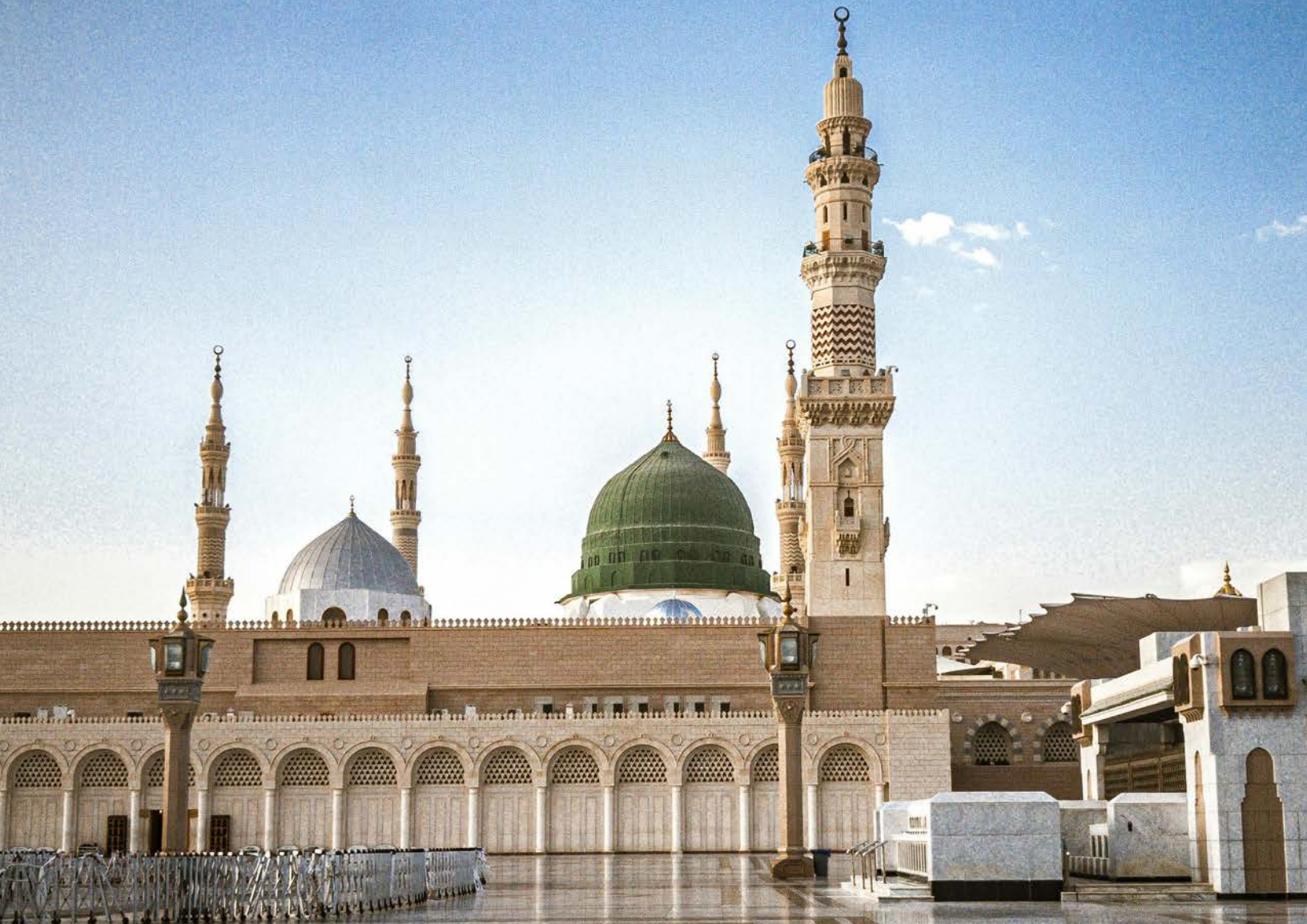


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**May Your countless blessings and peace be upon Mustafa^{sa};
O Almighty God, we received this light from him.**

(Translation of an Urdu couplet of the Promised Messiah^{as})

Salutations upon the Holy Prophet^{sa} in its True Spirit

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) said:

“May Allah the Almighty grant us the ability to recite the *Durood* [blessings upon the Holy Prophet^{sa}] in its true spirit. Through this Durood, may we attain closeness to Allah and continue to progress in our love for the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). May we also dedicate our abilities to the propagation of his Shariah. May we play our part in eradicating discord and strife from the world according to his teachings. May Allah grant us the ability to do so.”

(Friday Sermon delivered on January 16, 2015; *Khutbat-e-Masroor*, vol. 13, pp. 50–51)





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ABBREVIATIONS OF SALUTATIONS

- sa** *Sallallahu alaihi wa Sallam* — peace and blessings of Allah be upon him
USAGE: Salutation written after the name of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
- as** *Alaihis Salam / Alaihas Salam* — peace be upon him/her
USAGE: Salutation written after names of Prophets other than the Holy Prophet Muhammad^{sa} and pious women prior to the era of the Holy Prophet Muhammad^{sa}
- ra** *Radhiallahu anhu / anha / anhum* — may Allah be pleased with him/her/them
USAGE: Salutation written after names of Companions of the Holy Prophet^{sa} and Companions of the Promised Messiah^{aa}
- rh** *Rahimahullah / Rahimahallah* — may Allah have mercy upon him/her
USAGE: Salutation written after the names of deceased, pious Muslims who are not Companions^{aa}
- aa** *Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala bi Nasrihil Aziz* — may Allah be his Helper
USAGE: Salutation written after the name of Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V



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PEARLS OF

THE HOLY QUR'AN

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful

Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe, you *too* should invoke blessings on him and salute *him* with the salutation of peace. (33:57)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا
الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٧﴾

HADITH

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَبَارِكْ وَسَلِّمْ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ

*O Allah! Bless Muhammad^{sa} and the people of Muhammad^{sa},
and bestow grace and salutations, for verily You are the Praiseworthy, the Majestic.*

Hazrat Abdullah ibn Mas'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) reported that the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "The person closest to me on the Day of Judgement is the one who sent the most blessings upon me."

[*Tirmidhi*, Hadith no. 484]

عَنْ عَبْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مَسْعُودٍ، أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ
عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: أَوْلَى النَّاسِ بِي يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ أَكْثَرُهُمْ
عَلَيَّ صَلَاةً.

(جامع الترمذي، أبواب الوتر، باب ما جاء في فضل الصلاة على النبي ﷺ)

WISDOM

SO SAID THE PROMISED MESSIAH (PEACE BE UPON HIM)

“Durood Sharif [blessings upon the Holy Prophet^{sa}] ... should be recited with the intention that the Gracious Lord may send His perfect blessings upon His Noble Prophet^{sa} and make him a source of blessings for the entire world; and that He may manifest the greatness and glory of the Holy Prophet in this world and the hereafter. This prayer should be made with complete devotion, just as one prays earnestly in times of distress, or even with greater humility and imploringly. There should be no personal gain or thought of reward, nor should one aim for any rank or status. Rather, the sole purpose should be that the complete divine blessings descend upon the Chosen Messenger (peace and blessings be upon him), and that his majesty shines in both this world and the hereafter. One should focus on this intention with full determination and maintain constant attention day and night until no other desire remains in the heart greater than this. When Durood Sharif is recited in this manner, it transcends mere habit and tradition, and without a doubt, its wondrous lights will be manifested.”

[*Maktubat-e-Ahmad* (2008), vol. 1, pp. 522-523]

GEMS OF GUIDANCE

from the Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)

NOTE: Given below are brief, selected points from the Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V^{aa}. Readers are encouraged to benefit directly from the complete Friday Sermons of Huzoor^{aa}, available on alislam.org.



MAKHZAN-E-TASAWEER

1.

August 2, 2024

THE BLESSINGS OF JALSA SALANA UK: A REFLECTION OF THE TRUE ISLAM

His Holiness Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) discussed the success of Jalsa Salana UK, which concluded the prior week. He initially mentioned how the volunteers, be they men, women, or children, all performed ‘silent *tabligh*’ by working diligently many days before, as well as after the Jalsa. Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) stated how many Khuddam and volunteers had come from Canada and Mauritius this year.

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) then described the positive impressions of guests of the Jalsa, who were visiting from all across the globe. He mentioned the comments of a chief Buddhist priest in Japan, a doctor from Taiwan, another doctor from Tanzania, a government worker from Chile, as well as guests from many other countries. For instance, Yasin Ahmadi, a guest from Canada, said: “I have found the Jalsa Salana of the Ahmadiyya Jama’at to be an event based on faith and full of wisdom and knowledge. Ahmadi’s character, sense of respect for each other, patience, and a moderate interpretation of Islamic teachings are all vitalizing and inspirational after centuries of religious bloodshed and violence.”

At the end, Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) said, “While this Jalsa has been instrumental in providing spiritual training to the Ahmadi’s, it has also helped people of other faiths in knowing about Islamic teachings and coming closer to Allah. Hence, we should bow before Allah more than before and express our gratitude to Him.”

2.

