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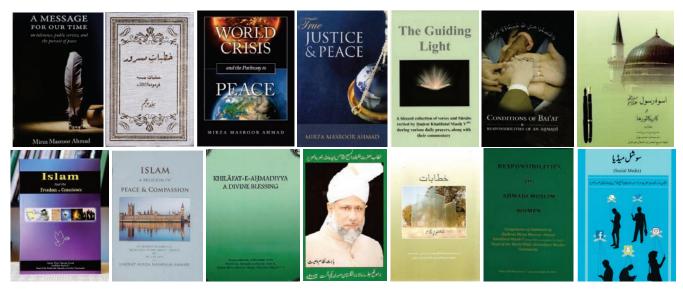


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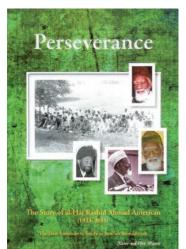
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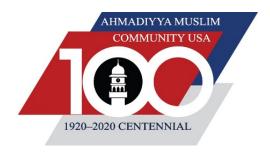
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(may Allah be pleased with him/her)

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#### Amīr Jamā'at Ahmadiyya USA Since July 2016



Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, a great-grandson of the Promised Messiah, was born in 1947.

Dr. Ahmad graduated from the Nishtar Medical College, Multan, Pakistan, in 1971.

After three years of service with Pakistan Army, he proceeded to the

US in 1976.

He was in a surgical residency in Baltimore MD 1977-1982.

Dr. Ahmad practiced surgery in Maryland and Indiana before moving to Kansas in 2000.

He was the president of Baltimore chapter of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community from 1981 to 1984.

He was the third Sadr Qaḍā Board USA. He has been the longest serving Sadr Qaḍā Board USA (2001-2016).

He has been the Amir of the US Jama'at since 2016.

He has accompanied Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V in his tours of the US since then including the opening of the Nasir Hospital in Guatemala. Numerous projects have been completed or are in progress during his tenure as Ameer US.

One significant project that has been completed in 2022 is the historical Fath-e-'Azeem Mosque complex in Zion IL. The complex has a two-story spacious mosque with activity areas and offices. There is an exhibition hall related to the fulfillment in the US of a grand prophecy of the Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him. Right next to the mosque has been built a missionary's residence. The complex has been raised at a busy intersection with a tall minaret in planning that is a replica of the Manarat-ul-Masih in Qadian, India. Funds for the project were raised in advance.

(This biography is an updated version of the one printed in the last issue.)



# 100-Year Timeline of Aḥmadiyya Islam in the US

Compiled by Dr. Mahmud Ahmad Nagi, Columbus OH

#### September 1822



In September 1822, William Miller concluded in a twenty-point document, including article 15, "I believe that the second coming of Jesus Christ is near, even at the door, even within twenty-one years,—on or before 1843." This document

remained private for many years. (Wikipedia)

#### 6 April 1830



Joseph Smith was the founder and first president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church). He and five associates formally organized the Church at Fayette, New York, on 6 April 1830. The members of the church believe

that there will be a Second Coming of Jesus Christ to the earth sometime in the future.

Joseph Smith did make several interesting statements about seeing the Savior. B.H. Roberts in History of the Church notes the Prophet's remark in 1835 when he is reported to have said that, ... it was the will of God that those who went to Zion, with a determination to lay down their lives, if necessary, should be ordained to the ministry, and go forth to prune the vineyard for the last time, or the coming of the Lord, which was nigh—even fifty-six years should wind up the scene. (Joseph Smith, History of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, 7 volumes, edited by Brigham H. Roberts, (Salt Lake City: Deseret Book, 1957), 2:182.)

#### 1831

The Millerites were the followers of the teachings of William Miller, who in 1831 first shared publicly his belief that the Second Advent of Jesus Christ would occur in roughly the year 1843–1844. Coming during the Second Great Awakening, his teachings were spread widely and grew in popularity, which led to the event known as the Great Disappointment.

#### 12 April 1843

Joseph Smith said that one day he was praying with great concentration about second coming of the Messiah, he heard a voice which repeatedly saying, "My son Joseph if you remain alive for 85 years, you shall be able to see Messiah. So, do not bother me further and let this should be enough." (Doctrine and Covenants, Chapter 130)

#### 27 June 1844

Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum Smith, were killed by a mob in Carthage, Illinois, United States, on 27 June 1844, while awaiting trial in the town jail. (Wikipedia)

#### 22 October 1844

The Great Disappointment in the Millerites was the reaction that followed Baptist preacher William Miller's proclamations that Jesus Christ would return to the Earth by 1844, what he called the Advent. His study of the Daniel prophecy during the Second Great Awakening led him to the conclusion that Daniel's "cleansing of the sanctuary" was cleansing of the world from sin when Christ would come, and he and many others prepared, but 22 October 1844, came and they were disappointed. (Wikipedia)

#### 1870



Jehovah's Witnesses believe in God, the creator, and that Jesus Christ is His son. However, they do not believe in the Trinity, the doctrine that God, Christ, and the Holy Spirit are all aspects of one God.

In 1870, Charles Taze Russell and others formed a group in

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to study the Bible. During his ministry, Russell disputed many beliefs of mainstream Christianity including immortality of the soul, hellfire, predestination, the fleshly return of Jesus Christ, the Trinity, and the burning up of the world. (Wikipedia)



# Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān The Promised Messiah and Mahdi (1835-1908)

(May peace be upon him)



It was the time of the advent of the Messiah

If I had not appeared, someone else would have

(The Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him)





#### 1880



Barāhīn-e-Aḥmadiyya Part-II was published. The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) said in the book, "An average affluent person in Europe and America contributes more towards the propagation of the Gospels than do all of the wealthiest among the Muslims. There is a large Muslim population in

India and some of them are quite wealthy and well-placed, but when it comes to spending in a good cause, most of them (with the exception of a few chiefs, ministers and officials) are found to be indifferent, apathetic and tight-fisted." (Barāhīn-e-Aḥmadiyya (English translation), Part II, pp. 72-3, Islam International Publications Ltd., UK)

#### 1882

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad said, "What a pity that our opponents, whose corrupt beliefs are demonstrably false, are busy in propagating their own religion day and night, so much so that in Europe and America even widows make contributions to the cause of Christianity. Further, many people at the time of their death, bequeath a specific portion of their inheritance for the sole purpose of spreading the message of Christianity, whereas the condition of the Muslims is regrettable beyond words." (Barāhīn-e-Aḥmadiyya (English translation), Part III, p. 1, Islam International Publications Ltd., UK)

#### 1882

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) commenced his Devine Mission around 1882 ordained by God, the Almighty and sent many letters to the scholarly community about his claim. One of his letters sent to Henry Olcott (1832-1907) founding editor of the magazine Theosophist, published in India and London, UK simultaneously. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September-October 2017, Vol. 69, No. 9-10, pp. 28-31)

#### 9 September 1882



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad published a book "Ayyām-us-Sulh" (The Age of Peace) in 1899. He wrote in this book, "It was a strange scene when people from Europe and

America came here (India) to witness solar and lunar eclipses." It was also prophesized that a tailed comet shall appear. It had appeared for Jesus Christ and Noah. That also appeared on 9 September 1882. (Ayyām-us-Sulh, pp. 49-50 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 14, pp. 280-281])

#### March 1885

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad announced that he had

been commissioned as Imam Mahdi. He published twenty thousand flyers in Urdu and English languages on the topic of truth of Islam and posted them to renowned religious scholars, kings, intellectuals, writers and lords in Asia, Europe, and USA. (Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 2, pp. 319-320)

#### 28 November 1885

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad wrote his famous book "Ā'īna-e-Kamālāt-e-Islām" (The Mirror of the Excellences of Islam) which was published in February 1893. He wrote, "Many signs have started appearing. The one appeared on 28 November 1885. An unprecedented incidence happened when glittering flames of meteorites appeared in large numbers in the sky. People in Europe, USA and Asia were amazed." God revealed to him, "And thou threwest not when thou didst throw" and was told that a sign had appeared for him. It was published in many newspapers of Europe, USA and Asia with wonder.

The second sign was the appearance of a long tail comet, which also appeared at the time of Jesus Christ. (Ā'īna-e-Kamālāt-e-Islām, p. 110 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 5, pp. 110-111 (footnote)])

#### 1886-7

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (may peace be upon him) wrote that the translation of Vedas was seen by hundreds of thousands of people of England, United States, Germany and France but no one knew that there was oneness of God in the Vedas. The English translation of the Holy Qur'ān by the same English stirred European countries so much so that English people like Mr. [Thomas Car]lyle and John Devonport, whose books, published by Himayat-e-Islam, were available in India, testified the greatness of the Qur'ān and oneness of God. (Shahna-e-Haqq, p. 58 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 2, p. 403])

#### 1886-7

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān wrote "Shahna-e-Haqq" (The Verdict of the Truth) in 1886-7. The book was later published in 1923.

#### 1 April 1887

Mr. Alexander Russel Webb of Daily Gazette USA, wrote first letter to Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad on 1 April 1887 from 3021 Easton Avenue, St Louis, Missouri USA. He accepted Islam after detailed correspondence with him. The correspondence with Mr. Webb can be seen in "Shahna-e-Haqq" (Shahna-e-Haqq, pp. 81-86 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 2, pp. 439-444]).

#### July 1891

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān said, "So far, the western countries have not shown much attachment to religious verities. God Almighty had bestowed all the understanding of religion upon Asia and all the



understanding of worldly matters on Europe and America." (Izāla-e-Auhām, Part 2, p. 516 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 3, p. 377])

#### July 1891

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān said in Izāla-e Auhām (Removal of Suspicions), "An American Christian claimed that he was Messiah. But the claim of the unbeliever Christians was not accepted by anyone." (Izāla-e Auhām, Part 2, pp. 683-684 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 3, p. 469]) The name of American Christian was not given by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad in his book.

#### July 1891

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, was asked about the propagation of Islamic education in America and Europe: Is it appropriate that English speaking Muslims be sent to Europe and America for sermons and preaching and tell them about aims of Islam? The Promised Messiah responded: In general, I shall never answer in affirmative. I never consider appropriate to send such people who are not aware of Islamic education in total. (Izāla-e-Auhām, Part 2, p. 771 [Rūhānī Khazā'in, Vol. 3, p. 517])

#### June 1892

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, said, "So, my brethren, as I have already mentioned, it is my firm resolve to continue to write books and I desire that, after the publication of this booklet, Nishān-e-Āsmānī, another booklet, Dafi'-ul-Wasawis be printed and published and, immediately following this, Hayat-un-Nabi, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, wa Mamat-ul-Masih (peace be on him) which shall be sent to Europe and America." (The Heavenly Sign, p. 79, Islam International Publications, UK)

#### 1892

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān wrote book "Eik 'Isā'ī Kei Tīn Su'al aur Un Kai Jawābāt" (Three Questions by a Christian and their Answers) in 1892. He said in his book, "A learned American friend of mine has informed me through various letters that there is hardly an intellectual in those countries who considers the Christian religion to be unflawed, and who would not be willing to accept Islam. And though the Christians have brought out interpolated and blemished translation of the Holy Qur'an in Europe and America, the light which is inherent in the Holy Qur'an is still casting its influence on pure hearts. There is great enthusiasm among the people of Europe and America, and they have been thrown into confusion by the false doctrines of the New Testament. (Eik 'Isā'ī Kei Tīn Su'al aur Un Kai Jawābāt, p. 58 [Rūhānī Khazā'in, Vol. 4, p. 468])

#### 1893-4

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, said, "And God granted me such honor that I became well known with great renown and prestige throughout the world; namely, Europe, Asia, and America." (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Devine Revelation), English Translation, p. 694, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

#### April 1893

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) wrote a booklet on corroborative study of Islam in April 1893 which was to be dispatched to America. (Hujjat-ul-Islam, p. 11, [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 6, p. 51])

#### 1895



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān wrote a letter in Persian to 'Abdur-Rahman Khan, Amīr of Afghanistan (1880-1901): "By Allah! I am commissioned from Allah—-Thus, it is imperative on whoever believes in the Qur'ān and is inclined towards God to

accept me and join those who pledge allegiance to me." (Al-Hakam, 7 February 1907, pp. 8-10—aaiil.org)

#### 1895

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad published the book, "Diya-ul-Ḥaqq" (The Light of the Truth). He said: America observed the fulfillment of the prophecy of Lunar and Solar Eclipses on the prescribed dates as mentioned in Hadith. (Diya-ul-Ḥaqq, p. 32 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 9, p. 292])

#### 11 March and 26 March 1895

America observed second pair of lunar and solar eclipses on 11 March and 26 March 1895. The dates of Ramadan were 13th and 28th. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1994, p. 10)

#### January 1896

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad wrote, "Civil and Military Gazette and Observer has admitted that the essay, Islāmi Usul Ki Filasfi (The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam), was adjudged superior to all. It is incumbent upon the Muslims to spread its translation in English in Europe and America so that the real Islam is known to the world. (Footnote of Supplement Anjām-e-Ātham, p. 55 [Rūḥānī Khazā'in, Vol. 11, p. 339])

#### Janauary 1897

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad wrote book, Anjām-e-Ātham (The End of Ātham) that was published in 1897. He wrote, "Trinity in Christianity appeared in the third century and there are hundreds of thousands of people in Europe and America who believe in it." (Anjām-e-Ātham,



p. 42 [Rūhānī Khazā'in, Vol. 11, p. 42])

#### 6 February 1898

On February 6, 1898, Hazrat Ahmad (may peace be on him) saw in a vision: "Angels of God are planting black trees in different places of the Punjab. These plants are very ugly, black, frightening and stunted. I asked the person planting these trees, what kind of trees are these? He replied that these were plague trees, which would spread in the country very shortly." (Ayyām-us-Sulh, p. 121) The sign also appeared in the US.

#### 1900-1904

The San Francisco plague of 1900–1904 was an epidemic of <u>bubonic plague</u> centered on <u>San Francisco</u>'s <u>Chinatown</u>. It was the first plague epidemic in the <u>continental United States</u>. [(Anderson, Elizabeth T. (May–June 1978). "<u>Plague in the Continental United States</u>, 1900–76". Public Health Reports. 93 (3): 297–301. <u>PMC 1431896</u>. <u>PMID 349602</u>] (Wikipedia)

#### 8 September 1900

Galveston hurricane on 8 September 1900 in the US leaves an estimated 6,000 to 8,000 dead. (Wikipedia)

#### 20 January 1902



Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, may peace be upon him, expressed his desire in 1891 in his book "Fathe-Islam" (Victory of Islam) to publish a magazine in English to propagate Islam in the West. Anjuman Ishaʻat-e-Islam Qādiān, India was formed on 31 March 1901 to manage publication. Hazrat Maulawi Nūr-ud-Dīn was its first

president. The first issue was published on 20 January 1902.

