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Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa

Dear Ansar:

Hadrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmood Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih II (may Allah be please with him), who established Majlis Ansarullah, said: “It is not sufficient for you to improve yourself. You should try to improve your surroundings, and strive both individually and collectively for this purpose, and pray collectively to Allah for this. Thus it is for this reason that I have established Majlis Ansarullah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, and Majlis Atfalul Ahmadiyya.” (Al Fazl, August 6, 1945).

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Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

Hadith about Truthfulness

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah 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 Allah 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 Allah he is named a liar." (Bokhari and Muslim)
This year Majlis Ansarullah, USA has mailed Ansar Handbook to each Nasir. I urge Ansar to review the Tabligh plan as listed on page 31 of the handbook.

Each year, month of February is designated for all Majalis to concentrate on carrying out Tabligh plan. In order to carry out the Tabligh plan effectively, one needs to be an active and practicing Ahmadi Muslim. Only if we are a glaring example of the faith can we invite others join this beautiful Jama’at of the Promised Messiah (alaihiissalam). Moreover, we must pray for the success of our Tabligh activities. It is incumbent on each one of us to be regular in offering obligatory salat and strive to offer Tahajjud prayer at least once a week.

Ansar are also urged to listen to Huzur’s (ayyadahullah) weekly Friday sermons regularly or at least read the summary of the Friday sermon. Ansar are especially requested to review Huzur’s (ayyadahullah) guidelines on Tabligh by listening to or reading summary of Friday Sermons dated 6/4/04, 10/8/04, 1/28/05, 9/30/05, 6/16/06 available at http://www.alislam.org/archives.

Tabligh activities are all exclusively focused on calling people towards Allah. Following are a few ways that each Nasir can contribute to this noble cause:

1. Establish new Tabligh contacts and remain in touch with them.
2. Introduce yourself to people you come in contact with during your daily activities, sincerely get to know people, and through your pious actions raise the interest of people that you come in contact with about Islam. (Muntazimeen Tabligh of each majlis should keep a record of the one-on-one contacts established by members.)
3. Participate in any capacity in organizing bookstalls, open houses, book fairs.
4. Work with schools, colleges, churches or inter-faith groups to arrange for lecture on Islam.
5. Hold Da’een Ilallah meeting during the month of February. Discuss the ways and approaches that you are going to take in carrying out the Tabligh plan for 2009. Go over the message of Huzur (ayyadahullah) about Tabligh that he has given us in the above-mentioned sermons.
6. Prepare responses to newspaper articles about or against Islam.

May Almighty Allah give each one of us the ability to recognize our role in carrying out the Tabligh activities and set up an example for other members of the Jama’at. Ameen.

Qa’id Mal

Almighty Allah says in the Holy Qur’an: “Those who spend their wealth by night and day, secretly and openly, have their reward with their Lord; on them shall come no fear, nor shall they grieve.” (2:275). The year 2008 was tough and difficult throughout the world for members in terms of economic challenges. Ansar in USA were no exception; some lost their jobs while others suffered hefty losses in businesses. But it is Almighty Allah’s sheer Mercy and Grace that Majlis Ansarullah, USA did very well in its Chanda collection, even better than last year. This could not have been possible without the help and hard work of Zo’ama, Muntazimeen Mal, and especially the members who fully cooperated with them and offers financial sacrifices in the way of Allah. May Allah shower His choicest blessings on all of them and may He enable them to continue to offer these sacrifices in His way and to be the recipients of His pleasure and blessings, Ameen.

Ansar News

Brother Yusef Bilal of Orlando Majlis was recently involved in a car accident. He was treated at the hospital for injuries including a broken leg. Members are requested to pray for his complete and speedy recovery.
A Legend Passes Away!

Brother Abdur Rahman of Baltimore Majlis, passed away on February 3, 2009 at the age of 99, Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihe raje’oon.

Brother Abdul Rahman was born in North Carolina on December 22, 1909. He moved to Baltimore at the age of 20 when he joined the Army. He accepted Ahmadiyyat around 1937 and ever since had been a devout member of the Jama’at with an unshakeable bond to Ahmadiyya Khilafat.

He served as the first President of Baltimore Jama’at and remained in that role for many years. He was the brain and force behind organizing the Baltimore Jama’at in its infancy when the newly converted members first purchased a store-front on Freemont Ave. as a place of worship. Brother Rehman later purchased a house on 4406 Garrison Blvd. that has been serving as our place of worship and mission house till this day.

Brother Rahman dearly loved Jama’at members in general and Baltimore Jama’at in particular. He was loved and respected by hundreds of Ahmadi and Non-Ahmadi Muslims. Over the years, he had served as an ambassador of Baltimore Jama’at in the local community. Despite his old age, he lived a very active and exemplary life that was full of passion and zeal for Tabligh and social work. He had earned the respect of all his neighbors where he lived.

At 2008 national Ijtema of Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya, USA, Brother Rahman was presented the Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Award for his long service to Islam in the U.S.

He is survived by a son, five daughters, and many grand and great-grand children. His youngest daughter Mrs. Haleema Aina is a very active and devout member of Lajna Ima’illah Baltimore.

May Allah shower His choicest blessings upon his soul and bless his soul with His Divine nearness which He always desired. Ameen. Ansar are requested to remember him and his family in their prayers.

Dr. Khalid Ahmad

Dr. Khalid Ahmad was born in Rabwah, Pakistan on March 17, 1965 and passed away on December 22, 2008 at the age of 43 in Oswego, NY, Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihe raje’oon. He was born to Razia Begum Sahiba and Mohammad Daood Sahib, train station master. He was raised in Rabwah where he received his education at T.I. School and College. During his pre-medical studies he received second position at his college and was admitted to Punjab Medical College in Faisalabad, Pakistan where he earned his medical degree.

He arrived in the United States in 1993 and completed his residency in 2002 at SUNY Stony Brook. Later that year he joined Oswego Hospital. He received his Board Certification as an Anesthesiologist in 2008.

Dr. Khalid gave back to the community by donating to the needy. On his visit to Pakistan, he spent time at his hometown hospital Fazl-e-Omar, working with the doctors and introducing new pain management techniques. Their gratitude reflected in a letter written to him:

“Thanking you very much for doing some charity work at Fazl-e-Omar hospital and introducing us some new techniques like epidural steroid injections for sciatica and low back pain. We were not familiar before about these techniques. It’s going to be great help for this community. We hope and request that you will visit here some time again.”

He leaves behind his wife, Uzma and five children. May Allah grant peace to his soul and give patience and steadfastness to his family, Ameen. Ansar are requested to remember him and his family in their prayers.
Learning Urdu with the Revelations of the Promised Messiah, alaihissalam

ثیرا گھر بركت سے بھارے گا
Te-ra ghar bar-kat se bha-re ga
Thy house will be filled with blessings...

Tera: Your  Ghar: House  Barkat: blessing
Se (sai, pronounced like the end of bouquet): with
Bhare ga: will be filled

Group photo of attendees of Ansar Leadership Conference (ALC), held on Jan.31-Feb. 1, 2009 at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque in Queens, New York

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