August 9, 2024

BATTLE OF MURAYSI

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) continued his series of sermons on the expeditions during the life of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). He highlighted an incident where a servant of Hazrat Umar (may Allah be pleased with him), named Jahjah, and a member of a tribe allied with the Ansar, named Sinan, quarreled over a trivial matter. Being uncultured and illiterate, they nearly sparked a conflict between the *Muhajirin* and *Ansar*. The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) intervened, emphasizing peace. But Abdullah bin Ubai, chief of the hypocrites, tried to exploit the situation, and even declared, “When we reach Madinah, the most honourable one [referring to himself], would expel the least honourable one [referring to the Holy Prophet^{sa}].” However, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) displayed remarkable forbearance.

The sermon also touched on the vandalism against Ahmadi Muslims in Bangladesh during political unrest, with mosques and properties damaged. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) urged prayers for Ahmadi’s facing persecution, and for the Muslim world, including Palestinians, to find peace and justice. He concluded by mentioning two deceased Ahmadi’s, Dr. Zakaur Rahman Sahib, known for his selfless service, and Saida Bashir Sahiba, a devoted and pious woman, and he led their funeral prayers in absentia.

3.

August 16, 2024

EXPEDITION OF BANU MUSTALIQ

In this sermon, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) discussed the aftermath of the Battle of Banu Mustaliq. He recounted the Holy Prophet's^{sa} initiatives, such as establishing grazing grounds for war animals at Naqi' and organizing sports to uplift his Companions'^{ra} spirits. The Holy Prophet's^{sa} lighthearted race with Hazrat Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her) exemplified his loving and respectful treatment of his wives.

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) also elaborated on the Incident of *Ifk* [the Great Calumny], where hypocrites falsely accused Hazrat Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her) of adultery. She was unwittingly left behind on a journey and later found by Hazrat Safwan bin Mu'attal (may Allah be pleased with him), who returned her to the Muslim camp. Despite this innocence, rumours spread, causing her great distress. Eventually, Allah revealed her innocence to the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him), Hazrat Aisha's^{ra} father, initially resolved to stop aiding Mistah^{ra}, one of the accusers, but later continued his support following Divine guidance.

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) concluded by asking for prayers for Ahmadis facing persecution in Bangladesh and Pakistan, as well as for Palestinians and the entire Muslim Ummah at large.

4.

August 23, 2024

JALSA SALANA GERMANY 2024

In this Friday Sermon, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) said that Jalsa Salana Germany is commencing today. The German Jama'at was expecting my presence at the Jalsa, but human limitations of health are a part of life. Due to these factors and the advice of doctors, I have decided to postpone my trip and address the Jalsa attendees through a live telecast.

He also stated that instead of holding the Jalsa in pre-built halls, it has been arranged in an open space. Due to this, the administration will need to work harder to prepare the site, and both the guests and the administration may face some challenges. However, meeting these challenges and fulfilling the purpose of attending the Jalsa should be the goal for both the attendees and the administration.

Every Ahmadi attending the Jalsa should keep in mind that if there is no effort to increase in love for Allah, to practice high morals, to fulfil the rights of others, and to strive for piety, then the purpose of attending the Jalsa is not being fulfilled.

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) made a special appeal for daily supplications based on a vision of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah have mercy upon him). This spiritual regimen has been published and circulated throughout the worldwide Jama'at, as well as in the previous issue of the Gazette.

5.

August 30, 2024

THE INCIDENT OF THE GREAT CALUMNY

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) mentioned details of the incident of the Great Calumny [*ifk*] against Hazrat Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her). Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) quoted from the passages of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) and Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him).

In his book *Sirat Khatamun Nabiyyin*, Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him) detailed the incident, in reference to Sahih Bukhari, underscoring its gravity as an attack on the Holy Prophet's^{sa} dignity and Hazrat Aisha's^{ra} character. Despite the malicious accusations, Hazrat Aisha (may Allah be pleased with her) forgave those involved.

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) also discussed the positive outcomes of the recent Jalsa Salana Germany, which spread the message of Islam and Ahmadiyyat globally. He concluded by mentioning Imam Muhammad Belu of Sudan and offering his funeral prayer in absentia, while requesting prayers for Ahmadis in Sudan.

Rays of Light

The Enlightening Words of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)



UNPARALLELED LOVE FOR THE HOLY PROPHET^{SA}

On July 28, 2024, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) delivered the concluding address of Jalsa Salana UK, in which he shed light on how the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) possessed unparalleled love for the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him).

Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) said:

“It is inconceivable that the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) ever committed blasphemy against the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). These accusations are baseless fabrications by so-called scholars, who have been making these allegations since the inception of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. They have been inciting the emotions of the general Muslim populace under the guise of defending the ‘Finality of Prophethood,’ in an attempt to turn them against Ahmadi Muslims. The points I have mentioned are just a few examples demonstrating his

profound love and devotion for the Holy Prophet (peace be upon him). All these expressions of love and reverence can be found extensively in his writings and the literature of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.”

He also quoted the famous Persian couplet of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him):

بعد از خدا بعشق محمد مخمرم
گر کفر این بود بخدا سخت کافرم

*After God, I am intoxicated with the love of Muhammad^{SA}.
If this is considered disbelief, then by God, I am the greatest disbeliever.*

[SOURCE: <https://www.pressahmadiyya.com/press-releases/2024/08/58th-jalsa-salana-uk-concludes-with-an-inspirational-address-by-hazrat-mirza-masroor-ahmad/>]

PUT YOUR TRUST IN ALLAH

This year, Jalsa Salana Germany was held from August 23 – 25, 2024. Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) delivered an inspirational concluding address from Masroor Hall, Islamabad, UK, which was seen live by the 42,000 attendees of Jalsa in Germany.

In his address, speaking about a judicial decision made in Pakistani court, Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) said:

“In recent days, some people made harsh comments about a decision made by the Pakistani court. We do not need to respond to such comments. If we have a strong relationship with Allah, we do not need to elevate worldly people to the status of gods. We should bow before the One and Only God even more profoundly so that He may ease our difficulties and defeat our enemies. Instead of speaking ill of others, we should immerse ourselves more in prayers and focus on the prayers. May Allah grant us this ability. Pray for the general state of the world as well. The world is on the brink of disaster and does not recognize its Creator. May Allah grant people the understanding and protect every Ahmadi Muslim from the devastation of war and other calamities.”

[SOURCE: <https://www.pressahmadiyya.com/press-releases/2024/08/jalsa-salana-germany-2024-concludes-with-faith-inspiring-address/>]

Sending Blessings on the Holy Prophet^{sa}

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is an English translation of excerpts from the Friday Sermon of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) which he delivered on February 24, 2006 at the Baitul Futuh Mosque in London. The Ahmadiyya Gazette Canada's editorial team accepts full responsibility for any errors in translation.



THE PROPHET'S MOSQUE, MADINAH

Today, every Ahmadi needs to pay great attention to prayers because the Muslim world is in an extremely dire situation due to its own mistakes. If we have true love and affection for the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), we should also pray fervently for the Ummah. We need to focus on this, just as we have been doing before. But today, I want to draw attention to how we should pray. The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) himself taught us the ways and manners of praying, through which we not only reform ourselves but also witness the acceptance of our prayers.

In a Hadith, it is narrated that Hazrat Umar bin Khattab (may Allah be pleased with him) said:

“The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that a prayer remains suspended between the heavens and the earth, and none of it ascends (to be presented before Allah) until you send blessings (Durood) upon your Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).”

[*Tirmidhi*, no. 486]

This is a truth that Allah the Almighty has also clearly stated to us in the Holy Qur'an, in the verse I have just recited:

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ

وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٧﴾

“Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you also should invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace.” (33:57)

The Holy Qur’an contains numerous commandments that instruct us on what to do, and by acting upon them, the result is that you become beloved to Allah, you inherit His blessings, you draw closer to Him, you are saved from Hell, and you enter Paradise. Here, there is a task that is so significant and great that Allah has even assigned His angels to it, and Allah Himself sends blessings and peace upon His beloved Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

Therefore, this is an act that, by doing it, you are following the example or act that Allah Himself performs. When Allah grants us such great rewards for following His commandments, then how immense will be the reward for performing this act that Allah Himself does? And surely, the *Durood* [blessing] that is sent with sincerity will lead to the reformation of the Ummah. It will protect the Ummah from disgrace, bring about our own reformation, and serve as a means for the acceptance of our prayers. It will also be a means to safeguard us from the trials of the *Dajjal* (the Antichrist).

The benefits of sending Durood upon the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) are mentioned in various Ahadith. In one narration, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that on the Day of Judgment, the closest person to me will be the one who sent the most Durood upon me. [*Tirmidhi*, no. 484]

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) further said:

“Whoever sends Durood upon me once with sincere devotion, Allah will send blessings upon him ten times, elevate him by ten ranks, record ten good deeds for him, and forgive ten of his sins.”

[*Kanzul Ummal*, Hadith no. 2220] ...

While sending Durood, each person should reflect upon their inner self and their heart, examining how much worldliness is mixed in and how much attention is being given to sending Durood with true sincerity. How purely are we sending Durood?



THE BLESSED TOMB OF THE HOLY PROPHET^{SA}

FURHAN GUIRESHI

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) says regarding this:

“Recite Durood Sharif abundantly, as it is a powerful means to attain steadfastness, but do not do so out of mere habit or custom. Instead, keep in mind the beauty and favours of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), and recite it for the elevation of his ranks and for his successes. The result will be that you will enjoy the sweet and delightful fruits of the acceptance of your prayers.”

