

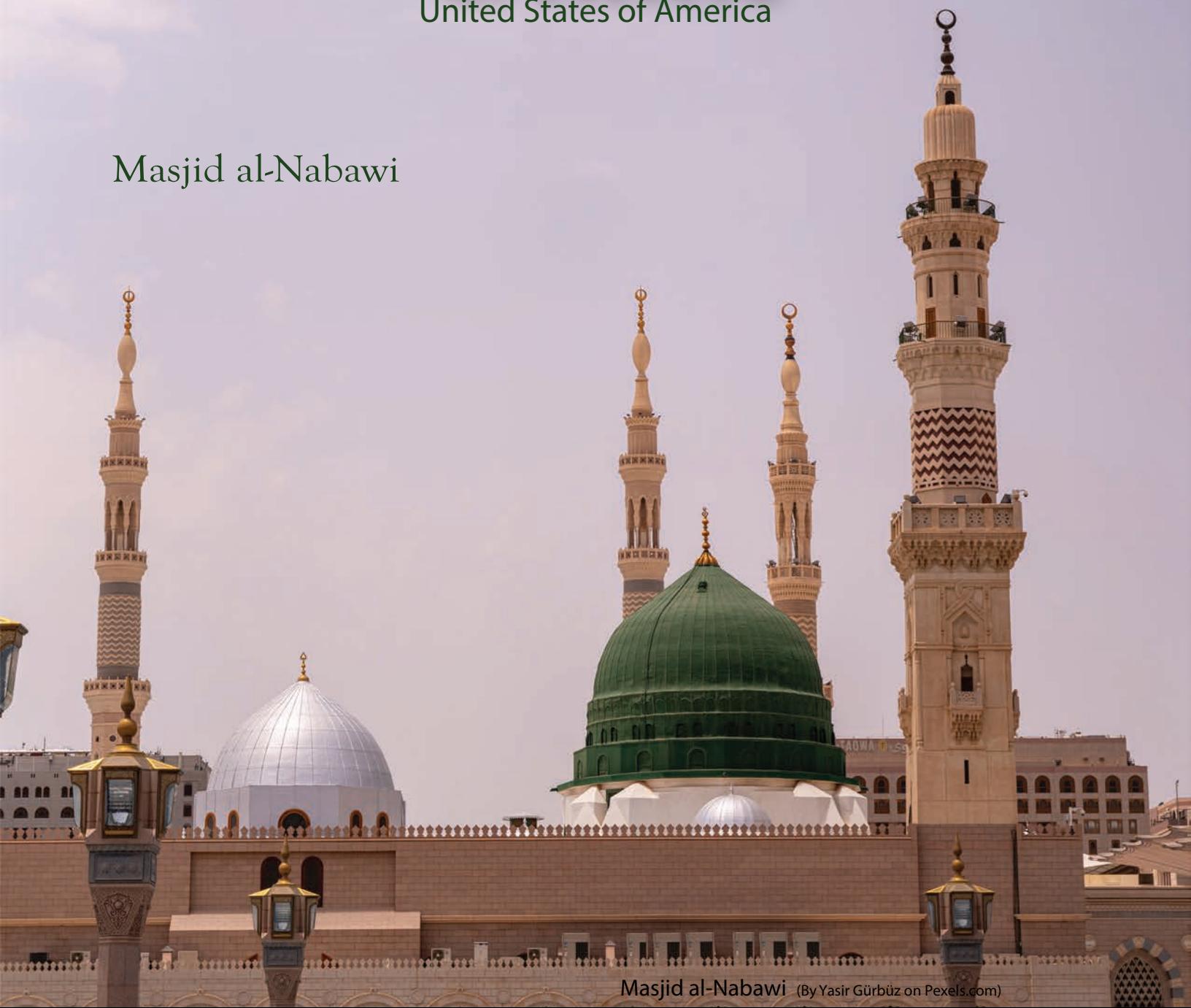
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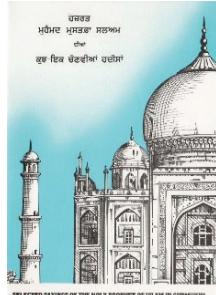
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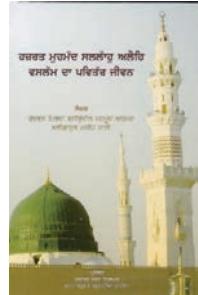
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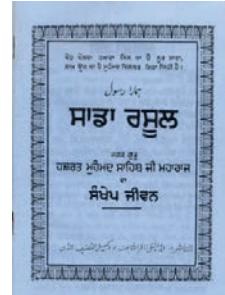
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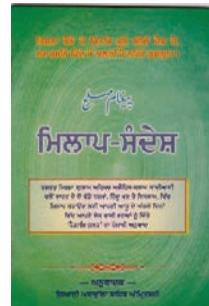
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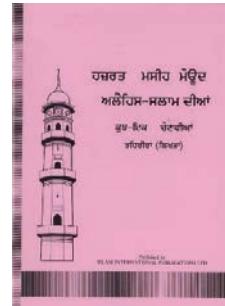
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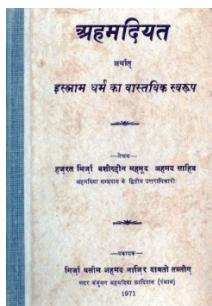
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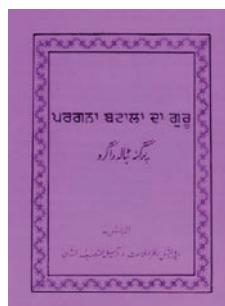
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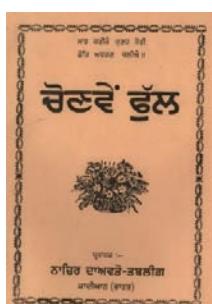
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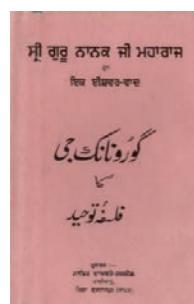
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s.a./s:	Şallallahu 'Alaihi Wa Sallam (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
a.s./a:	'Alaih-is-Salām
r.a.:	Rađiyallāhu 'Anhu/'Anha (may Allah be pleased with him/her)
r.h.:	Raḥimahullāhu Ta'ālā (may Allah shower His mercy on him)
a.b.a.:	Ayyadahullāhu Ta'ālā Bi-Naṣrihil-'Azīz (may Allah support him with His mighty help)

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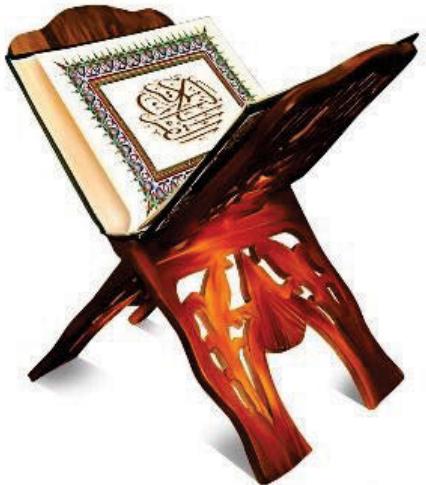
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Praying for Blessings on the Holy Prophet of Allah

Guidance from the Holy Qur'an

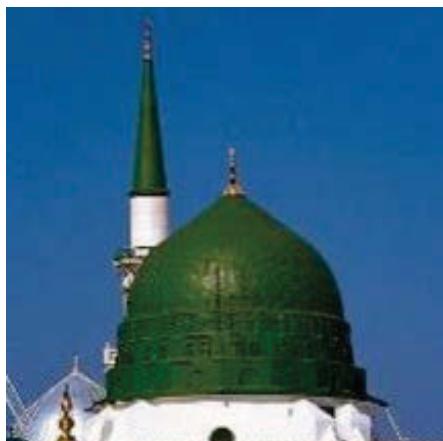


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"Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you *also* invoke blessings on *him* and salute him with the salutation of peace." (33[Al-Ahzab]: 57) [English translation of the Holy Qur'an by Maulawi Sher Ali]

Commentary: The sending down of blessings by Allah and His angels upon the Holy Prophet signifies that those who seek to retard the progress of his cause by slandering him and bringing false accusations against him live in a fool's paradise. By their nefarious activities they can do him no harm. His cause will continue to progress and prosper because God and His angels bless it. (The Holy Quran with English Translation and Commentary (a.k.a. Five-Volume Commentary), Commentary on 33[Al-Ahzab]: 57)

Guidance from the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him



عَنْ أَبِي هُرَيْرَةَ، أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ "مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يُسَلِّمُ عَلَى إِلَّا
رَدَّ اللَّهُ عَلَى رُوحِي حَتَّى أُرْدَ عَلَيْهِ السَّلَامَ"

Abu Huraira reported Allah's messenger as stating that if anyone invokes peace on me, Allah will return my soul to respond. (Sunan Abi Dawud 2041, Book on Manasik, Chapter Ziarat Al-Qaboor, Translated to English by the Editor)

عَنْ عَلَيِّ بْنِ أَبِي طَالِبٍ، قَالَ قَالَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ "الْبَخِيلُ الَّذِي
مَنْ ذُكِرَتْ عِنْدَهُ قَلْمَنْ يُضْلَلُ عَلَىَّ"

'Ali bin Abi Talib (may Allah be pleased with him) narrated that the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said:

"The miserly person is the one before whom I am mentioned, and he does not pray for me." (Mishkat al-Masabeeh 933, Book 4, Hadith 356)

عَنْ أَنَسِ، قَالَ النَّبِيُّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ "لَا يُؤْمِنُ أَحَدُكُمْ حَتَّى أَكُونَ أَحَبَّ إِلَيْهِ
مَنْ وَالِدَهُ وَوَلَدَهُ وَالنَّاسُ أَجْمَعُينَ"

Narrated Anas (may Allah be pleased with him):

The Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "None of you will have faith till he loves me more than his father, his children and all mankind." (Sahih Bukhari, the Book of Faith, Chapter: the love of the Messenger is part of faith, Hadith #15)

The Status of the Holy Prophet and Blessings of Invoking Durood

Excerpts from the books of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him