#### 5 October 1902

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (peace be on him) published book "Kashtī-i-Nūḥ—Da'wat-ul-Iman" (Noah's Ark, An Invitation to Faith). He wrote, "According to the Gospel the only ground for divorce is adultery and the hundreds of other factors that might create severe hostility between a man and woman are ignored. Ultimately, this shortcoming has proved unsustainable for the Christian people and now, in the United States, it has become necessary that a law pertaining to divorce be enacted." (Noah's Ark, p. 130, Islam International Publications, UK)

#### 1903

Hazrat Muhammad 'Abd-ul-Haqq (Charles Francis Sievwright) accepted Aḥmadiyya Islam through correspondence with the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) in 1903. (The Moslem Sunrise, Issue 1922, Vol. IV, p. 143-46).



He visited Qādiān, India in 1903 and earned the title of the companion of the Promised Messiah. (Derived from the Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Special Issue on Inspired Souls, p. 11)

#### 17 November 1903



The U.S. acquired Panama Canal Zone. The treaty was signed on 17 November 1903.

#### 17 December 1903



Wright brothers on 17 December 1903 made the first controlled, sustained flight in heavier-than-air aircraft at Kitty Hawk, N.C. (Wikipedia)

#### 26 September 1904



Mirza Ahmad F.L. Andersen was the first American Aḥmadī Muslim. He joined Aḥmadiyyat through correspondence with the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) on 26 September 1904. The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) gave him

the name Hasan. There are many more Westerners who are full of praise for this Jamā'at, and express their agreement with it. (Barahīn-e-Ahmadiyya, Part V, English Translation, p. 131, Islam International Publication Ltd. UK, 2018)

#### 1904



"Dr. A. George Baker of 404 Susquehanna Avenue, Philadelphia, USA, read about me [Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah] in the Review of Religions, and wrote that he totally agreed with the views of this Imam,

who has presented Islam to the world in exactly the same form as the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) had done." (Barahīn-e-Aḥmadiyya Part V, p. 132, English translation, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

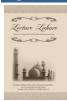
#### 1904

"And a woman from America wrote about me (the Promised Messiah, may peace be on him) in her letter, "I love to look at his picture all the time; it appears to me to be exactly the picture of the Messiah."" (Barahīn-e-



Aḥmadiyya Part V, p. 132, English translation, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

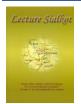
#### September 1904



The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) told his followers in September 1904, "Ever since God sent me, a great revolution has begun to take shape in the world. Even though the people of Europe and America are ardent believers in the divinity of Christ,

their own scholars are now beginning to distance themselves from this doctrine." (Lecture Lahore, p. 43, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, Founder of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Jamā'at, Islam International Publications Ltd, Printed at Raqueem Press Islamabad, Tilford, Surrey, UK)

#### November 1904



The Promised Messiah, peace be on him, told his followers, "This is why the Christian world has recently been so agitated about this subject, and a number of tracts were published in America asking why the Promised Messiah, who was to

have appeared in this age, had not yet done so." (Lecture Sialkot, English Translation, p. 10, Islam International Publications UK, 2007)

#### November 1905

The "Lecture Ludhiana" was delivered at Ludhiana, India to thousands of people. The Promised Messiah, peace be on him, told his followers, "My publications are sent to America and Europe. Endowed with intelligence, those people have come to realize the truth." (Lecture Ludhiana, English Translation, p. 37, Islam International Publications UK, 2003)

#### March 1906

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, of Qādiān wrote "Chashma-e-Masīḥi" (Fountain of the Christianity) which was published under the auspices of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) in June 1922. The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) said, "Remember, their [Jews and Christian] religious and historical books, and even their revealed ones, are all cloaked in darkness. You do not know how Europe is bemoaning these books, and how good people are instinctively being drawn towards Islam, and how books are being written in its support, this is why many people from countries like America have joined my Jamā'at [fold]." (Fountain of Christianity, p. 30, Islam International Publications UK, 2007)

The Promised Messiah, peace be on him, also wrote in Chashma-e-Masīḥi, "A terrible earthquake struck right in the middle of spring on 28 February 1906, and it shook the Mansuri Hills so forcefully that the people nearly lost their senses. At the same time, parts of America also experienced an earthquake which destroyed many cities." (Fountain of Christianity, footnote of p. 48, Islam International Publications UK, 2007)

#### 18 April 1906

An earthquake left 500 dead or missing and destroyed about four square miles of the city of San Francisco, California. (Wikipedia)

#### 5 May 1906



"The spring has arrived again and with it the days of snow."

This prophecy along with its interpretation was published in the periodical Review of Religions and the newspapers Badr and Al-Hakam as many as

nine months before its fulfilment, and the time for its fulfilment was fixed to be the season of spring.

There was unusually heavy snowfall in Kashmir, Europe, and America, the details of which we will—God willing—presently write down by quoting excerpts from newspapers. But in exact conformity with the intent of the prophecy, such excessive cold and heavy rain struck this country, and in that particular part of the country indicated in the prophecy, that the whole country cried out in panic. At the same time snowfall was so heavy in some parts of the country that people were left awestruck and wondered what was going to happen.

Then nine months later, it was so manifestly and plainly fulfilled that all the newspapers of the Punjab, India, Europe, and America testified to it. (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (Epilogue Signs), English Translation, pp. 595-597, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

#### 1907

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, said, "Now, all English and Urdu newspapers and all astronomers are witness to the fact that the lunar and solar eclipses of this particular description did take place in my time about twelve years ago during the month of Ramadan, and just as is reported in another hadith, these eclipses have taken place twice in the month of Ramadan—first in this country and then again in America. Both times, they took place exactly on the dates indicated by the hadith. At the time of these eclipses there was no claimant to being the Promised Mahdi anywhere in the world except me, nor did anyone claim these eclipses as the Sign of his being the Promised Mahdi and publish hundreds of announcements and booklets in Urdu, Arabic, and Persian to support his claim; therefore, this heavenly Sign is specifically



appointed for me. Another supporting argument for the same is that twelve years prior to the manifestation of this Sign, God Almighty had informed me that a Sign of this kind would appear. The tidings, having been recorded in Barāhīn-e-Ahmadiyya, had become known to hundreds of thousands of people before the Sign actually appeared." (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Devine Revelation), English Translation, p. 243-4, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

#### March-June 1907

Christian Pastor Alexander Dowie died of paralysis fulfilling the prophecy of the Promised Messiah. Major newspapers of USA published the news of his death along with the prophecy.

In Haqiqat-ul-Wahy, the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, reported the death of Dr. Dowie. On 9 March 1907 a telegram was received from London, which was published in the Civil and Military Gazette. The telegram reported that, "The self-styled Prophet Dowie is dead." (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (Epilogue Signs), English Translation, p. 617, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

#### 23 June 1907



The Boston Herald reported on the prayer duel between the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) and John Alexander Dowie on 23 June 1907: Dowie died at the age of 59, while the Promised Messiah, who was 12 years older, was still alive at that time.

#### 7 April 1908

An American tourist Mr. George Turner arrived in Qādiān on 7 April 1908 at about 10 A.M. along with his lady Miss Bardoon and a Scotchman Mr. Bansor to meet

the Promised Messiah. (Al-Hakam, 10 April 1908, pp. 1-4)

#### 13 April 1908

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) received a revelation a few days before 13 April 1908: "I will cause the days of the earthquakes to return." (The revelation was published in Badr and Al-Hakam, Qadian, India). The earthquake hit the Punjab, Khairabad (District Peshawar) and Lawrencepur. It was a devastating earthquake, a sample of Doomsday. (Civil and Military Gazette)

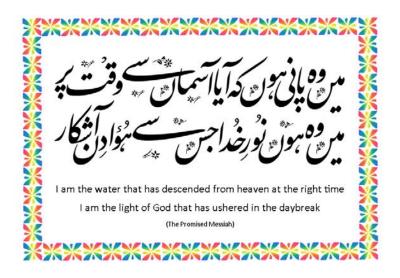
Later it was learnt through the English newspapers that America and parts of Europe had also been shaken by three terrifying earthquakes after the revelation, resulting in the destruction of a number of cities." (Haqiqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Devine Revelation), English Translation, p. 749, Islam International Publications UK, 2018)

#### 26 May 1908

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān, the Promised Messiah and Mahdi (peace be on him) passed away on 26 May 1908 in Lahore at about half past ten. The holy remains were transported to Qādiān by the same evening.

#### 27 May 1908

Before the burial of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the members of the community present at Qādiān unanimously selected Hazrat Maulawi Nūr-ud-Dīn of Bhera as the successor and Khalifa of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) and swore the oath of allegiance to him. Then the Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) led the funeral services and the burial took place after midday.





# Hazrat Maulawi Hakim Nūr-ud-Dīn Bheravi (1841-1914)

## Khalifatul-Masih I (1908-1914)

(May Allah be pleased with him)

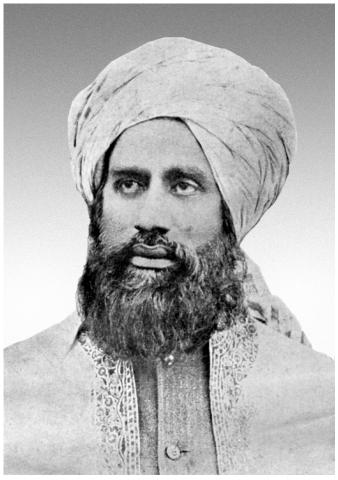


Hazrat Maulawi Nur-ud-Din, may Allah be pleased with him, married twice, but all his male children had died in their infancy. Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be on him, was keenly anxious that he should marry a third time. In his letter of 23 January 1889, he suggested to marry Sughra Begum daughter of late Sufi Ahmad Jan. Maulawi Nūr-ud-Dīn accepted the proposal and formal ceremony was performed in February and wedding took place in March 1889. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad also participated in the marriage. (Adapted from Hadrat Maulawi Nur-ud-Din—Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) by Chaudhri Zafrulla Khan, pp. 82-3, Islam International Publications, UK, 2006)

The daughter of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) Amat-ul-Hayy was married to Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad. Her first child was Bibi Amat-ul-Qayyum who was married to Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad National Amīr USA (1989 to July 2002).

#### 1910-12

During 1910-12, there were terrible earthquakes in Iran, Greece, Central Asia, Italy, Sicily, and America. Further, the unprecedented floods in Hyderabad, India



and Paris, France caused a wave of fear and panic. In those days of trials and tribulations, Hadrat Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) issued a handbill urging mankind to return to the ways of God by eschewing arrogance and indifference. (Hakim Nur-ud-Din, Khalifatul-Masih I by Syed Hasnat Ahmad, p. 130)

#### 16 March 1912

US appreciates the Essay of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) "The Philosophy of the Teaching of Islam." The daily news Chicago wrote on 16 March 1912: "The devout and earnest character of the author is apparent."

#### 4 March 1913



Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated as 28<sup>th</sup> US President. He remained in office till 4 March 1921. (Wikipedia)

#### May-June 1913

Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Kahn visited Switzerland and Germany during May-June of 1913. He wrote to Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) that he met two American ladies who were



returning from a visit to Spain, Morocco, Egypt and Palestine. They inquired him about Islam and the Holy Quran, and he responded to them. "What will be given in the Paradise?" In response, he explained the philosophy of paradise according to the Ahmadiyya viewpoint. They were astonished and said that their guide in Egypt had told them that all he would get were twelve wives. He also explained the arrangement of the Holy Quran and on their request for help in understanding Islam better, obtained their addresses and mailed the copies of the Teachings of Islam to them later. (Hayat-i-Nur, pp. 621-622, published by 'Abd-ul-Hadi Zahid from Lahore with no date with reference to Badr, 12 June 1913, p. 9)

#### 1913

Timothy Drew, better known as Noble Drew Ali (8 January 1886-20 July 1929) founded the Moorish Science Temple of America in 1913 after declaring himself a prophet. He gained a following of thousands of converts. A leader of the temple was murdered and Drew Ali was arrested and



jailed. He died in 1929 soon after the release from jail. He was 43 years old at that time. He remained alive for only sixteen years after the pronouncement of prophethood. The temple he founded is still active.

(https://www.britannica.com/biography/Noble-Drew-Ali)

#### 13 March 1914

Hazrat Maulawi Nur-ud-Din, Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) passed away at about 2 P.M.

#### 14 March 1914

Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad was elected as Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) in Qādiān. He was twenty-five years of age at the time. The newly elected second caliph of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community led the funeral prayers of Khalifatul-Masih I. The Khalifatul-Masih I was laid to rest in Bahishtī Magbarah, Oādiān, on the right of the grave of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him.



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# Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad Muşlih Mau'ūd (1889-1965) Khalifatul-Masih II (1914-1965)

(May Allah be pleased with him)



#### March 1914

A well-known American missionary came to Qādiān soon after Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad became caliph of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Jamāʻat. He asked Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) some important but tedious religious questions. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II answered all the questions asked by the American missionary. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 4, p. 163-4, Niẓārat Nashr-o-Ishāʻat Qādiān, Print Well Amritsar, India).

#### 28 June 1914

World War I started. It was fought between two coalitions, the Allies (France, UK, Russia, Italy, Japan and the US) and the Central Powers (Germany, Austria, Hungary and Ottoman Empire). (Wikipedia)

#### 15 August 1914

Colombia, France, and later the United States controlled the territory surrounding the Panama Canal during its construction. France began work on the canal in 1881, but stopped because of engineering problems and a high worker mortality rate. The United States took over the project in 1904 and opened the canal on 15 August 1914. (Wikipedia)

#### 25 January 1915

First long-distance telephone service was demonstrated between New York and San Francisco, (Wikipedia)

#### 7 November 1916

The first woman, Jeannette Rankin of Montana,

USA, was elected to the House of Representative. (Wikipedia)

#### 15 May 1917

First regular air mail service began between Washington D.C. and New York, USA. (Wikipedia)

#### 11 November 1918

The World War I ended. About 9 million soldiers were killed in different combats and five million civilians died. (Wikipedia)

#### 1918

The worldwide influenza epidemic killed 20 million worldwide; 500,000 died in the US only. (Wikipedia)

#### 16 January 1919

Eighteenth Amendment to the US Constitution was ratified, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, and transportation of liquor. It was later repealed in 1933.

#### 18 August 1919

Nineteenth Amendment to the US Constitution granted women right to vote. (Wikipedia)

#### 27 December 1919

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II, may Allah be pleased with him, while addressing the first session of Jalsa Salāna (annual convention) in Qādiān, said, "I told you a revelation about America sometimes back. Now there is another one. In-Sha-'Allah, Muftī Sahib (Muhammad Sadiq) shall proceed to America soon. A well-known poet and painter of America came to England and accepted Islam through our missionaries. Al-Hamdu-Lillah." (Al-Fazl, 8 January 1920, p. 7)



#### January 1920

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq boarded S.S. Haverford steamship on 26 or 28 January 1920 in England which was to reach Philadelphia, USA with stops at France and Canada.

