

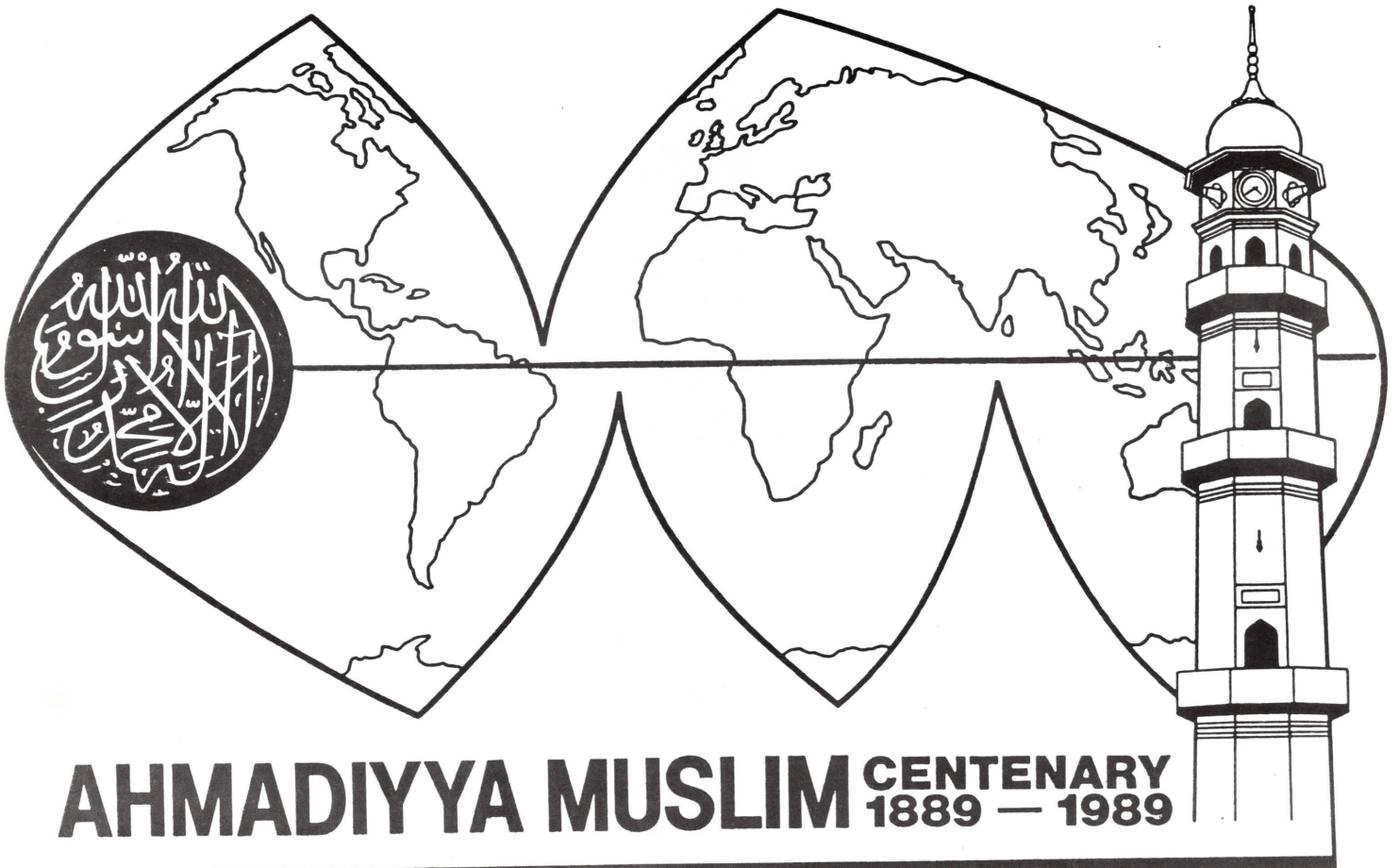
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## **FUTURE OF AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY**

### **A PROPHECY**

“God desires to found a community of the faithful to manifest His Glory and Power. He will make the community grow and prosper, to establish the love of God, righteousness, purity, piety, peace and goodwill among men. This shall be a group of persons devoted to God. He will strengthen them with His own spirit and bless them and purify them. He shall multiply them exceedingly as He has promised. Thousands of truthful people shall join His rank. He shall Himself look after them and shall make the community grow, so much so that its numbers and progress shall amaze the world. The community shall be a lighthouse so high as to illumine the four corners of the world... My true followers shall excel every other people. There shall always rise among them, till Judgment Day, personages who will be the chosen ones of God in every respect. So has the Almighty decreed. He does as He wills.”

(Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmed Qadiani, The Promised Messiah)

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# CENTENARY MESSAGE

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by

Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad

Head of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

One hundred years ago today, an amazing event took place in an obscure and tiny hamlet (Qadian), in the province of the Punjab, India. It was an event which was destined to change the course of history.

There appeared a religious leader specifically commissioned by God to lead mankind as the Promised Reformer of the latter days. His name was Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (1835-1908), the Founder of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He laid the basis for the unification of mankind in a unique manner. He resolved the conflicts and paradoxes prevailing in the religious world regarding the advent of a global Reformer.

The followers of all great religions - Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Zoroastrians and the followers of Confucius - all anxiously awaited the advent of a Promised Reformer, as predicted in their holy scriptures.

The Jews expected the Messiah would rejuvenate Judaism; the Christians claimed that the second advent of Jesus would bring nigh the Kingdom of heaven; the Muslims believed that the Messiah and Mahdi would join forces to bring about the final renaissance of Islam; the Hindus awaited the coming of God himself in the form of Krishna; and, the Buddhists were hopefully waiting for the reincarnation of Buddha.

How could God send different Messengers simultaneously - each calling to

the same God in his diverse way, inviting mankind unto divergent paths and conflicting ideologies? That was the perplexing question addressed by Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian under divine guidance and revelation.

It was revealed to him that all the prophecies regarding the advent of various reformers were no doubt true. They, however, in fact implied that only a single claimant would be raised who would combine in his person the qualities, role and spiritual powers of all the great world reformers whose advent had been promised. Indeed, he would be a soldier from God wearing the garb of the different prophets. He also proclaimed that the religion chosen by Almighty God for the universal and final manifestation of His Unity was Islam.

Thus, in accordance with the divine command, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad claimed to be that global Reformer who was destined to be raised in Islam in complete subordination to Prophet Muhammad - the last law-bearing prophet - may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.

This was an astonishing claim. It was even more astonishing that this solitary voice, raised from a small unknown village, insignificant as it seemed to the world at large, was heeded at all. Some responded to this call with complete faith and devotion. There were many others who raised a storm of hostility, the like of which has seldom been witnessed in the history of mankind.

His followers were subjected to extreme persecution. They were deprived of religious freedom and fundamental human rights. Even laws were enacted in some countries to render them liable to severe punishment and prosecution for the mere act of professing and practicing their faith. Yet all this phenomenal opposition utterly failed to arrest the progress of Ahmadiyyat, which is marching forward even faster today than ever before. All the efforts of hostile fanatics, be they individuals, groups or governments, have totally failed in their purported objective of exterminating Ahmadiyyat from the face of the earth.

God stood by His servant, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, fulfilled all His promise and, as prophesied in 1898, "caused his message to reach the corners of the earth." Today Ahmadiyyat stands established in 120 countries and the pace of its growth is destined to engulf the whole of mankind. God saved his followers (Ahmadis), protected them from all evil designs and showered His innumerable blessings upon them.

It is, therefore, to extol the name of Allah and sing His praises for His innumerable bounties that Jama'at Ahmadiyya is celebrating the year 1989 as the Thanksgiving Centenary Year.

On this auspicious occasion, I most humbly and sincerely invite all my fellow human beings to study the Ahmadiyyat Movement in Islam seriously and to join its fold.

I call upon God, who is All-Knowing and Ever-Present, as my witness, that the message of Ahmadiyyat is nothing but Truth: it is Islam in its pristine purity.

The salvation of mankind depends on accepting this religion of peace. Islam is the religion which does away with all discriminations between man and man, and demolishes all barriers of race, color and creed which divide humanity.

Islam liberates man from the bondage of sin and strengthens his ties with his Creator. It is a religion so simple, yet so highly organized to meet the demands and challenges of the changing world.

Islam permits no exploitation - be it social, political, economic or religious. The political philosophy of Islam has no room for false or deceptive diplomacy. It believes in absolute morality and enjoins justice and fairness to friends or foes alike, in every sphere of human interest.

Islam neither permits coercion for the spread of its own message nor gives license to other religions to do so. Indulgence in terrorism even in the name of the noblest objectives is entirely incompatible with the teachings of Islam.

It is the firm believe of Jama'at Ahmadiyya that Islam is the panacea for all maladies and ailments of suffering humanity today. Islam teaches us that unless man learns to live at peace with himself and his fellow human beings he cannot live at peace with God.

It is to this Islam that I invite mankind.

I am fully aware that in the eyes of many cursory observers, Ahmadiyyat has not as yet emerged as a potent force to bring about a global, moral and spiritual revolution.