Thus, I always wonder what a sublime prophet this Arabian Prophet is, whose name is Muhammad (thousands upon thousands of blessings and peace be upon him). One cannot fathom the limit of his sublime status and it is not given to man to estimate the extent of his spiritual effectiveness. It is a pity that his rank has not been recognized as it should have been. He is the champion who restored to the world the Tauhid which had disappeared from the world; he loved God to the extreme and his soul melted to the extreme out of sympathy for mankind. Therefore, God, who knew the secret of his heart, exalted him above all the prophets and all the first ones and the last ones and bestowed upon him all that he desired within his lifetime. It is he who is the fountainhead of every grace, and anyone who claims any superiority without acknowledging his grace is not a human being but is the spawn of Satan, because he (the Holy Prophet, s.a.) has been bestowed the key to every exaltation and he has been given the treasure house of every understanding. He who does not receive through him is deprived forever. I am nothing and possess nothing. What am I and what do I amount to? I would be ungrateful if I were not to confess that I have found true Tauhid through this very Prophet. I have attained the

recognition of the Living God through this same perfect Prophet and through his light. The honor of converse and communion with God, through which I behold His countenance, has been bestowed upon me through the same Great Prophet. The rays from this Sun of Guidance fall upon me like sunshine and I continue to be illumined only so long as I am facing towards it. (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Devine Revelation, pp.137-138, Islam International Publications, UK)

One night this humble one invoked blessings on the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) to such a degree that my heart and soul were filled with its fragrance. That night I saw in my dream that angels were carrying water skins full of light into my house and one of them said to me: These are the blessings that you invoked upon Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be on him). [Barahīn-e-Ahmadiyya, Rūhānī Khazā'in Vol. 1, p. 598, sub-footnote 3, English translation from Essence of Islam, Vol. 1, p. 211]

The man who in his being and his attributes and his actions and through his spiritual and holy faculties set an example of perfection, in knowledge and action and in sincerity and steadfastness, and was called the perfect man was Muhammad [peace and blessings of Allah be on him]... The man who was most perfect as man and as Prophet, and came with full blessings, and who through a spiritual revival and resurrection manifested the first Judgement in the world and revived the dead world, that blessed Prophet, the Seal of the Prophets, the leader of the righteous ones, the pride of the Prophets, was Muhammad, the chosen one [peace and blessings of Allah be on him]. Our Lord, send down on that beloved Prophet that mercy and blessing that Thou hast not sent down on anyone since the beginning of the world. Had that grand Prophet not appeared in the world then we would have no proof of the truth of lesser Prophets like Jonah, Job, Jesus son of Mary, Malachi, John, Zechariah, etc. Though they were favorites and honored and were beloved ones of Almighty God, they are under obligation to this Prophet that they were accepted in the world as true Prophets.

O Allah, send down Thy blessings on him and on his people and on his companions, all of them. Our last word is that all praise belongs to Allah, Lord of the worlds. (Rūhānī Khazā'in, Vol. 8, Itmam-ul-Hujjah, p. 308, English translation from Essence of Islam, Vol. 1, p. 199)

New Year 2023 message from Amir Jamā'at USA



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December 31st, 2022

Dear Members Jamaat USA

Assalamo Alaikum wa Rehmatullah he wa barakatahu

I wish you a Happy New Year. May we usher in the New Year under the protection and mercy of Allah while seeking His Pleasure. May we enter the New Year with a firm resolve to affirm our faith by submitting to the will of Allah. May we enter this New Year with a renewed commitment to our pledge of Ba'it and to safeguard the institution of Khilafat. May we welcome the New Year full of gratitude towards our Creator for all His favors and blessings while striving to overcome our weaknesses and shortcomings in our obligation towards Allah. May we enter the New Year seeking His forgiveness and may we pledge to tread the path of His Pleasure and the way of His true servants.

May Allah grant you all true peace and lasting joy and happiness in the coming year and beyond. May Allah enable us to develop true love for Him and become His grateful servants. Ameen.

Wassalam.

Khaksar,

Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad

Amir Jamaat USA

Summaries of Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalīfatul-Masīḥ V

December 2022

May Allah support him with His mighty help

2 December 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said that Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him) was the beloved of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and was considered best among all people. The Companions unanimously agreed that after the Holy Prophet, Hazrat Abu Bakr was the best.

Huzoor said that Hazrat Abu Bakr narrated that whilst he was in the cave along with the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), he

9 December 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V continued describing incidents from the life of Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him).

Huzoor said that Hazrat Abu Bakr was the pinnacle

16 December 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said that many people ask him regarding prayer. It seems that there are organized attacks against God by atheists. Huzoor outlined principles of prayers and urged Jamā'at members to be

23 December 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V addressed the Jalsa Salana Qadian for the year 2022 and the annual conventions of many African countries over MTA.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih outlined the reasons for

30 December 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said that he shall describe some additional details of some companions who took part in battle of Badr. Today, Huzoor mentioned Hazrat Hamzah (may Allah be pleased with him).

Hazrat Hamzah was the uncle of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). The Holy Prophet loved his name. He was flag bearer in various expeditions. He was martyred in the battle of Uhud, for which the Holy Prophet had been foretold. The Holy Prophet and his family displayed exemplary patience upon the martyrdom of Hazrat Hamzah.

Huzoor said that the new year is starting in two days. He prayed that may Allah the Almighty bestow His

expressed that if the disbelieving people of Mecca who had followed them looked down at the mouth of the cave, they would surely see them. However, the Holy Prophet asked him, 'What do you think about two people with whom the third is Allah?' It was thus that Hazrat Abu Bakr also had the title of 'One of the Two' (Thani Ithnain).

Huzoor also described views of the Western historians about Hazrat Abu Bakr.

of truthfulness and piety. He was a man who had immense love and devotion for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). He was the only one who was given the title of Siddiq (Truthful).

humble and steadfast. One must pray in times of comfort as well as in distress. Huzoor described in detail the etiquette of prayers giving examples from the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him).

establishing the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community by the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). He stated that along with faith and belief, righteous deeds must be performed.

blessings with the coming of this new year. May this new year be blessed for the Community. May all plots and ploys of the enemy be foiled. May Ahmadis all across the world fulfil the purpose of their lives more than ever before.

Huzoor enjoined prayers for the world; may Allah save the world from war. The world's conditions continue to deteriorate and the world stands on the precipice of destruction. He also prayed for all those Ahmadis who are enduring injustices; may Allah the Almighty keep all members of the Community safe from injustice and cruelty in the new year.

Full original text of Friday Sermons by the Caliphs of Ahmadiyya Islam is available in print in Al-Fazl International, Al-Fazl Rabwah and Badr. These publications are also available online at alislam.org under periodicals. Translations and summaries of Friday Sermons are available in various languages on alislam.org under Friday Sermons. Weekly Al-Fazl International (Urdu) can be subscribed at amibookstore.us.

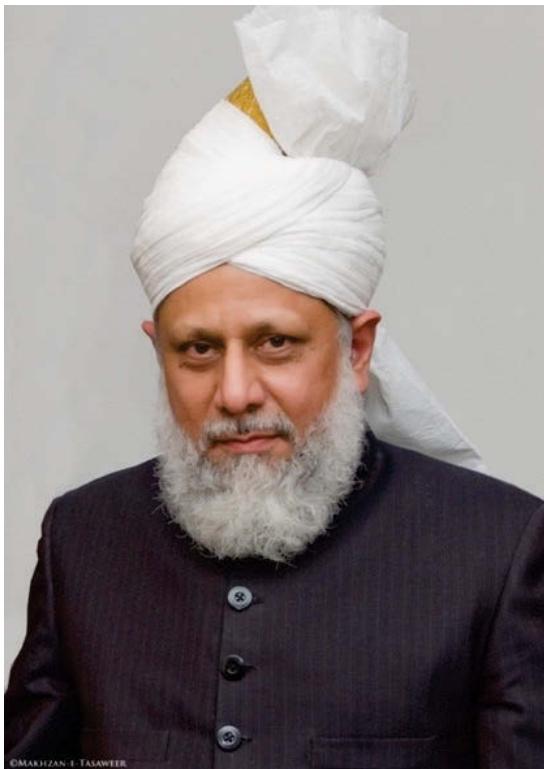
The Essence of Invoking Blessings on the Holy Prophet

May peace and blessings of Allah be upon him

Summary of Friday Sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, may Allah be his helper

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



This verse elucidates that God and His angels send blessings and salutations on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Thus, those who employ various tactics to impede or lessen the advancement of this Prophet will never succeed. Those who make wrong allegations against him and ridicule him presume they can succeed. Their conspiracies cannot harm this beloved of God in any way at all. With the grace of God attainment of the objective for which the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) was sent will continue to come to pass. Indeed, in this age God sent the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) for this attainment and opened new avenues to spread the beautiful teachings of Islam.

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) was sent for all ages and all nations by God and for this He is facilitating ways and means through His grace. Neither did the Prophet's opponent succeed in the past nor will they now. This is God's decree and a true Muslim should not be concerned about this at all. However, true

Muslims should be cognizant of the task given to them which is to profusely invoke Durood (salutations and blessings) on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) to exalt him just as God and His angels do. To join those who advance the causes of the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and along with God and His angels invoke Durood on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). People calling themselves Muslim recently attacked the offices of a publication in France and killed 12 people. This was briefly mentioned in last Friday sermon and Ahmadis were urged to invoke Darood. Triumph of Islam will not be through murder and mayhem, rather we will succeed in our objective by invoking Durood on the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). It was also mentioned that [the publication] could wrongly react to the attack and this was to be expected of them. They have printed caricatures once again which have caused us hurt yet again as indeed, they would hurt any true Muslim. Whatever this publication, called Charlie Hebdo, did a few years ago had been forgotten but the act of those called Muslims ignited it once more. In the past many western leaders had criticized the publication and many governments did not allow reproducing whatever it printed. However, after last week's attacks many sensible leaders have supported it and various sources have helped it with millions of dollars. Its regular circulation was 60,000 and it was on the verge of closing down. Yet, due to people called Muslims five million copies of the magazine are now published. People estimate the publication has been given a new lease of life of further ten to twelve years whereas it may not have lasted six months.

Those who attacked the offices of this magazine not only fanned wrongful image of the teachings of Islam but also resurrected a dead enemy. If only Muslim organizations which perpetrate atrocities in the name of Islam understood that the loving teaching of Islam will bring people sooner into the fold of Islam. Worldly people are blind to faith. Let alone the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) they even mock God. If we respond to ignorance with ignorance, we would be committing greater ignorance. God commands to remove oneself from such situations. Socializing with such people or to concur with them makes us sinful but

if we respond to their wrong actions with wrong actions and they end up degrading our Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), this also makes us party to their sin. True Muslims should avoid such practices and leave everything with God Who has stated that when everyone will return to Him, they will bear the consequences of such actions. In this age the enemy of Islam harms Islam and the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) not with force but with such petty ploys. By stating that God and His angels send blessings on the Prophet the principle is explained that these ploys cannot harm the status of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in the least. Rather than react with similar ignorance true Muslims invoke blessings and salutations on the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

People who did not think much of this vulgar publication are now supporting it in the name of freedom of speech. However, there are some fair-minded people who did not like the vulgar depictions and have held the management of the magazine responsible. A co-founder of Charlie Hebdo named Henri Roussel has said that images published by the magazine were provocative and its editor dragged the team to death. He has said that this was contrary to their basic policy.