#### 15 February 1920



Muftī Muhammad Sadiq reached Philadelphia on board the Haverford steamship on 15 February 1920 and was given the option to go back or appeal to the president. He was held for about one and a half month in a detention house by the Immigration Authorities. (Muftī Muhammad Sadiq, Khilafat-e-

Thānīya kai Karnamai, Al-Hakam Khilafat Number, December 21-28, 1937, p. 6)

#### February-March 1920

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq preached during the detention and got acquainted with many. First convert to Aḥmadiyya Islam was R. J. H. Richford who was later named as Hamid. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1921, p. 12)

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq converted twenty people to Aḥmadiyya Islam during his detention period in United States. (Al-Fazl, 9 October 1923)

#### 20 May 1920

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq was released from the US detention house on 20 May 1920. He rented an apartment in New York City. The address was: 245 W 72 Street, NYC (Al-Fazl, 14 June 1920).

#### May 1920

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq was allowed by the US authorities to propagate Islam.

Muftī Sadiq changed his residence to 1897 Madison Avenue New York City. This was first Mission House in the US. (Al-Fazl, 28 June 1920, p. 2, Review of Religions, July 1920, p. 246)

#### 4 June 1920

According to the report of 4 June 1920 by Muftī Muhammad Sadiq, twenty-nine people were converted to Aḥmadiyya Islam. (Al-Fazl, 23 September 1920)

#### Middle 1920

Muftī Sadiq travelled to Chicago where his addresses were:

- 1. C/O Diab Brothers, 51-E, 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, IL (Review of Religions, October 1920, p. 352)
- 4334 Ellis Ave, Chicago, IL (Review of Religions, January 1921).

#### January 1921

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq started delivering lectures in churches. He delivered two lectures on 16 January 1921 and another two on 23 January 1921. He answered questions from the audience. (Al-Fazl, 17 March 1921, p. 2)

#### April 1921

About thirty communications on Ahmadiyya Mission led by Dr. Mufti Sadiq appeared in the Daily papers of America, like Philadelphia Journal and New York Sun. (The Sun and New York Herald, April 1921)

#### April 1921



Mr. Muhammad Yusuf Khan arrived in the US in April 1921. (List or manifest of alien passengers, Courtesy Tanvir ul-Nisa Ahmad, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 52).

He proved to be a beneficial helping hand especially during the years when there was no missionary in the US after second missionary

Muhammad Din was called back to Qādiān. (The Muslim Sunrise, Vol. XLII, No. 4, December 1975, pp. 14-15)

#### April 1921

Detroit Free Press printed news with picture of Muftī Muhammad Sadiq. Its caption was: Moslems celebrate feast of 'Id-ul-Fitr. Address in Detroit Michigan was: 74 Victor Ave, Highland Park, Michigan (Review of Religions, April 1921, p. 157)

#### 1 July 1921



Missionary Muftī Muhammad Sadiq started publication of the periodical "The Moslem Sunrise" which is still in circulation. It is one of the oldest Islamic magazines published from the US. The magazine had an annual subscription of \$1 and was published quarterly from 74 Victor Avenue, Highland Park, Michigan, USA. The motto of the magazine

was "I will keep my faith above the World."

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) sent a message on the publication of first issue of 'The Moslem Sunrise." (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 4, pp. 250-251, the Moslem Sunrise, No. 1, July 1, 1921)

#### July 1921

Mr. Muhammad Karoub built a mosque in Highland Park, Detroit by spending \$55,000. He invited Muftī



Sadiq to Detroit. (Old Islam in Detroit, Howell, 2014, p. 44)

Anti-Aḥmadiyya elements among Muslims opposed Karoubs' administration. Muftī Muhammad Sadiq left Highland Park for Chicago and the mosque built by Karoubs was sold later. (The Moslem Sunrise, 1921, Issue 2, p. 31)

#### July 1921

Muftī Sadiq described an incident of a lady in Chicago who had seen him two years ago in her dream. (The Muslim Sunrise, July 1921, No. 1)

Mrs. S.W. Sobolewski, the first American lady who accepted Islam when Muftī Sadiq delivered a series of lectures in New York, was named Fatima Mustafa to fulfill the dream of Dr. Sadiq, which he saw in England before starting the missionary work in USA. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1921, No. 1)

#### July 1921

Dr. Mufti Sadiq published a review article of Dr. Whitney recommending circumcision unqualifiedly. It stated: "Circumcision prevents syphilis. National circumcision would prevent 40,000 deaths in the US each year." (Whitney, July 1921, Virginia Medical Monthly, the Moslem Sunrise, Vol. III, No. 1, January 1924, p. 32)

#### Middle 1921

Dr. Muftī Sadiq visited Toledo, Fort Wayne, Bremen, Chicago where he delivered series of lectures and gave interviews to the press. The Aḥmadiyya Muslim Missions dispatched 2,800 letters, magazines and copies of literature and received 646 reply letters. (The Moslem Sunrise, October 1921, No. 2, pp. 39-40)

Brother Muhammad Yaqoob (Mr. Andrew Jacob) and Ghulam Rasul (Mr. Elias Russell) worked as missionaries in Chicago, Illinois. They succeeded in bringing nine American souls in the fold of Islam. Letters and Aḥmadiyya literature were sent to many celebrities in the country and abroad. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1922, No. 5, p. 112)

#### 7 November 1921

Mr. Erma T. McLoath F.T.S. wrote from Grand Rapids, Michigan that Muftī Sadiq delivered a most illuminating lecture on "What Islam really is?" (The Moslem Sunrise, April 1922, No. 2, p. 95)

#### 1921

Dr. Mufti Sadiq delivered 50 public lectures in New York, Chicago, Detroit, Dowagiac, Michigan City, and Sioux City, etc. These lectures were announced in daily newspapers. The main topics of the lectures were on Islam and other leading religions of the world. (The Moslim Sunrise, Vol. 1, No. 1, July 1921, p. 13)

#### January 1922

The Moslem Sunrise started publishing from a new address: Muslim Sunrise 27 La Belle Avenue, Highland Park, MI (The Moslem Sunrise, January 1922, Vol. 1, No. 3)

#### January 1922

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) sent a message, "God has assigned as a duty of the Muslims that they should carry the message of Islam to all the corners of the earth." (The Moslem Sunrise, January 1922, No. 3, pp. 133-4)

#### April 1922

Once Muftī Muhammad Sadiq asked permission from Hazrat Masih Mau'ūd (peace be on him) to appear for Bachelor of Arts examination so that he gets a degree.

Missionary Muftī Muhammad Sadiq was awarded Doctorate of Oriental Sciences by Oriental University of Washington D.C. (The Moslem Sunrise, April 1922, No. 4, p. 100)

#### Second Quarter 1922



A large house was bought for a permanent central office, a mosque, mission house and office for Moslem Sunrise at 4448 Wabash Avenue, northwest corner of Wabash Avenue and 45th Street in Chicago, IL, and the Aḥmadiyya headquarters shifted there. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1922, Issue 5, p. 112, Review of Religions, September 1922, p. 350, Review of Religions, October-

November 1922, p. 367)

#### 25 June 1922

Syracuse Sunday Herald of 25 June 1922 allocated a whole page describing the activities of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, with photographs of Muftī Muhammad Sadiq in a mosque. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1922, No. 5, p. 116)

#### Middle 1922

Muftī Muhammad Sadiq delivered a series of lectures in Grand Rapids, Michigan and ten persons accepted Aḥmadiyya Islam. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1922, No. 3)

#### Last Quarter 1922

Muftī Sadiq was invited to deliver talks on Islam in the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, and Michigan. (The Moslem Sunrise, January 1923, Vol. II, No. 1, p. 166)



#### 1923

Dr. Muftī Sadiq delivered five lectures at United Improvement Association (the association of Marcus Garvey who was famous in those days) Hall in Detroit MI. Muftī Sadiq speeches resulted in conversion of forty Garveyites. (The African American Journey to Islam)

#### 7 January 1923

Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) gave detailed written instructions to the Aḥmadī missionaries when Maulawi Ahmad Din (may Allah be pleased with him) left for USA to take charge from Muftī Muhammad Sadiq. (Al-Fazl, 25 January 1923, pp. 3-6)

#### First Quarter 1923

Muftī Sadiq toured New York City, visiting Pittsburgh and Buffalo. Many new converts to Islam and initiation into the Ahmadiyya Movement were the rewards of these visits. (The Moslem Sunrise, April & July 1923, Vol. II, No. 2 & 3, p. 190)

#### 29 March 1923

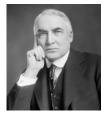


Maulawi Muhammad Din was appointed second US Aḥmadiyya missionary by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II. He reached Boston harbor on 29 March 1923. (Al-Fazl, 25 January 1923, p. 3)

During his tenure, 650 Chicagoans were converted to Islam.

(The Moslem Sunrise, January 1924, Vol. III, No. 1, p. 35)

#### August 1923





Twenty-ninth US President Warren G. Harding (4 March 1921 to 2 August 1923) [left] died and John Calvin Coolidge Jr. (right) (2 August 1923-4 to

March 1929) was appointed 30<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. Missionary Muhammad Din wrote a condolence letter to the wife of the deceased President. He also sent a congratulatory letter to the newly appointed President. He assured the President full support from the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA.

A reply was received on 13<sup>th</sup> August 1923 from Secretary of White House. (The Moslem Sunrise, October 1923, Vol. 2, No. 4, p. 271)

#### 18 September 1923

Dr. Muftī Muhammad Sadiq, the first Aḥmadiyya missionary to the US, was called back by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) and was assigned duties at headquarter, Qādiān, India. The return journey started on 18 September 1923. (The Moslem Sunrise, October 1923, Vol. II, No. IV, p. 268, Al-Fazl, 30 October 1923, front page)

During his tenure as missionary USA, Dr. Muftī established chapters at Detroit, New Orleans, Florida, South Carolina, Indiana, West Virginia and New York. (The Moslem Sunrise, January 1924, pp. 45-6)

#### 4 December 1923

Dr. Muftī Muhammad Sadiq reached Qādiān, India from the US after successful three-year tenure as missionary of the US. (Al-Fazl, 4 December 1923).

#### January 1924

A society "Ikhwan" (Brothers) was founded for the active promotion of Islamic brotherhood among the new converts. (The Moslem Sunrise, January 1924, Vol. III, No. 1, p. 33)

Maulawi Din Muhammad wrote a beautiful article on Islam in which he elaborated the object of a man's life, Cardinal doctrine of Islam, Qur'an is our sacred book, Islam forbids impurity of every kind, The ethics of Islam. (The Moslem Sunrise, Vol. III, No. 1, January 1924, pp. 43-45, The Moslem Sunrise, Vol. IIIc, No. 2, April 1924, p. 78)

Much of Maulawi Muhammad Din's time was devoted to touring the country to open new avenues of propagation of Islam and training of the new converts. (Edited from 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir Aḥmadiyya Community USA, June 1998, p. 57)

#### 28 May 1924

A well-known American missionary Mr. Zwaimer came to Qādiān on 28 May 1924 and met Khalifatul-Masih II. He was presented Aḥmadiyya literature. On reaching USA, he wrote a circular in which he warned Christian world to prepare and combat Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya who was practicing a modernized Islam and had become very strong in Europe and America. (Al-Fazl, 6 January 1925, p. 5)

#### 20 October 1925

Missionary Maulawi Muhammad Din was called back to Headquarters in Qadian, India, by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him). He handed over the charge of the American Aḥmadiyya Mission to Dr. Muhammad Yusuf Khan, an honorary missionary. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 55)

#### 30 December 1925

Missionary Maulawi Muhammad Din arrived in Qadian. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II along with many Ahmadis received him. (The Al-Fazl, 1 January 1926, p.



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#### 15 December 1927

Sheikh Muhammad Yousaf Khan, an honorary missionary of the US reached Jhelum, Pakistan, after seven years of missionary work. He was given rousing welcome by Ahmadis at railway station. He addressed to people gathered and thanked them. (Al-Fazl, 7 January 1928, pp. 1-2)

#### 18 August 1928



Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengalee arrived in the US and assumed the charge as the third Aḥmadiyya missionary. (The Moslem Sunrise, July 1930, Vol. III No. 3, p. 5)

#### 4 March 1929



Congratulatory Letter to Herbert Hoover (31st US President from 4 March 1929 to 4 March 1933) was sent. The missionary in-charge received the reply from the office of the president. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1933, Vol. 6, No. 3-4, p. 36)

#### <u>3 November 1929</u>

Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengalee moved Ahmadiyya Mission to 56 East Congress St. Suite 1307, Chicago. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 19)

#### 1930

Lecture on the "Life of Muhammad" was arranged in the Kimball Building, 306 South Wabash Avenue. Dr. Martin Sprengling Professor of Semitic Languages and Literature of the University of Chicago, and our missionary Sufi M.R. Bengalee addressed a large gathering. The proceedings of this event were reported in Chicago Daily News and the Chicago Daily Tribune. (The Moslem Sunrise, Vol. III No. 4, December 1930, p. 22)

#### 1930

There were 500 active African American Aḥmadīs in Pittsburgh in 1930. Dr. Yusuf Khan's younger brother also served as an honorary missionary in Cincinnati, OH. The Moslem Sunrise issues of 1930s give addresses of both mission:

- 1. Dr. M. Y. Khan, 928 W. 7th St. Cincinnati, OH
- 2. Mr. A. H. Khan, 2040 Rose St, Pittsburgh, PA (The Moslem Sunrise, December 1930)

#### August-September 1930

The activities of US Ahmadiyya mission were

mentioned in the Chicago Daily News of 11 and 14 August 1930, the Chicago Defender of 16 August 1930, the Indianapolis Star of 11 September 1930, the Indianapolis Recorder of 19 September 1930, the Saint Louis Star of 27 September 1930 and the East St. Louis Journal of 26 September 1930. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 56)

#### 8 November 1931

The life of the Prophet Muhammad was celebrated at Detroit, Grand Rapids Michigan, Indianapolis, Indiana; Kansas City, Missouri; St. Louis, Missouri; East St. Louis, Illinois; Cincinnati, Ohio; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Washington, Pennsylvania with great enthusiasm and was duly reported in the press. As usual the mission from their well-wishers and Ahmadi brethren and sisters received many comments and appreciations. Mr. Bengalee this time wrote an article on the life of Muhammad at Medina. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1932, Vol. IV, No. 1, p. 26)

#### 1931

Many lecture trips to various cities of USA, such as Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Indianapolis, Indiana; St. Louis, Missouri; Grand Rapids, Michigan; Dowagiac, Michigan; Detroit, Michigan; Gary, Indiana were arranged by missionary in-charge Sufi M.R. Bengalee. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1931, Vol. IV No. 1, p. 17)

#### First Quarter 1931

Missionary Sufi M.R. Bengalee wrote two scholarly discourses on "The Tomb of Jesus Christ" and "The Life of Muhammad in Mecca." Most of references in the article are from books of the Promised Messiah. (The Moslem Sunrise, Vol. IV, No. 1, pp. 30-36)

#### 17 February 1932

The Springfield Union Springfield, Massachusetts reported: Dr. Bengalee arrives in city, fixed in purpose of spreading Islam faith. He added that Moslems believe in Jesus Christ and Prophets such as Moses, Abraham, Buddha and Confucius but did not deify them. (The Springfield Union Springfield, Massachusetts February 17, 1932)

#### 20 February 1932

The activities of the US mission for the first quarter were reported in Friends Intelligencer, Philadelphia, PA. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1932, Vol. IV, No. 3, p. 17)

#### February to June 1932

The activities of Aḥmadiyya mission were reported in US leading newspapers:

Similarly, the Morning Call Allentown, Pennsylvania



of 28 February 1932, the Independent Spiritualist Association Church Bulletin, Grand Rapids, Michigan of May 1932, the Detroit News, Detroit, Michigan of 15 June 1932, the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio of 23 June 1932 and the Cleveland Press, Cleveland, Ohio of 23 June 1932, "Dharma" Journal of all world Gandhi fellowship, New York of January-June 1932, wrote similar views about Aḥmadiyya Mission.