Yet our trust is in God. Weak and humble though we are, God has graciously chosen us as His instruments to usher in a new era of global peace and unification of mankind.

Listen to what the Promised Messiah proclaimed towards the close of the last century, in the light of divine revelation received by him:

"The time is near when I should attain a magnificent victory, because in support of what I state, there is another voice which speaks; and in support of my hand there is another hand which operates. Yet, the world cannot perceive it, but I behold it. There is a heavenly spirit which speaks in me and grants a new life to every word and every

letter of mine. A commotion and upsurge has erupted in the heaven which has caused this earthly body to stand up at God's behest. Every such person who has not been denied forgiveness and salvation shall soon see for himself that I do not make these claims on my own. Can they be seeing which fail to recognize a man of truth? Can he be deemed alive who has no awareness of this Heavenly call?

It is likely that many will turn a skeptical ear to what I say, wondering at the certitude and firmness of my faith in the glorious future of Ahmadiyyat. The weak and oppressed proponents of Christianity, at the end of the first century of the Christian era, must have felt somewhat like as I feel today. They were looked down upon, jeered and mocked at by the people of that age. Yet, I have no doubt whatsoever that a day will dawn before the end of the next century when people of all that age will look back with no less an amazement at the incertitude and disbelief of the people of today.

In the end, let me invite you once again with all my heart to accept the call of the Promised Reformer. Herein shall you find peace and contentment of heart which can only be acquired by submission to the Will of God.

May Allah bless you all.



The Amir & Missionary Incharge with the missionaries working in the USA.

## BELIEFS AND OBJECTS OF THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMUNITY

1. Ahmadiyyat is not new faith. It is the very Islam that was revealed through the Holy Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, 1,500 years ago. The object of Ahmadiyyat, therefore, is the same as that of Islam, namely, to establish the relationship of Love between God and His servants and to bring about peace and unity between the different sections of mankind. Ahmadiyyat seeks to abolish the barriers set up on the basis of race and color, so that all mankind should become members of the same human family and should co-operate with each other in promoting universal welfare.

2. We believe that God is One and has no partner either in His being or in His attributes. He is neither begotten nor does He beget. He is free from every kind of weakness and shortcoming and is perfect in all His attributes. He hears the prayers of His humble servants and succours them in their need. His favors whether material or spiritual, are not confined and limited to any nation or people. The Ahmadiyya Movement regards it as its first and highest duty to persuade people to accept the Unity of God, for it is only the acceptance of the Unity of God that can bring about peace and unity between mankind.

3. We believe sincerely in the truth of the Holy Prophet Muhammad and of all the prophets that appeared before him, on all of whom be peace and blessings of God, among whatever people and in whatever country they may have been raised. We regard it as one of our duties to inculcate the doctrine of the Trust of all prophets, nor only because it is the truth, but also because belief in the Truth of the various prophets who have appeared among different nations and doing them honor as an effective means of promoting peace, unity and love between the followers of different religions.

4. We believe that all great religions

were, in their inception, based upon Truth, and still contain many excellences. We reject and repudiate the attitude which assumes that no religion other than one's own contains any truth or excellence. Nevertheless, we consider it our duty to proclaim that Islam contains in its fullness and perfection the Divine guidance which can lead mankind to communion with, and nearness to, God, and that for that reason it is the one Universal Faith, the acceptance of which alone can enable mankind to attain in its fullest measure the object of human existence.

5. We hold freedom of conscience higher than all other freedoms and as the birth-right of every human being. We regard no sin so heinous as compulsion or coercion in the matter of religion. We regard it as utterly unlawful to go to war with a government or people that grants full freedom of conscience and religion to those who inhabit its territories, and we regard those Muslims who consider war justified on account of differences in matter of religion as being in grievous error in holding this utterly un-Islamic doctrine.

6. We regard it as a cardinal religious duty to render perfect obedience to the laws of the State in which any of us may happen to be residing, and regard revolt and rebellion against an established Government as utterly unlawful and opposed to the teachings of Islam. We adhere to this principle firmly wherever we happen to be.

7. We believe in the immortality of the soul and in a life after death: not by way of transmigration of souls through cycles of existence upon this earth, nor by way of the resurrection of our mundane physical bodies either upon this or any other planet. We believe that after the soul has passed out of the physical body it continues in another existence and develops another body, the finer essence of the soul becoming the soul of that new

body and the less fine attributes of the physical body, the perceptions of the soul and body in that new existence are not only as keen as, but many times keener than, the perceptions of the living human being during existence upon earth. In the new existence in which the soul finds itself after death it continues to receive greater and greater light, and to progress more and more in nearness to God unto eternity.

8. We believe that the promise given to mankind in all of the great religions concerning the advent of a Prophet in the latter days has been fulfilled in the person of Ahmad, on whom be peace and blessings of Allah, the founder of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Movement. He is the Messiah whose second advent was being awaited by the Christians, the Mahdi whose advent was being awaited by the Muslims, the Krishna whose appearance was being looked forward by the Hindus. One of the signs of the Truth of his claim is that he was honored with direct revelation of God and the Word of God continued to be revealed to him frequently over a long period of years. Any person who, with a pure heart, believes in the Unity of God and in perfect obedience to his teachings accepts and follows Ahmad, on whom be peace, the Promised one of the latter days, may himself become the recipient of Divine favors, even unto revelation, as is the case with many members of the Ahmadiyya Movement, the pre-eminent example being the present Head of the Movement.

**LOVE FOR  
ALL, HATRED  
FOR NONE**

## SERVICE TO HUMANITY BY AHMADI MUSLIM

Service to mankind and in particular of the under privileged highlights the Ahmadiyya Movement since its inception until today. Ahmadis both individually and as a community attempted to assimilate and reflect in their lives the teachings of Islam. From the earliest days in Qadian (India) when the Movement started, the community, despite its very limited resources, established an orphanage and provided free quarters to the homeless. The localities are known as Dar-us-Shayookh. Food to the poor, the visitors and wayfarers was provided by a "Langar Khana" (free kitchen) established by the Promised Messiah a tradition which has continued throughout. His wife Nusrat Jahan set an example for others by upbringing orphan girls in her home, educating and looking after them right up to the time they married and happily settled in their own homes.

At Qadian and again in Rabwah and several countries in Africa, hospitals, schools and colleges have been established to serve the people.

In the tradition of caring for the poor, Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih III, felt that no one should sleep hungry in Rabwah (Pakistan), the International Headquarters of the Movement. He instructed the Administration to report cases directly to himself of those whose needs are not met. Housing needs of the poor are proposed to be met by the Bayootul Hamd Fund created by the present Head of the Movement, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV. As resources permit, it will provide free low cost housing to those who need it.

The plight of Africans especially sparked the Ahmadiyya Community to respond. To meet both medical and educational needs, the Leap Forward Program and Nusrat Jahan Reserve Fund were established. Schools, hospitals and clinics began dotting the West

African map. Ahmadi doctors and teachers dedicated their time towards the upliftment of these people. The number of people treated medically runs in the millions. According to Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV, Ahmadis look ahead to one more major thrust of service to West Africans, at which point the objective is to extend help to them in every field.

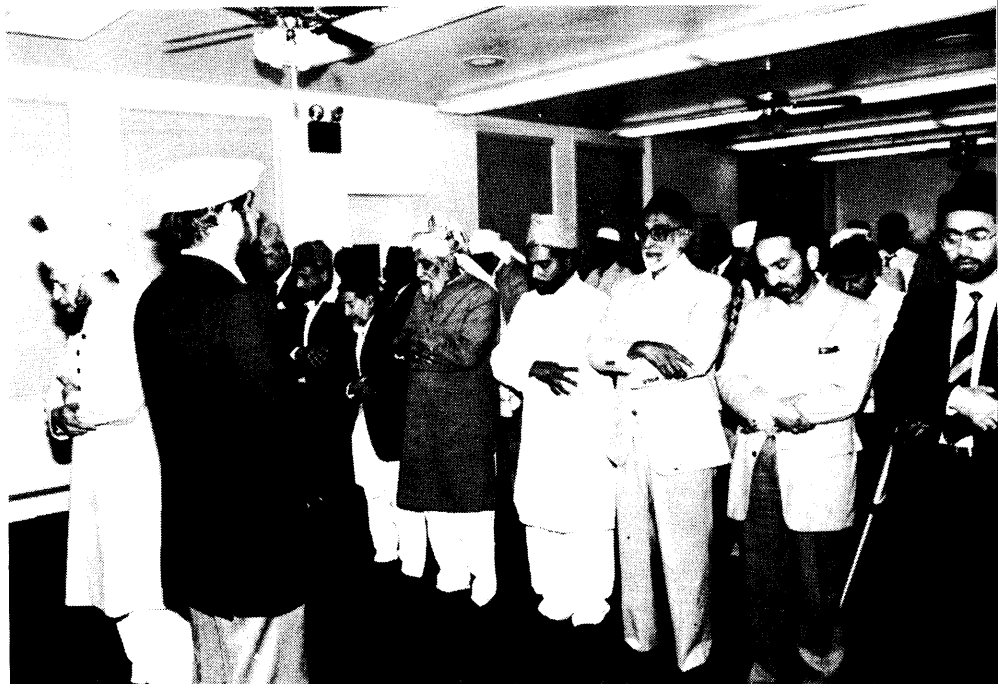
Most recently the plight of orphans worldwide is receiving attention. Along with encouraging members to adopt them, an orphanage has been built at the International Headquarters in Rabwah, Pakistan. The care of the orphans is to be made a worldwide feature of the community's efforts.