Pope has also given a very good statement. He said freedom of speech has limits and religions should be treated with respect so that people's faiths were not insulted or ridiculed. To illustrate his point Pope said his close friend who organizes his tours could expect a punch if he cursed his mother. Indeed, Pope has given a very realistic statement. Muslims should have sense and not react inappropriately.

The media is most influential all over the world and plays a role in igniting a given situation and well as diffusing it. After this incident for the first-time media approached us and asked Jamā'at Ahmadiyya's views here in the UK and also in other places. We told them this was an un-Islamic act and we expressed our commiseration but we maintained that freedom of speech should have limits otherwise those who inflame others' sentiments are responsible. Here in the UK Jamā'at members appeared on SKY News, News 5, BBC Radio, LBC, BBC Leeds and London Live and in USA on Fox TV and CNN. Canadian newspapers also covered our views as did media in Greece, Ireland, France and various papers in USA. Many interviews were carried out in television studios to convey the true Islamic stance. Here Ameer Sahib as well as Imam Sahib Ata ul Rashed were interviewed on television. In USA, Canada and France our representatives appeared on television and papers carried articles written by Ahmadis. Our teams did a good job of discharging their duties everywhere. A Canadian journalist wrote what could be the reason that

in spite of being a small sect of Islam Ahmadiyya have been represented so much in the media and conveyed the real teaching of Islam. It is indeed God's decree that the Jamā'at of the true and ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is to convey the true teaching of Islam to the world. It is our responsibility and every Ahmadi should convey the message within their own sphere that wrong reactions only produce disorder and the global situation will be inflamed spreading all over. Neither people should be provoked by wrong reactions nor should God's chastisement be called on through them.

Ahmadis have to tread the line of: '...O ye who believe! you also invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace.' True believers should try their utmost to abide by this. Just as insight increases, understanding of the wisdom behind matters is attained. It is also Islam's teaching to attain knowledge. When the insight to abide by God's commandments is attained practice also improves.

In Ahadith the benefits of invoking Durood are mentioned under various narrations:

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: On the Day of Judgement the person who sends the most blessings on me will be closest to me.

He also said: On the Day of Judgement at each dreadful phase of the Day, that person will be closest to me who would have sent the most blessings on me in the world.

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that the Durood of God and His angels was sufficient for him. The practice of invoking Durood is only an opportunity given by God to true believers to garner merit for themselves.

Once a man came in the presence of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and offered Salat and then prayed: 'O God forgive me and have mercy on me. The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said to him that he had been a little hasty. He should have instead glorified and praised God, invoked Durood on the Prophet and then supplicated God.

The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said when you listen to the voice of the muezzin calling for Prayer repeat his words and then invoke Durood on me. The person who invokes Durood has ten-fold blessings from God. The Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) also said seek mediation for me as this is a status from among the ranks of Paradise and will only be granted to one servant of God and I have hope that it will be me. Intersession will be halal for whoever will seek mediation for me.

Hazrat 'Umar (may Allah be pleased with him) said

that prayer is suspended between the earth and the heavens and unless Durood is invoked on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), no part of the prayer goes upwards.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) laid great emphasis on invoking Durood. Advising one of his followers he said stay focused in invoking Durood and seek blessings for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) with the sincerity and discernment with which one seeks blessings for a dear one. Seek with great humility and there should be no pretense in this humility and prayer. Rather pray for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) with the spirit of true friendship and love. Seek those blessings with sincere heart and soul for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) which are inherent in Durood. It is a sign of personal love that one never tires, is not disheartened and invokes Durood with no involvement of vested interests and only recites it for Divine blessings for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) also said although the Holy Prophet is not in need of anyone's prayers but there is a very profound reason behind invoking Durood. A person who seeks blessings for another owing to personal love becomes a part of them. The beneficence granted to the person for whom blessings are sought is also granted to the person seeking blessings. And because God's beneficences on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) are boundless anyone who invokes Durood on him owing to personal love gets a measure of the boundless blessings. However, very few instances of such spiritual fervor and personal love can be seen.

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) wrote: Observe the sincerity and faithfulness of our Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in how he dealt with every evil scheme. He endured all kind of difficulties and hardships but remained sanguine. It was owing to this sincerity and faithfulness that Allah the Exalted blessed him and stated: 'Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. O ye who believe! you also invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace.' This verse clearly shows that such were the practices of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) that Allah the Exalted did not use any special word to praise them or to condense his qualities. Words could be found but were not employed. That is, his blessed practice was far above condensation. No verse of this kind has been used for the glory of any other Prophet. So sincere and pure was his soul and his practices were so cherished in the sight of God that Allah the Exalted commanded for the rest of time that people should invoke Durood on him by way of

gratefulness.' (Report Jalsa Salana pp. 50-51 – Tafsir by Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah, Vol. III, p. 730)

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said: It became essential to recite Durood in every Salat to enhance love for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and to renew it. He also said: 'Durood is a great source of attaining steadfastness. Recite Durood abundantly, not as a ritual or mere habit but while keeping in view the grace and bounties of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Recite it to elevate his station and for his success. As a result of this you will attain the sweet and delicious fruit of acceptance of prayer.'

The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) also said: 'How blessed is this era that merely with His grace, Allah the Exalted has willed the blessed objective for the manifestation of the greatness of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) during these tumultuous days; has arranged for the triumph of Islam from the Divine and established a mission. I would like to ask those people who have compassion for Islam and who have respect and consideration for it in their hearts that can they say that there has been a time worse than this in which this such abuse and disrespect of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) taken place and the Holy Qur'an been so blasphemed? I am then deeply saddened and distressed by the condition of the Muslims and at times I get anxious with this grief that there remains not even enough feeling in them to sense this disgrace. Did Allah the Exalted not regard any honor for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in that would He not have established a Divine mission on this extent of abuse to silence these opponents of Islam and to spread his greatness and purity in the world. In the event that Allah the Exalted and His angels invoke blessings and salutations on the Holy Prophet, how essential it is to manifest these salutations at this time of abuse and Allah the Exalted has manifested this in the shape of this mission.' (The Blessed Model of the Holy Prophet and the Caricatures by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V, pp. 85-86)

Writing to one of his followers the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) advised to be profoundly aware that every action is free of being a ritual or force of habit and is instead done with gushing and heart-felt love. For example, Durood should not be recited in the parrot-like fashion that people generally do. They neither have absolute sincerity for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) nor do they seek blessings for him from God. Rather, it should be one's creed when reciting Durood that love of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) reaches

the level where one's heart would not even suggest to have the same degree of love for another from the start of time till the end or consider that a person could come in the future who could surpass such love. This creed can be established by being prepared to endure all imaginable difficulties with sincerity of heart for his love just as those who loved the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) endured difficulties out of his love in the past. The heart should not be deterred to endure any imaginable or conceivable hardship and there should be no conceivable commandment from which one would hesitate. One should not have the same love for any other in creation. Once this creed is established Durood should be recited with the objective of invoking God's complete blessings on His Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). The Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said this should be carried out with utmost focus and concentration just like when one prays with concentration when faced with difficulties. In fact, one should recite Durood with even greater humility and tenderness and this should have no element of personal fulfilment and one should purely recite Durood to invoke salutations and blessings on the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and for his grandeur to illumine in this world and in the Hereafter. Explaining how to identify that one has attained required focus and concentration during Durood the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said one sign is that one often weeps during it and feels its impact in the fiber of one's being and experiences a state in between wakefulness and sleep.

Writing to one of his followers the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) said: Keep engaged in Tahajjud Prayer and commonly repeated Prayers. There are many blessings in Tahajjud. Idleness is worthless. An idle and laid-back [person] carries no weight. God Almighty says: 'As for those who strive in Our path – We will surely guide them in Our ways...' (29:70) The preferred Durood is, which was uttered by the blessed tongue of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and that is:

O Allah, Bless Muhammad and the people of Muhammad as You did bless Abraham and the people of Abraham. You are indeed the Praiseworthy, the Glorious.

O Allah, Prosper Muhammad and the people of Muhammad as You did prosper Abraham and the people of Abraham. You are indeed the Praiseworthy, the Glorious.

The words said by a pious person certainly have a lot of blessings in them. It should, there, be understood how blessed would be the words uttered by one who is chief of the righteous and the commander of the Prophets. In short from all the versions of Durood this one is the most blessed one. This is the chant of this humble person and

it is not important to restrict it to any amount. [It] should be recited with sincerity, love and humility and should be recited until such time that one develops a state of tender-heartedness, is entranced and inspired, feels deep conviction, and discernment in the breast.' (Maktoobat-e-Ahmadiyya Vol. I, pp. 17 – 18 - The Blessed Model of the Holy Prophet and the Caricatures by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V, pp. 79-80)

Hazrat Muslih Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him) gave the following perspective about invoking Durood which Huzoor likes a lot.

'When we pray for others, in a way, our prayer also becomes a source of elevation of our station. While our recitation of Durood elevates the station of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) it also increases our station and blessings reach him and then through him also reach us. For example, when something is placed in a sieve it passes through it and cascades down. Similarly, God has made the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) like a sieve for the Ummah. First God grants blessings to him and then those blessings also reach us through his agency. As a result of us invoking Durood God elevates the station of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and certainly God also tells the Holy Prophet that this gift is from such and such believer. This inspires the Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) to pray for us and because of his prayer God grants us a measure of His blessings.'

Personally, speaking when I go to the graveside of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) for prayer my way is that I first pray for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and after this I pray for the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace). I then pray, O God, I do not have anything that I could present as a gift to these holy persons. Whatever I have is of no benefit to them. And You have everything, therefore I pray and beseech You to do me a favor and give them a gift in Paradise that they have never received in Paradise before. On this they would definitely ask O Allah! From whom has this gift come? When God informs them who has sent the gift, they pray for the person and thus the person's station is elevated. It is proven from the Holy Qur'an and Ahadith ...no one can deny that prayers are certainly beneficial to the deceased.

