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Message from Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA

Dear Anşār: *السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ*

Unity is strength! The fundamental message of Islām is the Unity of Allāh and the unity of mankind bound together by ties of practical brotherhood. This is the clarion call of Islām which abhors strife, hatred, greed, selfishness, pride, and intolerance. The aim of every Nāşir should be to live his life in accordance with the following Qur'ānic injunction:

"Help one another in righteousness and piety." (The Holy Qur'ān, 5 [Al-Mā'idah]:3)

Islām is a universal religion revealed by Allāh for the guidance of all mankind and is above personal bias, tribal prejudice, and ignorant sectarianism. It teaches that all human beings are equal and nobody is superior to another due to origin, color, genealogy, or race. The only difference in the sight of Allāh between individuals is their degree of righteousness. As Allāh says in the Holy Qur'ān:

"And the believers, men and women, are friends one of another. They enjoin good and forbid evil and observe Prayer and pay the Zakāt and obey Allāh and His Messenger. It is these on whom Allāh will have mercy. Surely, Allāh is Mighty, Wise." (The Holy Qur'ān, 9 [Al-Taubah]:71).

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) has likened the true spirit of Islāmic brotherhood to that of a building, every part of which reinforces other parts. As an undivided symbol of unity, commanded Muslims when lined up for prayer to stand together, shoulder to shoulder, like a solid wall, leaving no space for even a stick to be passed between them. The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of

Allāh be on him) has said: "The faithful are like a single body. If his eye suffers, then his constitution will suffer; and if he has a headache, then his whole system will suffer." (Muslim).

At another time, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: "A Muslim is the brother of another Muslim. He does not oppress him, nor does he leave him at the mercy of others." (Muslim, Book 032, Number 6219)

On the need for unity and to purify ourselves, the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) has 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 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

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

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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 every Nāşir 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 Aḥmadī Muslims. May Almighty Allāh enable all of us to do our utmost in this regard, Āmīn.

وَالسَّلَامُ

Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa
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Activities in Various Majālis



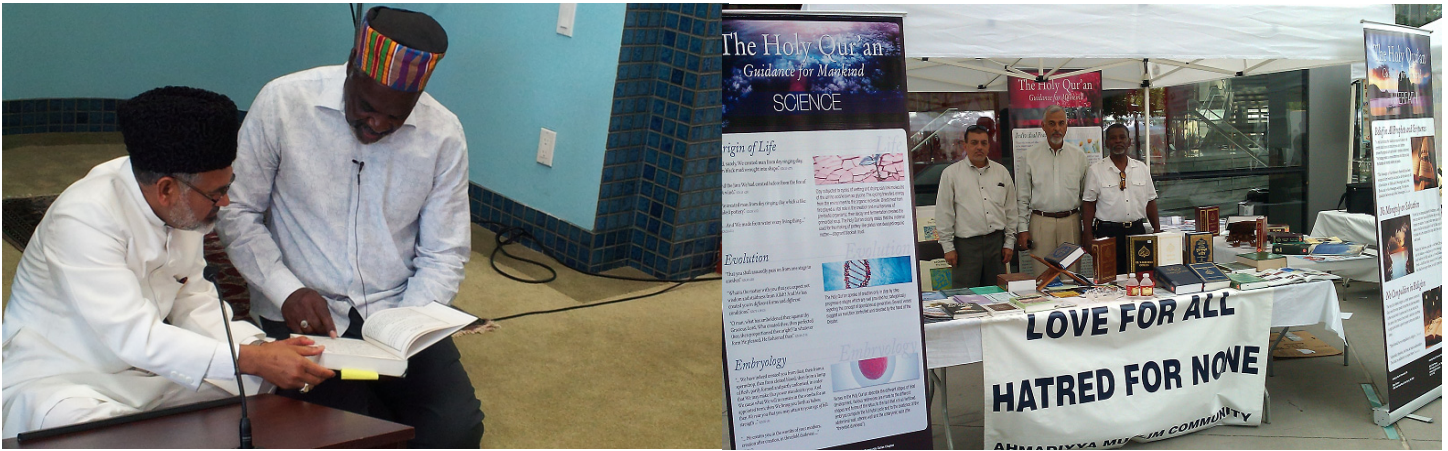
Members at the local Ijtimā' of Dallas Majlis held at Baitul Muqet Mosque on May 5, 2012



Āmilah members of Majlis Anşarullāh, USA with members of Zion Jamā'at during their visit to Zion on August 26, 2012



Anşār at regional Ijtimā' of Great Lakes Region held on September 8-9, 2012 at Masjid Mahmood in Detroit



Āmīn ceremony of Rahman Abdul Aleem of LA Inland Majlis held on June 8, 2012 who completed his first recitation of the Holy Qur'an at the age of 65

Ansār of Dallas Majlis at a Tabligh stall at Plano Asia Festival held on May 5, 2012



Ansār of St. Louis Majlis passed out water to the needy on July 14, 2012 in the intense heat that gripped the area for many days.



Ansār of St. Louis Majlis distributed over 100 bag lunches and cold water to the less fortunate in downtown St. Louis on August 5, 2012.



Ansār of Detroit Majlis at a Tabligh stall held on July 18, 2012 at the 53rd Annual Ann Arbor Art Fair



Ansār of Syracuse Majlis at a local meeting at Baitul Ihsan Mosque held on August 10, 2012

Ta'limul Qur'an: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'limul Qur'an 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 December.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اصْبِرُوا وَصَابِرُوا وَرَابِطُوا وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ ﴿٢٠١﴾

[3:201] O ye who believe! be steadfast and strive to excel in steadfastness and be on *your* guard and fear Allāh that you may prosper.

اے وہ لوگو جو ایمان لائے ہو! صبر کرو اور صبر کی تلقین کرو اور سرحدوں کی حفاظت پر مستعد رہو۔ اور اللہ سے ڈرو تا کہ تم کامیاب ہو جاؤ۔



Āmilah members of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA with local Anṣār at Baitul Jaamay Mosque during their visit to Chicago on August 25, 2012

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