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Message from Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA

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Upcoming Events

Fri-Sun, Oct. 12-14 - Anşār National Ijtimā' and Shūrā

Fri, Oct. 26 - 'Īd-ul-Adhiyyah

Fri-Sun, Dec. 28-30 - Jalsa Sālāna West Coast

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I hope and pray that every Nāsir has benefited from blessings that the month of Ramadān brings for us. I also pray to Almighty Allāh that He enables all of us to continue to offer greater sacrifices and to improve our spiritual status even after the month of Ramadan, Inshā'allāh.

This month I am taking liberty to draw members' attention towards financial sacrifices. Allāh says in the Holy Qur'ān: "Surely my Lord enlarges the provision for such of His servants as He pleases and straitens it for such of them as He pleases. And whatever you spend, He will replace it; and He is the Best of providers." (The Holy Qur'an, 34 [Al-Sabā']:40)

Hadrat Ibn Umar relates that the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: "Only two are to be envied: he upon whom Allah bestows the Qur'an and he conforms to it through the hours of the night and the day; and he upon whom Allāh bestows wealth and he spends it in the cause of Allāh, through the hours of the night and the day." (Bukhārī and Muslim)

him) writes: "Take note of the fact that there is not a single organization in the world which can run without subscription. The subscriptions were collected during the periods of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him), Hadrat Mūsā (peace be on him) and Hadrat 'Īsā (peace be on him), and all other Messengers. Therefore, it is essential for members of my Jamā'at to be watchful of this obligation."

He further writes: "Is there any organization in the world, whether temporal or spiritual, which can run without money? Almighty Allāh has created a system of means appropriate for achieving proper results. Then how mean and stingy is the person who cannot sacrifice a paltry thing like a few pennies for such a grand objective as the victory of Islām? There was a time when men sacrificed their lives like goats for this objective."

Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh V (may Allāh be his support) in his Friday sermon of March 31, 2006 stated that it was a great Divine favor on the dear community of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) that its people honor their pledge and are at the forefront of financial sacrifice.

The Promised Messiah (peace be on

Prescribed Rates of Chanda Ansārullāh

- Chanda Ansār: 1% of yearly (take home) income
- Chanda Ijtimā': 1/8th of total Chanda Anṣār Chanda Publication: \$10
- Chanda Publication: \$10 yearly

Example: \$50,000 Yearly Income

- Chanda Ansār: \$500
- Chanda Ijtimā': \$62.50
- Total: \$572.50

Sadr's message (continued)

However, there should be regular reminding of virtuous tasks lest anyone who is getting indolent may pay attention as well as the younger people and the newcomers to the community get an appreciation of the significance of financial sacrifice.

In a letter addressed to Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, dated June 24, 2009, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his support) wrote: "It is clearly stated in the directives of Ḥaḍrat Muṣliḥ Mauʻūd (may Allāh be pleased with him) that it is mandatory for Aḥmadīs to join relevant auxiliary organizations. Besides it is essential to join those organizations which are directly under the Khalīfah of the time. The Anṣārullāh Chanda though is not obligatory and is more of a membership contribution. **Any member who is free from any financial constraints must pay this Chanda**. However, any Nāṣir who does not pay the Chanda cannot hold an office in the Majlis. Likewise, it is mandatory for the office bearers of the Jamāʿat to pay their contributions both towards the relevant organizations and also give the obligatory Jamāʿatī Chandas. This is the basic rule of the Chanda Majlis Anṣārullāh."

As you have read in the quotes provided, it is the sacrifices that are made out of our obedience and gratitude to Almighty Allāh for all He has given and out of our sincerity of purpose that indicate the measure of a man and a true believer.

It is essential that each and every member takes care of his financial obligation. Our goal is to have **100% participation**. I humbly request each Nāṣir to contribute according to his means and make sure that obligation of Chanda Anṣār is taken care of. All those who are currently unemployed or have no income should pay \$2/month (\$24/year) or any amount that they can afford.

May Almighty Allāh enable all of us to fulfill our obligations in the best possible manner, Amīn.

والشكرم

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa Ṣadr

Ta'līmul Qur'ān: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'līmul Qur'ān syllabus of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, Ruku' 1 and 20 of Sūrah Āl '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 September.

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[3:196] So their Lord answered their *prayers, saying,* 'I will allow not the work of any worker from among you, whether male or female, to be lost. You are from one another. Those, therefore, who have emigrated, and have been driven out from their homes, and have been persecuted in My cause, and have fought and been killed, I will surely remove from them their evils and will cause them to enter Gardens through which streams flow—a reward from Allāh, and with Allāh is the best of rewards.'