The Holy Qur'an has stated: '...greet ye with a better prayer...' (4:87) and drawn our attention that when someone gifts you reciprocate with a better gift or at least a similar gift. According to this verse of the Holy Qur'an when we pray for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) or the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) and invoke Durood and salutations on them, as a result of our prayer and on behalf of us God would give them a gift. We do not know what the

bounties of Paradise are but God is well aware of them. When we pray O' God! Grant a gift to the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) which he has not received before it is a given that when that gift is given to him from God, he is also informed who it is from. How can it be that after knowing this he does nothing and does not pray for the person who has sent the gift! His soul bows before God saying O God, grant them good recompose on our behalf. Thus, according to '...greet ye with a better prayer...' the prayer will be reverted to the person invoking Durood and will be a source of elevation of his station. This is a means through which without committing anything idolatrous we can avail benefit on a personal as well as a communal/national level.'

Huzoor also explained the distinction of the two parts of Durood. In the first part words (O اللہ صلی علی (O Allah, bless...) are recited. According to lexicon صلی denotes esteem and signifies: O Allah, elevate the name of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in this world and give success and triumph to his message. Grant him greatness through permanence and perpetuation of his Shariah. Grant him greatness in the Hereafter through accepting his intercession for his

Ummah and increasing their reward and recompose manifold.

In the second part words (O Allah, prosper...) are recited. They signify: O Allah, establish all the respect, greatness, great glory and holiness that You have destined for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and grant it eternity and perpetuity.

In summary in اللہم صلی علی the Prayer is for the triumph and perpetuation of his Shariah and for the Ummah to receive the beneficence of his intercession.

In اللہم بارک علی the Prayer is for the eternalness of his honor, greatness, glory and holiness.

May God enable us to recite Durood in the true sense and may we attain nearness of God due to it as well as always increase our love for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and may we always expend our capacities in spreading his Shariah. May we always play a positive role in removing disorder from the world according to his teachings! May God always enable us to do so! (www.alislam.org/Summary of Friday-Sermon/16 January 2015/)

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Khilafat News

Live up to the Pledge of Bai'at

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V addresses Concluding Session of Jalsa Salana Qadian 2022 from Masroor Hall, Islamabad, UK



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Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V addressed concluding session of 127th Jalsa Salana Qadian 2022 on 25 December 2022 from Masroor Hall, Islamabad, UK. The address was simultaneously relayed via MTA to annual

conventions of Nigeria, Ivory Coast, Guinea-Bissau, Guinee-Conakry, Togo, Burkina Faso, Mali and Zimbabwe.



Huzoor (may Allah be his helper) then narrated some of the history of Jalsa Salana, especially shedding light on the very first Jalsas that took place during the life of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him). The objective of those Jalsas was to “progress in religious, spiritual and moral pursuits.” It was with these objectives in mind that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community held its conventions across the world. It was a sign of Allah’s help and support for the Promised Messiah that the Jalsa Salana which started with humble beginnings had become an ever-progressing global phenomenon. Those who raised questions were blind to the truth, otherwise, this alone should be enough for them to prove how Allah the Almighty was supporting and blessing the mission of the Promised Messiah.

Huzoor then brought home the point and asked, “What are our duties after having witnessed these blessings? We have gathered together for the Jalsa Salana and people all around the world are listening to this Jalsa Salana. They are observing the scenes. However, in order to continue to partake of the blessings of Allah the Exalted, we will also have to fulfil our duties. We have made a promise and a pledge of Bai’at with the Promised Messiahs by joining the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. We are duty-bound to fulfil that pledge. In order to do this, we will have to bring about pious changes in us.”

Drawing the attention of Ahmadis around the globe to some of the objectives of Bai’at — especially focusing on the second condition Bai’at. If we mold our lives according to this, we will witness a revolution taking place in our lives and in the world at large.”

Huzoor said:

“The second condition of the Bai’at is, ‘That he/she shall keep away from falsehood, fornication/adultery, trespasses of the eye, debauchery, dissipation, cruelty, dishonesty, mischief and rebellion; and that he/she will not

permit himself/herself to be carried away by passions, however strong they might be.’ The Promised Messiahs has mentioned nine evils in this and has drawn our attention towards them. When one abandons and shuns these nine evils, one is able to progress in spirituality,”

Huzoor outlined the details of these evils one by one.

With regard to the centenary of Lajna Ima’illah, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V said,

“Today, a hundred years have passed since the establishment of Lajna Ima’illah as an auxiliary organization of the Community. Lajna [members] should remember to undertake an analysis to see as to what extent they have brought about a pious transformation within themselves, done justice to the pledge of Bai’at, made efforts in this regard, and to what extent they helped their children and progeny to understand and accept the claims of the Promised Messiahs. If we have brought up our children in this manner, then certainly, the members of Lajna Ima’illah are grateful servants of Allah the Exalted. Thus, it is necessary to make these assessments today. Then, wherever there are shortcomings, you should make a firm resolve that, ‘We shall enter the next century of Lajna Ima’illah with this resolution that we shall mold our offspring to become such that they do justice to their pledge of Bai’at.’ May Allah enable all to do so.”



In the end, Huzoor announced that about 14,500 attendees were present in the Jalsa gah of Qadian, India and 37 countries were represented there. Huzoor prayed for all the attendees of Jalsa Salana Qadian, and those of other Jalsas around the world, before leading everyone in silent prayer. (Adapted from report prepared by Al Hakam)

Utilize your education to influence your children

Students from Lajna Imā'illāh Belgium meet Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V



Ahmadi students from Lajna Imā'illāh Belgium virtually met Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V, may Allah be his Helper, on 11 December 2022. Huzoor gave students opportunity to ask any questions. Huzoor answered all questions asked by the students. Students mainly asked about Salat, food wastage and bringing up children.

Huzoor said: “The total food and sustenance in the world today could easily feed every person on the planet. The world has now become a global village and extremely high amounts of food are wasted, especially in Europe, etc. If this food is sent to African countries with honesty – there are no vested interests involved – then a huge amount of world hunger can be alleviated. Therefore, if we share our food, then the sustenance Allah has created for us, if distributed effectively, will mean that no one will die [of hunger].”

A student said she was a waqif-e-Nau and also married, and she wanted advice from Huzoor on how to balance all three things in an Islamic manner. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V advised: ““As you are married, you should fulfil the rights of the home. If you have children, then bring them up in a good manner and the first task of a waqif-e-Nau is to do the tarbiyat of their children and make them good and pious Ahmadis so that they can become beneficial assets for the Jamā'at. However, the

roles that women have are essential to fulfil as well. Women have the role of taking care of the household, bringing up their children; this is important too.” Huzoor said these tasks had primary importance, and other work and studies came after. “Try to use your education for the betterment of your children, not just for earning money.”

A student said that her non-Ahmadi Muslim friend had created a YouTube channel on which she had uploaded videos of herself dancing. She asked Huzoor how she could persuade her friend that this was not Islamic. Huzoor said:

“If she is a Muslim, tell her it does not behoove a Muslim to do such a thing. Allah, in the Holy Quran, instructs mature girls and women to cover themselves in hijab, they should have modesty. The Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: “Modesty is part of faith.” So, if they have true faith as Muslims, they should keep in mind that modesty is part of faith. And modesty means one should not spread inappropriate pictures amongst society because this leads to the spread of immorality. Therefore, exhort her in light of the Holy Quran and Hadith, and she should rectify herself.” However, if she did not correct herself, then they should no longer be friends. (Adapted from Al-Hakam, 16 December 2022, pp. 1-3)

International News of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Netherlands launch a new 24/7 Islamic Radio Station—De Stem van de Islam Light FM



On 18 December 2022, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Netherlands launched its new 24/7 radio station, “De Stem van de Islam Light FM,” which will educate the public in the Netherlands about Islam. The launch started with a message from Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V, may Allah be his Helper.

The message from Huzoor was read by Amir, the Netherlands:

“I am very pleased that the web radio station ‘De Stem van de Islam Light FM’ of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamā‘at in Holland has commenced broadcasting on air in preparation for its official launch. Al-Hamdu-Lillah! This will surely serve as a means of promoting the message of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) throughout the country.”

“Allah the Almighty gave the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) the glad tidings that “I will cause thy message to reach the corners of the earth.” In this regard, radio, television and other means of media and communication have all been bestowed on us by Allah Almighty to help us disseminate the message of Islam

Ahmadiyyat.”

“Now that Radio De Stem van de Islam Light FM is officially going live, it will continually proclaim the teachings of Islam, which promote peace, harmony, love and goodwill for all mankind. Comprehensive ways and means have been granted to us by Allah the Almighty so as to enable us to spread the peaceful message of Islam and for the world to realize that Islam is a religion of peace and harmony, not a faith which promotes violence and discord.”

“It is my earnest prayer, may Allah Almighty grant you opportunity through this radio station to fulfil those aims and objectives for which the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) was sent into the world. May Allah enable you to broadcast the message of Islam throughout Holland and may it prove an excellent means of attracting sincere seekers of truth to the light of Islam Ahmadiyyat. May Allah bless you.” (Adapted from the report by Safeer Siddiqui, Missionary, the Netherlands, Alhakam.org website)

West Coast Annual Convention 2022

Ahsan Mahmood Khan, Afsar Jalsa Gah



The 35th Annual Convention of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, West Coast USA took place on 23-25 December 2022 at Baitul Hameed Mosque in Chino, California, which is situated about 30 miles east of Los Angeles. Over 1500 Ahmadi Muslims from throughout the country, but primarily the 11 chapters of the Western states, attended the annual gathering. Annual gathering of West Coast, USA first started in 1985 to cater to the many Ahmadis living in the western parts of the country but has now grown to an international event, live streamed this year on MTA to over 5600 viewers.



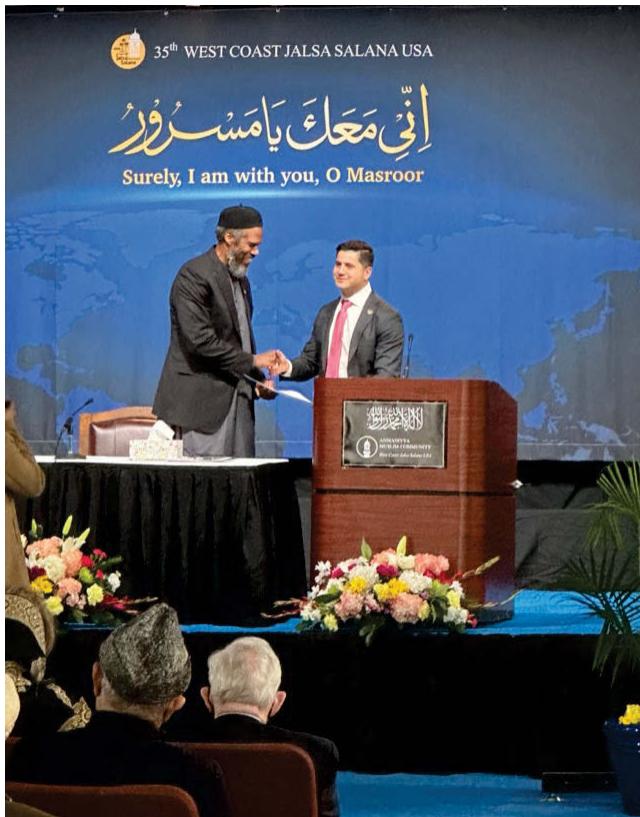
The theme of this year's convention was the Promised Messiah's (may peace be on him) revelation "I am with you, O Masroor." Highlighting common themes gleaned from the various Friday Sermons and addresses delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allah be his helper) during his recent historic tour of the United States in September and October of this year.

