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Message from Sadr Ansārullāh, USA

Dear Ansār: *السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ*

This is the last month of 2011 and soon we shall be starting the New Year (Happy New Year!). Another year is coming to an end. This is a time we must look back and say, “are we where we all hoped to be?” Did we achieve the resolutions we set for ourselves at the beginning of the year? What goals were set and which ones were achieved? Instead of looking at the things we wish we had completed, we are thankful to Almighty Allāh for enabling us to all that we did. As we look forward into 2012, reflect back on all the things we did well in 2011 and focus on the positive and hit the year head on. With the help and guidance from Almighty Allāh we will have more successes in the next year, *Inshā'allāh*.

Setting goals and resolutions is a great mechanism to help us get our lives organized. However, we should note that there is no concept of “New Year Resolutions” within the teachings of Islām. Instead, a Muslim must be constantly waging the *Jihād Akbar* (greatest Jihād) and assessing his life, setting goals, and making resolutions towards self-improvement rather than waiting for certain days during the year to do so.

The process of setting goals and resolutions requires that we actually take time to analyze where we stand and then determine what we are aiming for. Therefore, we must take the time to identify our weaknesses and

commit to eliminating them. Assess our strengths and use them for enhancing our spiritual and moral qualities. Make that sincere and worthwhile effort to embark on a personal transformation that will benefit our loved ones, the world around us, and, above all, will make our relationship with our Creator even stronger. If we choose not to take the step then Almighty Allāh may also choose not to help us, for He says in the Holy Qur’ān:

“This is because Allāh would never change a favor that He has conferred upon a people until they change their own condition, and know that Allāh is All-Hearing, All-Knowing.” (Chapter 8, Verse 54).

We must reflect on how serious and important the goal setting process is for us. On the need to purify ourselves, the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) have said in the clearest possible words:

“Only he has purified himself who has set right his relationship with both God and man, his Creator and his fellow creatures. We must discharge our obligations to both. God requires that we must live in practice every word we utter in affirmation of God. God is One, without associate. What we affirm with our tongues we must illustrate by our deeds, not ever

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Upcoming Events

Fri-Sun, Dec. 23-25 - Jalsa Sālāna West Coast

Sat-Sun, Jan. 21-22 - Ansār Leadership Conference

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Sadr's message (continued)

reducing God to the status of man. We owe to our fellow creatures that we harbor no malice, hatred, prejudice, rancor, desire to harm, or intent against them to injure. You are still very distant from this spiritual station. Have you set right your personal relations with your brethren? I am afraid not. You have not given up complaints and neither counter complaints nor backbiting. You trample over other people's rights. God wants you to live like brothers and to function as parts of one organic whole. Thus alone can you attain spiritual bliss. If human beings cannot deal honestly with their own brothers, how can they with God? It is true that God's claim on our obedience is very great. But the measure of how pure your account is with God is how pure it is with His creatures. One who is not honest and sincere with men cannot be honest and sincere with God. To be honest and sincere is no small matter. It is something big and difficult. Sincere love is one thing, insincere and hypocritical love is quite another matter. When a believer falls ill, another believer goes and visits him to express his concern. If a believer dies, fellow believers join his funeral.

No questions should be raised over small matters. It is best if such things are ignored. God does not approve of your living at a distance from one another. Without true love, there is no Jamā'at – it is the end of the Jamā'at (Badr, 1908).

Let us resolve to unite and offer our God-given talents and our effort for the sake of our faith and the community we live in. I also urge everyone to resolve to strengthen pledge of allegiance to Khilāfat for the rest of our lives not only for your own sake but for the benefit of our future generation of Ahmadī Muslims. May Almighty Allāh enable all of us to do our utmost in this regard, *Āmīn*.

وَالسَّلَامُ

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Sadr

Ta'lim Test II for 2011

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A PDF version of this test is available at: <http://www.ansarusa.org/sites/default/files/Talim%20Test%20II%202011.pdf>. Hard copy of this test will be mailed to every member, *Inshā'allāh*. Completed test can be sent to Qā'id Ta'lim in one of the following ways.

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The deadline to submit this test is December 31, 2011.

Request for Prayers

Baseer Amjid Sheikh of Dallas Majlis passed away on November 9, 2011 at the age of 52, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*. He has left behind a son and two daughters. May Almighty Allāh elevate his status in paradise and grant his family strength to bear this loss with steadfastness, patience, and fortitude, *Āmīn*. Ansār are requested to remember the deceased and his family in their prayers.

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Ta'limul Qur'an: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'limul Qur'an syllabus of Majlis Ansārullāh, USA, Ruku' 1 and 12 of Sūrah Al-Kahf (Chapter 18) are to be memorized with split meaning during the year 2011. The following verse is assigned to be memorized with split meaning during the month of December.

قُلْ إِنَّمَا أَنَا بَشَرٌ مِّثْلُكُمْ يُؤْتِي إِلَيَّ أَنْتُمُ الرَّسُولُ وَآجِدُ فَكَمَنْ كَانَ يَرْجُوا لِقَاءَ رَبِّهِ فَلْيَعْمَلْ عَمَلًا صَادِقًا وَلَا يُشْرِكْ بِوِجْدَادِهِ رَبُّهُ أَحَدٌ ﴿١١١﴾

[18:111] Say, 'I am only a man like yourselves; but I have received the revelation that your God is only One God. So let him who hopes to meet his Lord do good deeds, and let him join no one in the worship of his Lord.'

کہہ دے کہ میں تو محض تمہاری طرح ایک بشر ہوں۔ میری طرف وحی کی جاتی ہے کہ تمہارا معبود بس ایک ہی معبود ہے۔ پس جو کوئی اپنے رب کی لقاہ چاہتا ہے وہ (بھی) نیک عمل بجالائے اور اپنے رب کی عبادت میں کسی کو شریک نہ ٹھہرائے۔

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Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh Al-Khāmis (*ayyadahullāhu ta'ālā binasrihil-'azīz*) has graciously approved the following 'Āmilah of Majlis Ansārullāh, USA for 2012. May Almighty Allah enable every officer to serve the Majlis in the best possible manner, *Āmīn*.

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Members at a picnic held in Dallas, TX on October 30, 2011

Supererogatory Fasting

Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh Al-Khāmīs (*ayyadahullāhu ta'ālā binasrihil-'azīz*) has recently drawn the attention of Jamā'at members towards special prayers with greater zeal along with *Naflī* (supererogatory) fasting. Hudūr (*ayyadahullāh*) mentioned his dream that he saw during the previous Khilāfat, in which he heard that if 100% of Ahmadīs in Pakistan lament before Allāh with the purity of heart, then as a result of prayers offered, the atrocities against Ahmadīs can be eliminated merely in a few nights. Hudūr (*ayyadahullāh*) said that it would be appropriate if everyone fasted on a designated day. Responding to the call of Hudūr (*ayyadahullāh*), respected Amīr Sāhib has urged the U.S. Jamā'at members to fast on the 3rd Thursday of every month. Ansār are encouraged to say *Labbaik* to the call of our beloved Hudūr (*ayyadahullāh*) and observe the fast on the designated day and pray to Almighty Allāh that the atrocities against Ahmadīs may be removed, *Āmīn*.

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