پس اُن کے ربؓ نے اُن کی دعا قبول کرلی (اور کہا) کہ میں تم میں سے کسی عمل کرنے والے کا عمل ہر گز ضائع نہیں کروں گا خواہ وہ مَر د ہو یا عورت۔ تم میں سے بعض، بعض سے نسبت رکھتے ہیں۔ پس وہ لوگ جنہوں نے قبال کیا اور وہ معض، بعض سے نسبت رکھتے ہیں۔ پس وہ لوگ جنہوں نے قبال کیا اور اپنے گھروں سے نکالے گئے اور میں دُکھ دیئے گئے اور انہوں نے قبال کیا اور وہ قتل کئی اور کہی نہیں خرور ان سے ان کی بدیاں دور خال جنہوں نے اور انہوں نے قبال کیا اور وہ قبل کرنے والے کا عمل میں میں میں میں میں دُکھ دیئے گئے اور انہوں نے قبال کیا اور وہ قبل کی بعض، بعض سے نسبت رکھتے ہیں۔ پس وہ لوگ جنہوں نے قبال کیا اور اسن کئے گئے، میں ضرور ان سے ان کی بدیاں دور کر دول گا اور انہیں داخل کروں گا ایسی جنتوں میں جن کے دامن میں نہریں بہتی ہیں۔ (یہ قبل کئے گئے، میں ضرور ان سے ان کی بدیاں دور کر دول گا اور خبرور انہیں داخل کروں گا ایسی جنتوں میں جن کے دامن سے تواب کے طور پر (ہے) اور اللہ ہی کے پاس بہترین تواب ہے۔

Anșār National Ijtimā'

31st Anṣārullāh National Ijtimā' and 20th National Shūrā Friday, October 12 – Sunday, October 14, 2012 Baitur-Raḥmān Mosque, Silver Spring, MD

Three memorable days to pray, learn, relax, meet, make friends, and get reinvigorated spiritually and physically Khuddām and Aṭfāl are cordially invited.

ljtimā' Highlights

Many exciting events are planned for this year's Ijtimā' including the following:

- Talqīn-i-'Amal (exhortation to act)
- Health Talk
- Religious, Educational, and Sports competitions

Educational Competitions

- Recitation of the Holy Qur'ān, Chapter 3 (Āl 'Imrān), Verse 196 (memorized)
- Commentary on Hadith #35 (The Worst Feast is the One...) from Forty Gems of Beauty (3 minutes)
- Impromptu Speech (3 minutes; 18 topics that were distributed for regional Ijtimā')
- Observation and Recall (everyone can participate)
- Religious and General Knowledge (4 Anṣār per team)

Sports Competitions

- Sports competitions include: Volleyball, Table Tennis, Tug of War, Basketball Hoops, Horse Shoe Toss, Darts, and 100 Meter Dash.
- There will be separate competitions for 100 Meter Dash for Saf Awwal and Saf Dom. Proper running attire is required.

Accommodation: If coming by road, please bring a sleeping bag to stay comfortably at the mosque. Due to distance and traffic congestion in Silver Spring, very limited accommodation in nearby homes may be available for those with special needs. Please contact Habibullah Bajwa, Nāzim Accommodation, at 240-938-3340 before September 30 if you cannot stay at the mosque due to a special need.

Travel: Anṣār should plan to arrive at Baitur-Raḥmān Mosque (15000 Good Hope Road, Silver Spring, MD) before 12:00 noon on October 12 for Jumu'ah prayer and plan departure after 2:00 PM on October 14. If traveling by air please use **BWI Airport** (45 minutes from Baitur-Raḥmān Mosque). Transportation will only be provided to and from BWI Airport. Book early to get convenient flight and submit itinerary during registration at www.ansarusa.org/content/ijtima-2012-registration. In case of flight delay, please contact Zamir Mirza, Nāzim Transportation, at zam1960@yahoo.com or 703-839-3254 ASAP.

Further Information: Please visit ansarusa.org for latest Ijtimā' information or contact Basit Khan, Nāzim Ijtimā', at BasitAKhan@hotmail.com.

Register online for Anṣār National Ijtimā' and Shūrā at www.ansarusa.org/content/ijtima-2012-registration.

Anşār National Ijtimā' Travel Subsidy Summary

[Complete policy is available at http://ansarusa.org/content/finance.]

Members should attend Ijtimā' at their own expense like Jalsa Sālāna. Majlis continues to support where help is needed and requested. This year National 'Āmilah of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA has established the following guidelines for travel subsidy:

- 1. No subsidy for members who live less than 300 miles from Silver Spring, MD.
- 2. For members who live more than 300 miles away, reimbursement will be as follows:
 - Travel by air: 70% of airfare (maximum reimbursement is \$250; trip insurance, seat purchase or upgrade, and incidental expenses are not reimbursable.)
 - Travel by road: Anṣār driving in groups of 4 or more—traveling together—can request subsidy at \$0.25 per mile (maximum reimbursement is \$200). Round-trip mileage between Silver Spring and Majlis can be obtained from mapquest.com.
 - Rental of car or van requires prior approval. Za'īm should submit request to Ṣadr Majlis through Regional Nāzim by September 30. Request should include estimated cost and names of Anṣār traveling. Reimbursement will be 70% of expenses.
 - Hotel and meal expenses are not reimbursed.
- 3. Special rules and restrictions for Shūrā Delegates have been communicated to Zu'amā.
- 4. For timely reimbursements, please submit expense voucher at http://ansarusa.org/content/expense-voucher or bring printed voucher to Ijtimā' along with receipts. Requests should be received by Qā'id Finance by Saturday, October 13 so that checks can be ready for pickup the next day. Late submissions will result in delay in reimbursement.

Request for Prayers

- Syed Masoud Hussain Shah of Lehigh Valley Majlis passed away on September 12, 2012, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*. May Allāh grant peace to the soul of the deceased and grant patience and steadfastness to his family, *Āmīn*. Anṣār are requested to remember the deceased and his family in their prayers.
- Ibn Yusef Lateef, son of Dr. Yusef Lateef, of Fitchburg Majlis was involved in a car accident. Anṣār are requested to pray for his complete health.

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



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