These services and numerous others are underscored by the Islamic institution of Sadaqah or charity. Ahmadi Muslims, along with various other financial obligations, voluntarily contribute charity to help those less fortunate.

Thousands of mosques and mission houses worldwide provide hospitality to guests and travellers regularly.

An outstanding feature of Ahmadi Muslims is the institution of "Waqar e Amal," young and old carry out without discrimination programs of manual labor, designed to uphold the Dignity of Labor. In times of natural calamities Ahmadi Muslims volunteer their services to fellow beings to remove the pain and suffering.

Turning to service of a different nature, the Ahmadiyya Community feels they have the answer to a universal brotherhood through a concept of "Love for all hatred for none." No barrier of color, race, or nationality is permitted to stand in the way of the goal of the unification of humanity. Ahmadis regularly conduct programs in which followers of different religions exchange views on a common platform.



Huzoor leading prayers in New York, on his arrival in the USA in 1987



## AHMADI PERSECUTION CONTINUES IN PAKISTAN

The Ahmadiyya Community was made the target of an utterly false and evil worldwide campaign to malign the Community, its holy founder as well as its present leadership. This was state sponsored, ruthless, unabated persecution involving the deprivation of the basic human rights of the Ahmadi Muslims. It was spearheaded by the ex-President of Pakistan, late General Muhammad Zia ul Haq, fully supported by his administration, and the Ulema (the clergy). Among other atrocities perpetrated against the Ahmadi Muslims were: Ahmadis were debarred from affirming their faith through the recitation of the credo Kalima Tayyiba; calling the Adhan (call for prayer); calling their places of worship as mosques; and all such activities of their part were made punishable by three years rigorous imprisonment and unlimited fine.

This persecution was implemented through public meetings, mob violence, assassinations, and dishonoring of Ahmadis; defiling, damaging, sealing and destruction of Ahmadi Mosques; false criminal charges, imprisonment and death sentences to innocent Ahmadis and their social boycott. The campaign was also directed at the character assassination of the Founder of the Ahmadiyya Community, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian, and other Ahmadiyya religious leaders. This persecution continued unabated for years. During this time all attempts on the part of the Ahmadiyya Community to make the leaders of this campaign desist from persecution and to restore Ahmadis fundamental human rights and religious freedom failed.

however persisted in the severe persecution of Ahmadis, denying them their religious freedom and basic human rights since the promulgation of his Martial Law Ordinance of 1984 banning all avenues of redress. The present head of the Community was forced through this Ordinance into exile.

Pakistan is a signatory to the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights which promises, "life, liberty and security of person to everyone." Moreover, that nation receives billions of dollars in American aid under a law which bans assistance to any country "which engages in a consistent pattern of gross violations of internationally recognized human rights."

General Zia ul Haq's administration

Ahmadis say "Zia's "Islamization of Pakistan" and persecution of their sect



THE NATIONAL MAJLIS AAMILA, U.S.A.

Standing, left to right: Sardar Rafiq Ahmad, Sec. Wasaya; Ch. Allah Bakhsh, Sec. Social Services; Manzoorur Rahman, Sec. Tahrik Jadid; Alhaj Dhul Waqar Yaqub, Sec. Public Relations; Malik Masood Ahmad, Sec. General; Malik Mubarak Ahmad, Sec. Finance; Mian Abdul Majid, Sec. Tajnid; Malik Nasir Mahmud, Sec. Tabligh; Syed Sajid Ahmad, Nat. Qaid; Malik Saeed Ahmad, Sec. Property; Major Fazl Ahmad, Sec. Publication. Sitting, left to right: Syed Shamshad Ahmad Nasir, Missionary; Ch. Munir Ahmad, Missionary; Abdul Rasid, Sec. Rishta Nata; Inamul Haq Kausar, Missionary; Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafar, Naib Amir I; Maulana Sh. Mubarak Ahmad, Amir & Missionary Incharge; Dr. Ehsan Zafar, Naib Amir II; Abid Hanif, Trustee; Muhammad Abdul Rashid Yahya, Missionary; Zafar Ahmad Sarwar, Missionary; Mubasher Ahmad, Missionary.

were politically motivated; and that his ordinance legalized persecution and encouraged the killing and jailing of their prominent members. They say the police have never arrested any perpetrator of violence against their group. Many Ahmadi mosques, cemeteries and homes have been vandalized and/or burned and businesses looted.

Hundreds of Ahmadis have been imprisoned and the emigration of Ahmadis from Pakistan has increased markedly. Mullahs (orthodox religious leaders) are continuing to press the Government to dismiss Ahmadis from all "key positions" in government service and to deny their students access to universities and scholarships. The provisions of the ordinance prevail notwithstanding any order or decision of the court.

The law has been to generate hatred against the community. Since 1984 the Government's action and policy has encouraged fundamentalists in other countries to follow similar policies. This is tantamount to exporting religious terrorism to other countries. In the United States, Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad was gunned down in his Detroit home in front of his wife and children. In Trinidad, West Indies, the Ahmadi missionary was shot dead on the street before the eyes of his young son. In Holland, Bangladesh, the U.K., Nigeria, Norway and other countries Ahmadi Muslims have been attacked.

According to a recent report received from Pakistan, a case under section 298/C Pakistan Penal Code has been registered in Islamabad, Pakistan against seven members of an Ahmadi Muslim family, for printing the Islamic terms "Bismillah-ir-Rahman-ir-Rahim (In the name of Allah, Most Beneficent, Ever Merciful)," "Assalamo Alaikum (May peace be upon you)," and "Inshallah (if Allah wills)" on a wedding invitation card.

It is reported that Muhammad Isa Munawar and his wife sent invitation cards to their friends and relatives, inviting them to their son's wedding. One of the neighbors, who received a card, sent

it to the local mullah who reported it to the police. At which Muhammad Isa Munawar and his two sons were arrested on the wedding day. However, on the intervention of local dignitaries, they were released after a few hours.

Meanwhile, the President of Khatme Nubwat Organisation, Mullah Mahmud-ul-Hasan, made an application in the court of the Assistant Commissioner, Mr. Shuaib Siddiqui, that a case be registered against Ahmadis. The Assistant Commissioner instructed the police to register a case against seven members and friends of the Munawar family.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Britain has condemned the action of the Pakistani authorities against their brothers in Pakistan, and has asked the newly formed Bhutto government to take action against such mullahs and police officers who are still engaged in persecuting the Ahmadi Muslims.

It also demands that the controversial anti-Ahmadiyya Ordinance 1984 be repealed.

LAHORE, Jan. 10: The Federal Shariat Court has issued a contempt notice to Mirza Tahir Ahmad, head of the Qadiani community, for certain remarks he made in a pamphlet, titled "Mubahila" (open religious discussion) amounting to implicating the judges of the Shariat Court in an international campaign against the Ahmadiyya community.

A full bench of the Shariat Court, comprising Chief Justice Mr. Justice Gul Mohammad Khan, Mr. Justice Maulana Syed Shujjat Bokhari and Mr. Justice Ibadat Yar Khan, observed that a case of contempt of court can apparently be constituted against the respondents on the basis of the pamphlet. Orders were issued during the hearing of a petition on Tuesday.

The Court also served such notices on the publisher of the pamphlet, Qazi Munir Ahmad, printer, the Lahore Art Press, the Islam Press, Rabwah and

Hafeez Ahmad, who managed the distribution of the pamphlet.

The petitioner, Mr. Mohammad Ismail Qureshi, advocate, contended that Mirza Tahir Ahmad, in his pamphlet, had implicated judges of the Federal Shariat Court in the "vicious and false worldwide campaign against the Ahmadis" alongwith the late General Zia ul Haq, certain sections of the Ulema in Pakistan, various government functionaries and vested classes.

He submitted that the assertions, made in the pamphlet, were violated in the Supreme Court judgment in the Mujeeb ur Rehman case under which the Qadiani community had been restrained from calling themselves Muslims, in the light of the constitution and the law.

On another petition, the Court issued notice to Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Mr. Mujeeb ur Rahman, advocate, Mr. Mubashir Lateef, advocate, Mirza Naseer Ahmad, advocate, owner of the Lahore Art Press, Hafiz Muzaffar Ahmad, and publisher Qazir/Munir

Ahmad of the Zia-ul-Islam Press, Rabwah, asking them to explain as to whether their remarks in the Supreme Court amounted to contempt or not.

The petitioner, Rana Mohammad Yunas, had submitted that certain remarks of the respondents, during the hearing of an appeal against the judgment in the Mujeeb ur Rahman case in the Supreme Court, were contemptuous against the Federal Shariat Court.