[*Malfuzat* (2022), vol. 4, p. 151]

So, these are the proper ways of sending Durood.

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) further said:

“O people! Send Durood upon this Benefactor Prophet who is the manifestation of the attributes of the Gracious and Merciful Lord, for indeed, the

recompense for a favour is nothing but a favour. And a heart that does not perceive his favours either lacks faith entirely or is bent on destroying it. O Allah! Send Durood upon that unlettered Messenger and Prophet who has quenched the thirst of the later generations just as he quenched the thirst of the earlier ones and imbued them with his colour, and included them among the pure ones.”

[*Ijaz-ul-Masih*, Ruhani Khaza'in, vol. 18, pp. 5-6]

When Durood is thus sent with true sincerity and collectively, then such Durood manifests its effects. Those who claim that Durood does not have an impact should understand from this Hadith and the teachings of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) that this is not the case. One should never tire of sending Durood; rather, they should self-reflect. The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) has said, “The one who does not send Durood upon me is a miser” [Tirmidhi, Hadith no. 3546]. Not only do such people commit the sin of miserliness, but they are also deprived of Allah’s grace. As we have already seen, Allah sends ten blessings upon a person who sends Durood once. To receive Allah’s blessings in this way is such a great deal that even the companions of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and some companions of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) would at times abandon all other supplications and only recite Durood. ...

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), while advising someone in a letter, said:

“Engage in the Tahajjud Salat and other regular supplications. There are many blessings in Tahajjud. Idleness is nothing; one who is idle and lazy holds no weight. Allah the Almighty has said,

وَالَّذِينَ جَاهَدُوا فِينَا لَنَهْدِيَنَّهُمْ سُبُلَنَا

[*And those who strive in Our path—We will surely guide them in Our ways.* (29:70)]

The best Durood is the one that came from the blessed tongue of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), and that is:

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ. اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ كَمَا بَارَكْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ.

[“O Allah, bless Muhammad and the people of Muhammad as You blessed Abraham and the people of Abraham; You are indeed Praiseworthy and Glorious. O Allah, send Your blessings upon Muhammad and the people of Muhammad as You blessed Abraham and the people of Abraham; You are indeed Praiseworthy and Glorious.”]



THE QUBA MOSQUE, MADINAH

He further stated:

“The words that come from the mouth of a righteous person surely contain blessings. So imagine how blessed the words must be that came from the mouth of the leader of the righteous and the commander of the prophets. Thus, of all the forms of Durood, this is the most blessed. This is the Durood I personally recite, and there is no restriction on the number of times it should be recited. It should be recited with sincerity, love, presence of heart, and humility until a state of deep emotion, spiritual ecstasy, and effect is achieved, and one feels expansion and joy in the chest.”

[*Maktubat-e-Ahmad* [2008], vol. 1, p. 526]

... This is the era of the latter days—the time linked to the triumphs of Islam. These triumphs, as we all know, were not achieved through swords, guns, or cannons, but through the power of prayers. The weapon of reasoning and proofs, given to the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him). It is through these means that Islam will prevail, Insha'Allah. For the acceptance of prayers and to attain Allah's nearness and blessings, Allah the Almighty has made it clear to us—we have already seen from various Ahadith and the Qur'anic verse—that sending Durood upon the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is essential. The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has also taught us that the high spiritual status he was granted was due to his sending Durood upon the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). This is also connected to the future victories of Islam.

Regarding the status that Allah granted him by sending him to the world as the Messiah and Mahdi, the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) mentioned a revelation and stated:

“The revelation after this is as follows:

صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَآلِ مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ وُلْدِ آدَمَ وَخَاتَمِ النَّبِيِّينَ

Call down blessings on Muhammad and the progeny of Muhammad, who is the Chief of the children of Adam and is the Seal of the Prophets, may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.

“This indicates that all these ranks, munificence, and favours are on account of him, and a reward for loving him. Holy is Allah! What high ranks the Chief of all creation has in the presence of the One True God and what kind of nearness does he have to Him that his lover becomes the beloved of God, and his servant is appointed the master of a whole world! ...

“At this time, I recall that one night this humble one recited Durood Sharif so abundantly that my heart and soul became fragrant therewith. The same night I saw in a dream that people were carrying into the house of this humble one waterskins filled with divine light in the form of pure water and one of them said, ‘These are the very blessings which you had sent to Muhammad, may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.’

“I recall a similar wonderful experience. Once I re-

ceived a revelation which indicated that there was a vigorous discussion in the High Assembly in Heaven. That is, God's will for the revival of the Faith was surging, but the appointment of the man to revive the Faith was not yet disclosed to the High Assembly, and this is why they were in disagreement. It was at this time in the dream that I saw people searching for a revivor.

“A man appeared before my humble self and, pointing towards me, he said:

هَذَا رَجُلٌ يُحِبُّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ

“Meaning that, this is the man who loves the Messenger of Allah.

“The meaning of this statement was that the principal qualification for this mission is the love of the Holy Prophet^{sa} and that this quality was definitely found in me. Similarly, the secret behind the direction to call down blessings on the Holy Prophet's progeny in the revelation mentioned above is that the love for the members of the household of the Holy Prophet^{sa} plays a great part in acquiring divine light. Anyone who is included among those who have attained nearness to the One True God attains the spiritual inheritance of those righteous and holy ones, and becomes their heir in respect of knowledge and divine insights.

[*Barahin-e-Ahmadiyya — Part IV* (English, 2016), pp. 378-379]

Thus, it is the responsibility of every Ahmadi today—a tremendous responsibility—to recite Durood abundantly, to pray for themselves and for the rest of the Muslims, so that Allah may save the Muslim Ummah from destruction.

The love for the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) demands that we make ample space for the Muslim Ummah in our prayers. The intentions of others are not right. We do not know what further trials, tribulations, and difficulties these people will face, nor what plans are being devised against them. May Allah have mercy on them.

May Allah always guide us on the right path, make us grateful servants, and grant us the ability to fulfill the rights of recognizing the Imam of this age. May He keep us forever on the paths of His pleasure.

A Prophet's Guide to Anger Management

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Man is weak. He struggles and grapples with natural urges of anger at times. It's a constant back and forth of irritation and self-control.

Recently, I was running late to the mosque and was stuck behind a slow car for miles. I found this irritation creeping within me and eventually I was at a crossroads. Do I maintain my composure or give in to the urge?

Researchers have noted the rise of such occurrences. A poll conducted by National Public Radio and IBM Watson found that some 84% of people surveyed said Americans are angrier today compared with a generation ago. [<https://www.npr.org/sections/healthshots/2019/06/26/735757156/poll-americans-say-were-angrier-than-a-generation-ago>]

Similarly, Harvard Medical School has found that nearly two-thirds of U.S. adolescents have experienced an anger attack that involved threatening violence, destroying property or engaging in violence toward others at some point in their lives. [<https://hms.harvard.edu/news/uncontrollable-anger-prevalent-among-youth>]

One of the prominent companions of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) and among the greatest scholars of Islam, Hazrat Maulvi Abdul Karim Sialkoti (may Allah be pleased with him) has explained that, "There is primarily one dangerous weakness that ought to be reformed and which is the root of all internal disorder. What is that weakness? It is the habit of constant criticism and to be quickly irritated. These flaws characterize a mean and narrow hearted person about whom it can easily be concluded that they live a life of hell." [*Life of the Promised Messiah*^{AS} (2022), p. 23]



THE PROMISED MESSIAH^{AS}

His son Hazrat Mirza Sharif Ahmad^{ra} is standing on his right

Is being irritated quickly not but another name for short temper? If we aspire to break free from the shackles of hell in this world, we must rid ourselves from the sway of anger.

The Holy Qur'an is clear on this topic. Addressing the believers, Allah enjoins,

وَسَارِعُوا إِلَىٰ مَغْفِرَةٍ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَجَنَّةٍ عَرْضُهَا السَّمَوَاتُ
وَالْأَرْضُ أُعِدَّتْ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ ﴿٣٣﴾ الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ فِي السَّرَّاءِ
وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَالْكُظُمِينِ الْغَيْظِ وَالْعَافِينَ عَنِ النَّاسِ ۗ وَاللَّهُ
يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿٣٤﴾

And vie with one another in asking for forgiveness from your Lord, and for a Paradise whose price is the heavens and the earth, prepared for the God-fearing — those who spend in prosperity and adversity, and those who suppress anger and pardon men; and Allah loves those who do good. (3:134–135)

If we desire to earn entry into Paradise or earn Allah the Almighty's love we must suppress our tempers and pardon those who may enrage us. The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has declared,

“The heart which leaps into fury and is enraged when faced with the opposing side is deprived of sagacity. And the mouth that recklessly utters foulness is deprived of perspicacity. Anger and wisdom do not go together. A short-tempered person is foolish and dull in perception. He does not ever triumph in any field.”
[*Mal'uzat* (1984), vol. 5, pp. 126–127]

A life of Hell, deprivation of God's love and pleasure, bereft of wisdom and perception. These are all consequences of dealing with untamed anger.

Hazrat Maulvi Abdul Karim Sialkoti (may Allah be pleased with him) has written in his book *Life of the Promised Messiah*^{as} that through witnessing the conduct of Hazrat Ahmad (peace be upon him) and self reflection, he was able to improve his own spiritual condition. Perhaps by reading a few such accounts of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), we too may improve our spiritual states and begin the journey to break free from the shackles of immorality.

