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## Upcoming Events

**Oct. 13** - Eid-ul-Fitr

**Oct. 26-28** - 15<sup>th</sup> National Shura and 26<sup>th</sup> National Ijtema

**Nov 18-25** - Waqf-e-Jadid Week

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## Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

Dear Ansar: *السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ*

I hope and pray that each and every Ahmadi is taking part and benefitting from the blessings of Ramadan. I also pray to Almighty Allah that He enable us to continue to offer greater sacrifices and to improve our spiritual status even after the month of Ramadan.

Most of you have heard by now that this year Majlis Ansarullah's National Ijtema will be held at Columbus, Ohio. This change in venue presents a challenge for all of us. For some Majalis challenge will be to host the Ijtema for the first time; Majalis in the mid-west and the Great Lakes area will be expected to increase their attendance at the Ijtema; and Majalis on the east coast will face the challenge of travelling to attend this Ijtema. I hope and pray that the sense of sacrifice that we have gained during the month of Ramadan will enable us to overcome these challenges.

I humbly urge all Ansar members to make a resolve to attend this year's Ijtema. Instead of just a short-lived sense of sacrifice during the month of Ramadan, take this renewed spirit of

dedication even further. Come to the Ansar's National Annual Ijtema and experience first-hand more of the true spirit of Islam and Ahmadiyyat! Those of you who have rarely or never attended an Annual Ijtema may benefit from talking to members who have attended this event in the past. They will inspire you to join in and not be influenced by those who are lethargic or prone to making excuses. Participation in annual ijtema'at is a time-honored tradition in our Jama'at. Naturally there are sacrifices to be made in order to attend but any effort made to win the pleasure of Allah, to try and make strides in our spiritual journey for His sake is never wasted. What an immense blessing!

Please do your best to find the time and enthusiasm to participate in the Ijtema this year. I am confident that, with prayers and Allah's help, you will be more than satisfied that you did, *Insha Allah*.

*وَالسَّلَامُ*

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa

## National Ijtema and Shura

The 26<sup>th</sup> National Ansarullah Ijtema and 15<sup>th</sup> National Shura is being held on **Friday, October 26 – Sunday, October 28, 2007** at **Masjid Bait-un-Nasir in Columbus, Ohio**. Ansar are urged to attend the National Ijtema and also encourage their fellow ansar brothers to attend this important event.

## Tabligh Activities in Dallas Majlis

As directed by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (*ayyadahullah*), the Dallas majlis embarked upon the task of tabligh in May 2007 by visiting various small cities around Dallas. The first team consisted of three jama'at members led by the za'eem majlis, Mujahid Mahmood. The team visited the First Baptist Church of Weston and attended their Sunday service. The team met with the pastor after the service and gave an introduction of the jama'at and stressed the need to engage in interfaith dialogue to understand each other's faith better and remove any misperceptions. The Pastor responded positively and agreed to

arrange a date for interfaith meeting with a format where each of the two communities would explain their faith before the audience and have a question and answer session.

The team also visited the Church of Christ in Blue Ridge and attended their service and had similar discussion with the Pastor and suggested an interfaith meeting. The interfaith meeting was held on June 2, 2007 which was attended by four members of the local jama'at and about ten members of the Church. A nasir, Suhail Kausar, delivered a lecture expounding the

Islamic faith and introducing Ahmadiyyat. Afterwards, the Pastor spoke about the Christian faith. The meeting ended with a question and answer session. The meeting lasted for about two hours and was mutually appreciated to be useful. The two parties agreed to continue with similar interfaith dialogues.

The Dallas majlis is continuing its endeavors to visit and engage in such dialogues by visiting various communities around Dallas. Other majalis are encouraged to respond to the call of Hazoor (*ayyadahullah*) and explore such opportunities around their majalis.

## Regional Ijtema of South West Region

The regional ijtema of South West region was held on August 4 and 5, 2007, at Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque, Chino, California. Approximately 63 ansar from L. A. East, L.A. West, L. A. Inland Empire, Las Vegas, Phoenix, San Diego, and Tucson majalis

attended the ijtema. Syed Sajid Ahmed, Qaid Isha'at, Asim Ansari, Qa'id Ta'lim-ul-Qur'an, Monas Chaudhry, Qa'id Tabligh, Munir Malik, regional nazim of South West region, Imam Shamshad Nasir, Anwer Mahmood Khan, national

secretary Tahrik-e-Jadid, and Nasir Mahmood Malik, national secretary Tarbiyyat were among the attendees of the ijtema. Ansar took part in various educational and sports competitions throughout the ijtema.