#### 4 June 1932

Sheikh Muhammad Yousaf Khan, an honorary missionary of the US returned to Pittsburgh, USA. He delivered lectures every night since his arrival to Pittsburgh. He toured Cincinnati and Washington chapters. The chapters were progressing nicely. (Al-Fazl, 30 August 1932, p. 7)

#### 25 June 1932

Sufi M.R. Bengalee spoke in 'Abington Friends' Meeting. The Cleveland Plain Dealer Cleveland, Ohio gave this heading in its publication of June 25, 1932. "Seeks converts to Islam here. Mohammedan missionary also wishes to correct wrong ideas on religion."

#### 4th Quarter 1932

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established missions at Indianapolis, Dayton, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Youngstown, St. Louis and Kansas City during his tenure. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 69, Nos. 11-12, November-December 2017, p. 46 and American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p. 53)

#### 16 December 1932

Dr. M.R. Bengalee delivered lectures to students and teachers of Austin, which was reported in Austin Times of 16 December 1932. The progressive Thinker reported "Path of Peace" in his publication of 21 November 1932; "The overcoming of religious and race prejudices." Kalamazoo Gazette of Saturday, April 8, 1933, made headline "Sufi Bengalee in city to form Moslem Chapter." The magazine mentioned about Aḥmadiyya Movement and their goals. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1933, Vol. VI No. 3-4, p. 37)

#### 2 March 1933



Congratulatory Letter was sent to Franklin D. Roosevelt (32<sup>nd</sup> US President from 4 March 1933 to 12 April 1945). The missionary in-charge received a reply from the office of the president. (The Moslem Sunrise, April-July 1933, Vol. 6, No. 3-4, p. 36)

#### 29 August 1933



During first visit of (29 August to 7 September) Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan to Chicago, IL, he addressed three public meetings. He delivered two speeches in Chicago Aḥmadiyya Mission. He also inspected

Ahmadiyya Mission Chicago and gave valuable suggestions. (Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 6, pp. 119-20)

#### 1033

Eighteenth Amendment to the US Constitution was repealed in 1933. It had prohibited the manufacture, sale, and transportation of liquor.

#### July 1933

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established Kansas City chapter. (Al-Fazl, 5 December 1933)

#### August-September 1933

The World Fellowship of Faith was held in Chicago and New York in August-September 1933, 199 representatives of all faiths, races and countries, delivered 242 addresses at 83 sessions, seeking a solution for the world problems.

Sufi M.R. Bengalee read message of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him). Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan made a profound impression by his modest but masterly address "Islam Promoting World Unity, Peace and Progress" on 1 September 1933. Sufi Bengali's thoughtful, informing address on "Islam the Solution of World Problems," was an effective contribution to the evening session, on 14 September 1933. (The Moslem Sunrise, November 1933, Vol. 6, No. 3-4, pp. 43-44)

#### 3 December 1933

Minneapolis Journal of 3 December 1933, wrote: "Islam envoy visits city—missionary from India, seeking converts and explained his religion." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 56)

#### 1933

Dr. Muhammad Yusuf Khan, an honorary Aḥmadiyya missionary of USA, appointed Sister Aliyyah Muhammad as first President of the women's "Sewing Circle." (From Nycemah Yaqub-African American Journey to Islam)

#### 1 September 1934

The Chicago Defender of 1 September 1934 made a headline as "Open new Moslem Mosque in city."

#### 8 September 1934

The Chicago Home News wrote in his issue of 8



September 1934, "Moslems who open mosque here explain the principles."

#### 1935

In 1935, upon return of Sufi M.R. Bengalee from India, he announced in his first speech at Jalsa Salāna (Annual Convention) that American Aḥmadī Muslim women would henceforth call their Sewing Circles, Lajna Ima'illah, a name that was used internationally. This was of special significance for American sisters because it implied a Society of the Maidservants of God honoring its pledge. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 183-4)

#### 10 December 1936

Sufi M.R. Bengalee returned to Chicago with his wife and daughter after making an extended trip around the world. After 'Id prayers, he delivered a sermon on the "Philosophy of Fasting in Islam." (The Moslem Sunrise, August 1937, Vol. IX, No. 1, p. 17)

#### 17 June 1937

Professor John Clarke Orchard of Department of Religious Studies, Yale University, USA arrived in Qādiān and conversed with Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II on issues relating to Islam. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 7, p. 437)

#### 31 October 1937

The American branch of the Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam observed "The Prophet Muhammad Day" at Pittsburg, Cleveland, Indianapolis, Kansas City and Chicago centers. (The Moslem Sunrise, February 1938, Vol. X, No. 1, p. 19)

#### 15 November 1937

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) said when a missionary was not allowed to enter USA: We are experiencing many obstacles. A new experience has happened. American government did not allow entry to our missionary Muhammad Ibrahim Nasir. The plea was that he had faith in polygamy. (Friday Sermon of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II dated 15 November 1937, published in Al-Fazl, 18 November 1937, pp. 5-6, Tarikh-e-Aḥmadiyyat by Dost Muhammad, Vol. 7, p. 82)

#### 1937

By 1937, Lajna Ima'illah was established in five cities, Chicago, Indianapolis, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Kansas City. (Tarikh Lajna Ima'illah, Vol. 4, p. 562)

#### March 1939

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya (Youth members of the Aḥmadiyya community aged 15 to 40 years) USA was officially formed in March 1939 at Chicago. (Al-Fazl, 29 July 1939)

#### 1 September 1939

World War II started. The main combatants were the Axis powers (Germany, Italy and Japan) and the Allies (France, Great Britain, the US, the Soviet Union and China).

#### 2 April 1940

Mr. Wellbus Kirkland of Chicago, a representative of a well-known newspaper, "Life" of New York, arrived in Qadian and conversed with Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him). (Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 8, p. 201)

#### 7 December 1941

Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, a U.S. Naval base in Hawaii. The U.S. was no longer neutral, and it declared war on the Axis Powers (Germany, Japan, Italy).

The U.S. entering World War II ended the Great Depression because the war created many jobs.

While some of the battles the U.S. fought in were air and naval battles with Japan, the U.S. mainly fought in Europe and Africa. The U.S. opened several fronts, including in North Africa and Italy. The U.S. airplanes bombed Germany blowing up German factories in many cities. (Wikipedia)

#### 6 June 1944

On June 6, 1944 (D-Day), American and British forces invaded Normandy. A year later, the Allies had freed France and taken Berlin.

#### 12 April 1945



Franklin D. Roosevelt died on 12 April 1945, and Harry S. Truman became president of the US from 12 April 1945 to 20 January 1953.

President Truman committed American troops to battle in Korean War without the approval of the US Congress. (Wikipedia)

#### 6 August 1945



US dropped Atomic Bomb on Hiroshima, a city of Japan. (Wikipedia)

#### 9 August 194<u>5</u>

US dropped another Atomic Bomb. This time on Nagasaki, another city of Japan, forcing unconditional surrender.



#### 2 September 1945

The World War II ended. An estimated total of 70-85 million people died.

#### 1946



Dr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir (missionary in the US 1946-1959) arrived in the US in 1946. He served as an assistant to Sufi M. R. Bengalee until 1948 and then succeeded him as missionary in-charge.

Dr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir started Annual Conventions, initiated the elections of the National Executives and National Auxiliaries, published new books and launched the Ahmadiyya Gazette. (50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salana Souvenir Ahmadiyya Community, USA, June 1998, p. 57)

#### August 1946



Mirza Monawar Ahmad, son of Mirza Shafi Ahmad, posted as missionary in Pittsburgh PA. He made Pittsburgh as HQ: 2432 Center Ave, PA. Due to his efforts, this region was declared as one of the top positions in USA Jamā'at. (The Moslem Sunrise,

1946 Issue 3, p. 23)

#### 1946

Dr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir initiated elections of national executives and auxiliaries of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA. The annual subscription of the US Jamā'at reached \$40,000. (Al-Fazl, 17 April 1946)

#### End of 1946

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established St. Louis chapter. (Al-Fazl, 14 February 1947)

#### February 1947

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established chapters; Baltimore (President Abdul-Karim), Dayton, Indianapolis, PA (Al-Fazl, 24 February 1947)

#### March-April 1947

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established New Jersey chapter. (Al-Fazl, 11 April 1947)

#### June 1947

Sufi M.R. Bengalee established New York chapter (Al-Fazl, 18 June 1947)



#### June 1947

Ghulam Yasin Khan assumed charge of US missionary in June 1947 (Al-Fazl, 26 June 1947) and remained in US till 9/3/1963. (New York Souvenir 1989, p. 16)

#### September 1947

Shukar Ilāhī Husain assumes the responsibilities of a missionary in the US. He served US Jamā'at from September 1947 to 1960 and then again from 1964 to 1973 as missionary.

#### August 1947

Dr. M.R. Bengalee established Boston chapter. (Al-Fazl, 13 August 1947).

#### 1947

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya was established in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Kansas City, Dayton and Baltimore in the year 1947. (Al-Fazl, 15 August 1948).

#### 11 January 1948

Missionaries Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengalee and Khalil Ahmad Nasir delivered speeches in a local Arabs meeting. (Al-Fazl, 11 April 1948, p. 5)

#### February 1948

M.R. Bengali left for Pakistan in February 1948 after devoting 19 years of his life to the cause of Islam in USA. (The Muslim Sunrise, 1948, Qtr. 1, Vol. XX, No. 1, p. 13)

#### 20, 25 and 29 February 1948

A women club in Chicago invited Missionary Khalil Ahmad Nasir to deliver lecture on Islam. He answered questions from the audience for one hour.

Missionary Khalil Ahmad Nasir delivered a speech on "Islamic viewpoint on Palestine issue," A local newspaper mentioned this in one column report. A detailed summary was also published later. About one hundred members of Rotary Club participated.

B & B Club and Tuxes Club in Evanston jointly held a meeting and invited missionary Khalil Ahmad Nasir to talk on 29 February 1948. (Al-Fazl, 11 April 1948, p. 5)

#### 18 March 1948

Mr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir, missionary to the US, successfully conducted a debate with the Jews on Palestinian issue which was arranged by South Chicago Community Forum. The debate was announced through many newspapers and posters. The meeting hall was packed to the capacity. Two local newspapers published the proceedings. The cause of the Arabs was highlighted by Mr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir. He received constructive feedback though a letter from the secretary of the Jew association. (Al-Fazl, 11 April 1948, p. 5)

#### 18 March 1948

Boston chapter was established by missionary Khalil Ahmad Nasir. A small new chapter in Jersey City was established by missionaries Khalil Ahmad Nasir and Mirza Monawar Ahmad. (Al-Fazl, 11 April 1948, p. 5).



#### 5 September 1948

First Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community of the United States of America was held in Dayton, Ohio on 5 September 1948. The tents used for the convention were made by Ahmadi sisters. Notable Jamā'ats which participated are: Chicago, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, Cleveland, Youngstown, Du Quoin, Homestead, New York and Kansas. Ninety participated in the convention. (Al-Fazl, 24-25 September 1948, p. 6)

#### 15 September 1948

Mirza Monawar Ahmad, missionary Pittsburgh PA, had a tumor and was operated in local hospital. He could not survive. He expired on 15 September 1948. Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) mentioned about his qualities in his Friday sermon of 24 September 1948. (Al-Fazl, October 6, 1948, p. 6, "Shuhada-e-Ahmadiyyat, Aaghaz Ta 'Ahd-e-Khilafat-4," p. 89, Compilation of Ahmadi martyrs from Friday Sermons of Khulafā II, III and IV under the auspices of hundred years jubilee of Ahmadiyya Khilafat (1908-2008).

#### 1949

The Ahmadiyya mosque in the Nation's Capital was established which was named the American Fazl Mosque by Hazrat Muṣliḥ Mauʻūd (may Allah be pleased with him). It served as the national headquarters of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community until 1994. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 74)

#### August 1949

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) instructed missionary Chaudhri Khalil Ahmad Nasir in August 1949 to buy a house for the Aḥmadiyya Mission in Washington.

A three-story building was procured for \$42,000 for mosque and Washington Mission. Another \$3000 was spent on its repair. (Al-Fazl, 24 June 1950, p. 5)

#### 9 September 1949



Abdul Qadir Zaighum reached USA and took charge of Pittsburgh chapter on 2 October 1949. (Al-Fazl, 30 March 1950, p. 3)

He remained regional missionary USA till 1955 and then again from 1958 to 1965. (Al-Fazl, October 6,

1950, p. 2).

#### 17-18 September 1949

Missionary Abdul Qadir Zaighum participated in the annual conference on the instructions of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 13, p. 108).

Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam, USA, held two-day second Annual Convention in Pittsburgh on 17-18 September 1949. It was inaugurated by Dr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir. At his request, Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) sent a message. He directed the Jamā'at USA to adopt the message of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) about Al-Waṣiyyat.

Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan attended the convention and delivered two speeches. Two hundred attended the convention. (Review of Religions, January 1956, pp. 8-12, Al-Fazl, 6 October 1950, p. 2)

A new Department, the Co-operative Committee was created at the second annual convention. The principal object was to institute ways and means of helping our sisters and brothers to work in unity and to co-operate with one another to better their social, financial and spiritual conditions. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 14, p. 43, The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 1950, Vol. 1, No. 4, p. 13)

#### 1949

Amatul Hafiz Nasir (wife of Dr Khalil Nasir) had been the first National Sadr Lajna, appointed in 1949 by the Missionary-in-Charge. Amatul Hafiz Nasir worked tirelessly for Lajna members in the first Majalis (chapters) in USA including Dayton, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, Chicago, New York and St. Louis (USA Khilafat Centenary Souvenir 2008).

Lajna USA established contact with Center, Rabwah. In the beginning Lajna started a few page magazine "Lajna News." Later Lajna also started publishing regularly a magazine named "Ayesha." (Tarikh Lajna Ima'illah, Vol. 4, p. 562)

#### First Quarter of 1950

US periodical, "The Moslem Sunrise," changed name to "The Muslim Sunrise." (The Muslim Sunrise, First Quarter, 1950, Vol. XXII, No. 1, p. 27)

#### May 1950

In May 1950, Aḥmadiyya Headquarter USA was shifted from Chicago to Washington D.C. (Al-Fazl, 24 June 1950, p. 5)

Ahmadiyya circles were realigned from May 1950.