Hazrat Maulvi Abdul Karim Sialkoti (may Allah be pleased with him) narrates one brilliant story:

“It so happened that during the days when His Holiness^{as} was writing *At-Tabligh*, Maulvi Nur-ud-Din Sahib came to see the Promised Messiah^{as}. His Holiness^{as} had penned a very important two-page exposition and he felt a sense of pride on account of the eloquence and articulacy with which God Almighty had graced his writing. The text was to be given to me for translation into Persian ... His Holiness^{as} handed the papers to Maulvi Sahib so that he could read them and then give them to my humble self. On the way, Maulvi Sahib accidentally dropped these papers and upon returning to our abode, he took a seat. His Holiness^{as}, as was his custom, went into his private quarters. I mentioned to someone that today His Holiness^{as} has not sent any pages of text; the scribe is after me and I still have to translate the relevant text. As I caught sight of Maulvi Sahib, his face was turning pale. With extreme anxiety, Maulvi Sahib rushed people back on our steps and said: “Hurry, stand up, the papers have fallen somewhere along the way.” Maulvi Sahib was mortified and worried beyond measure. He thought to himself, what a humiliating oversight; what will His Holiness^{as} think about me and how utterly irresponsible I am in that I could not even hold on to one piece of paper—and such an important paper at that. When His Holiness^{as} was informed about this, he came out as normal, with a cheerful face and a gentle smile, and instead sought pardon and said: ‘Maulvi Sahib, you



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have suffered such grief on account of the paper being lost. I regret that you underwent such struggle and toil in search of these papers. It is my belief that Allah the Exalted will bestow upon me something better.” [Life of the Promised Messiah^{as} (2022), pp. 35–36]

If you were in the midst of an assignment, not just any assignment but one that you felt was done in an especially excellent manner. How would you react upon learning that it was lost? All those hours and hours of work—gone. The Promised Messiah’s^{as} example is the standard of self-restraint and patience we are striving to achieve. An unwavering trust in Allah and an unshakeable core of morality.

He continues:

“On one occasion, the Promised Messiah^{as} was suffering from a severe headache and I was also sitting with him inside. Nearby, there was excessive noise and disturbance. I submitted: ‘Your Holiness, this noise does not cause you pain, does it?’ The Promised Messiah^{as} said: ‘Yes, it gives me relief when they quiet down.’ I said: ‘Why does His Holiness not instruct them then?’ His Holiness said: ‘You tell them in a gentle manner; I do not have the heart to say anything to them.’ Even in the severest of illnesses, he will be all

alone in a small room, and he will stay there so silently, that one would think he is comfortably asleep. He will not complain to anyone for not giving him attention, or for not offering him water, or for not tending to his other needs.” [Life of the Promised Messiah^{as} (2022), p. 37]

When we are battling an illness, it is very easy, in fact it is common for one to become irritable and demand that their needs are given preference. Just recall the last illness you dealt with and see if you ever faced this temptation. Going forward, it is our obligation to emulate the model of Hazrat Ahmad (peace be upon him) and suppress any tempers which flare.

In his Friday Sermon of October 10, 2014, Hazrat Khali-fatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) pointed out that it is our duty to completely abide by our teachings. If we look at other faiths, such as Christianity, they too preach peace and love—and many live by those principles. What, then, is the difference between us if we bicker and argue? He explains that our truth will be evident when we practice what we preach to such an extent that such practices are completely gone or at the very least unrecognizable.

One scenario which commonly tempts us towards anger can be found in our very homes. Nowadays, with people



HOME OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH^{AS}, QADIAN

MAKHZAN-E-TASAWWEER QADIAN



INTERIOR OF THE MUBARAK MOSQUE, QADIAN

MAKHZAN-E-TASAWWEER QADIAN

working or studying at home, we require complete silence to complete our work. If even a conversation is being held, our concentration breaks and we get distracted from the task at hand which can very easily lead to yelling and lecturing. Such predicaments arose throughout the life of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) too. In fact, it occurred as he carried out his divine mission and fought the Jihad of the pen.

Hazrat Maulvi Abdul Karim Sialkoti (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated:

“I have observed His Holiness^{as} when he is absorbed in writing the most subtle and intricate of expositions—at times even his matchless, most articulate of books in the Arabic language. Nearby a chaotic uproar may be ensuing in full surge, children or simple women may be arguing with one another disrespectfully, or yelling; other ladies may even be engaged in altercation as women do. However, His Holiness^{as} will continue writing and remains so absorbed in his work as though he was sitting alone in quiet seclusion. All of his unparalleled and magnificent books in Arabic, Urdu and Persian were written in these sorts of circumstances. On one occasion, I asked the Promised Messiah^{as}: ‘In such noise does His Holiness not feel the least disturbed in writing or thinking?’ He smiled and said: ‘I do not hear them, why and what sort of disturbance could this cause me?’ [*Life of the Promised Messiah*^{as} (2022), pp. 33–34]

One could argue that the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) would be justified in yelling at the members of his household for providing such a tumultuous background to such important work. Yet, he always exercised patience and self control. This provides us with a roadmap on how to live our lives. Perhaps we are not blessed with

the focus of Hazrat Ahmad (peace be upon him), but if we require quietness it must be achieved in a kind and caring manner.

If one were to study the biography of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) we would see that he faced numerous trials: false cases aiming to slander his character, the abuse of opponents from all factions of society, ridicule and persecution from seemingly every faith. But despite that, he never let his anger come out. He completely subdued it.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) has made it clear for all of us,

“The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), who came as the Messiah of Prophet Muhammad^{sa}, has a scope of forgiveness and forbearance that extends to the entire world. Therefore, we too need to expand our own capacity for forgiveness and forbearance. These are the standards that we should achieve. If we wish to benefit from the light of Allah, we also need to develop patience, resilience, and forbearance within ourselves. If we want to utter words of wisdom and profound knowledge and advance the mission of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), we must avoid harshness and anger in our domestic and everyday dealings ... If we want to become true believers, we must utilize our abilities appropriately, timely, and in the right manner.” [Friday Sermon dated October 10, 2014]

When I felt that agitation flaring within me while driving, I thought of the examples displayed by the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), and by God’s grace vanquished that sensation. Through pondering over his outstanding guidance others can overcome such trials as well.

The Martyrdom of Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib of Afghanistan

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As an Ahmadi Muslim, when one thinks of Afghanistan, two great people come to mind. Hazrat Sahibzada Abdul-Lateef Sahib Shaheed (may Allah be pleased with him) and Hazrat Abdur-Rehman Sahib Shaheed (may Allah be pleased with him). These two companions of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) were the first Ahmadis to have the honor of embracing martyrdom. There was also a third, lesser-known missionary of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at to be martyred in the land of Afghanistan.

Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib, son of Amanullah, was a resident of a village called Khauja which was in the subdivision of Rakha in the district of Panjshir, situated near Kabul, Afghanistan [*Al-Fazl*, September 11, 1924, p. 5].

After accepting Ahmadiyyat, he travelled to Qadian in pursuit of knowledge where he was admitted to Madrasa Ahmadiyya. In 1919, while Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib was still a student in Madrasa Ahmadiyya, Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) instructed him to return to his homeland to teach and train the Ahmadis of Afghanistan.

At that time, Ahmadis were not free to practice their faith in Afghanistan, so Maulvi Sahib would teach the Afghani Ahmadis individually. Around this time, on February 20, 1919, Habibullah Khan, King (or Amir) of Afghanistan, was killed. The next to take up the throne was Amir Amanullah Khan who, soon after becoming the Amir, announced that there would be freedom of religion for all people in his kingdom [*Al-Fazl*, October 25, 1924, p. 3].

Following this announcement, in August 1919, Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) sent Naik Muhammad Khan Sahib of Ghazni along with some other men to meet a delegation that had come from Af-



ghanistan under the leadership of Mehmood Tarzi Sahib, the Foreign Minister of Afghanistan, who had travelled to England to ratify a treaty. Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) did this to gain some insight about the current policies in Afghanistan, specifically inquiring about two main things: (i) Was there freedom of religion for Ahmadi Muslims? and (ii) Could those Afghani Ahmadi Muslims who had migrated to Qadian return to Afghanistan?

In this Afghan delegation, there was a Hindu who was serving as Afghanistan's finance minister. When he discovered that Naik Muhammad Khan sahib of Ghazni was the son of Mir Ahmad Khan (the former governor of Ghazni) who had migrated to Qadian at the age of fourteen because he did not have religious freedom in Afghanistan, he began to cry and hugged him saying that your father was my brother [*Al-Fazl*, October 25, 1924, p. 3]. He said, "Return to your homeland; I will protect you." Mehmood Tarzi Sahib also made the same promise [*Al-Fazl*, June 14, 1956, p. 3]. Tarzi Sahib further made the promise that no Ahmadi would be harmed because the time of cruelty and injustice had passed.

There were two other members of the Afghani delegation who were moved to tears by the story of Naik Muhammad Khan Sahib. They were greatly saddened that the child of a well-respected family was forced to migrate at such a young age leaving all his family, friends, and homeland behind. They said that this would no longer happen in the time of Amanullah Khan, Amir of Afghanistan.

