of Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his helper) and take the suggested precautionary measures and pray to Almighty Allāh for His Mercy.

Guidelines provided for group photos must be followed at Majlis' events. Any group photo submitted which does not conform to these guidelines will not be published in Anṣār publications.

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and is taken from the Holy Qur'an (61 [Al-Ṣaff]:15, 3 [Al 'Imrān]:53).

Anṣār Pledge

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ
وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

Ash-hadu • allā ilāha • illallāhu • waḥdahū • lā sharīka lahū •
wa ash-hadu • anna muḥammadan • 'abduhū • wa rasūluh

(I bear witness that • there is none worthy of worship • except Allāh. • He is One • (and) has no partner, •
and I bear witness • that Muḥammad (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) •
is His servant and messenger.)

I solemnly pledge that • I shall endeavor • throughout my life • for the propagation • and consolidation •
of Aḥmadiyyat in Islām, • and shall stand guard • in defense of • the institution of Khilāfat. • I shall not
hesitate • to offer any sacrifice • in this regard. • Moreover, • I shall exhort my children • to always remain
dedicated • and devoted to Khilāfat. • Inshā'allāh.

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