Dr. Sahibzada Mirza Maghoor Ahmad, Ameer Jamā'at USA, hoisted the flag (Lawa-e-Ahmadiyya) to open the convention. The opening session, presided by Dr. Hamid-ur-Rahman of Los Angeles (Naib Ameer

USA), featured a talk on the existence of God, delivered by Sabahat Ali, Missionary of Silicon Valley. Later in the evening, a special guest session was held, in which over one hundred and seventy-five guests, including faith leaders, lawmakers and community neighbors, attended. Asif Arif moderated the guest event and invited local leaders to deliver short addresses, including Eloise Reyes (California State Assemblywoman), Bill Assayli (California State Assemblyman) and Frank Garcia, the Mayor of Maywood, California. They all expressed their appreciation for the services to the society provided by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.



The keynote address was delivered by Missionary In-Charge and Naib Ameer USA Azhar Haneef, entitled “A Universal Message of Peace,” in which he highlighted the message of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih (may Allah be his helper) delivered in Dallas on 11 October 2022 warning the world of a third world war and the pathway to avert global war through promotion of peace. A print booklet of the address was provided to all guests. This was followed by a full-service sit-down dinner in a large marquee on Zahir basketball court.



Saturday morning speeches this year covered a variety of topics, including the importance of reciting and reflecting on the Holy Qur'an delivered by Sardar Anees Ahmad of Maryland; the blessed example of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in worshiping Allah delivered by Waqas Nazir of Seattle; the prayer duel between the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and John Alexander Dowie delivered by Absar Alam of Silicon Valley; and the life of Hazrat Maulawi Sher Ali (may Allah be pleased with him) delivered by Ibrahim Ahmed of Los Angeles. The combined Saturday afternoon session featured speeches themed around Khilafat, including how attachment to Khilafat protects from social evils delivered by Usman Jamil (who traveled from the middle East); and how success lies in obedience to Khilafat delivered by Salman Shaikh, Missionary of Phoenix. A speech on the Islamic concepts of reformation and forgiveness was delivered by Qudus Malik, Sadr Dar-ul-

Qada, USA.

The ladies separate session included a speech on the importance of Waṣīyyat by Dr Amtul Mujeeb; the love of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) for the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) by Maleha Awan; the Prophecy of Dowie by Nicole Williams; and obedience to Khilafat by Ramla Shabir. Sadr Lajna Ima'illah, USA Dhiya Tahira Bakr delivered the final address of the session, on emulating the wives of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) in the 21st century.

In the concluding Sunday session, Malik Tariq Mahmood, Missionary Los Angeles, delivered an Urdu address on raising children in the West, and Ehtishamul Haq Mahmood Kauser, Missionary Los Angeles, gave a speech on holding fast to the rope of Allah as an Ahmadi Muslim living far from Huzoor. Sahibzada Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Ameer Jamā'at USA, delivered an address on the Promised Messiah's (peace be on him) kindness towards all of mankind.



This year, Jalsa Salana Qadian took place on the exact same dates. The concluding address by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih (may Allah be his helper) from the United Kingdom was replayed on recording in the Jalsa Gah and on live stream to close the final session. This was a unique aspect to this year's West Coast Annual Convention and the highlight of the entire program by the Grace of Allah.

MTA USA, led by Sheheryar Ahmad and Ghaalib Khan, ran live on-site interviews, both roaming and in studio, throughout the Jalsa and the entire Jalsa was

live-streamed on YouTube and on the official Jalsa Salana website. Spanish live translation of all speeches was also provided the Spanish Desk.

Additional programs were held by the Tabligh, Waqf-e-Nau and Nau Mobayeen (new converts to Islam) departments, along with the Ahmadiyya Association of Muslim Scientists. This year an Ameen ceremony (formal recognition of the completion of the first reading of the Holy Qur'an) was conducted by the National Talim-ul-Qur'an Department in which several boys and girls participated.



This year's Annual Convention featured new additions including a large stand-alone exhibition on the existence of God hosted by The Review of Religions, called The Existence Project, and a Meet and Greet room

run by the Rishta Nata Department to facilitate introductions of families in a prearranged fashion. Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA hosted the MKA Hub where Khuddam and Atfal could enjoy games like chess, air hockey and table tennis and enjoy the onsite Cafe and a mango lassi station.

The size and comfort of the Jalsa Gah tents was enhanced this year, and a separate children's marquee was installed. Additional portable washrooms were also present. The Langar food marquee for men and women was also more spacious than prior conventions, and a new registration portal system was also debuted.

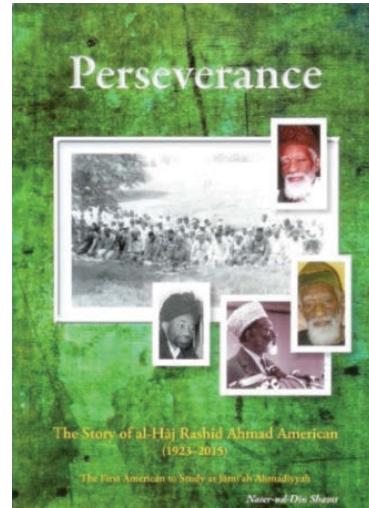
The West Coast Annual Convention returned this year after a two-year pause due to the global pandemic. Special covid precautions were maintained including a masking policy.

Naser Noor served as Afsar Jalsa Salana, Ahsan Mahmood Khan served as Afsar Jalsa Gah, and Furqan Ahmad served as Afsar Khidmat-e-Khalq.

While the rest of the country was grappling with a deep freeze on this Christmas holiday weekend, the weather in Southern California was excellent and the event was hailed a success, by the sheer Grace and Mercy of Allah, to whom all praise belongs.



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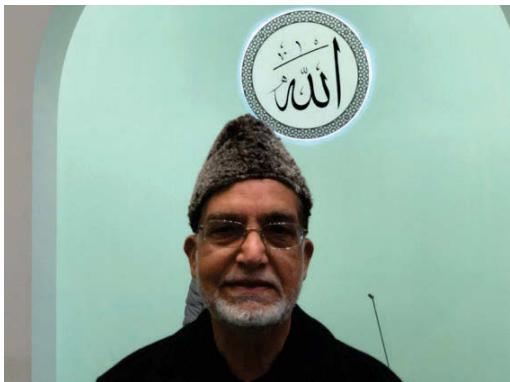


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News of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA

Kalim Ahmad Rana of Houston Jamā'at passes away



Kalim Ahmad Rana of Houston Jamā'at passed away on 10 December 2022 at the age of eighty years. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.] (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and son, Dr. Bilal Rana, National Secretary 'Umur-e-Amma.

Kalim Ahmad Rana was born in 1942 and moved to

the US in 1980. He was a chemist by profession. He was the son of Chaudhary Rashid Ahmad who served as Amir Jamā'at of Multan, Pakistan. He was the grandson of Hazrat Chaudhary Ghulam Ahmad, Advocate (may Allah be pleased with him), Amir Jamā'at Pakpattan, Pakistan and Chaudhary Chajju Khan, Amir Jamā'at Saroya, District Hoshiarpur India.

Kalim Rana served as the second President of Houston Jamā'at and remained so for a number of years for different tenures. He also served as Qaid Finance in Majlis Ansarullah USA. Most recently he had the distinction of serving as Secretary Finance of Houston Jamā'at and continued discharging his duties until his last breath.

He was a humble, staunch and steadfastly loyal servant of Jamā'at and Khilafat. May Allah Ta'ala elevate his station in heaven. Ameen. May Allah Ta'ala grant solace to all members of the bereaved family. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

Saleem Abdul Muhammin of Dallas Jamā'at passes away



Saleem Abdul Muhammin of Dallas Jamā'at passed away on 20 December 2022. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.] (Al-Baqarah 2:157)].

Saleem Abdul Muhammin was born on 5 April 1953 in Philadelphia, PA. In early 1973, he was introduced to Ahmadiyyat by the late Bilal Abdus Salam of Philadelphia. In 1978, he relocated from Philadelphia to York, PA along with his family and he was instrumental in founding the York-Harrisburg Chapter of USA Jamā'at.

He served Jamā'at in various positions for many years, including Naib Sadr of Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya in the 80's, President of the York-Harrisburg Chapter in the 90's, and as Secretary Tabligh and Nazim Ansar for the Central Pennsylvania Region. He also had the blessed opportunity to represent the USA Jamā'at at the International Bai'at during Jalsa Salana UK 2016.

He was humble and pious person and had very deep love and dedication for Khilafat and Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He is survived by his son Abdul Malik Muhammin, three daughters, Samiyya Latif, Saadia Muhammin, and Siddiqa and 7 grandchildren. May Allah Ta'ala grant him high station in Janna, and give solace and patience to the family and relatives. Ameen. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

Bushra Nasim, mother of Sajid Khan, passes away

Bushra Nasim mother of Sajid Khan, Assistant Secretary TaQWA passed away at the age of 83. Inna

Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.] (Al-Baqarah 2:157)].

She was a Musiyya. She was always known for her immense kindness, loving nature, and caring hospitality. She served as the first Local Sadr of Lajna Imā'illāh of Township Jamā'at in Lahore. Presently she was a member of Castlemore, Brampton Canada.

She was born in Amritsar, India to Choudhry Allah Baksh, a companion of Hadrat Masih Mau'ūd (may peace be on him) and Miraj Begum (Late). She was married to

Atlanta, Georgia holds Stop World War III event



The Stop World War 3 event started at 7 P.M. on 22 September 2022 with the recitation of the Holy Qur'ān. It followed by a video on introduction to the Ahmadiyya Muslim community for the benefit of our non-Ahmadi guests. Our missionary, Hammad Ahmad, gave an overview of the book "World Crisis and the Pathway to Peace" written by the worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his helper). The speech featured nine key points, derived from the book, aimed at procuring peace in the world. These points were methods that both leaders and citizens ought to inculcate in themselves for the sake of lasting peace. The points presented were:

- 1. Recognition of the Creator** - If the whole of the world were to recognize that there is but one God who has created us, it would leave aside notions of superiority based on factors like race or creed, as unity through God would be established.
- 2. Global Unity Among Nations** - Leaders of countries need to recognize the globalized society they live in, and that the happenings in one country affect another on the other side of the world.
- 3. Absolute Justice** - Countries should act with justice, both in domestic and international matters, even if it be at the detriment to their own self interests.
- 4. Reject Extremism** - Citizens should be made aware of the dangers of extremism, and should make efforts to uproot it in their communities.