The Ahmadi delegation returned in high spirits, considering their trip a success. However, Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) demonstrated great wisdom in remaining cautious and instructing Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib to meet with Mehmood Tarzi Sahib upon his return to Afghanistan. Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) specifically instructed Maulvi Sahib to inquire about the injustice being done upon the Ahmadi Muslims of Afghanistan and to seek permission to mention these issues to the Amir of Afghanistan himself.

There were constant reports being received of Ahmadi Muslims being persecuted in different parts of Afghanistan, so according to the instruction of Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him), the foreign minister of Afghanistan and the famous Turkish General Djemal Pasha (Chief of Staff of the Afghan Army) were made aware of the situation through letters [*Al-Fazl*, October

25, 1924, p. 3]. The foreign affairs office of Afghanistan responded to these letters stating that "under the leadership of the King of Afghanistan none of your followers have been harmed or have received any punishment from the government and if we are provided with a list of all Ahmadi Muslims who are citizens of Afghanistan then it is possible that we may be able to provide assistance to them if they have been harmed." [*Al-Fazl*, September 25, 1924, p. 3]

After this correspondence, some Ahmadi Muslims faced hardships in Khost. So, the Ahmadiyya Jama'at sent a request to the Afghani government through the Afghani Ambassador to India. On May 24, 1923, a response was received that Ahmadi Muslims can live in Afghanistan in peace and no one can cause them any harm. They would be protected like all other loyal subjects of Afghanistan. The response also hinted that the Amir of Afghanistan had been consulted in this matter and that it was according to his suggestions that this response had been written.

Now, the Ahmadiyya Jama'at was satisfied that there was in fact religious freedom in Afghanistan and Ahmadi Muslims could live there freely. However, near the end of 1923, a report was received that two Ahmadi Muslims had been jailed by the Afghani government. Just a few months later, in early July 1924, Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib was called by the government, and he was asked whether he was Ahmadi. He responded that he was Ahmadi and although he was released, soon thereafter he was jailed again.

On August 1, 1924, Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib wrote a letter to Fazal Karim Sahib of Bhera, who lived in Kabul [*Al-Fazl*, September 11, 1924, p. 4]. He described his situation in the following words:

"This humble servant who is a missionary of Islam has been imprisoned for thirty days. The doors and windows of the jail cell are closed and only open for a short amount of time. It is also forbidden to speak to anyone. When I go for ablution, a guard accompanies me. Yet, as dark as the jail cell may be, I receive just as much light and satisfaction of the heart from God the Almighty. Please send this letter to Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih and, by telegram or by letter, convey the news of my situation to my Ahmadi brothers so that they may pray that this humble servant may be successful in serving the faith. In this jail, I constantly pray, that 'O God, make this humble servant successful in serving the faith.' I do not wish to be freed from jail or to be saved from death, rather, I say, 'O God!

May every fibre of my humble self be sacrificed for Islam.” [Al-Fazl, September 11, 1924, p. 5]

Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib was presented in court after which on August 16, 1924, it was found that Maulvi sahib was an apostate and thus deserving of capital punishment.

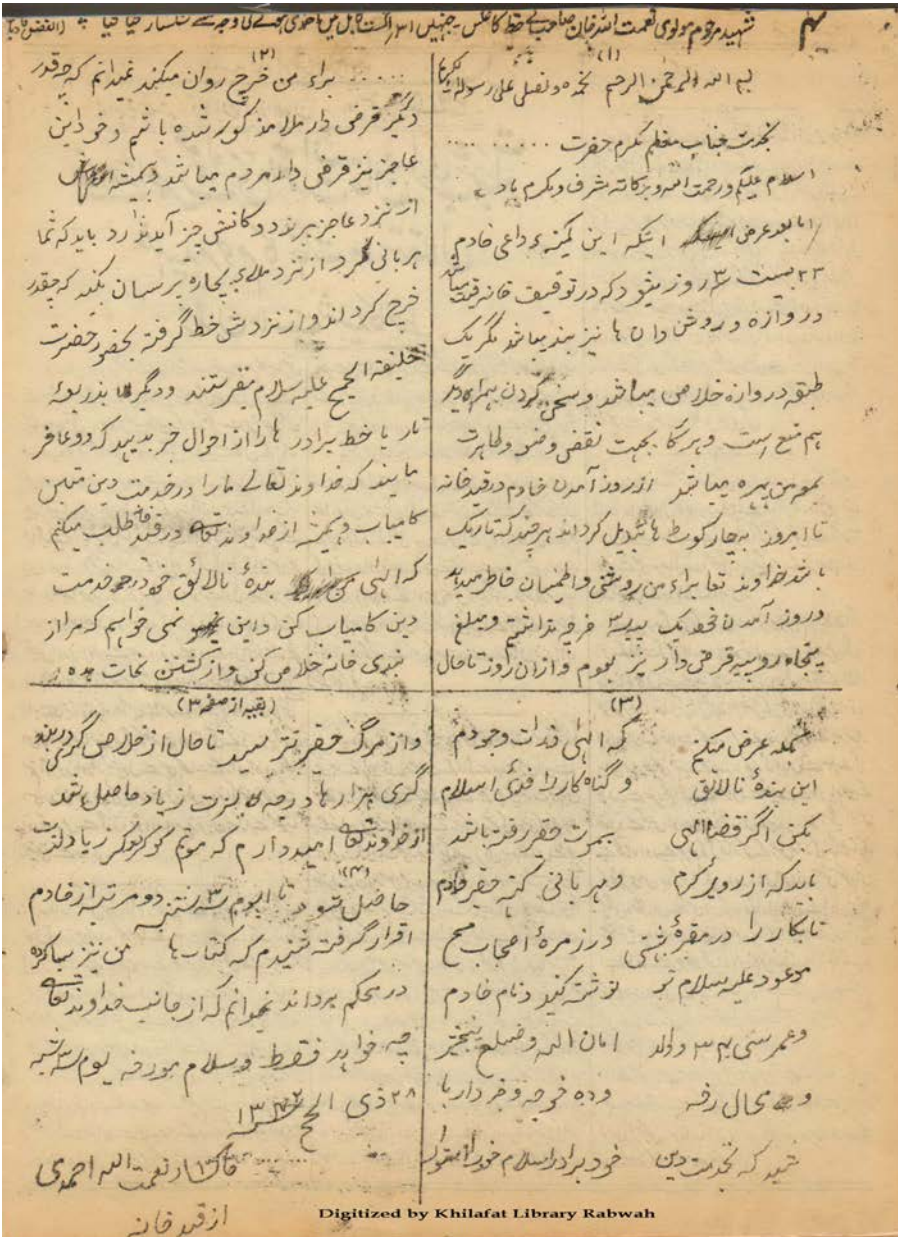
Later on, his case was retried in court and again, the same conclusion was reached; but instead of capital punishment, the court ruled that Maulvi Naimatullah Khan sahib would be stoned in front of a large crowd. [Al-Fazl, September 18, 1924, p. 5]

In accordance with this decision, on August 31, 1924, the police paraded Maulvi sahib around the streets of Kabul and announced that this person would be stoned today for the crime of apostasy, and everyone should be present to witness and participate in it. Those who saw Maulvi Sahib at this time witnessed that when it was being announced that he would be stoned to death, he did not panic or show any sign of fear, rather, his only reaction was to smile. He smiled as if it was not the news of his impending demise that was being announced but a declaration of his honour.

At last, at Asr time, people gathered in the ground of the Sherpur Cantonment in Kabul to perform the stoning [Al-Fazl, September 13, 1924, p. 1]. In that moment, as his martyrdom approached, Maulvi Sahib made his final request; that he should be given one last opportunity to worship his Lord in this world. Upon receiving permission from the authorities, he offered his prayers, and upon completing them, he stood up and said, “I am now ready. Do as you will.”

He was buried in the ground up to his waist, and “the most respected scholar of Kabul” threw the first stone after which stones rained down on him from all four sides until he was buried in a pile of stones and was martyred in the way of God. *To Allah we belong, and to Him shall we all return!*

At the time of his martyrdom, he showed unmatched loyalty and conviction in his faith— a fact attested to by a



LETTER FROM PRISON

A facsimile of the letter written by Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib from his prison cell, shortly before being martyred for his faith in Afghanistan.

(Al-Fazl, September 11, 1924, p. 5)

newspaper based in Kabul, in its September 6, 1924 issue. It mentioned that Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib stayed loyal to his beliefs until his last breath and even while being stoned, he kept loudly proclaiming his beliefs.

On September 4, 1924, Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) issued a statement to the Jama'at stating:

“O brothers, in this time of sorrow, we cannot forget the duty which has been imposed upon us by our blessed brother, who sacrificed his life for the cause of God. He has started the work which we must go on to complete. Let us resolve in this moment that we will not rest until we conquer the land of these martyrs (meaning until we spread Ahmadiyyat there). The souls of Hazrat Sahibzada Abdul-Latif Shaheed (may Allah be pleased with him), Hazrat Abdur-Rahman Shaheed (may Allah be pleased with him) and Naimatullah Khan Sahib Shaheed are reminding us of our duties from heaven and I have full belief that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at will not forget them.” [Al-Fazl, September 11, 1924]

Today, a hundred years after Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib's martyrdom, his unshakeable faith provides inspiration to members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at, many of whom continue to face such persecution on account of their faith. In the face of an unjust ruler and state, Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib displayed great humility and steadfastness, holding fast to the rope of Allah despite his impending martyrdom.

