Message from Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA

Dear Anṣār:

I hope and pray that every Nāsir has benefited from blessings that the month of Ramaḍān 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 Ramaḍān, 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‘ān, 34 [Al-Sabā‘]:40)

Ḥaḍrat 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 Allāh bestows the Qur‘ān 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)

Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ 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.

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.”

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Prescribed Rates of Chanda Anṣārullāh

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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 Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA, dated June 24, 2009, Ḥadrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allāh be his support) wrote: “It is clearly stated in the directives of Ḥadrat Muṣliḥ Mau’ūd (may Allāh be pleased with him) that it is mandatory for Aḥmadi to join relevant auxiliary organizations. Besides it is essential to join those organizations which are directly under the Khalīfah of the time. The Anşārullāh 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 Jamā’at to pay their contributions both towards the relevant organizations and also give the obligatory Jamā’ati Chandas. This is the basic rule of the Chanda Majlis Anşārullāh.”

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 Anşār 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, Āmīn.

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Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa
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**Ta’limul Qur’ān: Assigned Verses for Memorization**

As prescribed in Ta’limul Qur’ān syllabus of Majlis Anşārullāh, 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.

[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.’
Anṣār National Ijtīmā’

31st Anṣārullāh National Ijtīmā’ 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.

Ijtīmā’ Highlights

Many exciting events are planned for this year’s Ijtīmā’ 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 Ḥadīth #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 Ijtīmā’)
• 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 Ṣaf Awwal and Ṣaf 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/ijtimā-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 Ijtīmā’ information or contact Basit Khan, Nāzim Ijtīmā’, at BasitAKhan@hotmail.com.

Register online for Anṣār National Ijtīmā’ and Shūrā at www.ansarusa.org/content/ijtimā-2012-registration.
Anṣār 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 Sālānā. 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, Ḳa’id Maruf Jafri’s son passed away. 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.