- (1) New York Circle, In-charge missionary Ghulam Yasin Khan, Missions: Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Maryland states.
- (2) Pittsburgh Circle, In-charge Missionary Abdul Qadir Zaighum, Missions: Pennsylvania, Ohio and Michigan States.
- (3) Missouri Circle, In-charge missionary Shukar Ilāhī, Missions: Missouri, Illinois and Indiana States.



(The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, USA June 1950, Vol. 1, No. 4, p. 2)

#### June 1950

Dr. Khalil Nasir launched the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, in 1950. He was the first editor. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, USA, June 1950, p. 1—Edited by Khalil Ahmad Nasir and published by the Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam, 2141 LeRoy Place N.W., Washington D.C.)

#### 2-3 September 1950

Third annual convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held in Cleveland, Ohio on 2-3 September 1950. This was the first time that Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya and Lajna Ima'illah auxiliaries held their separate meetings. Two hundred attended. (Al-Fazl, 10 September 1950, p. 1)

#### 1950

Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) named national headquarters at 2141 LeRoy Place, Washington D.C. as "American Fazl Mosque." It served as the headquarter of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA from 1950 to 1994. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50th Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 57)

#### 1950

A new chapter of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA was established in Milwaukee WI, near Chicago in the year 1950. (Al-Fazl, 10 September 1950)

#### 1950

At the third Jalsa Salāna in 1950, in Pittsburg, Lajna delegates held their first election meeting on September 2nd to elect a National President (Lajna History, USA). Amatul Hafiz Nasir was elected and then re-elected twice at the following conventions. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 184)

#### 1950

A school named "Nur-ud-Din" was established in the US to teach religion to new converts in America to prepare them for the propagation of Islam in the US. Its aim was to impart Islamic teachings to American people (Al-Fazl, 21 June 1950, p. 2)

#### 1950 to 1975

War between North and South Vietnam: Soviet Union and China and other communist allies supported North Vietnam whereas South Vietnam was supported by USA and South Korea. (Wikipedia)

#### May 1951

In 1950, US Aḥmadiyya missions were confined to East and Midwest States. In 1951, the propagation work expanded to California State. A new mission and a small Jamā'at was formed in Los Angeles, CA. Similarly, in South of USA, a Chapter started working in Kentucky and another mission was coming up in the state of Louisiana. (Al-Fazl, 29 May 1951, p. 6)

#### 1-2 September 1951

Fourth US Annual Convention was held in Cleveland, Ohio on 1-2 September 1951. Two hundred attended from all over the US. The Aḥmadiyya Mission USA published following books of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) (may Allah be pleased with him). (Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 14, p. 43)

- 1. Communism and Democracy
- 2. Why I believe in Islam?
- 3. Ahmadiyya Islam, the true Islam

The mission also published book of Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, "Moral Principles as the basis of Islamic Culture." (Al-Fazl, 16 October 1951, p. 4)

#### 1951

Aḥmadiyya Mission USA published "The Philosophy of Teaching of Islam" by the Promised Messiah (peace be on him) and Mahdi. (Aḥmadiyyat, the Renaissance of Islam by Chaudhri M. Zafrulla Khan, p. 82)

#### 1951

In the year 1951, Muhammad Zafrulla Khan was representing Pakistan in United States. Mr. Truman, President of US gave a message to American nation. The next day a meeting of Muhammad Zafrulla Khan with Mr. Truman was scheduled. He made some comments on his speech during the meeting. He said to the President that he remembered a few verses from the Holy Qur'an about two principles he mentioned in his message. He narrated those verses to him in English. President Truman took deep interest and wanted to see those verses in Qur'an himself. Zafrulla Khan sent him a copy of the Holy Qur'an with English translation. (Tarikh-i-Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 15, p. 439)

#### 3 January 1952

Weekly Panorama, an organ of the information department of the United States of America, published from Karachi, Pakistan, wrote on 3 January 1952 that about 12,000 Muslims lived in the United States, including 1,200 Pakistanis, 10, 000 from other eastern countries and 1,000 American converts to Islam by Ahmadis (Panorama, Vol. III, No. 20, 3 January 1952, p. 8, Al-Fazl, 12 January 1952, p. 2)

#### 1952

An Italian atheist Dr. Laurav Vagile wrote an essay on "An Interpretation of Islam." The essay portrays true representation of Islamic values and believes. He gave respect to the Holy Prophet. The essay became very



popular and was published many times. Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan wrote a preface to it. He gave due respect to the author. The American mission published five thousand copies of the essay. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 86)

#### 31 August to 1 September 1952

Fifth annual convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held in Dayton, Ohio from 31 August to 1 September 1952. The delegates from all the Aḥmadiyya Missions in America participated. (The Review of Religions, August 1952)

#### 1 November 1952

First Hydrogen Bomb was detonated by the US on Eniwetok, an atoll in the Marshall Islands. (Wikipedia)

#### 1952

In Dayton, a piece of land was donated by Brother Wali Kareem and his wife Latifa Kareem next to their home. They wanted Aḥmadiyya mosque to be built on the lot. A ground digging ceremony was held and many members of all Jamā'ats were there. At first a basement was put in with one small kitchen, two bathrooms and an auditorium. There was no office or telephone. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 531)

#### 1952

An American new convert Abd-ush-Shakoor Reesh went to Rabwah, Pakistan for religious studies. He later dedicated his life for Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam. (Al-Fazl, 13 February 1953, p. 5)



#### 20 January 1953

Dwight Eisenhower was inaugurated as 34<sup>th</sup> US President. He was the first US President to visit Islamic Republic of Pakistan. (Wikipedia)

#### March 1953

Large scale riots erupted in the Punjab, Pakistan, in March 1953 against Aḥmadīs by religious bigot Aḥrār. Aḥmadīs properties were burnt and looted. Six Aḥmadīs were martyred. Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) issued a message for Aḥmadīs on 3 March 1953: "You continue praying, I also pray. In-Sha'-Allah we shall be victorious. Have you ever seen in the past forty years that God abandoned me? The whole world may leave me, He shall, In-Sha'-Allah, never leave me. Certainly, He is coming running to help me. He is with me. He is in me." (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 15, pp. 17-18)

#### 1953

An American writer and scholar Mr. Donald N.

Wilber wrote about agitation in Punjab, Pakistan:

"But in 1953 agitation directed against them by other Moslems became so violent that it shook the very foundation of the new state." ("Pakistan: Its people its society its culture," HRAF Press, New Haven, p. 95)

#### 17 March 1953

Cleveland Plain Dealer wrote about riots in the Punjab, Pakistan: It is the Aḥrār who have touched off the mob action which brought about the first Martial Law in Pakistan history.

#### 30-31 May 1953

Sixth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim convention USA was held in YMCA Hall and Chicago-Mosque on 30-31 May 1953. More than 250 attended. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 16, p. 205)

#### 10 March 1954

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) survived an attempt on his life in Masjid Mubarak, Rabwah, Pakistan, at the time of the late afternoon prayer, but he was seriously wounded in his neck. (Al-Fazl, 12 March 1954, p. 1)

#### 17 May 1954

On 17 May 1954, Supreme Court of USA gave a landmark decision and declared that racial segregation in schools was unconstitutional. The US President sent federal troops to Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., to enforce integration of black student on 24 September 1954. (Wikipedia)

#### 18 May 1954



Maulawi Nur-ul-Haqq Anwar left Rabwah for USA on 12 April 1954 and assumed the charge of missionary USA on 18 May 1954. He remained on this post till July 1957. (Al-Fazl, 23 May 1954, p. 1), (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 25)

#### 4-5 September 1954

The seventh Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim convention USA was held in Pittsburgh, PA on 4-5 September 1954. More than 250 attended. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 16, p. 431)

#### December 1954

Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan delivered two talks about Islam at Haverford College. He was invited after his appointment in International Court of Justice. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 16, pp. 432-3)



#### 27 December 1954



Syed Jawad Ali Shah was appointed as US missionary from 27 December 1954 and took over as Secretary of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA in Washington D.C.

His missionary efforts continued for six years. He returned to Pakistan

in July 1960. (Al-Fazl, 20 April 1956, Al-Fazl, 30 July 1960)

He returned to the US in January 1963 and worked in Washington D.C., Chicago, and St. Louis. He finished his tenure of duty on 14 March 1971.(Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 57, Al-Fazl, 18 October 1994, p. 7)

#### 1954

Dr. Khalil A. Nasir attended the World Conference on Religions (Shimizu City, Japan) and the World Council of Churches (Evanston, Illinois) in 1954.

Islam was represented by Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan and Dr. Khalil A. Nasir at the World Religions Conference in Dallas, TX and was attended by world-known leaders such as the Prince of the Netherlands and His Excellency U Nu, the Prime Minister of Burma. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50th Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 65)

#### January 1955

A mission started working in a rented house at Harlem of Manhattan (New York). The propagation work continued in spite of great difficulties. The mission continued to work at different rented houses. Then a house was procured in Brooklyn (NY). Missionary Chaudhri Ghulam Yasin had been working here for fifteen years. (Tabshir file USA)

#### 23 March 1955



Abd-ush-Shakoor Kunze served Aḥmadiyya Community USA as missionary from 1955 to 1956. (Tabshir File USA)

Chicago Tribune published his interview on 23 September 1955 in which activities of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Jamā'at were highlighted. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 17, p. 315)

#### 9 May 1955

The American weekly magazine Life published a detailed feature on Ahmadiyya Islam on 9 May 1955. It wrote that in 1890, a reformer Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān interpreted Islam for modern era, and that his coming was foretold both in the Bible and the Quran. He claimed to be both the Messiah and the Mahdi. His

teachings were liberal and pacifistic A newspaper from Peshawar, Pakistan, analyzed the article. It stated that Jama'at Ahmadiyya International took big stride in preaching activities all over the world. Due to its efforts in the last half century, western countries are acquainted with Islamic teachings. (Loh-o-Qalam, Peshawar, October 28, (1955) and Daily Al-Fazl, November 11, (1955), p. 5, Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 17, pp. 283-289)

#### May 1955

Aḥmadiyya Mission USA published 10,000 copies of Quran and distributed it all over the country creating renewed interest in Islam. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 17, pp. 283-9)

#### 3-4 September 1955

The eighth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held in St. Louis, Missouri on 3-4 September 1955. Following missions were represented: New York, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, Dayton, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Baltimore, Boston and Youngstown. (Al-Fazl, 22-24 November 1955, Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 17, p. 314)

#### 1955



First Afro-American Rashid Ahmad American was appointed honorary missionary soon after his religious studies at Jami'a Ahmadiyya, Rabwah, Pakistan. He performed his missionary duties in Chicago, St. Louis and various other cities of the US from 1955 to

1972. He also served as national president for several years. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April 2015, pp. 18-21)

#### 1955

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) wrote a message for Aḥmadīs of USA about Al-Waṣiyyat System. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 17, pp. 104-112)

#### 1955

Missionaries Chaudhri Khalil Ahmad Nasir and Nurul-Haq Anwar delivered lectures in New York American University. Five speeches were also given on radio during the year 1955. (Al-Fazl, 3 July 1955, p. 3)

#### 31 January 1956

Prof. Stakman, Agriculture Advisor Rockefeller Foundation USA delivered a speech on "Agriculture and Science" on 31 January 1956 at Rabwah, Pakistan. He had an audience with the Promised Reformer. (Al-Fazl, 1 February 1956, pp. 1-8)



#### 1 September 1956

Nineth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held in Cleveland, Ohio on 1 September 1956. Two hundred delegates participated. The proceedings of the convention were published in many local newspapers. (Al-Fazl, 4 September 1956, p. 1 and Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, p. 382)

#### October -December 1956

A New York firm published a book "Biographies of Religious Leaders." It came to the knowledge of Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) that offensive language was used against Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be on him). (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, p. 217)

Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) instructed to write a reply to American Firm who wrote derogatory remarks about the Holy Prophet. The firm was informed accordingly. Timely reply forced the firm to send a written apology. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, p. 219)

#### December 1956

A new Aḥmadiyya mission was opened in Detroit, MI. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, pp. 381-2)

#### 13 January 1957

Dr. Muftī Muhammad Sadiq, pioneer of Aḥmadiyya Mission in USA passed away on 13 January 1957. (Al-Fazl, 15 January 1957, p. 1)

#### 1957

Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan came to USA for few months. He inaugurated new Aḥmadiyya mission in New York by delivering an impressive Friday sermon.

He also led 'Id-ul-Fitr prayer. During his stay he delivered several lectures on Islam at different universities, colleges, clubs, and associations and answered questions from the packed audience. His message reached to notable social and religious circles in the country. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, p. 744)

#### February-March 1957

Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan gave lectures in Columbia University and the northeastern state Maine as follows:

Bernard College for Women on "Islam."

Muslim Association on "Islamic Faith" on 26 February 1957.

Muslim Association on "The moral and spiritual values of Islam" on 2 March 1957.

Muslim Association on "The social and economic values of Islam" on 7 March 1957.

Bowdoin College on "Universe, design or accident"

on 7 March 1957.

A speech to American Friends of the Middle East on 26 March 1957.

#### 23 August 1957

According to the message of Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) to US Jamā'at, the total number of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA reached seven thousand figure. He asked US Jamā'at to increase obligatory Chanda subscription. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 18, p. 477)

#### 31 August to 2 September 1957

The tenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held in Dayton, Ohio on 31 August to 2 September 1957. Planning of the Jamā'at and financial budget were discussed. The message of Wakil-ut-Tabshir was also read. (Al-Nur April-September 2020, p. 164)

#### 31 January 1958



US launched first American satellite, Explorer I. (Wikipedia)

#### 14 March 1958

The wife of missionary Syed Jawad Ali died on 14 March 1958 in a Pittsburgh hospital and was buried there. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV led her funeral prayer in absentia as martyr. (Shuhada-e-Aḥmadiyyat, Aaghazta-Khilafat-4, p. 131)

#### 25 May 1958

Sunday Times published an article of Elizbeth Hackley on "Fanning the flame of Islam." Some extracts are as follows:

The Ahmadiyya sect holds the interesting belief that Jesus, far from dying on the Cross, made his way to Kashmir and is buried at Srinagar; and that the Second Coming was fulfilled in the person of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qādiāni, who died in 1908. Although most of its adherents are Punjabis, the sect has mosques in Britain, Holland, Germany, the United States and elsewhere.

Its missionaries, sent over from Pakistan, are mostly men of impressive intellect and force of character, and the rule, that every adherent must give one-tenth of his income to further his faith, provides funds for further advance. (Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 20, pp. 103-4, Al-Fazl, 9 July 1958, p. 1)

#### 29-31 August 1958

Eleventh Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held in Pittsburgh, PA. Following missions were represented: Boston, Cambridge, Trenton, *Winston* 



Town, New York, Montclair, Newark, Baltimore, Washington D.C., Louisville, Annesburg, Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, Youngstown, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, Dayton, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Canal Zone and Canada. The meetings of Lajna Ima'illah and Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya were held on 30 August. (Al-Fazl, 7 June, 11, 23 September, 11-12 November 1958, Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 20, p. 287)

#### July 1959

Chaudhri Khalil Ahmad Nasir departed from the USA in July 1959. Missionary Ghulam Yasin Khan was entrusted the duty of missionary In-charge in July 1959 that he carried out until 17 February 1962.