Today, Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib's courageous memory continues to shine on, just as it is written in the Holy Qur'an:

وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ الَّذِينَ قُتِلُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ أَمْوَاتًا بَلْ أَحْيَاءُ
عِنْدَ رَبِّهِمْ يُرْزَقُونَ ﴿١٥٠﴾

Think not of those, who have been slain in the cause of Allah, as dead. Nay, they are living, in the presence of their Lord, and are granted gifts from Him. (3:170)

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A Call for Religious Freedom

In 1924, Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Deen Mahmood Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II & Musleh-e-Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him), attended the Conference on the Living Religions of the Empire in London.

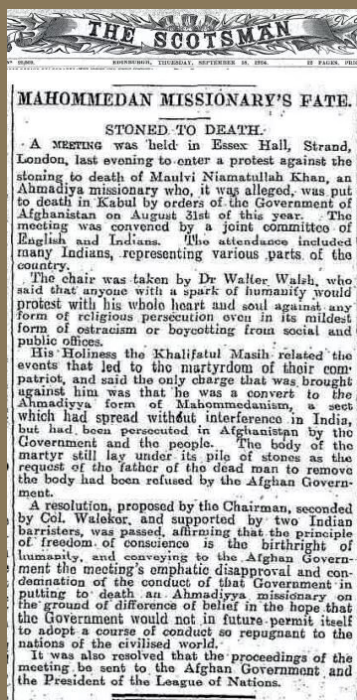
While there, he learned of the brutal stoning of Maulvi Naimatullah Khan Sahib in Kabul, ordered by the Amir for professing faith in the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him). In response, he launched a campaign to raise awareness of this atrocity and advocate for freedom of faith on a global scale.

Hazrat Musleh-e-Mau'ud's¹⁰ efforts included press releases, meetings, and a large protest at Essex Hall in London. He mobilized local dignitaries and media to spread the message, emphasizing the injustice of religious persecution.

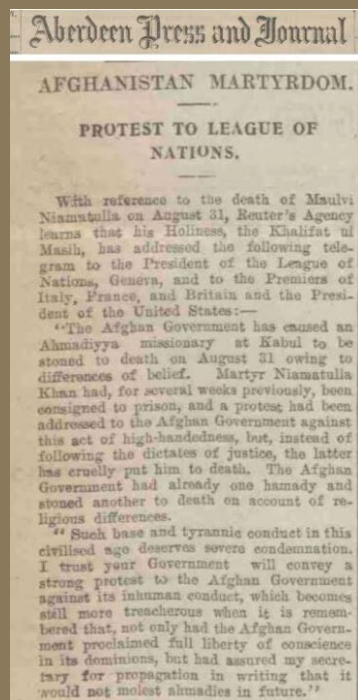
Dr. Walter Walsh, a prominent advocate of religious freedom, chaired the protest meeting, which was attended by influential figures like Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Sir Francis Younghusband. A resolution condemning the incident was sent to both the British government and the League of Nations.

This campaign marked a significant moment in advocating for religious freedom, underscoring the Ahmadiyya Jama'at's longstanding commitment to this cause.

To read more, visit <https://www.alhakam.org/hazrat-musleh-e-maud-and-freedom-of-faith-a-unique-campaign-at-a-global-scale/>



THE SCOTSMAN, SEPTEMBER 18, 1924



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Delegation of Indigenous People of Canada Attends Jalsa Salana UK 2024

Indigenous Desk, Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada



IN THE BLESSED COMPANY OF HAZRAT KHALIFATUL-MASIH V (MAY ALLAH BE HIS HELPER)

Members of the delegation of Indigenous people of Canada had the honour of meeting Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) at Jalsa Salana UK 2024.

With the blessings of Allah the Almighty, the Indigenous Desk of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada once again had the honour to take a delegation of nine guests from the First Nations of Canada to attend Jalsa Salana UK 2024. Preparations began in January, when invitations were extended to various leaders of the First Nations communities. The final list of guests was approved by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper).

GUESTS' PROFILES

Chief Dr. Robert Joseph, O.B.C., O.C., Gwawaenuk First Nation (British Columbia)

Chief Dr. Robert Joseph is a Hereditary Chief of the

Gwawaenuk First Nation. A residential school survivor and co-author of *Down from the Shimmering Sky: Masks of the Northwest Coast*, Chief Joseph is deeply respected for his contributions to reconciliation. He has received several honours, including an Honorary Doctorate of Law Degree from UBC and the Jack P. Blaney Award for Dialogue. In 2012, he was presented The Diamond Jubilee Medal by the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada. He has attended multiple Jama'at events and holds the Jama'at in high regard.

Karen Joseph, M.S.M., Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw (British Columbia)

Karen, the eldest daughter of Chief Robert Joseph and

Matriarch Ms. Donna Joseph, is recognized for her commitment to reconciliation and Indigenous rights. She received the Top BC Women of Influence Award in 2017 and the Meritorious Service Medal. She attended Jalsa Salana Western Canada in 2019. Due to health reasons, Karen was unable to attend and was represented by her sister, Shelley Joseph.

Roy Erasmus, R.P.C.C., L.L.B., M.B.A. (Yellowknife)

A former member of the Northwest Territories legislature, Roy has a strong connection with the Jama'at and has attended Jalsa Western Canada in 2017. His family is widely respected in the Dene community, and he has helped facilitate connections between the Jama'at and other Indigenous leaders.

Jean Erasmus, R.P.C. (Yellowknife)

Jean, originally from Fort Chipewyan, is a Dene and Cree professional counselor specializing in therapeutic services for Residential School Survivors. She spent 6 years in Indian Residential Schools and is a third-generation survivor. Jean has a deep connection to her Indigenous roots and a commitment to healing and support within her community.

Fourth Vice Chief Craig McCallum, F.S.I.N. (Saskatchewan)

Vice Chief McCallum, the Chief for 74 nations in Saskatchewan, is also a former national hockey player, advocates for Indigenous youth and frequently collaborates

with the Jama'at to promote unity and understanding. He organized a First Nation event at Baitur Rahmat Mosque in Saskatoon and always appreciates Jama'at efforts to bring people together.

Chief Donny Ironchild, Little Pine First Nations (Saskatchewan)

Chief Ironchild is very well-respected Chief within the First Nations Communities across Canada. He is a good friend of the Jama'at and supports the Jama'at's humanitarian initiatives. He is active in promoting cooperation between the Jama'at and Indigenous communities.

Tristen Amyotte, Youth Leader (Saskatoon)

Tristen is instrumental in organizing youth events between the Jama'at and Indigenous communities, including a basketball tournament that saw over 200 participants this year. He is a respected figure among First Nation youth.

Leonard Sapp, Thunderchild First Nations (Lloydminster)

Leonard, a councilor and Nehiyawak from Thunderchild First Nation, has a history of attending Jama'at events and has helped strengthen ties between his community and the Jama'at. He has a background in Aboriginal Justice and Criminology.

It ought to be noted that the Jama'at's relationship with Thunderchild First Nations was first established in 2015. Their Chief, Councillors, band members have attended various Jama'at events including Jalsa Salana Western Can-



Members of the delegation of Indigenous people of Canada addressing the attendees of Jalsa Salana UK 2024

ada. Thunderchild is one of the First Nations that had offered Amir Sahib Jama'at Canada to hold Jalsa Salana Canada on their land.

Katrina Frank, Thunderchild First Nations (Lloydminster)

Katrina is an elected Councilor of the Thunderchild First Nation dedicated to community service and social justice. As an active volunteer and mother, she advocates for stronger relationships among all nations and supports efforts for Indigenous youth. Indigenous Social Justice is her passion and hopes to continue building relationships amongst all nations in the world.

TRIP TO JALSA SALANA UK 2024

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MEETING WITH HAZRAT KHALIFATUL-MASIH V^{AA}

The First Nations delegation to Jalsa Salana UK 2024 was accompanied by Luqman Chattha Sahib, Incharge of the Indigenous Desk Canada, along with Rizwan Peerzada Sahib (Coordinator, British Columbia), Rashid Ahmed Sahib (Coordinator, Saskatoon), Mansoor Anjum Sahib (Coordinator, Yellowknife), and Sherjeel Butt Sahib (Coordinator, Lloydminster).

The delegation attended all three days of the Jalsa Salana UK and had the privilege of listening to the addresses of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper). They also had the opportunity to speak on stage and share their views with the attendees. Additionally, the female delegates visited the ladies' marquee and explored exhibitions, food stalls, and the market area.

On the second day of Jalsa Salana, Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) graciously met with the First Nations delegation from Canada. He inquired about their visit, experiences, and their customs and cultural practices back home. Leonard Sapp from Thunderchild First Nations presented a gift to Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) on behalf of the delegation.

GUEST REMARKS

Chief Dr Robert Joseph & Ms. Shelley Joseph, British Columbia:

“It was very special to be granted the opportunity to sit and meet His Holiness. He was very much down to earth and personable. And yet we could feel the energy of his spirit. This entire experience is something that will keep us uplifted for a long time. We will always speak good things



Members of the delegation of Indigenous people of Canada at Jalsa Salana UK 2024

of the people and faith.”