The Shariat Court sought the assistance of Mr. Mohammad Ismail Qureshi, as to whether the Shariat Court had the jurisdiction to take cognizance of the proceedings in the Supreme Court, Counsel submitted that the Federal Shariat Court, as well as the Supreme Court, had the authority to take up such matter.

Ever since the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has issued the challenge of "Mubahala" (prayer duel) to its adversaries, a fresh wave of persecution



against this community has started in Pakistan. More than 150 cases have been registered against the members of the community on different charges.

1)Cases Registered Against Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV

At least three cases have been registered against the Supreme Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad Sahib, Khalifatul Masih IV. The action has been prompted by the mullahs against him for issuing the challenge of "Mubahala" to his opponents.

2)Case Against the National Press Secretary

Mr. Rashid Ahmad Chaudhry, Press Secretary of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association, a resident of U.K. has also been indicted for sending the "Mubahala" pamphlets to Pakistan.

3)Sargodha (Kot Momin) 2.9.1988

A case against nine Ahmadi Muslims of "Kot Momin," Sargodha District has been registered for showing a video cassette of a question/answer session conducted by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih in London. It is reported that some Ahmadis had gathered in the house of Sheikh Gulzar Ahmad Sahib, where the video was shown. Some non-Ahmadis were also present. When local mullahs came to know of this function, they reported the matter to the local police and asked them to arrest the Ahmadis. A police party raided the house late in the night and searched the whole house but did not find any objectionable material. Later the police registered a case and nine Ahmadis were arrested. bail application was refused.

4)Rabwah

On a complaint by a mullah, two Ahmadis, namely Mr. Afzal Qureshi and Mr. Qadir, were arrested for being in possession of literature containing religious poems "kalam-e-Tahir" composed by the Supreme Head of the Ah-

mediyya Muslim Community in their shop known as "Afzal Brothers."

5)Rabwah. 12.12.1988

When an Ahmadi doctor, Dr. Sultan Ahmad Mujahid, boarded a bus at Rabwah for Faisalabad, two youngsters who were travelling on the same bus approached him and demanded that the ring with "Kalima inscription" which he was wearing be handed over to them. On his refusal to do so, they abused him and physically assaulted him. When the bus reached "Chiniot," a town six miles away, they forced him to get down from the bus, first took him to "Sadr" Police Station and then to City Police Station. They demanded that Dr. Mujahid may be charged with wearing a ring with Quranic inscription.

The police authorities, having consulted the higher authorities, instructed them to take him back to Rabwah where a case was registered against him. It was alleged that Dr. Mujahid was preaching in the bus.

6)Rabwah

On a complaint from a notorious mullah, Allah Yar Arshad, a case has been registered against Nasim Saifi Sahib,

editor of "Al-Fazal"; Masood Ahmad Sahib, Printer and Publisher; and Ahmadiyya Missionary Chaudhry Muhammad Shariff Sahib, whose article had appeared in the daily "Al-Fazal" for preaching. The mullah also complained that Quranic verses have been quoted in the paper and that the editor was distributing copies of the newspaper near the Railway Crossing in Rabwah town.

8)Faisalabad

a result of the distribution of "Mubahala" pamphlets, a crowd of 100-150 strong attacked the clinic of an Ahmadi doctor, Dr. Bashir Ahmad and vandalised it completely. Earlier, his four nephews, Amir Rashid, Haroon Adeel, Rizwan Adeel and Suhail Ahmad were clubbed by several people on the instigation of a mullah and then taken to the police station and accused of distributing "Mubahala" pamphlets. A case has been registered against all of them.

8)Jhang. 4.8.1988

A case has been registered against a local leader of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Sheikh Mahmood Ahmad Sahib, and six others for distributing "Mubahala" pamphlets.



Huzoor addressing Tahir Class, Baitul Zafar, New York

## 9) Karachi

Despite protests from local Ahmadis, the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of Karachi has ordered the sealing of the Ahmadiyya Mosque "Orangi Town" Karachi.

Stones were hurled at three Ahmadi houses in "Steelship" town and a house belonging to an Ahmadi situated in "Sher Shah" sector was set on fire.

Three Ahmadis, i.e. Mr. Ataur-Rahman, Mr. Majid Sheikh and Mirza Jahangir Baig Sahib (an elderly person) were arrested for distributing "Mubahala" pamphlets.

## 10) Islamabad.

Ahmadis are being forced to exhume their dead bodies from the local graveyard and bury them somewhere else. Recently, an Ahmadi doctor, Dr. Nazir Ahmad, who was a resident of Islamabad and died at the age of 79, was ordered to be exhumed two days after his burial in a local cemetery because of the objection from the local mullahs. Ahmadis cannot be buried in the local graveyard. The exhumation was ordered by the District Magistrate and carried out by the local Magistrate. The residents of Islamabad have condemned the despicable attitude of the law enforcing authority.

## 11) Sialkot (Samberial)

An Ahmadi youth, Mr. Sabahuddin Ahmad Butt, was arrested by the police for distributing "Mubahala" pamphlets. He was taken to the local police station and accused of disturbing the peace by distributing these pamphlets. The officer I/C police ordered his men to remove his (Butt's) trousers and heat him up. Six policemen immediately pounced upon him, punched on his face, and kicked him around. Four of them pinned him down to the ground and the rest got on his back and helped him by his neck while the sixth beat him up with a leather strap specially made for the purpose of torturing prisoners. He was

given this treatment for some time and then told to bend down and hold his ears by passing his arms through his legs. This is also a form of physical punishment. Half an hour later he was put in the police cell. There he met three other Ahmadis, namely Mr. Malik Sajjad Ahmad, Mr. Syed Naeem-ul-Hassan and an elderly Ahmadi Mr. Mahmood Ahmad Zargr who had been arrested earlier for writing "Bismillah-irrahman irahaem" on their shop. At about midnight policemen again came to the cell and beat all of them up except the old man. Further information is being awaited.

... Reports from village NANKANA district Sheikhpura reveal that Muhammad Nawaz, an Ahmadiyya Muslim missionary, was arrested and

sent to jail for saying ASSALAMO ALAIKUM (Peace be upon you) to a person called Rana Zafar Abbas, who filed a complaint against him with the police. The bail application of Muhammad Nawaz was rejected.

A case under sections 298/C and 295 Pakistan Penal Code has been registered at TANDO ADAM Police Station against Dr. Abdul Rahman Siddiqui, Ameer Jamaat Ahmadiyya District Tharparkar, Sind and another member, Mirza Mubarak Ahmad. The charge reads that Dr. Siddiqui's letterhead has "Bismillah-ir-Rahman Nir Rahim" printed on it and a letter was written to the local mullah Ahmad Mian Hamadi using this letterhead. It was also learned that Mirza Mubarak Ahmad has been arrested by the police.

## NO GOOD ACTION GOES TO WASTE

We should offer servitude only to God who rewards people for every little thing that they do. A story is told and it is this: There were three persons who were trapped in a hill by their going into a cave and a stone coming over that cave to block its way.

All three said: It is only our good deeds that would save us from this situation. One of them said: Once I had some laborers to work for me. When they were still busy doing their work, one of them went away. I tried to look for him so that I could pay him his wages but I could not get him. Later on, I bought a goat with the money that I had to pay as his wages. Within a few years I had a large number of goats which were the offspring of that goat which I had purchased for him.

Then, he came and asked for his wages. It would be very kind of you, he said, if you would give me my wages, now. All the goats that I had with me, I handed them over to him. O God if You are pleased with this good deed of mine, do

make things easy for me. As he said this, the stone was removed a little from the mouth of the cave.

Then the second person started relating his story. He said: O God if this good deed of mine could win Your pleasure for me, do make things easy for me. The stone was removed a little more.

Then the third one said: my mother was old. It so happened that once at night, she asked for water. When I brought the water for her, she had gone to sleep. I did not wake her lest she be disturbed; I kept standing there the whole night. When she got up in the morning I gave her the cup of water. O God if this good deed of mine can be a cause of Your pleasure for me, do make things easy for me. The stone again was lifted up a little and now they could get out of the cave.

Thus you see that God gave all of them the reward for their good deed. (Malfoozat, vol. 6, pp. 26, 27).

## THE NEW YEAR OF WAQF-E-JADID INAUGURATED BY: HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH

Gist of Friday Sermon, February 6, 1989

Waqf-i-Jadid scheme was originally confined to Pakistan but then owing to its beneficial nature and urgent need of funds for the renovation and conservation of the very sacred places and buildings of Qadian and most urgently to combat the onslaught of Shuddi started by Hindus to convert the Muslims in India especially in Rajastan to renounce Islam, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV expanded this scheme to assume the character of a worldwide nature. And by the grace of God it has proved a very blessed source of spreading Islam in India and stemming the tide of apostasy in India very effectively.

This is a very important year in the history of Ahmadiyyat because after two months seventeen days, Ahmadiyyat is going to see the rising sun of its second century. We are sure that the Second Century of Ahmadiyyat will bring more progress and achievements in its wake because its foundation is based upon the tremendous sacrifices, devotion and fidelity shown by the Jamaat in its First Century.

