

## Message from Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA

Dear Anşār: اَلسَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللّٰهِ وَبَرَكَاتُهُ

March 23, 1889 marks a historic day in the history of Aḥmadiyyat. On this day the Promised Messiah and Maḥdī Ḥaḍrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qādiānī (may peace be on him) took the first Bai‘at when Almighty Allāh granted him permission to do so. By the immense grace and mercy of Allāh, we have been blessed to accept the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), whose advent was prophesied by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him), *Alḥamdulillāh*.

When the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) was granted permission by Almighty Allāh to take Bai‘at, he published an announcement called *Ishtihār Takmīl-e-Tablīgh* (meaning: proclamation of conclusion of preaching) on January 12, 1889, which mentions the ten conditions of Bai‘at. Anyone who joins the Jamā‘at of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) pledges to abide by these conditions. It is essential for all followers of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), especially Anşār, to continuously evaluate every aspect of our life to see if we are fulfilling our obligations of abiding by the all conditions of the Bai‘at.

The very first condition of the Bai‘at is based on the Bai‘at taken by the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) from his companions as commanded by Almighty Allāh in these words:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يَغْفِرُ أَنْ يُشْرَكَ بِهِ وَيَغْفِرُ مَا دُونَ ذَلِكَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ ۗ وَمَنْ يُشْرِكْ بِاللَّهِ فَقَدْ افْتَرَىٰ إِثْمًا عَظِيمًا ﴿٤٩﴾

*Surely, Allāh will not forgive that any partner be associated with Him; but He will forgive whatever is short of that to whomsoever He pleases. And whoso associates partners with Allāh has indeed devised a very great sin. (The Holy Qur‘ān, 4 [Al-Nisā‘]:49)*

A Ḥadīth regarding Bai‘at taken by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) from his companions is narrated by ‘A‘idhullah Bin ‘Abdullah (may Allāh be pleased with him): “‘Ubadah Bin Samit was among the companions who joined the battle of Badr and also took part in Bai‘at at ‘Aqabah. ‘Ubadah Bin Samitra told ‘A‘idhullah Bin ‘Abdullah that the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said at the time when a group of his companions was around him: ‘Come and take a Bai‘at upon the condition that you will not associate anything with Allāh, nor will you steal, nor will you commit adultery, nor will you kill your children, nor will you slander, nor will you disobey me in anything good I ask you to do. So anyone of you who will prove true to this pledge of Bai‘at, his reward is with Almighty Allāh. Whoever falls short of fulfilling this pledge and suffers a loss in this world, his loss will become expiation

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*The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allāh be on him) said: "Allāh is my witness, that I seek forgiveness of Allāh and turn to Him more than seventy times a day." (Bukhārī)*

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for him. And he who falls short of fulfilling this pledge of Bai'at, and Almighty Allāh covers his faults, his affair is with Almighty Allāh; if He wills, He may punish him, and if He wills, He may forgive him.” (Şaḥīḥ Al-Bukhārī, Kitābu Manāqibil Anşāri, Bābu Wufudil Anşāri Ilān-Nabiyyī Bī Makkata Wa Bai'atil 'Aqabah)

The Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) says: “To take Bai'at means handing over your life to Almighty Allāh. It means, ‘Today we have sold our life to Almighty Allāh.’ It is wrong to say that by treading in the path of Allāh anybody would ultimately suffer a loss. The truthful can never be in a state of loss. Only he who is false—i.e., who, for worldly gain, breaks the pledge that he has made with Almighty Allāh— suffers loss. One who commits such an action because of the fear of the world should remember that at the time of his death no ruler or king of this world would come to procure his release. He has to present himself to the Judge of all the judges, Who will enquire of him, ‘Why did you not honor Me?’ Therefore, it is essential for all the believers to believe in Allāh, Who is the King of the heavens and earth and to make a true repentance.” (Malfūzāt, vol. 7, pp. 29–30).

Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his support) writes in his book “Conditions of Bai'at” that these sayings of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) make it very obvious what Bai'at is. If each one of us recognizes that, ‘My person does not now belong to me; I now have to abide by all injunctions of Almighty Allāh under all circumstances and have to follow them faithfully, and make all acts of mine subservient to the pleasure of Allāh,’ that would be a summary of the ten conditions of Bai'at. (Mirza Masroor Ahmad, “Conditions of Bai'at,” Page 5).