Muhammad Rafiq Khan (late). She is survived by her five children, sixteen grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

May Allah rest her soul in peace. May she be given a lofty place in Heaven, and grant solace to the bereaved family, Ameen. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

- 5. Loyalty to One's Nation** - Citizens should recognize the responsibilities they owe their fellow countrymen and should work towards the betterment of their nations, and similarly leaders should remain steadfast in procuring rights for their citizens.
- 6. Nuclear Disarmament** - nuclear weapons are a threat to the long-term safety of the world, and a cause for concern for future generations, as the impacts of their usage will echo through time.
- 7. End to Weapon Profiteering** - The weapons industries that ship their weapons to terrorist groups need to be stopped, as it is their furnishings that propel the disorder in other countries.
- 8. Economic Equity and Eradicating Poverty** - That equitable means of wealth distribution should be adopted, as poverty pushes people to crime and unrest.
- 9. Service to Humanity** - A passion for serving humanity should be inculcated in citizens.



After the address of missionary, a video was shown on achievements of Humanity First, a charity organization founded by the fourth Caliph of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him). Then, our fifty attendees, including twenty non-Ahmadi guests, were treated with refreshments. Guests conversed freely till close of the event. (Report by Bilal Siddiqui and Abdul Naseer, serving as Secretary Ishaat, Atlanta)

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Detroit, MI holds Stop World War III awareness campaign



Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Michigan held "STOP WW3" Awareness Campaign on 3 December 2022 in the Rochester Hills downtown area. The campaign is part of the US wide initiative to highlight the urgent need to help stop the march of humanity towards a devastating Third World War. Through this initiative, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community invite our fellow American colleagues, neighbors, and friends to join our efforts to take humanity on a pathway to peace and study the solutions proposed by Islam.

The direction the world is moving in suggests that the dark shadow of war is being cast over a large part of the globe. If war breaks out, then countless innocent people will die, and the destruction will be greater than

was witnessed in the previous two World Wars.

By holding Stop World War 3 events nationwide, we are raising awareness of this important issue and how it can be avoided. We invite you to come and join us and help advance the cause of global justice and peace.

Although the conditions were very cold and windy in the Rochester Hills downtown; however, downtown was full of people due to the 700-year-old tradition of the open-air Christmas-Kris Kringle Market inspired by Europe. This event attracts thousands of people for its featured one-of-a-kind shopping, specialty foods, fresh greens and wreaths, and handcrafted gifts for the holidays.



The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Rochester Hills gathered at Mahmood Mosque for the Zuhra Prayers and left for the campaign after silent prayers. Eight volunteers spent almost two hours displaying the poster and banners in the heart of downtown Rochester Hills. Almost 100+ flyers along with some Jamā'at literature books were also distributed.

By the Grace of Allah, the overall program was a success. (Report by Muhammad Ahmad, Sec. Tabligh, Detroit, USA)

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Detroit hosts Rochester University students at Mahmood Mosque



The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Detroit hosted Rochester University students at Mahmood Mosque on 8 December 2022.



Professor Dr. Keith Huey along with his class of thirteen students visited Mahmood Mosque Detroit. Missionary Faran Rabbani gave an overview of Islam and Ahmadiyyat during a formal presentation and fielded questions from the students. After the formal program, students were given a tour of the facility followed by snacks. There were many questions and healthy discussions during the snacks as well. The session ended before the Isha Prayers.

Many students along with their professor stayed in the mosque to observe how the Muslim prayers are offered in congregation.(Report by Muhammad Ahmad, Secretary Tabligh, Detroit, USA)

Students from St. Thomas University visit Bait-un-Naseer Mosque

Students from St. Thomas University visit Bait-un-Naseer Mosque on 10 November 2022.





Haroon and Aisha Ahmad of Corona, CA are blessed with a boy

Mr. Haroon and Aisha Ahmad of Riverside Halqa, Corona, CA are blessed with a boy "Arqam Ahmad" on 8 December 2022. He is grandson of Late Mirza Muhammad Aslam and Husn Ara Begum. His maternal grand parents are Mr. Aziz and Mobashra Ahmad. His father Haroon Ahmad is serving Los Angeles Jamā'at as Additional Secretary Finance.

May Arqam be the delight of his parents' eyes, and may Allah bless him with a happy, healthy, and

successful life, Ameen. May he grow up to be a pious and devoted servant of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya and Khilafat. We humbly request the Jamā'at to pray for the newborn, and for the rest of our family also. May Allah grant his parents wisdom and strength to raise their children according to the desires and wishes of our beloved Imam Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (Ayyadahullāhu Ta'ala Benasrehil Aziz), Ameen. (Report Naser Noor, President of Los Angeles Jamā'at.)

Ali Ahmad and Sanam Ghazal Ahmad are blessed with their first child "Arzu Ali Ahmad"

We are requesting prayers, from the community, that may Arzu grow to be pious, intelligent, and beautiful inside and out." May Allah bless the arrival dear Arzu for Ali, Ghazal and their families Ameen.

May Allah guide both parents to raise their daughter according to wishes and desires of our beloved Imam Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (Ayyadahullāhu Ta'ala Benasrehil Aziz), Ameen. (Report Naser Noor, President of Los Angeles Jamā'at.)

Martin Luther King, Jr.



Martin Luther King, Jr. was born on 15 January 1929. He was an American pastor, activist, humanitarian, and leader in the Civil Rights Movement. He was best known for improving civil rights by using nonviolent civil disobedience, based on his Christian beliefs. Because he was both a Ph.D. and a

pastor, King is sometimes called the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. (abbreviation: the Rev. Dr. King), or just Dr King. He is also known by his initials MLK. He was the pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia.

King worked hard to make people understand that not only black people but that all races should always be treated equally to white people. He gave speeches to encourage African Americans to protest without using violence.

Led by Dr. King and others, many African Americans used nonviolent, peaceful strategies to fight for their civil rights. These

strategies included sit-ins, boycotts, and protest marches. Often, they were attacked by white police officers or people who did not want African-Americans to have more rights. However, no matter how badly they were attacked, Dr. King and his followers never fought back.

King also helped to organize the 1963 March on Washington, where he delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech. The next year, he won the Nobel Peace Prize.

King fought for equal rights from the start of the Montgomery Bus Boycott in 1955 until he was murdered by James Earl Ray on 4 April 1968. (From Wikipedia)

Christmas Celebrations & Islamic Viewpoint

Missionary Shamshad Ahmad Nasir, Manassas VA

Christmas is an annual festival observed on December 25th commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ (peace be upon him). As billions of people in the United States and around the world are getting ready to celebrate Christmas. The question arises: "Why do Muslims not celebrate Christmas?" As an Ahmadi Muslim, who believes that the prophecy of Christ's second coming has been fulfilled in the person of His Holiness, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian, India, I would try to answer this question.

Most Christians celebrate Christmas, believing it to be the birthday of Jesus (peace be upon him). Do we know that Jesus was born on December 25th? Is there a consensus among historians about this date? Do the religious scriptures support this birth date?

According to Bible: "She gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger because there was no guest room available for them. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. Today in the town of David, a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." (Luke 2:7-8 &11) [Biblia by Logos, King James Version]

Qur'an describes the birth of Jesus in Surah Maryam: "So, she conceived him, and withdrew with him to a remote place. And the pains of childbirth drove her unto the trunk of a palm-tree. She said, 'O! would that I had died before this and had become a thing quite forgotten!' Then he called her from beneath her, *saying*, 'Grieve not. Thy Lord has placed a rivulet below thee; And shake towards thyself the trunk of the palm-tree; it will cause fresh ripe dates to fall upon thee.' (Chapter 19, verses 23-26) [English translation by Maulawi Sher Ali]

The above verses place the time of Jesus's birth between July to October, as that is the time dates ripen in the Judaic region. It is unimaginable to think of Mary giving birth to a baby out in the open, and the newborn has survived the frigid winter nights of December in that area.

Many Christians can't reconcile with how Muslims

claim to accept Jesus (peace be upon him) and not celebrate his birthday. Muslim adore Jesus (peace be upon him) and believe him to be a chosen prophet of God. Jesus is the most mentioned person in the Qur'an. In fact, Jesus is mentioned by name or title twenty-five times. Maryam (Mary) is also revered in Islam, and her name is mentioned in the Qur'an thirty-four times. A complete Chapter (Surah Maryam) is dedicated to Hazrat Maryam (peace be on her).

Ahmadi Muslims do not celebrate birthdays because it is not an Islamic tradition. Muslims do not celebrate the birthday of any prophet. Moreover, Christmas is a Christian religious festival. As Christians do not celebrate Eid (Islamic religious festival) or Diwali (Hindu religious festival), it would be unwise to expect the followers of other religions to celebrate a Christian religious festival.

Even the Gospels do not mention the date of Jesus' birth, and Christmas only became popular in 800 CE, when Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the Roman Empire on Christmas Day. (The Origins of Christmas: Pagan Rites, Drunken Revels, and More, by Eve Watling on 12/24/18 in Newsweek magazine).

The extravagant amounts spent on Christmas by Christians and Muslims on Eid-ul-Fitr can be best spent on helping the poor and needy. This conforms to the religious teachings and spirit of Islam. By discharging our responsibilities to humanity, we seek God's pleasure and contribute to the world's peace.

I call upon the Christian world to emulate the teachings of Jesus (peace be upon him). By acting upon his teachings, the Christian nations will contribute to the world's peace.

One of Jesus' teachings relevant to peace is:

"You will love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I say to you love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." (Matt. 5:43-44)

Today when the Christian world is getting ready to celebrate Christmas around the world, I wish them peace and blessings.

