

Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّمَا نَعْمَلُ لِنَفْسٍ وَّلَا يَرْجُونَا كَانَتْ

The Holy Prophet ﷺ said:

"He who abstains from food and drink during the period of the fast but does not restrain himself from uttering a falsehood starves himself to no purpose." It is related of him that during Ramadhan, his own concern for and care of the poor, the needy, the sick and the orphan was intensified manifold, and that his charity knew no limit.

I urge all Ansar to pay special attention to the following during the month of Ramadhan:

1. The study of the Holy Qur'an and reflection over the Divine Signs given therein.
2. Offering Tahajjud prayer (voluntary prayer during the latter part of the night).
3. Offering daily prayers (five) in congregation.

May Allah enable us to reap benefits from the blessings of this month, Ameen.

وَالسَّلَامُ

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Upcoming Events

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| Sep. 13 - 1 st of Ramadhan--ul-Mubarak | |
| Oct. 13 - Eid-ul-Fitr | |
| Oct. 26-28 - 15 th National Shura and 26 th National Ijtema | |
| Nov 18-25 - Waqf-e-Jadid Week | |

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The idea of the fast has been inculcated in all religious disciplines which are based on revelation. In Islam, the ordinances relating to the fast are clearly stated and defined and they are strictly observed to the degree of their applicability.

Subject to permissible exemptions, the observance of the fast is obligatory upon every adult Muslim during the month of Ramadhan, the ninth month in the lunar Islamic calendar. Fasting is a physical, moral and spiritual discipline, and the object is the promotion of righteousness. Through the experience of the fast, the worshipper is impelled to exalt Allah for His having provided guidance and is prompted to the beneficent use of His favors and bounties. (The Holy Qur'an, 2:186)

The true purpose of Ramadhan, as of all forms of Islamic worship, is to draw man closer to Allah. Though normal pursuits and occupations are carried on as usual, the emphasis on moral and spiritual values and concentration on them are intensified, and everything is subordinated to the main purpose. Hearing, sight, speech, and thought processes are all under stricter control.

National Ijtema and Shura

Mark your calendars for the 26th National Ansarullah Ijtema and 15th National Shura to be held on **Friday, October 26 – Sunday, October 28, 2007** at **Masjid Baitul Nasir in Columbus, Ohio**. Ansar are urged to attend the National Ijtema and also encourage their fellow ansar brothers to attend this important event.

From the Desk of...

Qa'id Tarbiyyat

One of the main objectives of the tarbiyyat department of Majlis Ansarullah, USA is to urge ansar to become role models for their families especially the children. We as elders of our families must lead by example in order to become true role models for our families. I would like to urge all ansar to strive to make the following essential part of their everyday life and also urge their families to do the same.

- Practicing Islamic etiquettes and morals in everyday life
- Striving to offer salat at its prescribed time and, as much as possible, at mosque/salat center
- Offering salat in congregation whenever offering salat at home with *dars* after a salat
- Striving to attend Friday prayer regularly
- Reciting and pondering over the Holy Qur'an regularly
- Watching MTA and listening to Hazoor's sermons regularly and urging family members to do the same
- Adopting *Sha'a'ir-e-Islami* (Islamic customs) such as covering the head with a cap, keeping a beard etc.
- Showing kindness to younger ones especially the children
- Being first to greet khuddam and atfal by saying *Assalamo-alaikum*
- Being quiet during azan and when others are offering salat

Qa'id Tehrik-i-Jadid

By the Grace of Allah, many ansar take part in the scheme of Tehrik-i-Jadid. I would like to emphasize the

importance of this scheme for those ansar who do not currently participate in this scheme. Hadhrat Musleh Mau'ood رضي الله عنه was inspired by God to introduce the Tehrik-i-Jadid scheme in 1935 which requires that each member of the community should contribute annually $\frac{1}{5}$ th of one month's income toward the lofty ideals of the community. Hazoor رضي الله عنه said:

"Though Tehrik-i-Jadid had in point of time, been inaugurated after Al-Wasiyyat it is, in effect, its fore-runner. Every person who participates in Tehrik-i-Jadid, helps to foster the system of Al-Wasiyyat and every person who does this, helps in the establishment of the New World Order. I assure you that the New World Order will not be inaugurated by Mr. Churchill or Mr. Roosevelt. Declarations like the Atlantic Charter will accomplish nothing. They are full of shortcomings. New Orders are always established in the world by Prophets raised for this purpose by God. They have no bitterness against the rich and no bias for the poor. They are neither of the East nor of the West. They are the Messengers of God and proclaim the teachings which furnish the foundations of true peace. Today also peace will be established only through the teachings of the Promised Messiah عليه السلام the foundations of which were laid in Al-Wasiyyat in 1905. Under this system, not by means of compulsion or coercion, but out of real affection and goodwill, a brother will be eager to help his brother. Nor will such sacrifice be in vain. Every giver will be recompensed many times over by God. The rich will not suffer loss nor will the poor suffer privation. Nation will not fight nation, nor will class contend against class. The world

seeks a New Order by destroying religion. Through Tehrik-i-Jadid and Al-Wasiyyat, you will construct a much better New Order while preserving the integrity of religion. To those who have already made their will, I offer my congratulations and pray that those who have not may be enabled by God to do so, so that they may also gather for themselves blessings, material as well as spiritual."

Hazoor رضي الله عنه also prayed that through this scheme the world may be filled with the fulgence of true knowledge which abolishes pain and misery and makes it possible for the rich and the poor and the high and the low to live together in affection and goodwill. The above declaration of Hadhrat Khalfatul Mashi II رضي الله عنه shows the importance of Tehrik-i-Jadid. I would like to urge ansar who have not been able to participate in this important scheme to make effort and give their Tehrik-i-Jadid pledges to their nazim mal and become the real "Helpers of Allah" and the recipients of the countless blessings of Almighty Allah.

Qa'id Ta'lim

A total of 433 ansar participated in Ta'lim Exam II of 2006 that was held in 2007. Passing score was 70%. The result is summarized in the following:

Advanced Exam

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| Ansar with 1st position: | 5 |
| Ansar with 2nd position: | 3 |
| Ansar with 3rd position: | 33 |
| Ansar with passing grade: | 336 |

Basic Exam

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| Ansar with 1st position: | 13 |
| Ansar with 2nd position: | 3 |
| Ansar with 3rd position: | 1 |

Ansar News

- Naseem Ahmed, Nazim Great Lakes Region, is recovering from his recent back surgery. Ansar are requested to pray for nazim sahib's quick recovery and complete health.
- Salah Ud Din Sahib of Silicon Valley majlis passed away on August 7, 2007 at the age of 86, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. He was the son and grandson of the companions of the Promised Messiah (alaihissalam) and the father of Iftikhar Ahmed of Silicon Valley jama'at. He was an active member of the majlis.
- The mother of Syed Nafis Bukhari, muntazim mal of Potomac majlis and finance secretary of Potomac jama'at, passed away on Sunday, August 26, 2007 after a protracted illness, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. She was a *Moosiah* and a devout Ahmadi Muslim. She is survived by her sons, daughters, and many grandchildren.

May Allah grant peace to the souls of the deceased and grant patience and steadfastness to their families, *Ameen*. Ansar are requested to remember the deceased and their families in their prayers.

Activities in Various Majalis



Ansar at regional ijtema of South East Region held at Baitul-Naseer Mosque in Miami



Ansar with guests at a tabligh event of Houston jama'at

Approaching Towards Allah

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) said: Allah says, "Whoever is at enmity with one whom I befriend should beware of having to do battle with Me. When a servant of Mine seeks to approach Me through that which I like best out of what I have made obligatory upon him, and continues to advance towards Me by dint of voluntary effort beyond that prescribed then I begin to love him. When I love him I become his ears by which he hears, and his eyes with which he sees, and his hands with which he grasps, and his feet with which he walks. When he asks Me I bestow upon him and when he seeks My protection I protect him." (Bokhari)



Ansar at regional ijtema of Gulf States Region held in Houston

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