

Unity is Strength

Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

Dear Ansar: **السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ**

Unity is strength! The fundamental message of Islam combines the Unity of Allah and the unity of mankind. Mankind is bound together by ties of practical brotherhood. This is the clarion call of Islam which abhors strife, hatred, greed, selfishness, pride, and intolerance. The aim of every nasir should be to live his life in accordance with the following Qur'anic injunction:

“Help one another in righteousness and piety.” (5:3)

The Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ has likened the true spirit of Islamic brotherhood to that of a building, every part of which reinforces other parts. As an undivided symbol of unity, the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ commanded Muslims when lined up for prayer to stand together shoulder to shoulder like a solid wall, leaving no space for even a stick to be passed between them.

Islam is a universal religion revealed by Allah for the guidance of all mankind and is above personal bias, tribal prejudice, and ignorant sectarianism. It teaches that all human beings are equal and nobody is superior to another due to

origin, color, genealogy, or race. The only difference in the sight of Allah between individuals is their degree of righteousness. As Allah says in the Holy Qur'an:

“Verily the most honorable person among you in the sight of God is he who is the most righteous among you.” (49:14)

This ideal of Islamic unity and brotherhood, which is sadly lacking in the world today, can only be achieved by devotedly acting upon the injunctions of Islam. We should ourselves act upon and call people to what is good, and avoid and forbid what is bad. The strong and more fortunate should help the weak and less fortunate. The rich should help the poor. No one should usurp the property and rights of others.

May Allah enable us to be united and always show the true example of brotherhood, *Ameen*.

وَالسَّلَامُ

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa
Sadr

Friday Sermon Summaries

The summary of Hazoor's **ايداه اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** Friday sermon is distributed to ansar through zo'ama every Friday. Ansar who are not able to listen to Hazoor's **ايداه اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** Friday sermon are urged to read these summaries on a regular basis. If you are not getting these summaries then request your za'im to provide these to you on a regular basis. To receive these summaries and other communication directly from the National Officers subscribe to a mailing list by going to:

<http://ansarusa.org/mailman/listinfo/members> ansarusa.org

Hazoor's (ayyadahullah) Instructions for the U.S. Jama'at

In a letter to Amir Sahib, Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** has directed our particular attention towards the matter of assimilation between the Pakistani and Native American Ahmadies who are mostly African American, some also of the white races.

Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** has reminded us that the greater defects are with the Pakistani Ahmadies not the African American Ahmadies and that an inferiority complex with the local culture is more of the Pakistani Ahmadies and not so much the African or White Americans.

Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** has in particular reminded all office holders that a responsibility is demanded of them, not to forget that a great trust and responsibility has been placed on each one of us. Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** has asked us to:

- live up to the trust and responsibility placed on us
- do not differentiate between any Ahmadi on any basis
- deliver upon the rights of every one
- by example and expectations, convey (including to women) how not to occupy in conversations of negativity or slander about others
- illuminate our get-togethers with remembrance of Allah

Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** has cautioned that if we get away from Allah, then we are positioning ourselves to be cast away.

Amir Sahib has advised that it is expected of us to sit together, and among ourselves devise ways of removing the gulf between the Born Ahmadies (Pakistanis) on one hand and the converts (African and White Americans) on the other. Amir Sahib has specially urged the office holders to socialize with African American Ahmadi brothers at occasions such as Eid and to strive to bring Hazoor's **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** desires and dreams to life. All ansar are urged to follow the instructions of Hazoor **ايدہ اللہ تعالیٰ بنصرہ العزیز** and to promote the sense of brotherhood in their majalis.

Activities in Various Majalis



Dallas ansar with other jama'at members at the Dallas Walk-a-Thon



South Virginia ansar at a general meeting

Ansar Leadership Conference 2007

Held on Jan. 13 – 14 at Bait-ul-Ikram, Dallas, Texas



Learning Urdu with the Revelations of the Promised Messiah, alaihissalam

يا الله رحم کر

Yā Allāh Rehm Kar

O Allah have mercy (April 4, 1907).

Yā: O
Allāh: God

Rehm: Mercy
Rehm Kar: Have mercy

Logo Design Competition

Prize for the Winning Logo: \$300 and a Certificate

Qiadat Isha'at is holding a competition for designing a new logo for Majlis Ansarullah, USA. All ansar are encouraged to participate in this competition and use their creativity to design a magnificent logo for Majlis Ansarullah, USA. The designs will be considered on the basis of creativity, relevance, and aesthetics. The following guidelines should be considered for the logo design.

- The logo should be pleasing in appearance.
- It should be simple as opposed to cumbersome yet elegant.
- It should not bear a Qur'anic verse so that it can be used for various printing purposes without the fear of desecration.
- The logo design submitted will become the property of Majlis Ansarullah, USA for its non-exclusive use.
- The high-resolution electronic version of the logo should be sent by **March 15, 2007** to
 - rafimalik@yahoo.com or
 - **Rafi Malik, 1942 Baltic Ave, Lewis Center, OH 43035**

Send detail and pictures of your local and regional events and ansar news via email at newsletter@ansarusa.org.

Together, we will make the difference, insha'Allah.

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