USA Jamā'at Calendar 2023

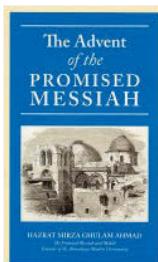
Date/Day/Time	Event	Local/Region/National	Venue
1 Jan, Sun	New Year's Day .....	.....	Federal Holiday
7-8 Jan-Sat-Sun	Local/Auxiliary Activities, Reviews 2022 & Plans 2023	Local/ Auxiliary/Jamā'at	
8 Jan, Sun [3 PM EST]	An Overview of Jamā'at Financial System	National Finance Dept.	Webinar
8 Jan, Sun [8 PM EST]	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar
10-20 Jan-Tue-Fri.....	Ashara Waṣīyyat.....	National Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
13-15 Jan-Fri-Sun	Ansar Leadership Conference Aux National Majlis Ansarullah	Baitul Ikram Dallas	
14 Jan-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
16 Jan, Mon	Martin Luther King Jr Day—Long Weekend .....	.....	Federal Holiday
21 Jan-Sat	9th Annual USA Qur'ān & Science Symposium AAMS	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD	
22 Jan Sun	Seerat-un-Nabi Day	Regional	Jama'at
28 Jan-Sat	Waqf-e-Nau Career Expo-National	National Waqf-e-Nau Dept	In-Person / Virtual
29 Jan, Sun,.....	Public Affairs Seminar National Umur Khārijīyya Dept	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD	
1-10 Feb-Wed-Fri.....	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
4-5 Feb, Sat-Sun.....	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/Auxiliary	Jamā'at
11 Feb-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
12 Feb Sun	President's Refresher Course	National Jamā'at.....	GS Office Zoom
12 Feb-Sun 8 PM EST	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	Tarbiyat Department	Webinar
17-19 Feb-Fri-Sun	Masroor International Sports Tournament..	Sports Dept	New York
18 Feb Sat	Jami'a Inspiration and Orientation Camp ... Waqf-e-Nau Dept.....	.....	Virtual
20 Feb, Mon	President's Day - Long Weekend.....	.....	Federal Holiday
25 Feb, Sun.....	Lajna National Tabligh/Media/Public Affair Training...Aux National Lajna Ima'illah...	Virtual	
26 Feb, Sat.....	Muslih Mau'ūd Day.....	Local	Jamā'at
4-5 Mar, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/Auxiliary	Jamā'at
4-5 Mar, Sat-Sun	MKA Khuddam / Atfāl Ijtima	Auxiliary MKA	Local
10-12 Mar Fri-Sun.....	2nd Refresher Course, Dar-ul-Qada USA.....	Dar-ul-Qada Dept	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
10-20 Mar-Fri-Mon	Ashara Waṣīyyat.....	National Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
11 Mar-Sat.....	Rishta Nata Webinar-Garments for Each Other National Rishta Nata Dept.....	Webinar	
11 Mar-Sat.....	Rishta Nata-Meet and Greet Program... National Rishta Nata Dept...Bait-ur-Rahman, MD	.....
12 Mar, Sun, 8 PM EST.....	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
17-19-Mar, Fri-Sun.....	Lajna National Mentoring Conference Aux National Lajna Ima'illah .....	.....	Baitul Ikram, Dallas
18 Mar-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
18 Mar-Sat	Local Qur'ān Conference	TaQWA Dept.....	Jamā'at
19 Mar-Sun	Know Your History Webinar	Isha'at Dept	Webinar
23 Mar to 20 Apr	Ramadan Starts.....	Local	Jamā'at
26 Mar, Sun	Masih Mau'ūd Day	Local	Jamā'at
1-10 Apr-Sat-Mon	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
1-2 Apr, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
9 Apr, Sun, 8 PM EST	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
21 Apr, Fri.....	Eid-ul-Fitr	Local	Jamā'at
28-30 Apr, Fri-Sun	Majlis Shura-USA Jamā'at	General Secretary Office	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
6-7 May, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
6 May, Sat	Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtima	Waqf-e-Nau Dept.....	In-Person / East Coast Regions
13 May, Sat	Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtima	Waqf-e-Nau Dept	In-Person / West & Central Regions
13-14 May, Sat-Sun	Ansar Regional Ijtimas	Aux Majlis Ansarullah	Local / Regional
14 May, Sun, 8 PM	Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar
18-21 May Thu to Sun	Jami'a Canada Visit (Parents & Atfāl / Khuddam) .....	.....	National Waqf-e-Nau Dept. In Person Canada
19-21 May Fri- Sun	Regional Ijtimas Khuddam / Atfāl	Aux MKA.....	Local / Regional
20 May-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
20-21 May-Sat-Sun	Majlis Ansarullah Family Day	Aux Majlis Ansarullah	Local
28 May, Sun	Khilafat Day.....	Local	Jamā'at
29 May, Mon	Memorial Day Long Weekend.....	.....	Federal Holiday
1-10 Jun-Thu-Sat	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
3-4 Jun, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Auxiliary	Jamā'at
10 Jun-Sat.....	Rishta Nata Webinar-Garments for Each Other National Rishta Nata Dept	Webinar	
11 Jun, Sun, 8 PM EST.....	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar

17-18 Jun, Sat-Sun	Spiritual Fitness Camp	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Local Jama'at
18 Jun-Sun	Know Your History Webinar	Ishaat Dept.....	Webinar
19-22 Jun Mon-Thu	Waqf-e-Nau National Summer Camp	Waqf-e-Nau Dept. South Virginia Mosque, VA	
23-25 Jun, Fri-Sun.....	MKA National Ijtima	Aux National MKA.....	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
24 Jun Sat.....	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at....	In-Person/Zoom Meeting
28 June, Wed	Eid-ul-Adhā	Local	Jamā'at
30 Jun to 9 Jul Fri-Sun	Ashara Waṣīyyat.....	National Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
1-2 Jul Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
4 Jul, Tue	Independence Day		Federal Holiday
8-14 Jul, Sat-Fri	National Youth Camp	Talim Dept	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
8-9 Jul, Sat-Sun	Ansar Regional Ijtimas	Aux Majlis Ansarullah	Local / Regional
9 Jul Sun	Academy Graduation	Tarbiyat Dept	Local Mosque
9 Jul Sun.....	Tarbiyat Webinar – 8 PM EDT	Tarbiyat Dept	Webinar
9 Jul, Sat-Sun	Tahir Academy Graduation	Tarbiyat Dept	Local Mosques
28-30 Jul, Fri to Sun....	Jalsa Salana UK.....	UK.....	UK
29 Jul Sat.....	Lajna National Virtual Mentoring Conference Aux National Lajna Ima'illah	Virtual	
1-10 Aug-Sat-Mon	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
5-6 Aug, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
12-13 Aug, Sat-Sun.....	Spiritual Fitness Camp	Tarbiyat Dept	Local Jamā'at
13 Aug Sun, 8 PM EST.	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
17-22 Aug Thu-Tue	National Tarbiyat Camp (15-18 Years old) ...	Aux MKA.....	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
19 Aug-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
25-27 Aug-Fri-Sun	Lajna National Ijtima Aux National Lajna Ima'illah	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD	
26 Aug-Fri-Sat.....	Annual Tahir Academy Conference	Tarbiyat Dept	Baltimore Masjid, MD
2-3 Sep, Sat & Sun.....	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
2-4 Sep, Sat-Mon	Labor Day - Long Weekend		Federal Holiday
9-10 Sep-Sat-Sun	Majlis Ansarullah Family Day	Aux Majlis Ansarullah	Local
10 Sep, Sun, 8 PM EST	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
16 Sep-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
16 Sep-Sat	Rishta Nata Webinar-Garments for Each Other National Rishta Nata Dept	Webinar	
17 Sept, Sun	Know Your History [7:30 to 8:30 PM EST] .	National Isha'at Dept	Webinar
22-24 Sept, Fri-Sun	MKA Majlis-e-Shura	Aux National MKA.....	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
30 Sept-1 Oct, Sat-Sun.	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
1-10 Oct-Sun-Tue	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
6-8 Oct Fri-Sun	Ansarullah National Shura/National Ijtima Auxiliary/Ansarullah	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD	
7-8 Oct Sat-Sun	Atfāl Rallies	Aux MKA Regional	Local MKA
8 Oct, Sun, 8 PM EST ..	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
9 Oct, Mon	Columbus Day - Long Weekend.....		Federal Holiday
14 Oct-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
14 Oct-Sat	Annual Tarbiyat Conference	Tarbiyat Dept	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
21-22 Oct Sat Sun.....	National Qur'an Conference.....	TaQWA Dept.....	Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
27-29 Oct, Fri to Sun	Majlis-e-Shura Lajna Ima'illah USA Aux National Lajna Ima'illah	Atlanta Mosque, GA	
3-13 Nov-Fri-Mon	Ashara Waṣīyyat.....	National Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
4-5 Nov, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
11 Nov-Sat.....	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
11 Nov-Sat.....	Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtima Waqf-e-Nau Dept	In-Person / East Coast Regions	
12 Nov, Sun, 8 PM EST	National Tarbiyat Webinar.....	National Tarbiyyat Dept.....	Webinar
18 Nov Sat.....	National Annual Tarbiyat Conference	Tarbiyat Dept ... Bait ur Rahman Mosque, MD	
18 Nov Sat	Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtima Waqf-e-Nau Dept	In Person / West & Central Regions	
23-26 Nov, Thu-Sun	Thanksgiving – Long Weekend.....		Federal Holiday
1-10 Dec-Fri-Sun	Salat Ashara.....	National Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
2-3 Dec, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at /Auxiliary Activities	Local/ Auxiliary	Jamā'at
8-10 Dec Fri-Sun	Fazl-e-'Umar Qa'ideen Conf / Atfāl Refresher Course	Aux National MKA..	
			Bait-ur-Rahman, MD
9 Dec-Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jama'at...In-Person / Zoom Meeting	
9 Dec-Sat	Rishta Nata Webinar-Garments for Each Other National Rishta Nata Dept	Webinar	
10 Dec Sun	Tarbiyat Webinar – 8 PM EDT	Tarbiyat Dept	Webinar
17 Dec-Sun	Know Your History	Isha'at Dept	Webinar
22-24 Dec, Fri-Sun	West Coast Jalsa Salana (Tentative).....	National/Jamā'at.....	Chino Mosque, CA
25 Dec, Mon	Christmas Day		Federal Holiday

Have you read all the books of the Promised Messiah?

