

Message from Sadr Ansārullāh, USA

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Upcoming Events

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

Sun, Feb. 5 - Seeratun Nabī Day Meetings

Sun, Feb. 19 - Musleh Mau'ūd Day Meetings

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Dear Ansār: *السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ*

Honoring the rights of Allāh, to worship the One true God and uphold His Oneness is the very first tenet of Islām and obligation of all human beings. Comprehension of this fundamental objective is crucial for a believer as this path leads to understanding Divine attributes through which beneficence may be sought.

Allāh tells us that:

وَأَعْبُدُوا اللَّهَ وَلَا تُشْرِكُوا بِهِ شَيْئًا وَبِالْوَالِدَيْنِ إِحْسَانًا وَبِالذِّئَابِ وَالْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْجَارِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْجَارِ الْجُنُبِ وَالصَّاحِبِ بِالْجَنبِ وَابْنِ السَّبِيلِ ۚ وَمَا مَلَكَتْ أَيْمَانُكُمْ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ مَن كَانَ مُخْتَالًا فَخُورًا ۝

“And worship Allāh and associate naught with Him, and show kindness to parents, and to kindred, and to orphans, and the needy, and to the neighbor that is a kinsman and the neighbor that is a stranger, and the companion by your side, and the wayfarer, and those whom your right hand possesses. Surely, Allāh loves not the proud and the boastful,” (The Holy Qur’ān, Ch: 3, Verse: 37)

After fulfilling the very first tenet of Islām believers are enjoined to honor rights of mankind and among these the foremost is kindness to parents. The Holy Qur’ān is very clear on kindness to parents especially in light of their

compassion and devotion during one’s childhood.

After the parents a believer is enjoined to be kind to kindred, or close relations, and then to communities in which we live. One is enjoined to honor everyone’s rights and to respect them.

Hadrat Mirza Bashīruddīn Mahmood Ahmad, Khalīfatul Masīh II (may Allāh be pleased with him), who established Majlis Ansārullāh 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 Allāh for this. Thus it is for this reason that I have established Majlis Ansārullāh, Majlis Khuddāmul Ahmadiyya, and Majlis Atfālul Ahmadiyya.” (Al Fazl, August 6, 1945).

Allāh says in the Holy Qur’ān:

وَلِكُلِّ وِجْهَةٍ هُوَ مَوْلِيهَا فَاسْبِقُوا إِلَيْهَا ۚ وَإِن مَّا تَكُونُوا يَأْتِ بِكُمْ اللَّهُ جَمِيعًا ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَلَىٰ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ ۝

And everyone has a goal which dominates him; vie, then, with one another in good works. Wherever you be, Allāh will bring you all together. Surely, Allāh has the power to do all that He wills. (The Holy Qur’ān, Chapter 2, Verse 149).

Sadr's message (continued)

We should all try our best not only to improve our own individual condition but also help each other and as well as the communities in which we live, so that we can fulfill the objectives with which the Majlis Ansārullāh was originally established. May Almighty Allāh enable all of us to focus on improving ourselves at every level, *Āmīn*.

وَالسَّلَامُ

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From the Desk of...

Qā'id Tabligh

Let us continue spreading the message of the Messiah of this age during 2012.

On May 2, 1908, 24 days before he passed away, the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) said,

“Until God does not open the doors of the heart of a person, no one can do anything. Only God opens the doors of hearts. When God wishes well for a person, he raises an advisor in his heart. When good days dawn on a person, and God desires man's reformation and advancement, God raises an advisor in man's heart. Unless an advisor arises in man's heart, outside counsel has no effect. But this is God's work. Our work is only to convey the matter. “On the Messenger lies only the conveying of the Message...” [5:100]. Change is in the hands of God. We want to have the matter conveyed from our side so that we may not be questioned that why we did not convey the matter adequately. That is why we have conveyed verbally and have completed this job in writing as well. It would be rare that one may say that our message has not reached him or our claim has not reached him.” (*Al-Hakam*, Vol. 12, No. 39, 18 June 1908)

One hundred and three years after him, it is now our responsibility to convey his message to everyone so that no one may say that his message has not reached him or his claim has not reached him.

Let each one of us come forward and reach out. Please contact qaid.tabligh@ansarusa.org if you need any assistance in carrying out this noble responsibility.