May Allāh the Almighty enable us to understand true meaning and responsibility that comes with the Bai'at and to abide by these conditions devotedly. May Almighty Allāh enable us to become true Aḥmadīs as the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) desired, *Āmīn*.

وَالسَّلَامُ

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## A Summary of Tablīgh Activities in Various Majālis

**Baltimore:** Three articles were published in Huffington Post by a Nāşir. Same Nāşir also conducted four classes where over 200 non-Muslim students were in the attendance.

**Cypress Houston:** Four radio programs were broadcast; three of them were live. Four postings were made on different blogs.

**Dallas:** Jan. 7—Interfaith Coffee House: One Nāşir participated in interfaith coffee house organized by an outside interfaith group with 15 people of various religious backgrounds present. Jan. 20—Small Town Flyer distribution: A team of three Anşār visited a small town Van Alstyne, TX which is about 25 miles north of the mosque. They went door to door, knocked on the doors, and distributed "Muslims for Peace" flyers. People's response was very encouraging. 153 flyers were distributed. Jan. 21—Three Anşār met Collin County commissioner and introduced him to the Aḥmadiyya community. Jan 24—Three Anşār met with Mayor of Garland and spent about an hour with him introducing the Aḥmadiyya Muslim community and various programs being undertaken by the Aḥmadiyya community. Jan. 31—Two Anşār attended an interfaith conference held at Southern Methodist University arranged by an outside group.

**Fitchburg:** One Nāşir gave interview on a local radio station. One Nāşir gave interview to a local newspaper about Islām and Aḥmadiyyat and persecution of Aḥmadiyya Muslim community in Pakistan which was published. Anşār gave out more than 30 booklets about the life of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allāh be on him). Anşār gave out 20 invitations for the upcoming “Muhammad, Messenger of Peace” event which is to be held on March 7.

**Houston North:** An interfaith program on the subject of “status of women in Islām” was organized in the mosque.

**Houston South:** Gave presentation on Introduction to Aḥmadiyyat at the house of CAIR's (Council on American-Islāmīc Relations) executive director, Mustaffa Carroll.

**Indiana:** A Qur'an exhibition was organized by the local Jamā'at at the Indianapolis downtown public library in which Anṣār also participated. About 80 non-members showed interest, asked questions, and took literature.

**LA East:** A Tablīgh stall was set up at Monterey Park Chinese New Year's Festival. The event was covered by a newspaper reporter. The stall had 67 visitors on Saturday and 34 visitors on Sunday. A "visitor" was someone who bought any book from or took any free literature. A teacher from a private K-12 school for Chinese students bought many Chinese language books on Islām to educate herself and her students. 32 books were sold in total including four copies of Chinese translation of the Holy Qur'ān and 18 books in Chinese. 18 other books were given away free-of-charge.

**Las Vegas:** Jose Sandoval and his wife Elizabeth Sandoval with their two month old baby attended Jalsa Sālāna West Coast. He was given Jamā'at's Tablīgh literature by the local Jamā'at.

**Laurel:** Distributed flyers at Washington DC Metro Stations. Five Anṣār participated and distributed 175 flyers.

**Long Island:** One Nāṣir published a paper about the benefits of Holy Qur'ān.

**Milwaukee:** Held a four-day Tablīgh stall at 7 Mile Fair. Visited 53 inmates in correctional institutions during the month of January.

**New York:** Islām was represented by the local chapter in an Interfaith meeting held in Richmond Hill by the Interfaith Council, where Councilmen LeRoy Comrey and Ruben Wills were presiding. Many religious leaders from Queens and New Jersey were in attendance. About 45 dignitaries attended the event.

**Oshkosh:** An interfaith event was held at the mosque. Presented Introduction to Islām at the local Rotary Club meeting.

**Philadelphia:** Under the auspices of the local Jamā'at, there were three outings of the mobile Tablīgh trailer unit (on Saturdays, from 9 AM to 5 PM). 3-4 Anṣār took part in each outing. A total of 1,200 leaflets were distributed along with 20 books. 24 non-Muslims were engaged in one-to-one discussions with 8 members per outing. 14 copies of small-sized translated Holy Qur'ān were mailed to various individuals in jails. A member made one-to-one Tablīgh contacts ranging from 7 minutes to 2 hours with a total of 57 individuals during the month of January.