## Ansar News

- The mother of Imam Daud Hanif, missionary in charge and na'ib amir of USA Jama'at, passed away on August 29, 2007 at the age of 84, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. She was also the mother of Mushtaq Chaudhry, za'eem Virginia Beach majlis and grandmother of Muhammad Ahmad Chaudhry, za'eem New York majlis. She was a *Moosiah*.
- The mother of Bashiruddin Shams, regional nazim of Gulf States, and wife of late Maulana Jalaluddin Shams passed away on September 5, 2007 at the age of 94, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. She was a *Moosiah*.
- Saleem Shahjehanpuri, the father of Rashid Mian Syed, za'eem L.A. East majlis, passed away in Karachi, Pakistan on August 5, 2007 at the age of 96, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. He was a writer and a poet. He has written 22 books. His poems were regularly published in the weekly "LAHORE". His last book "Sho'ra-i-Ahmadiyyat" was published three months before his demise. He was buried in Bahishti Maqbara in Rabwah.
- Fawad Ahmad Choudhry of Toronto, Canada, the nephew of Dr. Mehdi Ali Qamar, za'eem Co.lumbus majlis, died at the age of 17 on August 26, 2007, *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. Fawad was also the nephew of Hadi Ali Chaudhry, professor Jamia Ahmadiyya Canada and former private secretary of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV رحمۃ اللہ علیہ

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.

## Waqf of a Nasir

Dr. Anwar ud Din, a nasir of Columbus majlis, recently left for Pakistan to join the Tahir Heart Institute in Rabwah where he would be offering his services as a cardiologist.

Dr. Din is the son of late Dr. Zia ud Din, a *Waqif-e-Zindagi* (devotee of life), and late Rabia Begum, both of Kharian, Pakistan. Dr. Din's family moved to Nigeria in the early 1960s where his father worked in Nigeria as a missionary doctor.

Dr. Din received his early education in Nigeria and then went to Pakistan to attend college. He received his Bachelor's of Science degree from the Ta'leem-ul-Islam College in Rabwah. He then went back to

Nigeria where he received his MBBS degree.

In 1981, Dr. Din devoted his life for the service of the jama'at. He worked at the Ahmadiyya Hospital in Kano, Nigeria for four years. He was then transferred to the Ahmadiyya Hospital in Appapalagos, Nigeria for another four years. He moved to the United States in 1989 with his family to do his residency and fellowship at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia.

In 2000, he moved to Columbus, Ohio with his wife and four children where he worked with Grant Hospital as a cardiologist. His family stays in Columbus where his



children are studying. May Allah accept the efforts of Dr. Din and his family in His way. *Ameen.*



Ansar of Columbus majlis with Dr. Anwar ud Din at his farewell event in Columbus

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Try [www.kayak.com](http://www.kayak.com) for competitive airfares from various airlines.

## National Ijtema Travel Information

The National Ansarullah Ijtema will be held at Masjid Bait-un-Nasir in Columbus, Ohio. Ansar who are travelling by air are requested to send their flight information to Qa'id Umumi, Munawar Saqib ([qaid.umumi@ansarusa.org](mailto:qaid.umumi@ansarusa.org)) as soon as possible. There will be a shuttle service between Port Columbus Airport (CMH) and the mosque. If requested, travel subsidies will be available as follows.

No travel reimbursement for ansar less than 300 miles from Columbus

\$50 reimbursement towards airfare for those traveling 301-700 miles

\$100 reimbursement towards airfare for those traveling 701-1000 miles

\$150 reimbursement towards airfare for those traveling over 1000 miles

The groups of 5 or more ansar driving together can request subsidy for reasonable rental cost of van through za'eem majlis.

The mosque is located at 3360 Toy Road, Groveport, OH 43125. Directions to the mosque from various points are given below.

### From Milwaukee/Chicago and points North:

I-94 E, I-90 E, I-65 S, I-70 E, I-270 S (exit 93A)

Take exit #49/OBETZ/ALUM CREEK DR

Turn RIGHT on ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on Toy Road

### From Washington D.C. Area:

I-270 N, I-70 W, I-68 W, I-79 N, I-70 W

I-270 S (exit#108A)

Take exit #49/OBETZ/ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on Toy Road

### From Charlotte, NC and points south:

I-77 N, US-50 W, US-33 W

Turn LEFT on BIXBY RD(CR-229)

Turn LEFT on LONDON-GROVEPORT RD(OH-317 S)

Turn RIGHT on GROVEPORT RD

Turn LEFT on SALTZGABER RD

Turn RIGHT on TOY RD

### From Buffalo, NY and points East:

I-90 W, I-271 S, I-71 S, I-270 E

Take exit #49/OBETZ/ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on Toy Road

### From Philadelphia/New York/New Jersey and points Northeast:

I-76 W, I-70 W (toll route), I-76 W (toll route)

I-70 W (toll route), I-470 W (Columbus Bypass)

I-70 W, I-270 S (exit#108A)

Take exit #49/OBETZ/ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on ALUM CREEK DR

Turn LEFT on Toy Road

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