#### 5-6 September 1959

Majlis Anṣārullāh was formed at the twelfth Annual Convention of US held in Chicago on 5-6 September 1959. First President was Ahmad Shaheed of Pittsburgh and Secretary Muhammad Sadiq of New York (Personal file of Syed Jawad Ali Shah 1959, p. 28)

#### 1959

Brother Russel Shafiq (an early convert to Aḥmadiyyat), who had been president of Dayton Jamā'at, died in 1959. (Al-Fazl, 24 September 1959, p. 1)

#### 1960



A famous Christian Pastor, Dr. Billy Graham, from the US toured Africa in 1960. He gave a statement to a representative of New York Times. He said that there was a neck-to-neck competition in Africa between Islam and Christianity and a day might come when

the whole Africa should be converted to Islam. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 20, p. 584)

#### 29 February 1960



Aminullah Khan Salik served as a missionary in the USA from 29 February 1960 to April 1963.

He utilized many opportunities for preaching through newspapers and radio. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette,

Special Issue on Inspired Souls, pp. 37-8)

#### March 1960

The famous Reverend Billy Graham boasted of healing powers. In March 1960, the Reverend Dr. Graham made negative remarks about Islam. While touring African countries, he was promptly challenged to a prayer contest by Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad then missionary-in-charge in East Africa, to "determine who it is blessed with God's grace and mercy and who it is upon whom His door remains closed."



He suggested that equal number of patients who had been diagnosed of incurable diseases by the medical practitioners of Kenya should be allocated through a drawing to the reverend evangelist and to the flagbearer of Islam in Kenya, Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad. Both the

antagonists should pray to the Almighty God for the recovery of their respective group of patients. That party's religion would be considered as the true religion of God whose patients were cured. If the Reverend Graham declined, Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad argued, it would be proved to the world that Islam was the religion that could establish man's relationship with God. Billy Graham declined the offer. (Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 20, pp. 572-584)

#### 3-4 September 1960

The thirteenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held in New York on 3-4 September 1960. Many American from far off states took part. Apart from Pakistani Aḥmadīs, Africans and two from Canada participated in the convention.

During the convention Consultative Committee Meeting (Shūrā) was also held. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 21, p. 92)

#### 11-12 Night of November 1960

Missionary Aminullah Khan Salik's interview was telecasted on 11-12 night of November 1960 in Indianapolis. The Indianapolis Times published the report. (Al-Fazl, 6 December 1960, p. 5, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Special Issue on Inspired Souls, p. 37)

#### December 1960

Missionary Aminullah Khan Salik toured Columbus, OH where he was interviewed by two T.V. stations. Local newspapers published reports about Islam and Aḥmadiyyat. (Columbus Season Journal, 20 December 1960)

Missionary Aminullah Khan Salik gave interview to Indianapolis News in December 1960 titles "Islam Missionary Sees Peace Hope." He was quoted as saying that "real peace will come only through a better understanding of the world's religions. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 37)

#### 8 May 1961

The Chicago Sun Times, that is an important newspaper of Chicago, IL and had a circulation of 550,000 at the time, published an interview of missionary Aminullah Khan Salik on 8 May 1961, highlighting the achievements and sacrifices of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA. (Al-Fazl, October



5, 1962, p. 5)

#### 11 June 1961

Switzerland daily, Bernertagblatt, wrote on 11 June 1961: Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya has spread all over the world. It has established its missions in London, Hamburg, Frankfort, Madrid, Zurich, and Stockholm. Missions in US cities of Washington, Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburg, and Chicago are also working.

#### Middle 1961

Şāḥibzādah Mirza Mubarak Ahmad, Wakil A'la and Wakil-ut-Tabshīr, undertook detailed visit to Europe and America in the middle of 1961 and held series of meetings to organize preaching efforts (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 21, p. 187)

#### 28 November 1961

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) sent a message exhorting to pay special attention to African American Aḥmadīs. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 21, p. 221)

#### 17 February 1962



Sufi Abdul Ghafoor was missionary 17 February 1962-27 December 1963. Under his leadership, Syed Jawad Ali, Chaudhri Abdur Rahman Bengalee, and Major Abdul Hameed were trained for missionary work. He made Tabligh trips to Chicago, New York, Philadelphia,

Pittsburgh, Washington and Youngstown. His statements were broadcasted on Youngstown Radio.

During his tenure as missionary, Baltimore, Dayton, Indianapolis, and Philadelphia chapters were established. (Urdu Biography of Missionary Major Abdul Hamid, General file America 1963, p. 423)

#### 1-2 September 1962

The fifteenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim Convention USA was held at YMCA hall in Pittsburgh, PA on 1-2 September 1962. American from East, Mid, West coast and Canada's Jamā'ats participated. Missionary Sufi Abdul Ghafoor read the inaugural address. Message from Wakil-ut-Tabshir Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Mubarak Ahmad was also read. Proceedings of the convention were reported by well-known American newspapers. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 21, p. 543, Al-Fazl, 5 October 1962, p. 5)

#### 19 September 1962

On the election of Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan as President of General Assembly of the United Nations, the American press reacted positively for the coveted post. New York newspaper wrote on September 19, 1962, that in electing Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla Khan of Pakistan as President of the General Assembly, the United Nations had chosen "An outstanding Veteran Diplomat."

#### 21 November 1962



On 21
November 1962, J.
F. Kennedy,
President of United
States of America,
met in the oval office
with the companion
of the Promised
Messiah, the
President of the UN

General Assembly, Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 83).

#### 1962

American Aḥmadiyya Mission published 10,000 copies of Qur'an and distributed it all over the country creating renewed interest in Islam. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 17, pp. 313-4)

#### 1962

Chaudhri Mohammad Zafrulla Khan delivered a speech on Islam at Harvard College when he was appointed Judge of International Court of Justice which was widely admired by many students who happened to meet him after the speech. A professor of Department of Political Science thanked him. (Tabshir report USA)

#### 9 April 1963



Abdur Rahman Bengalee arrived in USA on 9 April 1963. He was stationed at Washington D.C. followed by Pittsburgh PA. He was appointed missionary in-charge at the return of AG Soofi. (Ahmadiyya Gazette, January 1972, p. 3. Ahmadiyya Gazette, Aug-Sep 1970, p. 2. Journal File USA 1970-72, p.

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#### May 1963

Major Abdul Hamid was appointed missionary at Dayton, Ohio in May 1963. At that time, Sufi Abdul Ghafoor was missionary in-Charge (Biography of Missionary Mian Muhammad Ibrahim, p. 30).

Major Abdul Hamid prepared a vibrant Tabligh group who displayed placards in Dayton depicting messages from Islam. They distributed flyers also. This interesting program created attention to Islam among non-Muslims. (Al-Fazl, 17 August, 26 October, 12 December 1963, and 25 February 1964)



He started building Aḥmadiyya Mosque in Dayton, Ohio in 1963 with the help of Aḥmadīs of Dayton. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 86).

#### 28 August 1963

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr., delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech before a crowd of 200,000 during the civil rights march in Washington, D.C



#### 30-31 August to 1 September 1963

The sixteenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim convention USA was held in Cleveland, Ohio on 30-31 August to 1 September 1963. Two hundred members of the following chapters participated: Washington, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Youngstown, Covington, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, St. Louis and Dayton. Missionary Sufi Abdul Ghafoor read the inaugural address. Meetings of Lajna Ima'illah, Ansarullah, Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya took place as well. (Al-Fazl, 17 August, 26 October, 12 December 1963, 25 February 1964, Tarikh Ahmadiyyat, Vol. 22, p. 347)

#### 22 November 1963



President
J.F. Kennedy
(35th
President of
the US from 20
January 1961



November 1963) was assassinated in Dallas, TX. He was succeeded in office by his vice president, Lyndon B. Johnson.

Lyndon B. Johnson was 36<sup>th</sup> President of the US. He remained in office till 20 January 1969. (Wikipedia)

#### Early 1964

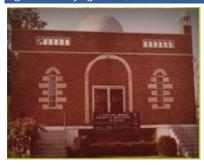
In early 1964, Chaudhri Zafrulla Khan came to Washington D.C. and stayed there for three days. Missionary Syed Jawad Ali gave a reception in his honor in which many non-Aḥmadīs participated. Zafrulla Khan spoke for about one and half hour on Islam and Aḥmadiyyat. (Al-Fazl, 23 May 1964, p. 3)

#### 28-30 August 1964

The seventeenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim convention USA was held in Cleveland, Ohio. Two hundred members of the following chapters participated: Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Wilmington, Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Detroit, Chicago,

Milwaukee, St. Louis and Canada. Meetings of Lajna Ima'illah, Ansarullah, Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya took place as well. Consultative Meeting was also held. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 22, p. 710)

#### 23 March 1965



The first purpose-built mosque in a traditional Islamic design was completed in Dayton, Ohio. Local Aḥmadīs contributed \$16,500. (Urdu Biography of Major Abdul Hamid.

Al-Fazl, 13 May 1965, p. 3).

#### 21 June 1965

Newspaper Catholic Telegraph of Cincinnati published a large photograph of the mosque with interview from Missionary A.R. Bengalee on 21 June 1965. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 66 and Urdu Biography of Major 'Abd-ul-Hamid, The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 86)

#### 4-5 September 1965

The Eighteenth Annual Aḥmadiyya Muslim convention USA was held in Dayton, Ohio on 4-5 September 1965. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 23, p. 50)

#### 8 November 1965

As a result of his extremely heavy workload and the after-effects of the deep wound in his neck, the health of Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him) gradually worsened over a period of seven years. At last, on November 8, 1965, at nearly 2 A.M., before dawn, he passed away, at the age of 76 at Rabwah, Pakistan.

#### 9 November 1965

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II during his lifetime had established an electoral college as well as rules for the election of a Caliph in consultation with representative of various Jamā'ats comprising the Majlis Mushāwarat (Advisory Committee).

Accordingly, a meeting of Majlis-e-Intikhāb (the Electoral College) was held at Masjid Mubarak in Rabwah, Pakistan, under the chairmanship of Hazrat Mirza Aziz Ahmad, Executive Director, Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya, Rabwah, Pakistan.

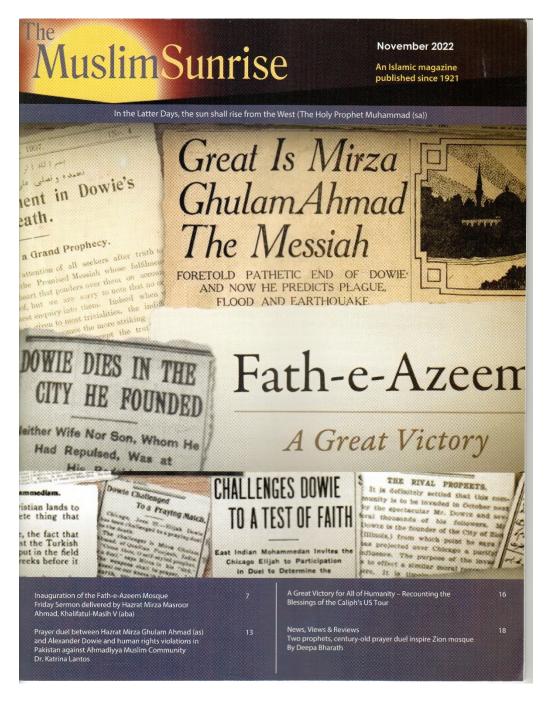
Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, the eldest son of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II was elected as the new Caliph by a majority vote. All the members of the committee entered



afresh into covenant of allegiance on his blessed hand. He made a brief address, and then all those who were outside of the Mubarak Mosque (numbering well over 5,000) pledged allegiance.

The funeral prayer of Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din

Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih II, was led by Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, the newly elected Khalifatul-Masih III. Hazrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmud Ahmad was laid to rest in the Qit'a-e-Khas (special section) of Bahishtī Maqbarah, Rabwah, beside his mother.



Monthly Muslim Sunrise.

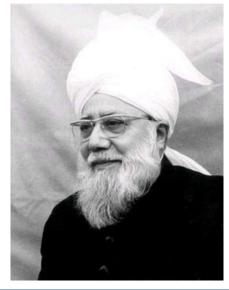
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# Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad (1909-1982) Khalifatul-Masih III (1965-1982)

(May Allah shower His mercy on him)



#### 3-4 September 1966

The Nineteenth Annual Convention of USA, was held at newly built Mosque in Dayton, Ohio. Message from Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was read. Delegates from Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Youngstown, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Detroit, Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, St. Louis, Tennessee, etc., attended. (Al-Fazl, 30 January 1966, p. 4)

#### Beginning of 1966



Right at the beginning of the third Aḥmadiyya Khilafat, Muhammad Ali, American boxing champion, visited Aḥmadiyya Mosque in Frankfurt, Germany, in 1966 and offered Prayers there. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 23, p. 714)

#### 6 September 1967



Qureshi Maqbool Ahmad arrived in United States on 6 September 1967 and took over charge from Missionary Abdur Rahman Bengalee. In the beginning, he was stationed in New York and was later transferred to Dayton, OH. He

made Dayton as his temporary Headquarter. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1968, p. 3)

#### 1967

In 1967, when Abdur Rahman Khan Bengalee visited Cleveland, he was offered the key to the city by the mayor. (Al-Fazl, June 6, 1972, pages 4-5)

#### 16 October 1967

Abdur Rahman Bengalee left USA after meritorious four-and-a-half-year service. He returned to the US after about two years. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 39)

#### 4 April 1968

Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee. (Wikipedia)

#### Middle 1968

In the middle of 1968, a chapter Waukegan City near Chicago started functioning. Fourteen people pledged allegiance to the Promised Messiah. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 279).

#### 31 August to 1 September 1968

The twenty-first Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam USA was held at Dayton Mosque, Ohio on 31 August to 1 September 1968. Approximately 250 delegates from the following states participated: Washington D.C., Washington, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi and California. Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message on the Convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1968, p. 3)

#### 1968

Brother Hussain Abdul Aziz of Philadelphia started Bulletin named "Khadim." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1968, p. 4)



#### 20 January 1969



Astronauts
Neil Armstrong
(left) and Edwin
Aldrin, Jr.,
(right) become
the first men to
land on the
Moon.



(Wikipedia)

#### 20 January 1969



Richard Nixon (20 January 1969-9 August 1974) was inaugurated as 37th US President.

He was impeached on grounds of obstruction of justice, abuse of power,

and contempt of Congress. Nixon had

to resign.

