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The Purpose of Pledging Allegiance

Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

Dear Ansar: أَلَسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

The Promised Messiah عَلَيْهِ السَّلَام has said: “All sincere souls who have entered the fold of this humble one should know that the purpose of pledging allegiance is to dampen worldly ardor, so that the heart is engulfed in the love of the Bountiful God and of the Holy Prophet صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ, and to develop such a state of detachment that the Final Journey does not seem an unwelcome prospect. But in order to achieve this, it is necessary to stay in my company and to spend a portion of one’s life in this cause, so that—if God Almighty so wills—through witnessing some definite signs, weakness,

infirmity and tardiness may be overcome and perfect faith may be born, resulting in fervor and passionate ardor. One should always strive to achieve this goal and pray that God may grant this opportunity.” [Announcement, *Asmani Faisala* (Heavenly Decree)]

May Allah enable all of us to overcome weakness, infirmity and tardiness, and attain nearness to Him, *Ameen*.

وَالسَّلَامُ

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa
Sadr

Tarbiyyat Week in Local Majalis To be held on March 19th – March 25th

Qi’adat Tarbiyyat is holding a Tarbiyyat Week in local majalis on Monday, March 19th thru Sunday, March 25th. The purpose of the tarbiyyat week is to focus on individual tarbiyyat aspects of ansar. The tarbiyyat week is intended to serve as a tarbiyyat refresher for ansar. During the tarbiyyat week, ansar should actively engage in individual tarbiyyat activities which should include but not limited to the following.

- Offer prayers (salat) at prescribed times
- Offer at least one salat in congregation daily (preferably in mosque or salat center)
- Recite Holy Qur’an daily and read translation and commentary
- Strive to offer tahajjud throughout the week or at least twice during the week
- Write a letter to Huzur اِيْدِهِ اللهُ تَعَالَى بِسْمِهِ الْعَزِيْزِ for prayers
- Memorize and recite prayers mentioned by Huzur اِيْدِهِ اللهُ تَعَالَى بِسْمِهِ الْعَزِيْزِ for Khilafat centenary
- Observe a voluntary fast during the week
- Strive to attend Friday prayer at the mosque or salat center
- Try to give up at least one bad habit and adopt a good one
- Strive to do good and refrain from the forbidden

In addition, ansar should actively participate in any special program held by the za’eem majlis during the tarbiyyat week.

An Open House by Silver Spring Majlis

The Silver Spring majlis arranged an Open House in Baitur Rahman Mosque on January 30, 2007. The topic for the event was “Prophecies of this Age”. Dr. Khaled Ata, Na’ib Sadr I, Majlis Ansarullah, USA and Munwar Saeed Sahiban presented jama‘at’s point of view about the second advent of the Messiah. The detailed discussion on this topic was followed by a question and answer session which continued for about four hours. The guests were presented with the jama‘at’s literature. A total of 15 guests attended the program that included 2 priests.



General Meeting of Northern Virginia Majlis

The Northern Virginia majlis held its general meeting in Chantilly, Virginia on Sunday, February 4, 2007. About 20-30 ansar participated in the meeting. The za‘eem majlis, Sherali Basharat Sahib presided over the meeting, assisted by the President of the Northern Virginia jama‘at, Shahid Malik Sahib. A brief overview of the Arabic grammar was presented. A summary of the assigned pages from *Lecture Ludhiana* was discussed. The tarbiyyat topic of the month “The Objective of the Creation of Man” was discussed in light of Huzur’s *ايده الله تعالى بنصره العزيز* Friday sermon. Dr. Mubarak Khan Sahib gave an interesting health talk about preventive medical treatments as it related to ansar.