May peace be upon him

Promised Messiah and Imam Mahdi, Hadrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, may peace be upon him, says, "Our books are compiled after due research and after a full analysis of facts. They are designed to draw seekers after truth to the path of truth. They must reach people who happen to have been infected by hostile writings, some of them on the brink of spiritual ruin. Especially must those countries receive our books and receive them soon which happen to have been infected most dangerously by the poison of misguidance, so that all those interested in a search of truth have the books soon enough in their hands. This purpose cannot be served if we decide to push the publication and circulation of books only through sales. A business outlook in such a matter in any case seems unworthy and objectionable." (Victory of Islam, Page 45, Published in 1891)



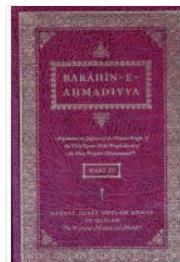
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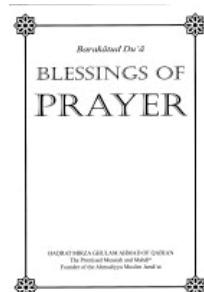
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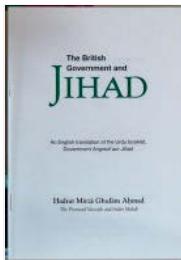
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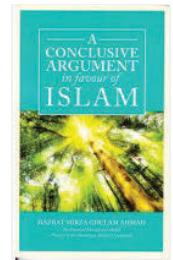
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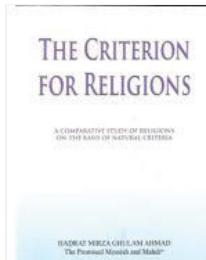
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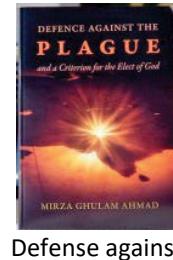
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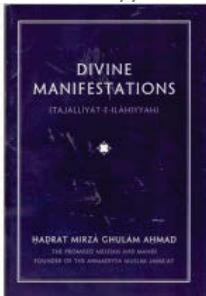
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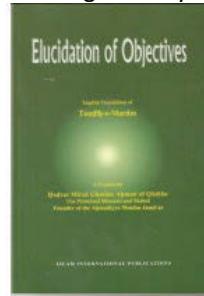
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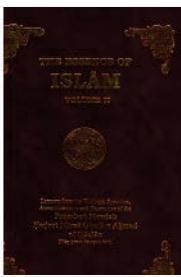
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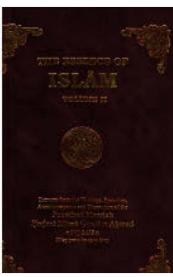
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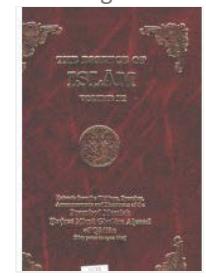
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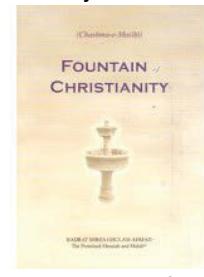
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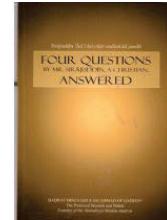
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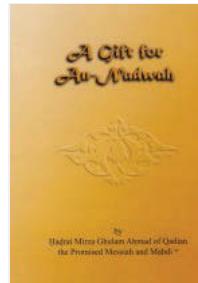
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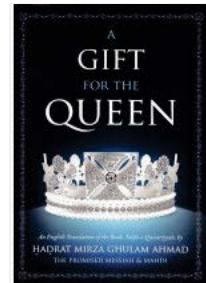
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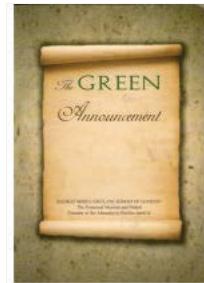
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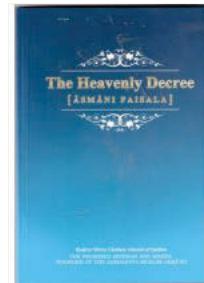
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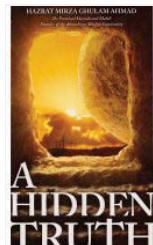
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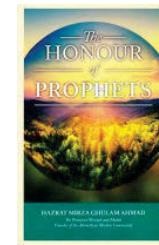
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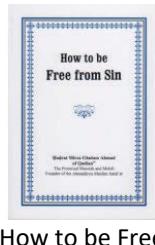
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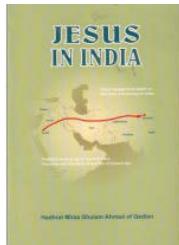
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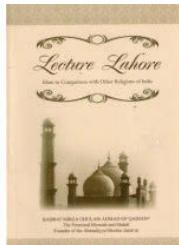
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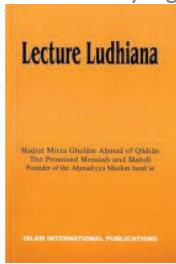
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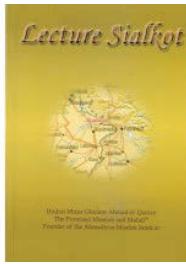
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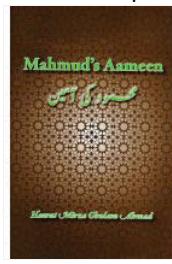
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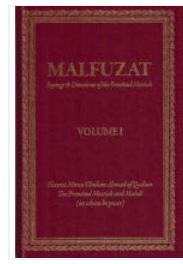
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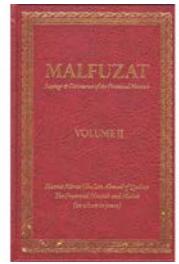
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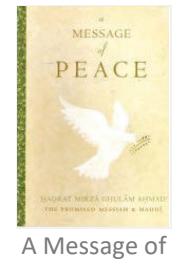
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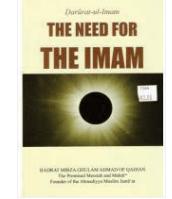
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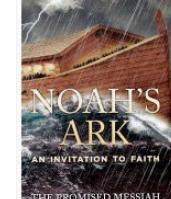
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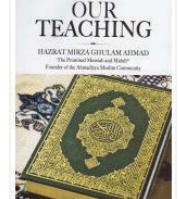
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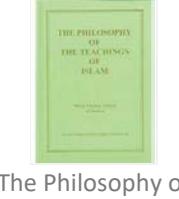
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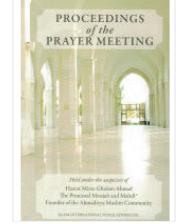
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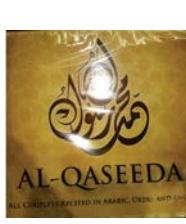
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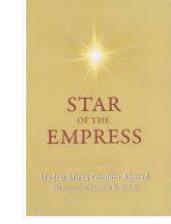
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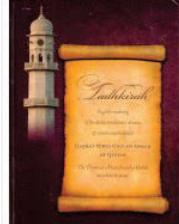
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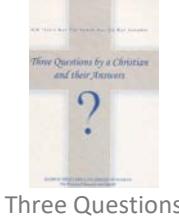
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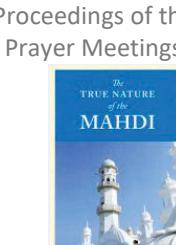
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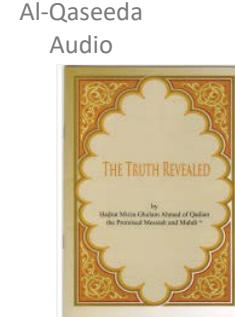
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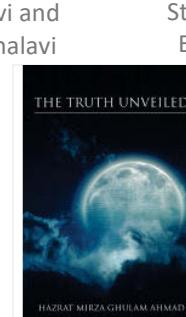
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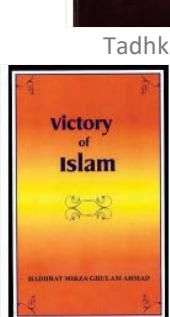
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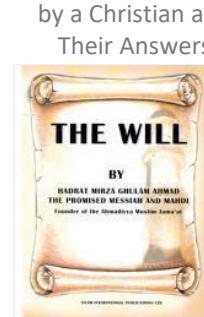
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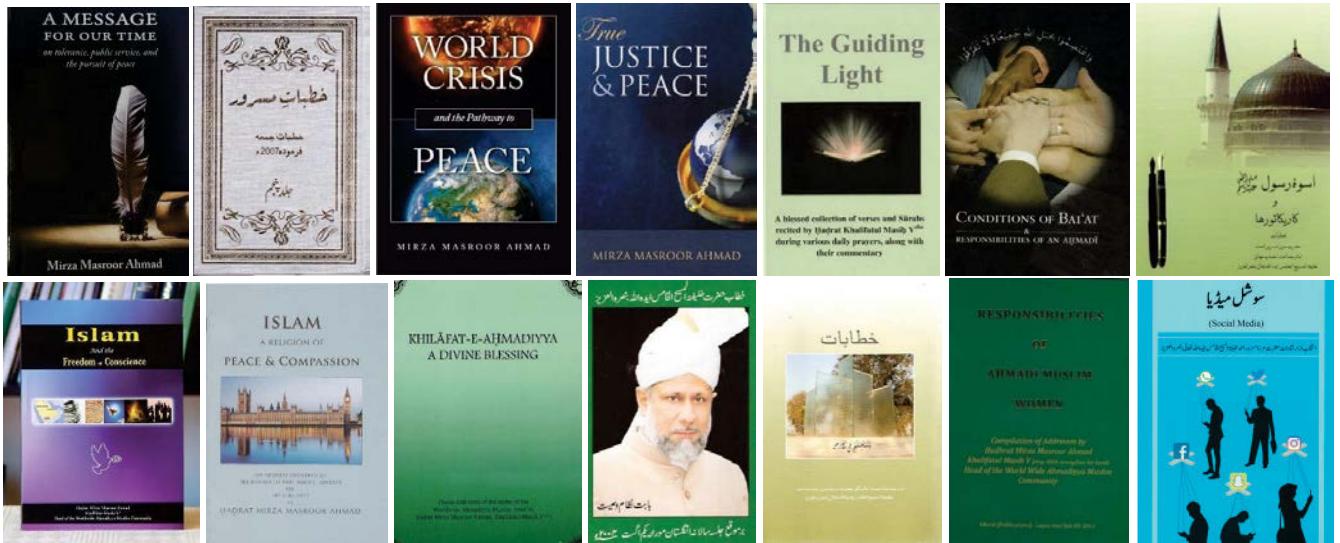
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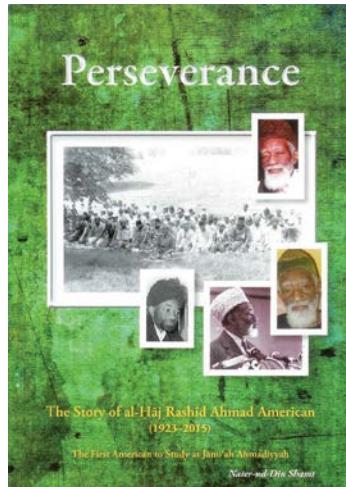
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