He was succeeded by his vice president, Gerald Ford (9 August 1974 to 20 January 1977). Nixon was granted an unconditional pardon by US President Ford on 8 September 1968. (Wikipedia)



#### April 1969

Annual gathering of Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya USA was held from 25 to 27 April 1969. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May 1969, Vol. 8, No. 5, p. 5)

#### April 1969

A new Mission House in Boston was reported. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Apr 1969, p. 4)

#### May 1969

New Aḥmadiyya Missions established in Baltimore, Indianapolis, Waukegan, Cincinnati and Athens. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, May 1969, p. 3)

#### August 1969

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA started publishing magazine "Al-Ansar." The second issue of the magazine was reported by the Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. VIII, No. 8, 23 August 1969, p. 3.

#### 30-31 August 1969

The Twenty-second Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention was held at Dayton, Ohio. In-charge of Aḥmadiyya Mission USA, Qureshi Maqbool Ahmad read message from Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) and then delivered inaugural address.

All chapters presented their annual reports. Meetings of Lajna Ima'illah, Anṣārullāh and Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya were held. (Al-Fazl, 17 October 1969, pp.

3-4, Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 25, p. 305)

#### 19 October 1969

Abdur Rahman Bengalee returned to the US after about two years on 19 October 1969 as Missionary in-Charge and lived in Dayton. Along with his usual Tabligh activities, he was also the editor of Muslim Sunrise.

During one reporting period, Missionary Abdur-Rahman Bengalee distributed more than 6,000 flyers in US. He delivered speeches in different churches and gave them Aḥmadiyya literature. Three local newspapers published his interviews. He delivered a speech in Public High School, Pittsburgh. He delivered Aḥmadiyya message to Assistant Superintendent of Board of Education and foreign students of the university. He talked to a judge of a local court in Detroit. (Al-Fazl, 17 August, 26 October, 12 December 1963, and 25 February 1964)

#### 1969-70

As a missionary in-charge, missionary Qureshi Maqbool Ahmad activated auxiliaries as their Na'ib Sadr. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. VIII, No. 3, p. 3)

#### 14 February 1970

Missionary Maqbool Qureshi returned to Headquarter, Rabwah, Pakistan after serving Aḥmadiyya Community, USA for two and half year. Missionary A.R. Bengalee assumed the responsibility of missionary incharge. (Al-Fazl, 17 February 1970, p. 1)

#### 5-6 September 1970

The twenty-third Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community was held on 5-6 September 1970 at Dayton, Ohio. More than 300 delegates from different parts of USA and Canada attended the convention.

Two inspiring messages of Wakil-ut-Tabshir (director of foreign missions) Rabwah and missionary Major Abdul Hameed were read.

A consultative meeting of the presidents and missionaries was also held to discourse and devise ways and means for the improvement of the financial condition and stepping up propagation. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 1970, Vol. VIII, No. 8. pp. 2-4)

#### 9 February 1971

Missionary Qureshi Maqbool Ahmad returned to Rabwah on 14 February 1970. (Al-Fazl, 15 February 1970)

He was back in the US on 9 February 1971 and was stationed in Washington D.C. assuming the responsibilities of the Secretary of the mission from Syed Jawad Ali. He acted missionary in-charge after missionary A.R. Bengalee passed away. He made Dayton



as temporary headquarters.

(The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1968, p. 3)

#### April 1971

Approval was received from the Center of the appointment of the following Khuddam as Nazim (Secretary) of the listed departments. Brother Munir Hamid of Philadelphia—Enrollment & Publication, Brother Al Nur Ghazali of New York—Finance, Brother Abdul Raheem Zafar of Dayton—Education & Instructions, Brother Jameelur Rahman of Pittsburgh—Propagation (Tabligh), Brother Abdul Karim Chicago—Social service, Malik Abdul Mannan, Philadelphia-Dignity of labor, Bashiruddin Usama, Detroit—Health & Hygiene and Lateef Ahmad of St. Louis—Atfāl (Children) (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Apr-May 1971, p. 8)

#### 3-5 September 1971

The twenty-fourth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community was held at Washington D.C. on 3-5 September 1971. Message of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was read by missionary in-charge Chaudhri Abdur-Rehman Khan. Delegates from different parts of USA and Canada attended the convention. (Tahrik Jadīd, November 1971, pp. 13-14, Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 27, pp. 244-5)

#### 15 September 1971

Aslam Qureshi, lift operator, an employee of Capital Development Authority (CDA), Pakistan Qureshi attempted to stab Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad (M. M. Ahmad, son of Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad) inside the Finance Ministry.

#### 1971

Missionary Maqbool Ahmad Qureshi returned to the US and was stationed in Washington D.C as missionary in-charge. He presided a meeting in which it was decided that was presided over by Khadim's schemes shall be carried out through the Qā'ids. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1972, p. 3)

#### 7 January 1972

The executive committee of National Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya held its meeting at Dayton. Following attended.

Brother Abdur Rahim Zafr, Muʻtamid and Nazim of education and enrollment, Brother Munir Hamid of Philadelphia—Nazim of propagation, Brother Dhul Waqar Yaqub of Troy Ohio—Nazim of propagation, Brother Abdul Karim of Chicago—Nazim of Social Service, Brother Jameel-ur-Rahman of Pittsburgh—Nazim Tahrik Jadīd, Brother Basharat Ahmad Sabur of Milwaukee, Nazim of Trade and Industry and Brother Lateef Ahmad of St. Louis—Nazim of Dignity of Labor.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. XI, No. 1, January 1972, p. 3)

#### 16 May 1972

Missionary in-charge A.R. Bengalee had a stroke in January 1972 and Missionary Maqbool Ahmad acted as Missionary in-Charge. He had another stroke after 4-5 months and died on 16 May 1972. His body was flown to Pakistan. (Al-Fazl, 21 May 1972)

#### 19 May 1972

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) led the funeral prayer of missionary A.R. Bengalee who died of stroke in USA on 16 May 1972. He was buried at the Bahishtī Maqbarah, Rabwah. (Al-Fazl, 21 May 1972)

#### 1-3 September 1972

The twenty-fifth Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention was held at Lake Forest, IL on 1-3 September 1972.

Majlis-i-Shūrā was also held.

The tour of Zion City was arranged by the Jamā'at for Aḥmadīs participating in the convention. (Tarikh Aḥmadiyyat, Vol. 28, p. 144)

#### 1972

Lajna Ima'illah USA completed 50 years of existence this year. They arranged a Commemorative Program at the 25<sup>th</sup> Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention of USA. (Tarikh Lajna Ima'illah, Vol. 4, p. 53)

#### 1972

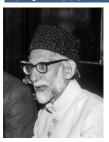
St. Louis Jamā'at acquired a house at Pine Lawn and was used as a mosque. It was known as Sadiq Mosque. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV came here in 1987. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 454)

#### 28 January 1973



Major Sharif Ahmad Bajwa assumed the charge of missionary USA from 28 January 1973. He remained missionary in-charge from 28 January 1973 to 20 July 1974. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1973-General File America 1972-74, p. 329)

14 April 1973



Mian Muhammad Ibrahim Jamooni arrived in New York, USA on 14 April 1973 and took charge of Dayton Mission House on 25 April 1973. (Urdu Biography of Mian Muhammad Ibrahim)



#### 1973

Missionary Major Sharif Ahmad Bajwa appointed the following gentlemen to look after the religious needs of Correctional Institutes. With the cooperation of the Government authorities, they will form Jamā'ats and organize lectures beneficial to the inmates. Chairman: Abdur Rahim Zafar, Members: Balal Abdullah, Yahya Abdullah, Abdul Raqib Wali. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1973, p. 3)

#### 12 August 1973

Maulawi Muhammad Siddique Shahid reached Washington D.C. on 12 August 1973 and assumed the charge of propagation work. He was missionary incharge from 20 July 1974 to 9 September 1977. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 25 and p. 68)

#### 31 August to 2 September 1973

The twenty-sixth Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention was held at Lake Forest, IL on 31 August to 2 September 1973. Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad delivered inaugural address. Majlis-i-Shūrā was also held. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salana, June 1998, p. 23)

#### 20 July 1974

Missionary in-charge Sharif Ahmad Bajwa left USA on 20 July 1974, and Maulawi Muhammad Siddiq Shahid took over the charge from him as missionary in-Charge. Maulawi Muhammad Siddique Shahid was missionary in-charge from 20 July 1974 to 9 September 1977. (General file USA 1974, p. 329 and 390, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 42)

#### 30 August to 1 September 1974

The twenty-seventh Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention was held at Wheelock College, Boston. Mass. Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad presided. (The Muslim Sunrise, 1974, Vol. XLI, No. 3, p. 1)

#### 7 September 1974

Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, fourth President from 1971 to 1973 and ninth Prime Minister of Pakistan from 1973 to 1977, declared Aḥmadīs "Not Muslims" on 7 September 1974 by the second amendment to the constitution of Pakistan.

#### 30 September 1974



On September 30, 1974, Sister Mubaraka Malik met President Gerald R. Ford of United States at the White House, as a Congressional Candidate for Wisconsin's fifth district, and presented President Ford a copy of the Holy Qur'an. President Ford acknowledged her gift and thanked her saying that he would read it. She had accepted Aḥmadiyya Islam in 1946 with her husband. She belonged to Lajna Ima'illah Milwaukee. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 93)

#### 1974

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) announced Hundred Year Centenary Jubilee Fund in 1974 and asked members of the Jamā'at to contribute generously so that the Jubilee could be celebrated with dignity and honor.

US Jamā'at pledged to pay \$3,90,000 for Hundred Year Jubilee Fund initiated by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) in 1974.

US Chapters came forward and contributed generously. Some friends donated \$10,000. Missionary Sharif Ahmad Bajwa toured different chapters and collected an amount worth \$3,90,000. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1975, p. 2)

#### 8-9 February 1975

Majlis-i-Shūrā USA was held in Washington on 8-9 February 1975. A representative of US Jamā'at missionary Br. Rashid Ahmad American was sent to attend Central Majlis-i-Shūrā Rabwah in 1975. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, March 1975, p. 4)

Amīrs of US Chapters met at Washington D.C. on 8-9 February 1975 with Muhammad Siddique Shahid, Missionary in-charge in the chair. Following chapters participated.

Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, New York, Teaneck, New Jersey, York-Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, Dayton, Detroit (Rahman Karim substituting), St. Louis, Waukegan, Athens, Milwaukee and Portland OR (Brother Khalil Ahmad of Boston), Col. 'Ata'ullah of Lahore, Pakistan, on casual visit, participated on request.

It was decided that the Aḥmadiyya Gazette be published once a month. Amīrs should collect the annual subscription of \$5 for the Gazette and quarterly Muslim Sunrise and send to Washington Mission. Illustrated history of Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam USA be published by the next National Convention (Aug 30-Sept 1, 1975), for which photos and articles be sent to the Editor by 31 May 1975. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1975, p. 4)

#### 25 May 1975

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors was held on 25 May 1975 at Washington Mission HQ with missionary Muhammad Siddique Shahid in the chair. The missionary Midwest



circle, Muhammad Ibrahim, the National Amīr, Rashid Ahmad American, National Financial Secretary, Munawar A. Saeed and the Midwest Regional Amīr, Bashir Afzal attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, June 1975, p. 1)

#### 29 to 31 August 1975

The twenty-eighth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention was held at Wilberforce Central State University Campus, Ohio. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 25)

#### 26-28 December 1975

Forty-three members from USA attended the 1975 Annual Convention at Rabwah and it was the largest delegation ever from the US. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 93)

At annual convention at Rabwah, Pakistan, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) announced six scholarships one each for England, USA, Canada, and Indonesia. Jamāʻat shall accept responsibility of two scholarships for Ghana. (Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 122)

#### 1975



Missionary Masud Ahmad Jhelumī arrived in Chicago in 1975. He was posted in New York where he was missionary for three years.

He returned to Pakistan on 12 December 1978. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 43-44)

#### 9 January 1976

US Aḥmadiyya delegation consisting of forty-one men and women attended Annual Jalsa Salāna held on 26-28 December 1975. Khalifatul-Mash III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered a Friday Sermon for the delegation. He advised them to strictly follow the straight path to attain righteousness. (Khutbat-e-Nasir, Vol. 6, p. 279, Islam International Publications UK)

#### 6-7 February 1976

Amīrs took the following decisions during a meeting held under the guidance of missionary in-charge, Muhammad Siddique Shahid Gurdaspuri, on 6-7 February 1976:

Subscription of Aḥmadiyya Gazette be increased from 5 to 7 dollars, Suitable piece of land be obtained for building a mosque at Zion, Brother Rashid Ahmad was elected unanimously as National Amīr, Missionaries Masud Ahmad and Mian Muhammad Ibrahim are required to look after the Jamā'ats in East Coast region,

Midwest and Lakes respectively. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1976, p. 3)

#### March 1976

The Muslim Sunrise lists the following chapters in the US in its March 1976 issue: Athens OH, Baltimore MD, Boston MA, Concord (San Francisco) CA, Cincinnati OH, Chicago IL, Cleveland OH, Dayton OH, Detroit MI, Indianapolis IN, Jackson MS, Kenosha WI, Los Angeles CA, Milwaukee WI, New York NY, Philadelphia PA, Pittsburgh PA, St. Louis MO, Streamwood IL, Trenton NJ, Teaneck NJ, Troy OH, Washington D.C., Waukegan IL, York PA.

#### March 1976

A meeting of Amīrs was held in Washington D.C. and missionary Shahid was in the chair. Washington D.C., Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, New York, Teaneck, New Jersey, York-Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, Dayton, Detroit (Rahman Karim substituting), St. Louis, Waukegan, Athens, Milwaukee and Portland OR (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1976, p. 3)

#### 10 March 1976

Hazrat Khalīfat-ul-Masīḥ III gave a comprehensive plan to accelerate preaching of Aḥmadiyya Islam in USA. He advised Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA to publish fifty thousand folders and distribute them as per his instructions. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 94)

#### 10 June 1976



Missionary In-Charge Muhammad Siddiq Shahid Gurdaspuri dispatched thirty books to Congress Library in Washington on 10 June 1976 which included

five copies of English Commentary of the Holy Quran. (Urdu Memoirs of Muhammad Siddique Shahid Gurdaspuri, p. 91)

#### 4 July 1976

United States celebrated 200 years in July 1976. Muhammad Siddique Shahid Gurdaspuri sent a congratulatory letter along with Aḥmadiyya literature to US President Gerald Ford. He also wrote letter of congratulation to US President Jimmy Carter in 1976. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 42)

#### 25 July 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) arrived in Washington on 25 July 1976. It was



the first tour of any Khalifatul-Masih in USA. The visit to Washington D.C. was from 25 to 31 July 1976. He addressed eleven press conferences, addressed eleven receptions, and delivered three Friday Sermons during this tour. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1976, p. 6)

#### 26 July 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) had a meeting with Amīrs (Presidents) at the residence of Sahibzadah M.M. Ahmad in Washington D.C. Sahibzadah M.M. Ahmad hosted a dinner at World Trade Center USA in honor of Khalifatul-Masih.

