Message from Sadr Ansārullāh, USA

Dear Ansār:

The blessed institution of Khilāfat is a mercy upon mankind and requires our unquestionable obedience in everything good. Almighty Allāh assures us that He most certainly guides the Khalīfah of the time; why, then would we not sincerely and firmly attach ourselves to this God-given gift? If a believer cannot remain obedient to Allāh’s appointed leader then how can he hope to remain attached to the rope of Almighty Allāh?

Almighty Allāh says in the Holy Qur’ān: “Allāh has promised to those among you who believe and do good works that He will, surely, make them successors in the earth, as He made Successors from among those who were before them; and that he will, surely, establish for them their religion which He has chosen for them; and that He will, surely, give them in exchange security and peace after their fear...” (Chapter 24 [Al-Nūr], Verse: 56)

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) wrote, “Khalīfah means successor, and a Messenger’s successor in real terms is he who possesses the Messenger’s virtues by way of reflection. The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be upon him) did not wish to apply the title of Khalīfah to wayward monarchs because Khalīfah is in fact a reflection of the Messenger. Since it is not possible for any man to live forever and God willed to keep alive until the Day of Judgment the reflection of Messengers, who are the noblest and highest among mankind. He, therefore, designed Khilāfat so that the world may never remain devoid of the blessings of Messenger-ship.” (Shahādtul Qur’ān, pp. 57-58).

Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh II (may Allāh be pleased with him) said, “Brethren, it is my last advice to you that all blessings are enshrined in Khilāfat. Prophethood is a seed after which Khilāfat spreads its munificence throughout the world. Therefore, hold fast to Khilāfat and shower the world with its blessings... And keep reminding my descendants of their family’s covenants in this behalf.” (Al-Fazl, May 20, 1959).

In light of the verse and passages quoted above it is incumbent upon each of us to fully comprehend our responsibilities. We must realize that allegiance to Khilāfat will safeguard us from the ills of this world. The Holy Qur’ān, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be on him) and the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) have all clearly stated that a believer’s words must be matched by his deeds and actions for them to be of any real worth. In professing our allegiance to the Khalīfah, we pledge ourselves to spiritual and temporal standards which must be upheld. This obligation demands sacrifices from a true believer and the benefits gained are so immense as to make the sacrifices seem insignificant. Therefore, we must make every effort to stay attached to

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Sadr’s message (continued)

Khilāfat.

I urge all of Ansār to resolve to strengthen your pledge of allegiance to Hadrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalīfatul Masīh V (may Allāh be his support) for the rest of your lives. May Almighty Allāh enable all of us to do our utmost in this regard, Āmīn.

وَالْسَلاَم

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa

From the Desk of...

Qā’id Tablīgh

Many members ask how they can contribute to propagation of Islām and Ahmadiyyat individually all by themselves. Following are some suggestions to choose from.

- Bring someone to show your mosque or center.
- Bring someone to meet your missionary or your Ahmadī friends.
- Bring a Muslim acquaintance to Jum’ah.
- Bring people you know to Jamā’at functions.
- Invite and bring acquaintances to annual conventions.
- Visit a small town and make contacts there.
- Visit elderly people in senior homes to make contacts. Take flowers or something for them with you.
- Share Khutbah MP3 or CD with your acquaintances.
- Invite your neighbors to tea and introduce them to Islām.
- Have Review of Religions subscribed for your acquaintances. Majlis Ansārullāh will pay first year’s subscription cost.
- Meet your representative and tell them about Ahmadiyya Community's peace and fidelity perspective.
- Invite representatives to visit your mosque.
- Meet your favorite sports player or the team.
- Invite your favorite sports player or team to your mosque.
- Establish a regular weekly bookstall at a busy place to distribute free literature, sell books and make contacts to invite them to your mosque.
- Participate in book fairs.
- Hold an exhibition on the Holy Qur’ān in a library.
- Give a talk in a class at a school. Many presentations are available on mkusaha.org if you need any.
- Attend the City’s open meeting to tell everyone about Ahmadiyya Community's peace and fidelity perspective.
- Send an email to a representative, a church leader, a professor or others and introduce Islām to them. Their email addresses are available online.
- Establish an interfaith group.
- Start a seminar.
- Place books in a library.
- Have libraries subscribe to the Muslim Sunrise. Take a couple of copies with you to show them.
- Monitor media and respond to anti-Islām propaganda.
- Start a video program on the public access channel on the cable network in your area.
- Call into a radio show and acquaint audience with Islāmic perspective on the issue under discussion.
- Write a letter or an article in the newspaper.
- Post a comment online.
- Distribute leaflets.
- Volunteer to keep your mosque open for Prayers and visitors.
• Share with Qā'id Tablīgh if you have any suggestions to improve and enhance propagation activities in the U.S.
• Report your activity every month so that it is recorded and becomes an example for the rest of the Community to follow.
• Write a summary of your activities to Khalifatul-Masih (may Allāh be his support) every month for his prayers for the success of your efforts.
• Pray daily for the success of Islām in your area and around the world.