Weekly Live TV Show in Milwaukee

A local non-profit organization of Milwaukee, Access Telecommunications Authority (MATA), uses the two public channels to air TV programs produced by Milwaukee residents. These programs are mostly produced in the studios of MATA. Any citizen or non-profit organization of Milwaukee area can become a member of MATA. The members of MATA can produce TV programs using MATA's facilities and equipment. The membership dues include professional training for producing TV programs. The members can also borrow MATA's portable professional equipment to use outside of their facilities. The programs produced at MATA's facilities become the property of MATA and are required to be first aired on these public access channels. After the first airing, the producer can purchase these programs from MATA at a nominal charge.

Milwaukee jama'at as well as some individual Ahmadis are members of MATA. Some of these individuals have been the members of MATA for as long as over 20 years and have produced a lot of TV programs. Many of these programs have been aired more than once. One of the Milwaukee jama'at members, Mohammed Sabir Sahib, who is also a long time member of MATA, has been using MATA studios for the last ten years or so to broadcast a live TV show, "Islam Live – Sponsored by Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam". During the live program, viewers call in with questions and comments. The mosque address and phone number are repeatedly given out during the show. The jama'at has had bai'ats due to this TV show. Rashid Ahmad Sahib, who is one of the senior and pioneer local Ahmadis of the US jama'at, also appears on the program regularly. This show is broadcast live once a week. The same program is aired gainn a few times during the week. During the broadcast, it is announced that the mosque is open for the public from noon to 2:00 P.M. so that people can come and meet the participants of the show personally. Rashid Ahmad Sahib regularly keeps the mosque open for public at the Zuhr time for this purpose. This results in people visiting the mosque during this time.

Mohammed Sabir Sahib also uses the portable equipment from the studios to record the jama'at's



special programs such as the Religious Founders Day and Seerat-un-Nabi Day. The programs have been recorded at the mosque, the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, the local College, and the Public library. For the last five or six years, another nasir Abu Hanif Saifullah Sahib who is the Public Relations Secretary of the Wisconsin jama'at and the Audio/Video muntazim of the Majlis Ansarullah, Milwaukee chapter, has been quite regularly recording the jama'at's functions that are broadcast from the MATA's TV channel.

An MTA dish is also installed on the roof of MATA building since 1995. The MTA receiver is in the control room of MATA's studios. Huzur's *ايداه الله تعالى بنصره العزيز* Friday sermons are broadcast live on one of the two public channels every week. MATA has also aired some of other MTA programs. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV *رحمته الله تعالى* visited Milwaukee twice and both times his question and answer sessions were broadcast from the MATA's TV channel repeatedly.

Producing and hosting a live TV show on a weekly basis is not an easy task and entails great commitment and dedication. Both of the aforementioned ansar deserve the credit for continuing producing a quality live TV show about Islam and Ahmadiyyat. Ansar are requested to remember these two brothers as well as Abu Hanif Saifullah Sahib in their prayers. Broadcasting such TV shows through local TV channels is a great tabligh tool. Other majalis are encouraged to explore this avenue of tabligh.

Learning Urdu with the Revelations of the Promised Messiah, alaihissalam

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za•rūr kām•yā•bī
Sure success (2004).

za•rūr : sure

kām•yā•bī : success

Ansar Tahir Scholarship

Majlis Ansarullah, USA is offering Ansar Tahir Scholarship to ansar for up to \$4,000 per year per applicant for a maximum of two year training (maximum amount is \$8,000 per applicant). The scholarship is for secular training of ansar to improve their employability and cannot be used as seed money to start a new business. The scholarship will be granted on “First come, first serve” basis. There is no deadline for the application. In most cases payments will be made directly to the training institution. Applications should be submitted through the local za‘eem Ansarullah. Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- The applicant is a bona fide member of Majlis Ansarullah, USA in good standing.
- The applicant has exhausted all avenues for employment or wishes to get additional training/education to enhance his employability.
- The applicant has identified a new or alternate career path, is capable and willing to undertake successful completion of the proposed training.
- The applicant has exhausted all available state and federal funding for unemployed and/or displaced workers.

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