A century is going to pass in Ahmadiyyat. During this period we have witnessed His blessings upon blessings on the Jama'at. Concerning the reward of sacrifice in Chapter 2 verse 262 of the Holy Qur'an, God says:

"The similitude of those who spend their wealth for the cause of Allah is like the similitude of a grain of corn which grows seven ears, in each ear a hundred grains. And Allah multiplies it further for whomsoever He pleases and Allah is bountiful, All-Knowing."

Mere sacrifice is not enough if we do not pray to God. We should pray to God that He may overlook our shortcomings and weaknesses and increase our capacity to offer more sacrifices in His

cause. We are reaping the fruit of our ancestors' sacrifices, therefore we should never forget them in our prayers.

Since the last three years, Waqf-i-Jadid scheme was extended to the whole world; leaving aside certain African countries, the chanda of Waqf-i-Jadid of the developed countries is mainly spent in India. Pakistan tops the list as regards the payment of Chanda Waqf-i-Jadid. In 1984 its collection was Rs. 17,15,072; with a gradual increase during this period it is not expected to reach Rs. 31,00,000 for 1988. From among the foreign countries, U.K. stands first in the payment of Chanda Waqf-i-Jadid and then West Germany, America, Mauritius, Canada, Indonesia, Switzerland, Norway and Denmark respectively.

Hazrat Aqdas emphasised the importance of the work which is being done under Waqf-i-Jadid scheme in India where the Hindus area working under

an organised plan to convert the Muslims to Hindus. Around the area of Aligarh, which is the center of a Muslim University, many villages which were Muslim since many generations have become Hindus. In big centers and provinces the same story is being repeated and a well organised campaign is being carried out by Hindus to renegade the Muslims. Even in Punjab, this work has started.

In order to save the Muslims, Hazrat Aqdas said, we started this scheme out of Qadian and by the grace of God we have been able to gain success. Many mosques were restored and Call for prayers has started coming from them. Indian Jama'at cannot fight this battle alone and cannot provide the finances which are needed for this purpose. Therefore, all the money which is collected under Waqf-i-Jadid in the foreign countries is allocated for India. So far, some of the Jama-at have not fully realised the importance of this work and



Amir & Missionary Incharge with students from North Carolina in front of the Fazl Mosque

they have not participated in it with full vigor and efficacy.

Hazrat Aqdas said that Waqf-i-Jadid scheme is very important and its benefits are tremendous. Therefore, you should take part in it wholeheartedly and contribute in it as much as you can. The last thing which Huzur said was that you should enroll your children in it. No Ahmadi child should be left behind. It is not much to pay one British Pound or equivalent to it. They should be asked by the parents to pay with their own hand. It will create a resolve in them to advance spiritually. They will find an eagerness in their heart to serve the religion. It will become a seed which their heart to serve the religion. It will become a seed which God will grow in them. Please note this point and try to increase the number of the participants in Waqf-i-Jadid. Those who have not taken part in it, they should be included.

In India our Jama'at is comparatively small. India is the place which God selected to raise the Imam of the age in. Therefore, India holds an extraordinary importance. If India becomes Muslim, it will be a great Islamic nation. It can become the greatest power of the world because it will become a power under Ahmadiyyat which inculcates the Islamic values of morality.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Detroit: Sr Naila and Br. Salahuddin are now blessed with a baby girl. Congratulations to the happy family. May Allah bless the new baby with a long, healthy and happy and pious life. Ameen!

Special Parents-Children's meeting was held after Salat-ul-Juma on Dec. 30 with about 40 persons attending. Young Sr. Anjum Ahmad completed learning Yassarnal Quran and celebrated "Bismillah" on Dec. 30. May Allah enable her to learn Holy Quran and practice its teachings all her life. Ameen!

Br. M. Sohna had successful eye surgery on Dec. 20. May Allah bless him with quick recovery. Ameen!

## ATTENTION QAAIDS AND KHUDDAMS

For a special issue of TARIQ magazine in the Jubilee year I would need your cooperation. Please send me the following as soon as possible.

1. Name and photo of your first local Qaaid.
2. Date or year when your Khuddamul Ahmadiyya was established.
3. Name and photo of your Qaaid before the start of new Ahmadiyya century.
4. Important activities and events with details and photos.
5. Name and photo of any Ahmadi initiated by a Khadim.
6. Name of any Khadim who may have

won a scholarship, medal or award with brief description.

7. Any other exceptional material or information which could be an asset to Khuddam's history in the U.S.A.
8. Any written articles which could adorn the Jubilee issue of our magazine.
9. A recent group photo of Khuddams with present Qaaid.

All original material will returned safety when done with. Jazakumullah:

Yours Sincerely,

Hasan Parvez Bajwa (Editor)  
TARIQ Magazine

## LITERATURE MARKETING COMMITTEE

1. The layout of the advertisement was further developed in view of the infamous book "Satanic Verses." It was felt that we should respond by marketing the book, "Life of Muhammad" (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). But, the book was not available. However, a better plan was to maximize the sale of our main book, i.e. The Holy Quran with Commentary. Therefore, the right page of the beautiful two-page spread of our ad was amended. Instead of the side-view of the Holy Quran, an attractive box was created. The following words were displayed:

"The first volume presents a well-researched and authentic biography of the Holy Founder of Islam (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), his dealings with his powerful contemporaries, his

wives and his companions."

2. The advertisement was corrected and improved in general. It was printed and circulated to decision-makers in over 30,000 libraries and booksellers reached by the Library Journal and American Booksellers.

3. Other marketing strategies were explored, including the very select and elite CHOICE Magazine. The most extensively circulated library magazine (American Libraries) was also contacted. Negotiations are in progress. Maximum exposure to our marketing will be given in April, Insha Allah.

4. Brochures are under print. Mailing lists are being purchased.

5. Special prayers of success in marketing are sincerely requested.

## AMERICAN AHMADIYYA JAMAAT ACTIVITIES

ATHENS, Ohio - We have regular Juma prayers. Among the services to the community at large from the Athens Jamaat are the mailings of most of our literature (Gazette, Sunrise, Ayesha, Tariq). We were very fortunate, by the grace of Allah, to add two new converts to Ahmadiyyat.

BALTIMORE - Tabligh meeting was held on Jan. 26, 1989. Attendance was very good. In addition to some non-Muslims brought by brothers and sisters, there were at least two families who came from the neighborhood in response to ads from flyers and local newspaper. One elderly Christian man remarked, "I never knew Islam was so beautiful." Slide presentations were methodical, educative and entertaining. There were lots of interesting questions about Islam.

Some non-Ahmadi Muslims visited the Mission and received literature. We presented the Pratt Library with a copy of the Holy Quran. The library has a display of Ahmadi books.

Classes continue every Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. Lajna is currently reading and discussing prophecies about the advent of the Promised Messiah (a.s.). A non-



Amir & Missionary Incharge with Milwaukee Jamaat

Ahmadi sister was helped with a loan for housing. Lajna gave a tea party to welcome Sister. Lubna Brown as their newest member. Lajna pledge \$25 toward United Negro College Fund and contributed clothes to Good Samaritan Hospital.

At Jamaat Sunday meeting (Jan. 8), Br. Mubasher Ahmad, in Darsul Quran, explained that verse 2:5 emphasizes that believers should believe in all of the Prophets and Books of Allah.

Br. Rashid Ahmad, an Ahmadi brother from Washington, D.C., gave an impressive account of how he researched his way into Islam from Christianity. He was convinced that Muhammad (s.a.w.) was the best of all prophets and his teachings must be the way to Allah. One day he picked up the book, "Muhammad the Seal of Prophets," by Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan. This book was followed by "The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam" by the Promised Messiah (a.s.) He met Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amir and Missionary Incharge, and had discussions with him. The latter told him to pray that if Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad is the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, let Allah lead him towards Ahmadiyyat. This discussion and follow-up prayers were followed by a very vivid dream. He read "Invitation to Ahmadiyyat," after which he was convinced beyond doubt that Ahmadiyyat is the way to God.

BOSTON - General meeting of Jamaat Ahmadiyya Boston was held on Dec. 18, 1988. Our president urged members to make pledges for Tahrik-i-Jadid. He also urged them to write letters of appreciation to the Government of India for banning Salman Rushdie's recent novel.



Amir & Missionary Incharge with Seattle Jamaat

The president invited attention of members to attendance at Juma Prayer. He read out a letter from the Center about Tabligh and emphasized the importance of Tabligh. A meeting of the local Majlis-i-Aamila was held on Dec. 14. Matters regarding Tabligh, education and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Centenary Thanksgiving Celebrations were discussed.

Besides the above, two meetings of Lajna (also Nasirats), one each of Ansar and Khuddam (also Atfaal) were held. Juma Prayer service was regularly performed at Margaret Fuller House in Cambridge.

CHICAGO - Seerat-ul Nabi Day was celebrated on Dec. 18, 1988 at DuPage College and was well attended. Among other speakers, Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad, Naib Amir I (USA) lectured on the contributions Islam has made toward African-American community. The program also was filmed as a documentary to be aired on television during February Black History Month 1989. A lively discussion followed the program, with non-Muslims and non-Ahmadiis on various issues about Islam and Ahmadiyyat.