Regarding their experience at Jalsa Salana UK 2024, they said:

“We are in awe at how organized the gathering was with the amount of people that were there. From the invitation to, travel, to accommodation and food, we were well taken care of and hosted. It was evident that the intention of our presence was connection and relationship. For all of that, we are grateful. Our hosts always ensured we were fed, had timely transportation, were informed of what where and when we were going. Indeed true friendships were formed. Everyone we had interactions with, felt as, though we had always been friends.”

Chief Donny Ironchild, Little Pine First Nations, Saskatchewan:

“It was amazing to see how hospitable and professional the community was. The food was great. I was surprised to see so many commonalities between the Muslim community and the Indigenous community. We both believe in one Creator and have spiritual gatherings on reserves like Jalsa, though on a smaller scale. Listening to the speeches by His Holiness, I truly felt that he is a true spiritual leader with a remarkable vision. I have a huge respect for the Muslim community and their beliefs. It was great an honour to meet with His Holiness. I was impressed with his knowledge on different Indigenous communities living in Canada. kinanâskomitin! (Thank you)”

Leonard Sapp, Councilor Thunder Child First Nation, Lloydminster:

“Special thanks to Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama’at for invitation to this year 2024 International Jalsa Salana in UK. Earlier we were invited in Western Canada Jalsa Salana in Calgary, promoting peace, friendship and strengthening ties with Ahmadiyya Muslims and Indigenous Nations. We are here as representatives of our nations and the indigenous desk Canada. Very grateful and thankful for this opportunity to share our stories and Khalifatul Masih, holy leader of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. A great honor.

“I am truly humbled to have been asked to meet his Holiness, the Supreme Spiritual Leader of the Ahmadiyya Community worldwide. We met him alongside the other Indigenous dignitaries in attendance. We shared stories of our cultures with his Holiness, with some stories of laughter as well, knowing humor is natural to us Indigenous,

“Listening to the speeches by His Holiness, I truly felt that he is a true spiritual leader with a remarkable vision. ... It was great an honour to meet with His Holiness. I was impressed with his knowledge on different Indigenous communities living in Canada.” (Chief Donny Ironchild)

even sometimes in the most humbling or serious situations. The energy was positive and powerful.”

Katrina Frank, Councilor Thunder Child First Nation, Lloydminster:

“Been in the presence of his Holiness was very powerful and heartwarming. Also so many influential people such as doctors, lawyers and everybody works along and work together. Meeting with his Holiness was so humbling. I earlier attended Jalsa in Calgary and first time here in UK. It opened my eyes about a lot of misconceptions and also between Muslims and Ahmadiyya community, we should sit down and talk to one another. I was not expecting such experience and also so many trees, it feels like, I am back in my community, back home.”

Tristen Amyotte, Indigenous Youth Leader:

“I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to attend the 2024 Jalsa Salana UK this year. The hospitality was amazing and I have never experienced so much special treatment before in my life. Our hosts did an excellent job planning our day-to-day activities and made sure everything went smoothly.

“Overall, I was very impressed with how organized the event was and the efforts made by the volunteers did not go unnoticed. We have similar events back home such as our powwows but they are not nearly the same size or as well organized as the Jalsa Salana. I will definitely take back a lot of ideas when helping plan for future events in my community.

“It was an honour to have met his holiness, Mirza Masroor Ahmad. He showed a great respect for the Indigenous

Peoples of Canada and had several questions about our different cultures. I am happy that he understands the value of carrying on our language to future generations to ensure the survival of our traditions. His knowledge and curiosity was exceptional and it was a pleasure to have met with him in person.”

Roy and Jean Erasmus, Yellowknife, Northwest Territories:

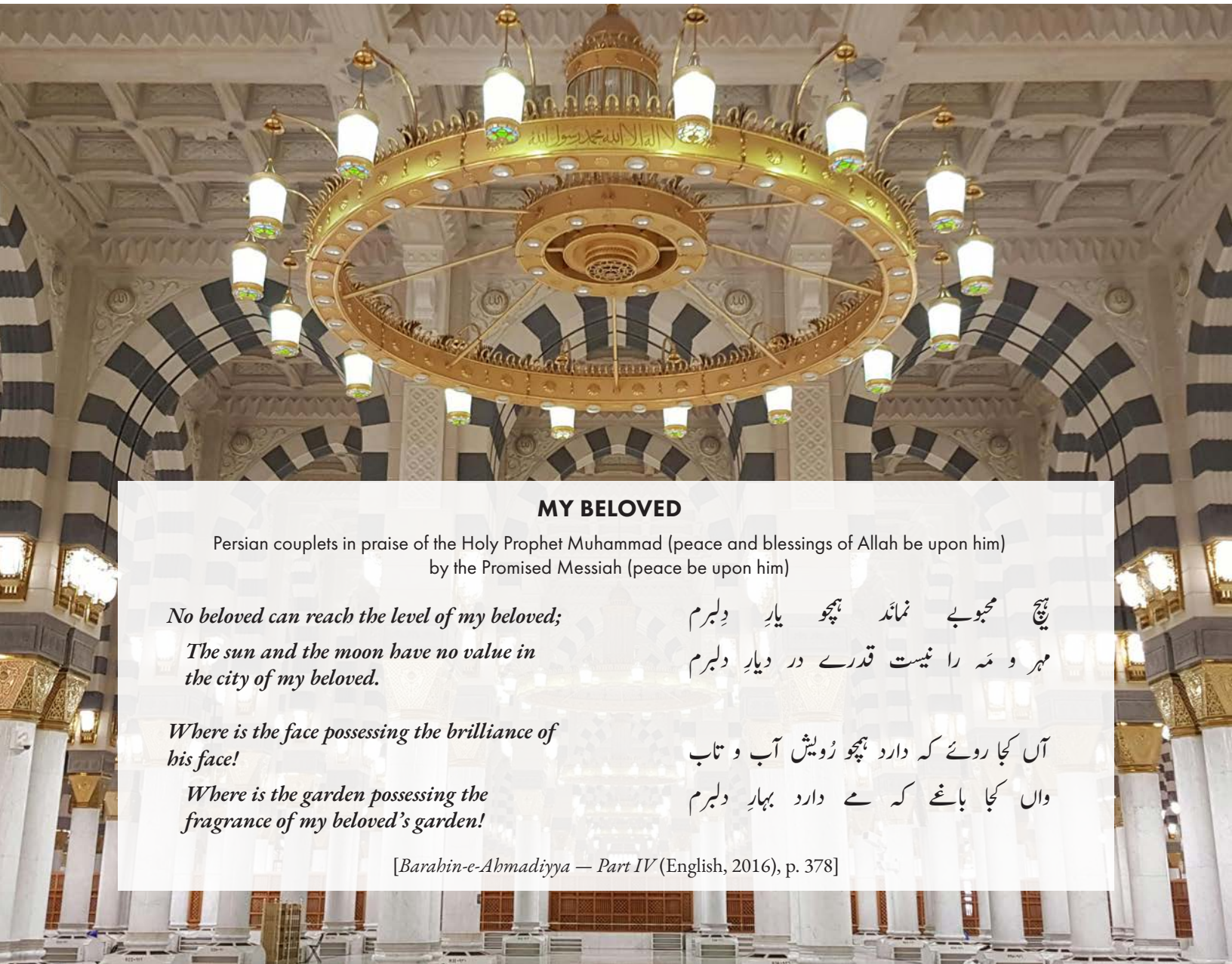
“We were well taken care of, every request was accommodated, within reason. Well organized event, impressed with all the volunteers, Everyone was friendly and accommodating, We didn’t see anyone arguing. The marquee was clean and tidy. There was always food and refreshments available like fruit, cookies, juices and water which meant everyone was hydrated. It was an honour to be amongst such selfless people.

“I was sick the first day, never in my life have I experienced

such kindness and care from a team of doctors before. I am in awe of their generosity. My heart is thankful for their care.

“We have been to many conferences and we’ve never experienced the hosts looking after us like your team did. It was wonderful to feel, seen and treated with such kindness. The team were always nearby but not hovering over us. They genuinely cared and provided attention to the guests and with those in attendance. This was shown even with the youth and young boys.

“Overall, this has been a great experience and we learned so much about the Ahmadiyya community and your gifts to humanity. Mahsi Cho, big thank you for inviting us to this incredible event. It has been an honour to be amongst such generous and kind people. If an invitation presents itself in the future, we would be happy to attend.”



