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Hadith about Self-Examination

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) said: "Allah is jealous, and His jealousy is aroused by a person indulging in that which He has forbidden."

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Munir Hamid, Na'ib Ameer, USA Passes Away

Munir Hamid, national Vice President of USA Jama'at, passed away on February 21, 2009 in Philadelphia at the age of 70, *Inna lillaha wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. Munir Hamid was not only an iconic figure within the Jama'at but also a selfless leader within the greater Philadelphia community. His loss will be felt by Muslims and non-Muslims alike. Munir Hamid was a *Moosi*.



Born on June 1, 1938 as Maurice, Munir Hamid grew up in Pennsylvania as the only one of 10 children to embrace Islam at the age of 15. All his life, he committed himself to the cause of spreading the Islamic message of love, peace, tolerance, and spirituality.

After serving in the United States Air Force, Munir Hamid returned to Philadelphia. For 25 years, he worked as a supervisor at a facility owned by Temple University, where he was dedicated to helping at-risk children. In this role, he provided valuable guidance and counseling to the youth who needed it most. In 1969, he was appointed the first National Qa'id of Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya, USA, where he was instrumental in establishing the first ever leadership committee. He served as the President of the Philadelphia Jama'at for 24 years. In 1997, he was appointed national Vice President of USA Jama'at and served in

this capacity till his demise.

During his life, he toured several countries such as India, Bangladesh, Bahrain, Pakistan, and the United Kingdom. Renowned for his ability to inspire people, he was a frequent speaker at Jama'at conventions where he talked about love, spirituality, and equality and brought people to tears. He once remarked: "*The only way that you can remove that kind of racism that is based on the color of a person's skin, or their ethnicity, or their physical looks is through spirituality.*"

Munir Hamid is survived by his wife, a son, and two daughters. Members are requested to remember Munir Hamid and his family in their prayers.

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Message from Sadr Ansarullah, USA

Dear Ansar: *السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ*

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was established on March 23, 1889 by Hadrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, *alaihissalam* (1835-1908). He claimed that he is the expected reformer of the latter days, the Awaited One of the world community of religions (The Mahdi and Messiah). The Community he started is an embodiment of the complete message of Islam—peace, universal brotherhood, and submission to the Will of God. Hadrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani (*alaihissalam*) proclaimed Islam as the religion of man: "The religion of the people of the right path" (The Holy Qur'an, Ch: 98, V: 6). He writes: "He who sincerely enters the fold of my Bai'at (allegiance), completely obeying me, follows me truly and abandons all his resolves, will be the one whom my soul recommend in these days of calamity.

So, O ye who count among my

Jama'at, you will be considered my true followers on the high only when you will truly tread on the path of Taqwa (righteousness). Therefore, offer your five Prayers in humility and fear as if you are viewing God Almighty. Keep the fast sincerely and truthfully. He who is duty bound to pay Zakat (prescribed alms), must pay the desired amount. On whom Hajj is obligatory, must go and perform it. Do the virtue punctiliously and loathe vice and abandon it.

Beware that no deed will reach God which is deprived of Taqwa (righteousness). The base of every virtue is Taqwa. The deed whose base is firm, will not be destroyed. It will be that you are tied with sorts of loss and misfortune as were the believers of yore. Therefore, beware lest you tumble. Earth can do you no harm if you have firm bond on the high. Whenever you will suffer, it will be at your own hands and not at the hands of the enemy. If all your

earthly prestige is washed away, Allah will grant you lasting honor on the skies. So do not abandon Him. Surely you will be persecuted and lots of your hopes shattered, but do not pine for them. It is the trial from Allah to see if you are steadfast or not." [Kashti-e-Nooh (Our Teachings), Page 14]

May we all live our lives in accordance with the wishes of the Messiah and Mahdi of this age. May we be those who abide by Almighty Allah's commandments and become true followers of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). May Almighty Allah enable all of us to do our utmost in this regard, *Ameen*. We should always turn to Almighty Allah in submission for guidance in that we are seekers of His help .