One American was converted to Ahmadiyya Islam. Children's classes are regularly held on Sundays.

DETROIT - Regularly hold Juma Prayer at Br. S.S. Ahmad's residence, average attendance: 30. Weekly Trbiyyat classes held on Saturdays, with about 5 boys, at Al-Muzaffar. May Allah bless the participants with best of rewards. Ameen.

PHILADELPHIA - Mr. Naeem Ahmad displayed Spanish tapes in his store. Mr. Mahboob Bhatti propagated to a Hindu friend. Mr. Kareem Bhatti presented Jesus in India to Christians. Mr. Daud Fareed will write paper on his conversion. Mr. Fizan Abdullah presented literature to contacts. Mr. Rasheed Bhatti invited five people to dinner. Mr. Mujeeb Chaudhry displayed Spanish tapes in his store. Mr.

Ameen Malvin gave time to the mosque; presented videotape to his priest friend Larry Johnson; brought his Muslim friend Rasul to Fazal Ahmad's residence. Mr. Sharif Ameen practised the Salat. Mr. Maudood Bhatti will get a convert. Mr. Bilaal A. Salaam spoke to Church without walls. Mr. Sameeullah Chaudhry will prepare a paper on AIDS. Mr. Faheem Ahmad will try to get one convert. Mr. Muhammad Ahmad will propagate to his class. Mrs. Fazal Ahmad will propagate to her Christian lady friends. Miss Fazilat Ahmad will propagate to her colleagues.

The Philadelphia Jamaat's Monthly Tableegh Meeting held in the Nasir Mosque, presided over by President Muneer Hamid on January 29, 1989 was attended by 22 members. The above reports were provided by each member who gave his/her tableegh plan for the next month as well as his/her commitment to bring in more converts into the fold of Ahmadiyyat according to the directives of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Ayyadahullah. Attendees also indicated their desire to bring their friends to the Ahmadiyya Centenary Celebrations as well as at the Convention to have them meet with Hazrat Ameerul Momeneen Ayyadahullah. The President of the Jamaat said that he would arrange Centenary invitation cards. A Tableegh Committee was formed. A brief report on the work of the Message Display Committee and the Spanish Propagation Committee was also mentioned. The Message Display Committee's Chairman has done splendid work. The Meeting closed with prayers.

Please pray for the success of our most humble propagation efforts. May Allah the Almighty bring hundreds of people into Ahmadiyyat.

February 18, 1989: Channel 29 10:00 O'clock news showed the Ahmadiyya Jamaat Philadelphia as its very first news item. The Azan, the Salaat, the Lajna meeting, their closing prayer, and comments of Fazal Ahmad appointed as spokesman for the Jamaat were given

excellent coverage. Alhamdulillah.

Please try to find time to propagate in whatever you can. May the Almighty bless your efforts. Ameen.

HOUSTON - Moatamid Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya Br. Hassan Parvez organized a group to distribute 200 copies at a non-Ahmadi Muslim gathering. Copies of MUBAHALA challenge and the letter, "Death of Zia in an Airplane Crash was an Act of God" and "Anti-Ahmadiyya Ordinance 1984" were mailed to 1013 different organizations and groups: Non-Ahmadi Muslim Organizations (350); non-Ahmadi Muslim Mosques (450); non-Ahmadi Muslim Schools, Publishers, Printers, Editors, Bookstores, Radio/TV, Physicians, Businessmen (213). To accomplish this job, Srs. Maria Pervez, Nusrat Dawood, Br. Muzaffar Mirza and Br. Hasan Parvez helped type addresses, pack and stamp envelopes, etc. with a great deal of their time. May Allah reward them.

Last year and again this year (Jan. 15) we organized a bookstall in one of the largest flea markets in Houston. We started at 11:00 a.m. and closed at 5:45 p.m. We had a sign: "ISLAMIC BOOKS." Most people were attracted by our sign and stopped at our stall. We sold 10 books and gave 5 books free to different people. 30 pamphlets on Islam and the Promised Messiah (a.s.) were presented to people interested in our literature.

Jamaat president Br. Kalim Ahmad discussed the Death of Christ (a.s.), Truthfulness of the Promised Messiah (a.s.) and Finality of the Holy Prophet (s.a.w.). He distributed 150 pamphlets in Baytown city and introduced Islam and Ahmadiyya Islam to his neighbors.

LOS ANGELES: Muslehe Maud Day Celebration - Jamaat Los Angeles organized Muslehe Maud Day Meeting on February 19, 1989 at Crown Valley Park in Laguna Niquel. Brother Rehmat Jamal President Los Angeles Chapter chaired the meeting and explained the purpose of the Jalsa. Brother Inayatul-



lah Khan read the Urdu text of the Prophecy about the Muslehe Maud. This was followed by the memorized English translation of the entire text of this prophecy by Arshad Mahmood Khan. Afterwards, Ch. Mahmood Ahmed recited melodiously an Urdu poem of Hazrat Muslehe Maud (Razi Allaho Anho). Malik Munir Ahmed Sahib of Karachi Jamaat from Pakistan addressed the Jalsa in Urdu and gave the background of the Prophecy and its fulfillment. The next speaker, Anwer Mahmood Khan, highlighted the accomplishments of Hazrat Muslehe Maud. The last speaker was Rehmat Jamaal who explained how Ahmadiyyat was introduced to America due to the Missionary Activities Program outlined by Hazrat Muslehe Maud.



A group of seventh grade students with their teacher in front of Rizwan Mosque Portland.

Lecture on "Islam" at Mount San Antonio College - The Preaching Secretary of Lajna Imaillah Los Angeles arranged a Seminar on "The Introduction of Islam" at Mount San Antonio College located in Walnut, California, on February 28, 1989. Leaflets were distributed on the campus regarding this lecture by the Student Affairs Department. Mr. Anwer Mahmood Khan was requested to deliver this lecture, followed by a question and answer session. The function was started promptly at 7:00 P.M. in a large auditorium by Klisa Miller, Vice President of the Student Affairs Department, who introduced the worthy speaker. Mr. Khan spoke on Islam for almost two hours explaining the need of religion, presence of various faiths and the reason for the advent of Islam. He presented the unique creed of Islam and shed light on the fundamental principles of Islam. The auditorium was filled with 125-150 motivated students who were taking notes all along during his speech. His speech was followed by a one hour question and answer session. Several questions regarding the Holy Quran, Jihad, Hajj, beliefs in Prophets, and Jamaat's position on Salman Rushdie's book were asked. About 250 copies of Jamaat's literature were distributed at this occasion. This was Jamaat's first large public presentation on Islam which remained very successful by the grace of

Allah.

NEW ORLEANS - New Orleans Chapter held monthly meeting in Mission House at Kenner, La. The Holy Quran was recited by Riazuddin Shams and Bashiruddin Shams sang a song by the Promised Messiah (a.s.); Dr. Ejaz Ahmad Sheikh read Ahadeeth which explained how Hazrat Muhammad (s.a.w.) stressed the importance of cleanliness for Muslims. He said that Huzur (may Allah's blessings be upon him) instructed that a Muslim should never hurt another Muslim and it is better to say "Asalaamo alaikum" to Muslims when they see each other. Sheikh Atta Urrub read an article on "Blessed Stories" which was interesting for Atfal. Choudhry Zahid Ahmad read an article on "Sharee Masail" written by Malik Saifur Rahman, the official Mufti. After the meeting a test was given to Atfal and younger age children from Children's Book One.

NEW YORK - Jamaat meeting was held on January 1, 1989 with superb speeches from Aftab Bismil Sahib on the subject, "The Sweet Fruits From the Evergreen Tree of Ahmadiyyat." The second program was chaired by our missionary from the Gambia, Daud Hanif Sahib.

Tabligh Activities: Rashid, Mahmood Sahib's son, gave a copy of Holy Quran to his school teacher and the whole class was introduced to the Muslim Prayer. He showed them with translation how a Muslim prays. Tariq Ahmad invited guests to his home to remove all misunderstanding about Ahmadiyyat. Mubarak Jamil Sahib was present at this occasion to answer questions of guests. Several non-Ahmadiis visited Baitul Zafar and received information and literature. At the request of Washington State Prison authorities, we mailed the Holy Quran and other books for the prison library. We responded to an appeal in the newspaper by a prisoner who was in need of these books. The foreign media in New York was contacted by Naseer Ahmad who gave them information on the availability of the Holy Quran and other books in their languages.