Qā'id Ta'līm

The deadline of Ta'līm Test II has been extended till **January 31, 2012**. The Ta'līm test has been mailed to all Ansār. If you have not already received the test please contact your Za'im. The test can also be downloaded from <http://www.ansarusa.org/sites/default/files/Talim%20Test%20II%202011.pdf>. Please make every effort to submit the test before the new deadline. You will be informed about your grade immediately after the completion of the online version of the test. Completed test can be sent to Qā'id Ta'līm in one of the following ways.

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- E-mail: qaid.talim@ansarusa.org
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Ta'limul Qur'an: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'limul Qur'an syllabus of Majlis Ansarullah, USA, Ruku' 1 and 20 of Sūrah Āl-i-'Imrān (Chapter 3) are to be memorized with split meaning during the year 2012. The following three verses are assigned to be memorized with split meaning during the month of January.

اِنَّا اللّٰهُ اَعْلَمُ

[3:2] Alif Lām Mīm.

اِنَّا اللّٰهُ اَعْلَمُ: میں اللہ سب سے زیادہ جاننے والا ہوں۔

اللّٰهُ لَا اِلٰهَ اِلَّا هُوَ الْحَيُّ الْقَيُّومُ

[3:3] Allāh is He beside Whom there is no God, the Living, the Self-Subsisting and All-Sustaining.

اللّٰهُ! اس کے سوا اور کوئی معبود نہیں۔ ہمیشہ زندہ رہنے والا (اور) قائم بالذات ہے۔

نَزَّلَ عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ مُصَدِّقًا لِّمَا بَيْنَ يَدَيْهِ وَيُؤْتِيكَ التَّوْرَةَ وَالْاِنْجِيلَ

[3:4] He has sent down to thee the Book containing the truth and fulfilling that which precedes it; and He sent down the Torah and the Gospel

اس نے تجھ پر کتاب حق کے ساتھ اتاری ہے اُس کی تصدیق کرتی ہوئی جو اس کے سامنے ہے اور اسی نے تورات اور انجیل کو اتارا۔

Sultān-ul-Qalam Awards

Department of Publication offers the following awards for promoting and defending Islām in print and online media. Awards are for the members of Majlis Ansarullah, USA in good standing. The material must be published outside the Jamā'at.

1. Up to \$500 for a book publication by an independent renown non-Ahmadi publisher. To seek the award, the writer will send one copy of the publication to the Sadr and one to Qā'id Publication. The award will depend upon the content and quality of the publication.
2. Top three writers will be awarded \$300, \$200, and \$100 awards for publishing in newspapers and periodicals. The circulation of the newspapers and periodicals will be a factor in the determination of the awards. To enter the competition, please send the original publications to Qā'id Publication or submit their scans (150 dpi minimum) at <http://ansarusa.org/content/submission-msq-award>.
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Information about Deceased Members

Information about members who pass away is published in the newsletter with request for prayers for the departed souls and their families. Members are requested to provide information about deceased members at <http://ansarusa.org/content/information-about-deceased-members>.

Request for Prayers

M. Nadeem Kausar of Las Vegas Majlis passed away on December 13, 2011, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*. May Almighty God 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.



US Ansār with local members at Guatemala Annual Jalsa held on December 2, 2011



Group photo of Ansār of Chicago East Majlis at a meeting

Precautionary Measures in Light of Financial Crisis

Discussing the probable worsening of the global financial crisis, Hadrat Khalīfatul-Masih V (may God be his support), in his Friday sermon of November 4, 2011, said, "There is no telling where the financial crisis will lead and how intense it will get. While there is no need to panic, Ahmadīs should definitely stock dry food supply at home at all times as a precautionary measure."

Hudūr (may God be his support) also explained, "Underdeveloped countries are used to such situations and people make some provision or the other but here [in the West] people do not know what such a crisis entails. The last crisis they faced was in WWII and their new generation has no idea of what can come to pass."

Hudūr (may God be his support) advised, "While taking the precautionary step of stocking some food supply, we should also pray that may God enable the world to recognize their Creator and is saved from chastisement."

Members are urged to heed the advise of Hudūr (may God be his support) and take the suggested precautionary measures and pray to Almighty God for His Mercy.

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