وَالسَّلَامُ

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa



Members of Majlis-e-Amila, Majlis Ansarullah, USA with ansar of Detroit Majlis at Masjid Mahmood

From the Desk of...

Qa'id Isha'at

Over the years, Publications (Isha'at) department of Majlis Ansarullah, USA has published many books for education and training of members. These publications are listed below. Every Ahmadi should have a copy of each for personal consultation and reference. These publications can be given as a gift to Ahmadi and non-Ahmadi relatives, friends, and acquaintances. Many of these books and flyers can also be used as a Tabligh tool. Please use the order form in the Ansar Handbook to order.

- Wonderful Prayers from the Holy Qur'an. Pocket-Size Edition
- Conditions of Initiation (Bai'at). The Promised Messiah, peace be on him. Pocket-Size Edition.
- Arabic Qaseedah Yā 'aina faiḍillāh (without a'rāb)
- Arabic Qaseedah: bi muttali'in (with a'rāb)
- Khilāfat Centenary Prayers.
- Muḥammad (ṣallallāhu 'alaihi wa sallam) in the Bible
- Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul-Masīh II (raḍiyallāhu 'anhu) (2003)
- Ṣalāt Poster. 18x24" Color, Arabic with English transliteration and English translation
- Forty Gems of Beauty. Ḥaḍrat Mirzā Bashīr Aḥmad (Raḍiyallāhu 'anhu) (2007)
- Words of Wisdom. Dr. Karīmullāh Zīrvī, Majeed A. Miān, Syed Sājid Aḥmad. Collection of aḥādīth
- Why Islam is My Choice: Stories of Spiritual Journeys (2007)
- Letter to a Dear One. Sir Muḥammad Zafullāh Khān (2001)
- Synopsis of Religious Preaching. Maulānā A.U. Kaleem
- Inspiring Events in the Field of Tabligh. Maulāna 'Atā-ul-Mujeeb Rāshed (2004)
- Razzāq and Farīda. Dr. Yūsef Lateef: A story for children
- Approaching the West: Maulānā Mubasher Ahmad (2008)
- Educational Nisab for Ansarullah (Urdu)
- Muslim Sunrise. Special issue on Jihad.
- Al-Nahl. Special Issue on Ḥaḍrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq, may Allah be please with him
- Al-Nahl. Special Issue on Dr Salam
- Al-Nahl. Various old issues.
- Jesus son of Mary
- EL ISLAM UNA RELIGION DE PAZ Y AMOR
- ¿JESUCRISTO MURIÓ EN LA CRUZ?
- Jesus in India: Video CD
- Resolution of controversial issues: Audio cassette.
- Islam and Qur'an: Audio cassette
- Plastic Ruler for tabligh.
- Various poems Audio CD

Qa'id Ta'limul Qur'an

Ta'limul Qur'an department of Majlis Ansarullah, USA has assigned the memorization of Surah Al-Ghashiyah (Chapter 88) with correct pronunciation, meaning, and commentary for the first six months of 2009. The syllabus is outlined as follows. Ansar are urged to memorize the Surah within the first six months of the year.

January: verses 1-5

February: Verses 6-8

March: Verses 9-12

April: Verses 13-17

May: Verses 18-22

Ansar News

- Mother of Munawar Ahmad, Za'eem Tulsa Majlis, passed away on February 07, 2009 in Austin, TX., *Inna lillahe wa inna ilaihe raje'oon*. Two brothers of Za'eem Sahib, Maqbool Ahmad of Austin Majlis and Umar Ahmad of Chicago West Majlis, are also members of Majlis Ansarullah. May Allah grant peace to her soul and grant patience and steadfastness to her family, *Ameen*. Ansar are requested to remember her and her family in their prayers.
- Syed Sajid Ahmad, Qa'id Isha'at, has recently undergone an eye surgery. Members are requested to pray for his complete recovery.



Members at Ta'limul Qur'an Class held at Baitul Aafiat, Orlando

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