PORTLAND - Seerat-un-Nabi meeting was held on Dec. 17, at the Portland Rizwan Mosque. We were honored by the presence of Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad Sahib Ameer and Missionary Incharge. The Holy Quran was recited by Dawood Luqman followed by translation by Dr. Aftab Ahmad. Then two poems by Hazrat Promised Messiah

were recited by Mubarak Ahmad of Vancouver B.C. and Basharat Zafar. The first speech was delivered by Abdul Shakoor Butt, President-Vancouver B.C. Chapter. Then Dr. Aftab Ahmad delivered his speech on the topic of human rights. The speech included many examples from the life of the Holy Prophet. The last speech was made by Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad Sahib. He emphasized the Universality of the message brought by the Holy Prophet of Islam and gave several examples from the Sunnah. The meeting was especially directed towards non-Ahmadi Muslims. Despite an organized boycott of our activities by the Muslim Community, thirty non-Ahmadis, including 15 women and four Arab men participated in the meeting. The Arab guests were very much impressed and expressed their gratitude to Sheikh Sahib and requested that they be informed of other activities in the future. Many other guests called later to express their appreciation. Twelve Ahmadis from Vancouver B.C. and 13 Ahmadis from Seattle, Washington also participated in the meeting. At the end refreshments were served to all the guests.

**ROCHESTER - Our monthly meeting**

was held at Ch. Abdul Haleem Sahib's residence on Feb. 5. The meeting opened with recitation of Holy Quran by Naveed Ahmad, followed by a poem by Dr. A. Hakeem Nasar. Mahmood Ahmad Sahib was elected to represent Rochester Jamaat at Majlis Shura in New York (April 1-2). Two suggestions were sent to the National Shura. After the meeting and lunch, prayers were performed.

**Tableegh Activities:** Distribution of literature/pamphlets, folders, etc. sent by post -

1. Clergies/Churches (319) 900
2. Attorneys (50) 150
3. Accountants (CPAs) (26) 60
4. Drs./Professors/Assistant Professors/Faculty Members/Staff of the University of Rochester, N.Y. (204) 430

**Books:** Two copies of the Holy Quran with English translation by Hazrat Maulvi Sher Ali, presented to local libraries. One copy of the Holy Quran with English translation, along with a copy of Introduction to the study of Holy Quran, sent on demand to a Pastor. Five tracts - (i) Divine Message, (ii)

Deliverance from the Cross, (iii) The Promised Comforter of the Bible, (iv) Mohammad in Bible, (v) The Promised Messiah has Come, followed by (i) Deliverance from the Cross by Mohammad Zafarullah Khan, (ii) A copy of Muslim Sunrise and (iii) Islam - The Misunderstood Religion by James A. Mishner, sent on demand to Robert Fetter, Penfield, N.Y. A copy of Deliverance from the Cross, by Mohammad Zafarullah Khan, with six copies of the tract of the same title sent on demand to Irving Hoffman, Havertown, Pa. Following books/tracts sent to an Indian Muslim, Dr. Iqbal Ali of Ithaca University, N.Y. - (i) Jesus in India, (ii) what is Ahmadiyyat, (iii) The Second Advent of Jesus Christ, (iv) Holy Prophet Mohammad (s.a.w.) A comprehensive reply to the author of the booklet "Islam and Christianity," Dr. Donald S. Tingle, theologian, Donners Grove, Il. was sent followed by a copy of the book "Deliverance From the Cross" by Mohammad Zafarullah Khan. No reply received inspite of reminders. A copy each of (i) Jesus in India and (ii) Deliverance From the Cross by Mhammad Zafarullah Khasn sent to Pastor Marc Maffucci, Rochester, N.Y. A copy each of (i) Where Did Jesus Die and (ii) Teaching of Islam sent to Bruce



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Craig, Pastor, Penfield, N.U. A copy each of (i) The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam and (ii) Answers to Four Questions of a Christian, Sirajuddin, sent to Mark Nothnagle, Pastor, Williamson, N.Y. A copy of The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam sent to M/s Light of Life, Villac, Austria.

Letters/Correspondence - Twenty-five letters written to prominent Evangelists/Reverends/Pastors followed by correspondence with those who replied. Some of them are the followign: Dr. Stuart Sacks, Havertown, Pa; Jerry Falwell, Lynchburg, Va; Rev. Habib Khouri, Fairport, NY; John Blanchard, England; Marc Maffucci, Pastor, Rochester, NY; Mark Nothnagle, Williamson, NY; Abdullah Al-Amin, London, England; Billy Graham. Evangelist; Old Paths Tract Society Inc., Shoal, In; Markam Al-Bishara, Kerala, India; M/S Light of Life, Villac, Austria; M/S The Good Way, Rikon, Switzerland.

Personal Discussions - Some ladies of Jehovah's Witnesses, in groups of two, visited for quite some time and had dialogue on the doctrines of Christianity. When they perceived the weakness of their faith about Jesus's birth, death, sonship, resurrection, ascension, atonement, etc. they stopped coming. One of them remarked, "we are not trying to convert you into Christianity, but you are trying to convert us into Islam." All the follow-up efforts could not bring them around.

Greetings - Letters of greetings on various occasions, e.g. X-mas, New Year's Day, sent to six persons, as gesture of goodwill.

SEATTLE - On December 23, 1988, Maulana Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad arrived at SEA-TAC Airport. On Dec. 24, our general meeting was held at Ashwood Center, Bellevue. The meeting was interesting as we listened to a very enlightening lecture by Sheikh Mubarah Ahmad Sahib. Sheikh Sahib stressed the need for a mosque for our community. Then we can increase in size.

He also pointed out the progress being made nation-wide in building mosques.

TUCSON - On the last Sunday of the month, regular prayer was held at the mosque, with fasting, Tahajud Prayer and Fajr Prayer. Friday Juma prayer has good attendance. Regular Amila meetings are held every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m., after Isha prayer. In January, regular prayer was held in our Mosque. Every last Sunday we have a fast, with Tahajud and Fajr Prayer held in congregation. We held amila meetings during the month. We had a tabligh dinner with non-Muslims in attendance. In all, ten adults accepted the call to

Tabligh dinner. Six teenagers also attended.

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN JAMAAT - The monthly General Meeting was held on Jan. 8. Local Jamaat secretaries presented reports of past year's activities and put forth plans for the coming year. Maulana Daud A. Hanif, Amir and Missionary Incharge Gambia, shared inspiring tabligh and social work being carried out in that country. Maulana Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad in his concluding remarks, expressed immense pleasure on the awakening of local Jamaat and work being carried out by the young officer-



Jalsa Musleh Mauood, Washington, DC.



bearers and Khuddam.

Chief William Miles, the Chief of the American Indian Reservation (located about 150 miles south of Washington, D.C.) paid a visit to the Fazl Mosque on Jan. 15, 1989 at the invitation of Washington Lajna. He was greeted by about 75 Ahmadi brothers and sisters. The honored guest made a personal and visual presentation on the original features of Native American culture and religious beliefs. Chief Miles responded to questions from the audience. He invited Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad to visit his people.

Quran classes were held at Martin Luther King, Jr. Public Library, Fairfax County Regional Library, and Bethesda Branch Library. The presentations were enriching for the participants.

Our new secretary taleem, Dr. Syed Abdul Majid Shah, now directs the Talim-ul Islam Academy; regular Sunday classes resumed on Jan. 22. Several new teachers have volunteered to serve.

Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Qaid, Br. Shahid Saeed Malik reports that, by the grace of Allah, there is a tremendous awakening among our Khuddam. He had a very productive meeting on Jan. 21. Khuddam have held two Waqur Amals at the new Mosque site and have cleaned the Fazl Mosque every Friday.

Famous Psychologist Speaks at Lajna Seminar - The Metropolitan Washington Chapter of Lajna Imaillah sponsored a public seminar on "Freedom of Conscience and Human Rights" at Howard University on December 4, 1988. Panel discussants were Dr. Lenora B. Fulani, recognized psychologist of New York, and Mrs. Amtun Nur Ahmad, Vice President of Washington Lajna Imaillah. Dr. Fulani recently ran for President of the United States on the New Alliance Party ticket. She made a strong plea for justice on behalf of women, children and oppressed groups. Mrs. Amtun Nur gave the Islamic view of human rights and justice based on teachings of the Holy Quran

and Traditions of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). The program was coordinated by Tabligh Secretary Mrs. Nusrat Al-Hadith. The president of the Metropolitan Washington Chapter of Lajna Imaillah, Sister Shakura Nooriah, moderated the program. Mrs. Amatul Qayyum Ahmad Mirza was an honored platform guest. There were 15 guests along with 50 Lajna members and Nasirats. Luncheon refreshments were prepared by Mrs. Farida Malik and her committee.

In education, members studied questions on "Muhammad in the Bible," as preparation for preaching to Christians. Lajna worked with Khuddam to visit the home of our neighbors in the 210 block of Leroy Place to inform them of our upcoming Centenary events had to seek their cooperation which was cheerfully granted. They were invited to attend our programs. Lajna is very actively

engaged in planning and organizing Centenary Jubilee Celebrations, working cohesively with Jamaat plans.

In Tabligh, Lajna in January preached to 58 people, distributed literature (42 pieces by hand, 81 by mail); attended 2 non-Muslim affairs, advertised 136 words in a newspaper; received 6 responses to ads/letters/preaching activities.

WILLINGBORO - The January meeting was conducted every Sunday of the month, regularly. Ways of improving the tabligh program execution were studied and discussed and decision was made to follow Huzur's scheme. Children's Ijtema was held on Dec. 25th. Competitions included Talawat, speech and general knowledge. Sporting events were held, including arm wrestling and a race.