**Pittsburgh:** Six Anṣār set up displays in a small town Library in Homestead, PA and numerous discussions were held. Three Anṣār joined Khuddām in handing out approximately 300 leaflets during a two-weekend outing. Two Anṣār attended a local borough meeting.

**Silicon Valley:** Anṣār supported a Jamā'at-organized Interfaith Dialog program, co-hosted with the Center for Spiritual Living on January 27. About 60 non-members attended.

**St. Louis:** Two Anṣār held a bookstall at the local flea market on Saturdays.

**Syracuse:** One Nāṣir regularly ran weekly bookstall in a regional market. On a weekend, 3 Anṣār participated in distributing flyers in neighborhood around the mosque.

**Washington:** 7 Anṣār distributed 75 flyers at subway station.

**Willingboro:** Anṣār gave out 27 books.

**York:** Four Anṣār attended a Tablīgh event at Dayspring Christian High School in a small town, Mountville, PA. An introduction of Islām and Aḥmadiyyat was presented to 95 eleventh and twelfth graders and teachers. Students interacted with our members at the display where Holy Qur'ān was shown along with other books. 60 pamphlet packets were given out. The local Chisuk Emuna Jewish community congregation invited the Jamā'at to their Sabbath reading at their center. 100 members of the Jewish faith were present. After their Torah reading, an introduction to Aḥmadiyyat was given to the congregation. Members interacted with their congregation and answered several questions. One Nāṣir read a self-written poem on Service to Humanity at the Martin Luther King program sponsored by World Affairs Council of Harrisburg at the Harrisburg High School where 12 non-members were present. Two Anṣār went to a local church in Middletown, PA and did a one hour presentation to 19 members of the congregation followed by a good Q&A session. Three Anṣār were invited to the inauguration of Pennsylvania Senator Bob Casey. One Nāṣir was quoted in the local newspaper regarding the Jamā'at's point of view with regard to atheists or non-believers.

**Zion:** 5 Anṣār attended the exhibition in 7 mile local flea market where a booth is rented for Tablīgh stall.

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## Ta'limul Qur'an: Assigned Verses for Memorization

As prescribed in Ta'limul Qur'an syllabus of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, verses 36-41 and 52-58 of Sūrah Al-Nūr (Chapter 24) are to be memorized with split meaning during the year 2013. The following verse is assigned to be memorized with split meaning during the month of March.

لِيَجْزِيَ اللَّهُ أَحْسَنَ مَا عَمِلُوا وَيَزِيدَهُم مِّن فَضْلِهِ ۗ وَاللَّهُ يَزِدُّ مَن يَشَاءُ بِغَيْرِ حِسَابٍ ﴿٣٩﴾

[24:39] So that Allāh may give them the best reward of their deeds, and give them increase out of His bounty. And Allāh does provide for whomsoever He pleases without measure.

تا کہ اللہ انہیں اُن کے بہترین اعمال کے مطابق جزا دے جو وہ کرتے رہے ہیں اور اپنے فضل سے انہیں مزید بھی دے اور اللہ جسے چاہتا ہے بغیر حساب کے رزق دیتا ہے۔

## Request for Prayers

- Abdul Majeed Niaz of Austin Majlis, son of Abdul Raheem, Darvesh Qadian and father-in-law of Maqbool Ahmad, Za'im of Austin Majlis, passed away on February 12, 2013 at the age of 82, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*.
- Mubarik Ahmad Malik of Dallas Majlis, father of Munawar Malik, Vice-President of Dallas Jamā'at and former Qā'id Tajnid, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA, passed away on February 15, 2013 at the age of 82, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*. He had been a member of Dallas Jamā'at since 1994. In recognition of his services to the Jamā'at he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA in 2011. He was a Mūsī.
- Amanullah Waen of Miami Majlis passed away on February 15, 2013, *Innā lillāhi wa innā ilaihi rāji'ūn*.  
May Allāh grant peace to the souls of the deceased and grant patience and steadfastness to their families, *Āmīn*. Anṣār are requested to remember the deceased and their families in their prayers.
- Mohammed Sharif of Oakland Majlis is having health issues related to heart, lungs, and kidney. Members are requested to pray for his complete health.
- Laeek Mirza of Athens Majlis, son of Late Dr. Basharat Munir Mirza, has recently undergone a surgery related to his pancreas problem. Members are requested to pray for his complete health.

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