Please contact Qā'id Tablīgh, Syed Sajid Ahmad, at qaid.tabligh@ansarusa.org or 701-200-1674 if you need any assistance or if you have any questions.

Qā'id Health

Bicycle is perhaps one of the most healthy inventions that is severely underutilized in many parts of the world. Getting into the habit of riding a bike either to go to work or school, to do simple chores, or as a form of exercise allows you to adopt one of the best and safest forms of exercises. The rising cost of energy, the increasing body weight, and failing health will all be helped with a single ride to work or school on a daily basis. Lead by example and get your family involved. You need not buy an expensive bike; even a used bicycle will do. Not only is it a great exercise tool but it will also give you a great family get away—everyday. I urge Ansār officers to help promote this healthy habit and may even arrange local events to get the membership involved in general.

Information about Bicycle Safety can be found at http://www.be-safe.org/css_com/bicycle/index.html.

Please contact Qā'id Health, Tanvir Ahmad, at qaid.health@ansarusa.org or 601-209-3546 for any questions.

Qā'id Publication

Department of Publication is looking for volunteers to review the Al-Nahl and other publications and to translate, from Urdu into English, and from English or Urdu into Spanish. If you are interested, please contact Qā'id Publication, Rafi Malik, at qaid.publication@ansarusa.org or (614) 915-4375.

Ta’līmul Qur’ān: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta’līmul Qur’ān syllabus of Majlis Ansārullāh, 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 verse is assigned to be memorized with split meaning during the month of May.

[3:9] ‘Our Lord, let not our hearts become perverse after Thou hast guided us; and bestow on us mercy from Thyself; surely, Thou alone art the Bestower.

Request for Prayers

Nasir Khan of Kentucky Majlis underwent a heart bypass operation on April 6 and is recovering at home. He is the brother-in-law of Khursheed Khan, Za’īm of Kentucky Majlis. Members are requested to pray for his complete health.

| Ansār Chanda: 1% of yearly income; Ijtimā’ Chanda: 1/8th of total Ansār Chanda; |
| Publication Chanda: $10 yearly |
Guidelines for Group Photos

It has been noticed that in some of the group photos taken at the local and regional Ijtimā’āt the chief guest is not in the middle. The following protocol should be followed when taking group photos.

- **For local Ijtimā’**: Front row should have odd number of chairs—5, 7, 9, 11 etc. (if no chairs are being used then odd number of standing people). Nāzīm (if attending) otherwise Za’īm should be seated/standing in the middle; local President, if present, on the right, then right to the local President should be Nā’īb Za’īm Saf Dom; Nā’īb Za’īm Saf Awwal on the left to the Za’īm, then Muntazim ‘Umūmī. After that other ‘Āmilah members or elders can be seated.

- **For regional Ijtimā’**: Front row should have odd number of chairs—5, 7, 9, 11 etc. (if no chairs are being used then odd number of standing people). Representative of National ‘Āmilah should be seated/standing in the middle; regional Nāzīm on the right, host Majlis’ Za’īm on the left. Zu’āmā of other Majālis should then be on either side to fill the chairs and then elders.

If a missionary is present, he should be seated right to the person sitting in the center (Za’īm, regional Nāzīm, or National Representative).

The protocol should also be followed for group photos taken at Majlis’ other programs—such as general meetings. Any photo submitted which does not conform to these guidelines will not be published in Ansār publications.

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](http://ansarusa.org/content/information-about-deceased-members).

Send detail and pictures of your local and regional events and Ansār news via e-mail at newsletter@ansarusa.org.

To access materials from various departments of Majlis Ansārullāh, USA, archives of Ansār periodicals, calendar of events, and other useful information and tools, visit [ansarusa.org](http://ansarusa.org).

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