## JALSA SALANA, U.K. CHANGE OF DATES

Due to certain further developments, it has now been decided with the approval of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV, that the Jalsa Salana, U.K., 1989, will be held on the 11th, 12th and 13th of August, 1989 (Friday, Saturday and Sunday), instead of 28-30 July, 1989, as notified earlier. This change in dates may kindly be brought to the notice of all members of your Jamaats immediately. Some of the Jamaats have already given us the required information about the number of participants. They may like to revise the numbers in view of the change of dates. Those who have not yet replied may kindly do so now, *immediately*.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LAST DECADE OF THE FIRST CENTURY

### HAZRAT AHMAD'S PROPHECIES FULFILLED

1979

- (1) The Iranian revolution and the fall of the kingdom in Iran. This fulfilled the prophecy.
- (2) Dr. Abdul Salam received the Nobel Prize in 1979 and fulfilled this prediction.

### MOSQUES/MISSION HOUSES ESTABLISHED THROUGH JUNE 1982

1979

- New Missions in Calgary, Canada; Cordova, Spain; and Yokohama, Japan.

1980

- Inauguration of "Baitul Noor" Norway.
- Inauguration of Bradford Mission.
- Foundation of Basharat Mosque in Pedrobad, Spain after 700 years.
- Purchase of a center in Nagoya, Japan.

1981

- Founded Dar ul Nusrat in Dar-es-Salaam.
- Completion of Mission House in Accra.

1982

- Purchase of land in Salisbury, Zimbabwe.

### JAMAAT'S PROGRESS FROM 1984 TO 1988

Status	1984	1986	1988
• No. of countries Jamaat spread	60	108	117
• No. of European Missions	18	26	26
• No. of American Missions	7	11	22
• New Missions in Africa		28	
• Total African Missions			175
• Total number of missionaries		182	625
• No. of new Jamaats added		254	924
• No. of languages in which the Holy Quran has been translated	11	13	20

These statistics were presented by Hazrat Ameerul Momineen in his annual address in U. K. Jalsa from 1986 and 1988.

## PROJECTS LAUNCHED BY HAZRAT KHALIFATUL IV

1982

- October 18, 1982: learn the Spanish language and other languages to spread Islam.
- October 29, 1982: Buyutul Hamd Scheme—to build houses for the poor and widows to express thanks to Allah for Basharat Mosque.
- November 5, 1982: Continue Phase I & II of Tehreek-e-Jadid.  
Elderly Ahmadies devote their retired life for Islam.
- December 2, 1982: All educated Ahmadies should defend Islam by preparing sound and succinct replies to the critics.
- December 15, 1982: To build five mosques and mission houses in America and raise 2.5 million dollars.

1983

- January 28, 1983: Dae Ilallah Scheme.
- April 20, 1983: Canadian Jamaat should donate \$600,000 for the mosques and mission houses in Canada.
- July 12, 1983: Rich Ahmadies share Eid's happiness with poor Ahmadies.
- September 30, 1983: Buyutul Hamd Scheme was revised and the funds were increased to 10 million rupees.

1984

- February 4, 1984: 500 large cookware pots for large scale food preparation.
- April 6, 1984: Special prayers for difficult times observed by the Jamaat.
- May 18, 1984: Two new European centers established, one in England and one in Germany.
- November 11, 1984: Ahmadies should commit the Holy Quran to memory.

1985

- July 17, 1985: Computerized press needed. £150,000 were solicited for this press.

October 25, 1985: Phase 4 of Tehreek-e-Jadid announced.

December 25, 1985: Waqf-e-Jadid Tehreek expanded for the entire world.

1986

- January 10, 1986: Ahmadi scientists should focus on the investigation of honey.
- March 14, 1986: *Syedna Bilal Fund* for the assistance of Ahmadi families who are behind bars for the cause of Ahmadiyyat.
- March 28, 1986: *Expansion of Houses* fund for Qadian, Delhi, and Kanpur, India.
- May 30, 1986: Special prayers observed, triggered by a vision.

1987

- March, 1987: Ahmadies should devote time to preach in South America on their own expense.
- April 3, 1987: The New Waqf Scheme to devote newborn for Islam.

### SPECIAL EVENTS OF THE DECADE

- Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, an archenemy of Ahmadiyyat, under whose regime Ahmadies were called a non-Muslim minority, was publicly executed in 1979.
- In 1984, Huzoor moved to London due to the severe problems in Pakistan and because of this, there dawned a new era of progress for the Jamaat at large.
- On June 10, 1988, Hazoor challenged all the opponents of Ahmadiyyat for a spiritual duel or Mubahila which included the President of Pakistan, General Zia ul Haq.
- On August 17, 1988, in response to Hazoor's prayers, General Zia ul Haq disintegrated in thin air, resulting from an air crash.



February 12, 1989

My dear brother/sister,

Assalamo Alaikum Wa Rahmat Ullahe Wa Barakatuhu

SUBJECT: 41st Jalsa Salana, USA

الشيخ مبارك أحمد

As already announced we will, Insha Allahu Taala, hold our 41st Jalsa Salana on June 23, 24, 25, 1989, at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County Campus. This Jalsa is a replica of the Jalsa Salana initiated by the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) in Qadian in 1891. The aims and objectives of the Jalsa Salana, as stated by the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) are to seek knowledge, mutual consultation, and the opportunity to meet brethren. This should not be considered as an ordinary convention because it was founded purely for fostering unity, cohesiveness, harmony, and interpersonal relationships among fellow believers for their spiritual, moral, and socio-economic uplift.

In view of the vitality of the Jalsa Salana, the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) himself provided permanent financial guarantee for convening it each year by instituting Chanda Jalsa Salana. He made it obligatory for each earning member of the Jamaat to contribute 1/120 of his/her annual income (one tenth of one month's earning). This fund has traditionally been used to pay for the meals and general physical arrangements of the Jalsa. It has been the tradition of the Jamaat in Qadian, Rabwah, London and elsewhere in the world that the members of the host Jamaat have been opening up their homes for the guests of the Promised Messiah (May peace be on him). Facilities of the Jamaat, such as mission houses, mosques and offices, etc., were also made available for the guests to stay in without any charge. However, when hotel style accommodation or other expensive modern accommodation were provided, an additional charge to the user of that facility was levied.

In light of the above, the following items, similar to the decisions implemented last year, are to be observed for Jalsa 1989:

1. All the earning members of the Jamaat may be reminded of the importance of Chanda Jalsa Salana. It is obligatory for every Ahmadi to pay this Chanda at the prescribed rate of 1/120 of annual income, whether he/she belongs to the host Jamaat or to an outside Jamaat, whether he/she attends Jalsa or not, whether he/she pays for the accommodation or not. I am sure you all understand the will of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and pay your Chanda Jalsa Salana immediately.
2. Exhort the members of the Baltimore-Washington Metropolitan Area and other neighboring Jamaats to open up their homes for the guests of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), so that the maximum number of guests may be accommodated in Ahmadi homes.
3. Accommodate only those guests in the on-campus lodgings who pay the lodging charges of \$20 per person.
4. Dr. Masoud Ahmad Malik, National General Secretary, will be the Officer In-charge Jalsa Salana, 1989. He may appoint his assistants, as considered appropriate by him. Organizers of Jalsa will try their best to take care of the needs and necessities of the guests. However, it must be understood that every need of every member can not be met because of many limitations. Therefore, all the members of the Jamaat throughout the USA are requested to fully cooperate with the organizers and workers.
5. The Program Committee Chairman will be Missionary Mubasher Ahmad.

I request all the guests and hosts to join hands and make this Jalsa a great success. May Allah make the participants of the Jalsa the recipients of the bounties of the Promised Messiah's (may peace be on him) prayers.

Sheikh Mubasher Ahmad

Sheikh Mubarik Ahmad  
Amir and Missionary In-charge, USA



**REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 41ST AHMADIYYA MUSLIM JALSA SALANA, U.S.A.**

June 23, 24, and 25, 1989, at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC)

Please type or print and mail as soon as possible. **Deadline for mailing this form is May 1, 1989, to:**

Mubarik Ahmad Malik  
334 Eagle Harbor South  
Laurel, MD 20707-2402

Your Jamaat account number or Wasiyyat number:

Name	Jamaat	
Address		
City	State	Zip

Telephone numbers: Home

Work

Please list all members of your party, including yourself:

Name	Age	Sex (M/F)	Relationship
			self

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**If you plan to stay on campus**, please send a check for lodging expenses. Make check payable to Ahmadiyya Convention Fund.

If this form is mailed on or before May 1:

Number of people age 5 and over

X \$20.00 =

← amount enclosed

If this form is mailed between May 2 and May 26:

Number of people age 5 and over

X \$25.00 =

← amount enclosed

**If you plan to stay with a friend or relative** living in the Baltimore or Washington area, please give their name and address:

Name	Telephone	
Address		
City	State	

Travel plans

Car  Air

Bus Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival date: June

Arrival time:

**The deadline to cancel registration is June 1, 1989.**

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Your signature (required)

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Jamaat President's signature (required)