MY BELOVED

Persian couplets in praise of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
by the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him)

No beloved can reach the level of my beloved;

*The sun and the moon have no value in
the city of my beloved.*

*Where is the face possessing the brilliance of
his face!*

*Where is the garden possessing the
fragrance of my beloved’s garden!*

بیچ محبوبے نمائد ہچو یارِ دلبرم
مہر و مہ را نیست قدرے در دیارِ دلبرم

آں کجا روئے کہ دارد ہچو رُوشِ آب و تاب
واں کجا باغے کہ مے دارد بہارِ دلبرم

In Honour and Love of the Holy Prophet Muhammad^{sa}

By Nusrat J. Bhatti, Richmond Hill

What if I was born, in that world yonder!
Where walked my beloved,
Tearing evil asunder!
O my fluttering little heart,
Do thee not wonder!
Would I be strong as those devoted souls!
Eager to sacrifice, to be pure, to be whole!
Ah! If only it were so, in thy radiant shadow would I live!
My heart would beat for thee, every breath would I give!
I would breathe the same air, in awe of you!
Admire the same moon as thou did too!
As thy face beloved shines with a heavenly beauty rare!
The sun and moon wane for there's nothing to compare!
Each drop of pearly water from thy wudhu pure,
Would I touch to my eyes, a holy cure!
The sheer joy of your smile heavenly,
The ethereal beauty of your shining soul!
Would heal my heart, make it strong and whole!
And if thou called my name, my beloved sweet!
I would fly to thee, ecstatic to obey,
Ready to just be!
Your mercy wraps each living soul,
Like a warm mantle it covers and consoles!
Your beauty my beloved, exceeds the purest of the pure!
Whose heavenly grace is a balm for the soul! a rejuvenating cure!
How shall I praise your luminous deeds,
When the lord himself in thy honour exceeds!
All I know is the love I feel, the adoration deep!
Pulsing through my blood like a heavenly shield!
Each drop of my blood, thy name beloved yields!
Muhammad! Muhammad, Muhammad!
(Peace be upon him)



KIDS ZONE

A LESSON IN TRUST AND MODERATION

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) trusted his children, encouraging them to never do anything that was wrong.

For instance, the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) was once with one of his companions, who was peeling almonds. Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Deen Mahmood Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him), who was about four or five years old at the time, came in and took all the almonds.

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) was watching this. He said, "He [i.e., Mahmood] is such a good child. He will not take a lot. He will take only one or two and put back the rest." The child complied immediately and left with only one or two almonds.

TEST YOUR GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

1. What is the hardest natural substance in the world?
2. Which planet has a day that lasts almost eight months on Earth?
3. How many Earths can fit inside the Sun?
4. Which fish has no brain or heart?
5. Which two countries share the longest border in the world?

ANSWERS

1. Diamond
2. Venus
3. 1.3 million
4. Jellyfish
5. Canada and the United States

MEMORIZE THIS PRAYER

رَبِّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ خَادِمُكَ
رَبِّ فَاحْفَظْنِي وَأَنْصُرْنِي وَارْحَمْنِي

"O my Lord! Everything is Your servant. O my Lord! Protect me, help me, and have mercy on me."

(Prayer of the Promised Messiah, peace be upon him)

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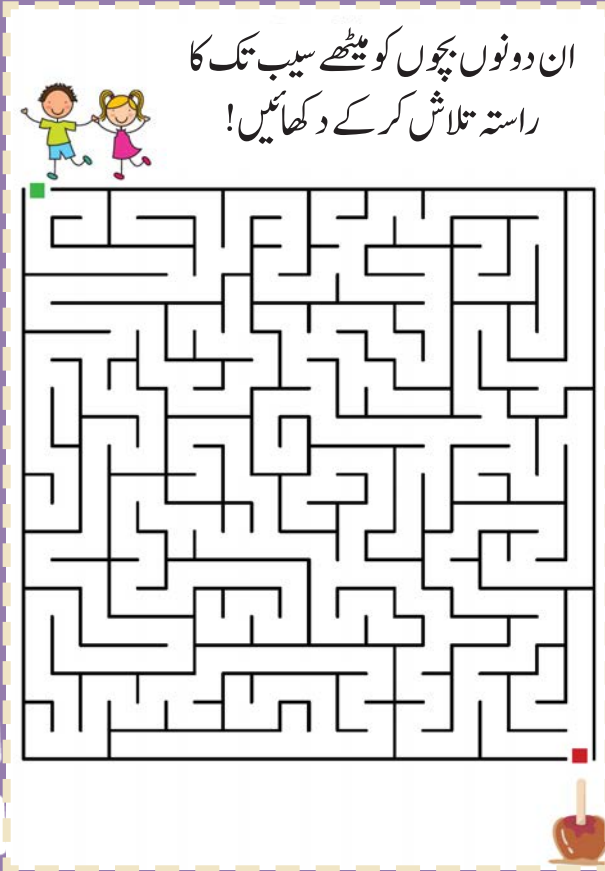
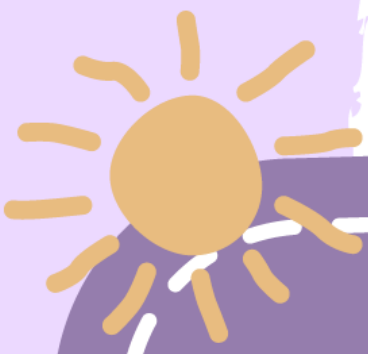
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پر بھجوائیں۔ ای میل بھجوانے کے لیے اپنے

والدین کی مدد لے لیں۔

پیارے مہدی علیہ السلام کا پیارا کلام

حضرت مسیح موعود علیہ الصلوٰۃ والسلام فرماتے ہیں:

”اب دیکھو کہ عقلی طور پر قرآن شریف نے خدا کی ہستی پر کیا کیا عمدہ اور بے مثل دلائل دیئے ہیں۔

جیسا کہ ایک جگہ فرماتا ہے۔ رَبَّنَا الَّذِي آعْطَى كُلَّ

شَيْءٍ خَلْقَهُ ثُمَّ هَدَى (طہ: 15) یعنی خدا وہ خدا ہے کہ

جس نے ہر ایک شے کے مناسب حال اس کو پیدائش

بخشی۔ پھر اس شے کو اپنے کمالاتِ مطلوبہ حاصل

کرنے کے لئے راہ دکھلا دی۔ اب اگر اس آیت کے

مفہوم پر نظر رکھ کر انسان سے لے کر تمام بحری اور

بڑی جانوروں اور پرندوں کی بناوٹ تک دیکھا جائے

تو خدا کی قدرت یاد آتی ہے کہ ہر ایک چیز کی بناوٹ

اس کے مناسب حال معلوم ہوتی ہے۔ پڑھنے والے

خود سوچ لیں کیونکہ یہ مضمون بہت وسیع ہے۔“

(اسلامی اصول کی فلاسفی، روحانی خزائن، جلد ۱۰، صفحہ ۳۶۸-۳۶۹)

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وَمَا مِنْ دَابَّةٍ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَلَا طَائِرٍ يَطِيرُ بِجَنَاحَيْهِ
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Requirements & Procedure



“The objective of a murabbi, whilst in Jamia and after graduation, is to understand, with every day that passes, ever more that it is his duty to become a true and devoted helper of the Khalifa of the time.”

(Saturday, 17 April 2021, Virtual audience of Jamia Ahmadiyya Qadian with Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V^{ra})

1. Education:

High school diploma (Grade 12) with minimum average of 80% marks in academic subjects.

2. Age:

Date of birth must be later than August 31, 2005.

3. Medical Report:

Medical Report from a practicing physician certifying good health of the applicant.

4. Written Test & Interview:

The applicant must pass a written test. The study material for the test is the Waqf Nau Syllabus up to 15 years of age. Only those candidates who would score higher than other candidates in the Written Test and Interview and fulfill the other criteria as well would be considered for admission.

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The following documents should be attached to the Jāmi'a Admission Application Form:

i. A copy of educational certificates

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6. General Instructions:

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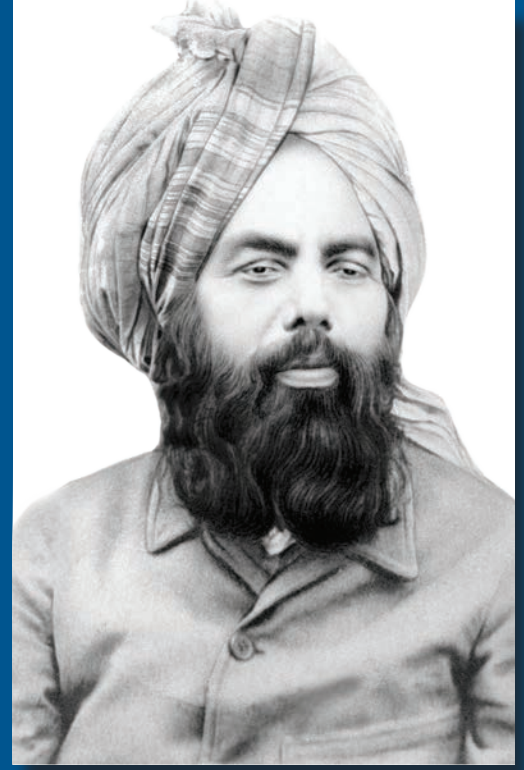


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THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) stated:

“The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) came into the world to bestow hearing on the deaf, who had continued in that condition for hundreds of years. Who is blind and who is deaf? The one who does not accept the Unity of God and who does not accept this Prophet who revived the Unity of God on the earth. The same Prophet who converted the wild ones into men and then converted them into men possessing true moral qualities, then dyed them in the **Divine colour** of those who establish **their relationship with God**; the same Prophet, the sun of righteousness, at whose feet thousands of those who had died of paganism and atheism and evil living were revived and came to life and a sample of the Judgement Day was exhibited. It was not mere talk like that of **Jesus**. The Prophet who appeared in **Mecca** and dispelled the darkness of paganism and that of the worship of man, was the **true light of the world**, who found the world in darkness and bestowed such light upon it that he converted a dark night into day.”

[*The Essence of Islam* (2007), vol. 1, pp. 208–209]

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