#### 27 July 1976

Two journalists, Lavonia Perry Marie representing a local radio station and John Novotney of Religious News Service, interviewed Hadrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih III. [USA Khilafat Centenary Souvenir (2008), p. 127]

#### 30 July 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon at the Fazl Mosque, 2141 LeRoy Pl. N.W., Washington, D.C. on 30 July 1976. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 95).

#### 1-4 August 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) spent four days in Dayton, Ohio. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 12).

#### 4-6 August 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) remained busy around New York areas during this period. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 12).

#### 6-7 August 1976

The Twenty-nineth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Drew University, Madison, NJ.

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon on 6 August 1976 and later delivered inaugural address.

He also delivered concluding address. Following are main points:

He announced 'Leap Forward' scheme to save our progeny and nation, Aḥmadiyya schools and education program, Land for training camps, Connection with God from the childhood, Preparing Literature for Children and Converts, Sends Delegates to Jalsa in Rabwah, Spiritual Revival of Russia through Aḥmadiyyat, All

Humanity to Enter Aḥmadiyyat and Divine Nearness through Moral Excellence. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1976, p. 6)

#### 13 August 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered last Friday sermon of his first tour to USA at Fazl Mosque, 2141 LeRoy Pl., N.W., Washington, D.C. The visit was given coverage in the press and many guests met him. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1976, p. 6)

#### 13 August 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited Dayton Mosque. (Al-Fazl, 30 September 1976)

#### 22 October 1976

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) asked Aḥmadiyya Community USA to procure land in fifteen US States and establish a printing press. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 96).

#### 1976

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya USA started "Tariq" as national magazine. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 246).

#### 1977

In 1977, Christian Churches Opelika Alabama awarded missionary Muhammad Ibrahim Doctor of Divinity. (Autobiography of Mian Muhammad Ibrahim)

#### 20 January 1977



Jimmy Carter assumed the office of 39<sup>th</sup> US President on 20 January 1977. He remained US president till 20 January 1981.

President J. Carter met with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli prime minister Menachem Begin

at Camp David (Sept. 6); Sadat and Begin signed Camp David Accord, ending 30-year conflict between Egypt and Israel (Sept. 17). (Wikipedia)

#### May 1977

A two-day National Ijtimā of Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya was held. (Al-Fazl, 9 July 1977).

#### 27 July 1977

Muhammad 'Abd-ur-Rashid Yahya arrived in Washington D.C. and started working with missionaries Mian Muhammad Ibrahim and Masud Ahmad Jhelumī. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 46)



#### 1977-8

Missionary in-charge Muhammad Siddique Shahid conducted the election of the National Qa'id for the ensuing 2-year period (1977-8).

Khuddam Officers 1977-78: Brother Yahya Sharif Abdullah, Qā'id, Brother Hajji Dhul Waqar Yaqub, Nā'ib Qā'id, Awwal, Brother Nasirullah Ahmad, Nā'ib Qā'id, Yusuf Amin, Mu'tamid/Administration, Mubasher Ahmad, Mu'tamid/Program, Abdul Karim (Boston), Nazim Religious Training, Umar Bilal Ebrahim, Nazim Atfāl al-Ahmadiyya, Abdul Kabir Haque, Nazim Khuddam Services, Jalāluddīn A. Latif, Nazim Health & Fitness, A.M. Shamim Ahmad, Nazim Public Information, Basharat Jamil, Nazim Finance & Supply, Khalid Abdul Aziz, Nazim Enrollment & Records and Munir Hamid, National Murabbi. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 1977, p. 7 and October 1977, p. 7)

#### 1 August 1977



Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem arrived in Washington on first of August 1977 and took Charge of US Mission from Muhammad Siddique Gurdaspuri. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 44).

#### 27-28 August 1977

The thirtieth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention was held at St. Louis, Missouri. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 17)

#### December 1977

Missionary Mian Muhammad Ibrahim returned to Rabwah, Pakistan. He served Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA for about five years (1973-77). (From autobiography of Mian Muhammad Ibrahim)

#### 8 May 1978

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent message to the participants of thirty-first Annual Convention. He said:

"The auspicious day will not dawn until our hearts bleed with concern, until we forsake our comforts and take our sacrifices to their maximum. The rejuvenation of Islam demands that we sacrifice our lives in its cause. On that depends the rebirth of Islam." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 100)

#### 27-28 May 1978

The Thirty-first Annual Convention of the Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam, USA was held at Model Cities Community Center in Dayton, Ohio on 27-28 May 1978. More than 400 attended the convention.

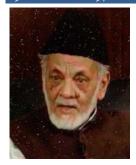
Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem delivered inaugural and concluding address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, June-July 1978, pp. 3-4)

The honorable James McGee, Mayor of Dayton was among the visitors who welcomed Aḥmadī Muslim delegates. President of the Dayton, Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr delivered welcome address. Missionary Masud Ahmad Jhelumī read messages of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) and Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Mubarak Ahmad, Wakil-ut-Tabshir. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June-July 1978, p. 6-8)

#### June 1978

Missionary Mian Muhammad Ibrahim returned to the US after spending some months in Rabwah for another four-and-a-half-year term (June 1978-December 1982). (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 43)

#### 19 November 1978



Sayyid Mir Mahmud Ahmad Nasir took the charge of missionary in-charge of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA from 19 November 1978 from missionary 'Ata'ullah Kaleem. He remained in this post till September 1982. During his tenure Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) graced US soil.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, October 2021-September 2022, p. 47)

#### April 1979

Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem returned to US in April 1979 and was posted in California (West Coast of USA) living in San Francisco Bay Area. He worked there for one and a half year and was appointed missionary in-Charge. Then he reached Washington from San Francisco and took over the charge from Missionary Sayyid Mahmud Ahmad Nasir. (General file America 1977, p. 202 and General file America 1981, p. 38)

He started the Urdu newslwtter Al-Nur and started publishing the Aḥmadiyya Gazette from San Francisco for some time. His propagational interviews were broadcasted live on Manhattan and East Saint Louis Cable TV and published in The Detroit News, Detroit Free Press. The Community Carrier, and the Canton Observer. He spoke to students at several colleges and universities. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 45).



# 4 April 1979

Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto, Ex-Prime Minister of Pakistan, was hanged by then General Zia-ul-Haq, a Pakistan military dictator. The New York Times wrote on 4 April 1979: Bhutto hanged in Pakistan jail for murder plot.



#### April 1979

of The following presidents Jamā'ats and missionaries in USA attended meeting with missionary in-charge Mir Mahmud Ahmad Nasir in the chair in April 1979. Muzaffar Ahmad, National President Dayton, Rashid Ahmad, regional President Milwaukee, Abid Hanif, Boston, Major Abdul Hamid, missionary East Coast (NY), Mian Muhammad Ibrahim, missionary MW and Lakes (Dayton), Muhammad 'Abd-ur-Rashid Yahya, missionary S. East Region (Washington), Muhammad Sadiq N.J. Syed Sharif Ahmad, Concord (San Francisco), CA, Munir Ahmad, St. Louis, Missouri, Jameelur Rahman, Pittsburgh, PA, Jamil Ahmad, Cleveland, OH. Abdul Hafiz, Baltimore, Ali Razaa, Kenosha, WI, Abdul Kabir Haque, Chicago, Yahya Sharif, Dover, PA, Mubasher Ahmad, Central Financial Secretary, Dr. B.A. Munir, Athens OH. Yusef Amin, Troy-OH, Hussain Abdul Aziz, Philadelphia, PA, Abdul Mannan Malik, Willingboro, NJ, Umar Bilal Ibrahim, NY, Abu Bakr, Racine, WI and Nasir M. Malik (Vol. Pres) Detroit, MI.

Among terms discussed were the feasibility of establishing schools for children, training of American Aḥmadīs as honorary missionaries and prospects of holding an Int. Conf. on the Crumbling of the Cross in America in 1980. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April 1979, p. 5)

#### 19 June 1979

Dr. Muhammad Yusuf Khan died after a protracted illness. He carried activities of Aḥmadiyya Movement for several years after the departure of missionary Muhammad Din in 1925 till missionary Muti-ur-Rahman Bengalee arrived in the US. (Tabshir file)

#### 21 October 1979

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) said while addressing the concluding session at the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual gathering of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya at Rabwah Pakistan: The scheme to disseminate one million copies of the Holy Quran in the USA has already been initiated. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November 1979. p. 1)

#### 19 November 1979

Lieutenant Commander Mr. Dennis C Marvel of US Naval Fleet arrived in Liberia on goodwill mission. 'Ata'ullah Kaleem along with Mr. Mahmood Ahmad Bhatti and Mr. Muhammad Kawamay Yater presented him two sets of Quran with English translation and other Islamic literature for libraries of two ships. (Wikipedia)

#### November 1979

The Holy Quran in English was published in Hong Kong (1,000 copies) and USA (20,000 copies). (Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 99)

#### 15 December 1979

A strong delegate of thirty-two US Aḥmadīs headed by Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad of Dayton, Ohio left New York to participate in the Annual Conference at Rabwah, Pakistan. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1979, p. 3)

#### 1979

Thirty-Second Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Movement in USA was held at St. Louis, MO. (Souvenir USA 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa, June 1998, p. 17)

#### 18 November 1980

Missionary Masud Ahmad Jhelumī came back to USA and worked in Brooklyn New York for one more year. He went back to Rabwah, Pakistan on 4 February 1982. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 43)

#### 1980

In 1980 two plots were purchased adjacent to the mosque Al-Sadiq. A plan was made in 1980 to rebuild the mosque as the old mosque turned weary.

#### 25 May 1980

The Aḥmadiyya Community, West Coast, USA held its first regional annual convention in Masonic Temple at 897 Colusa Avenue, Berkeley. Mir Mahmud Ahmad Nasir, missionary in-charge presided the convention. Seventy-five attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 1980)

# 11 September to 23 September 1980

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) toured USA for the second time from 11 September to 23 September 1980. He visited San Francisco, Washington D.C. and Longwood Gardens PA. His stay in San Francisco was for four days. He led Friday prayer and met members of the Jamā'ats. He delivered Friday sermon in San Francisco on 12 September 1980. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 102)

#### 15 September 1980

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) flew to Washington D.C. on 15 September 1980 for a week where he met 1,000 people in 112 groups. He



convened meetings with missionaries and gave instructions regarding matters of interests. He had a dialogue with American dignitaries in a reception in San Francisco. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 104)

#### 17 September 1980

Şāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad arranged a feast at World Bank Building Washington in honor of Khalifatul-Masih III. It was attended by many dignitaries. (Tour of the West by Khalifatul-Masih III, p. 494)

# 19 September 1980

Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday sermon in Washington D.C.

He overviewed activities of missionaries and Presidents of chapters in a specially convened meeting.

He instructed to prepare literature about moral ethics within a year. Procure land for 'Id congregations. Tabligh and Literature distribution should be given due importance. Make plan to publish Tabligh folders in all well-known languages. Publish 50,000 copies of short English commentary of Holy Quran in the US. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 104)

#### 20 September 1980

A special meeting was held under the chairmanship of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) on 20 September 1980. It was attended by missionaries of USA.

Khalīfat-ul-Masīḥ III enquired from Aḥmadiyya missionary in-charge Syed Mir Mahmood Ahmad about the action taken on the instructions for distribution of forty thousand copies of Quran.

Missionary in-charge replied that thirty thousand names and addresses of such Americans have been recorded in a register. The work is in progress for remaining contacts. In this context the presidents of the Jamā'at gave some useful suggestions which was noted. Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 96)

Training and Propagation Work of US missions was analyzed. Missionaries and presidents of the chapters presented reports. Following matters were discussed. Establishment of Community Centers (Should be called Eid Gah in future), publication of folders, the problems and its solution regarding marriages and payment of obligatory dues at the prescribed rates.

A reception was arranged by US Mission in honor of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) on the night of 20 September 1980 at Hilton Hotel, Washington. Professors, print and media personals, dignitaries and some other important personalities were invited. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 106)

#### 21 September 1980

A farewell reception in honor of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was arranged in the hall of hotel "Shoreham Americana" on 21 September 1980. Syeda Mansoura Begum wife of Khalifatul-Masih V participated. Khalifatul-Masih delivered a speech and gave important instructions to members of the Jamā'at. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 102-7)

#### 15 November 1980

National Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya USA held Shūrā on 15 November 1980. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1981)

#### 20 January 1981



Ronald Reagan was inaugurated as 40<sup>th</sup> US President on 20 January 1981. He remained in office for two terms till 20 January 1989.

Aḥmadiyya missionary to the US, 'Ata'ullah Kaleem, wrote a congratulatory letter to newly elected

US President Ronald Reagan and presented to him the Holy Quran with English translation.

#### 7 March 1981

Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem addressed the students from various institutes and different races on "The second advent of Christ" at Wheaten Room, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh on 7 March 1981. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, April 1981, p. 5)

#### 18 April 1981

Inamul-Haq Kauser arrived in Washington D.C. on 18 April 1981. He remained missionary of Northeast region (New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Rochester, Willingboro, and New Jersey) of USA with Headquarter in New York. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 47).

He returned to Rabwah, Pakistan in April 1983 after three years of missionary work and returned to US again in September 1984. (Letter from Inamul-Haq Kauser dated 21 November 1981-Record Tabshir)

In June 2010, Missionary Inamul-Haq Kauser was transferred to Chicago where he stayed up to September 2014. After this, he was appointed as Amīr (National President). (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September



2021, p. 47).

#### 21 May 1981

Muhammad 'Abd-ur-Rashid Yahya left for Pakistan on 21 May 1981. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 46)

#### 5-6 September 1981

The thirty-third Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Islam USA was held at 4-H Center, Washington D.C. on 5-6 September 1981. The first regular session of the convention was inaugurated by Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 1981, p. 4)

#### 18 September 1981

Muftī Ahmad Sadiq arrived in USA on 18 September 1981. He served in San Francisco and then in Los Angeles as missionary in 1981-3.

Following chapters were under his control. LA, San Francisco, Seattle, Tucson, Portland. He had five Jamā'ats to supervise which he visited four times each. He attended 23 Tabligh meetings, seven out of them at local level. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, USA, September 1983, p. 10-11)

#### 18 September 1981

Chaudhri Munir Ahmad arrived is US on 18 September 1981. He served as missionary at different chapters of the US Jamā'at. (Contributed by Chaudhri Munir Ahmad, March 26, 2021).

#### 18 September 1981

Missionary Muhammad Afzal arrived in the US.

#### 1981

The Aḥmadiyya Jamāʻat Philadelphia arranged a one-hour discussion on T.V. Network WCAU Channel 10 in Credo Program. The panel comprised of 'Ata'ullah Kaleem, Br. Bilal Abdus Salam and Major Fazal Ahmad. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, April 1981, p. 8)

#### 22 November 1981

A convention on founders of religions was held at University of Maryland, College Park Campus at Zoo-Psych Building 1240, Washington under the chairmanship of Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan.

Rabbi Andrew Baker, Director of the American Jewish Committee Washington D. C. chapter spoke on "Moses- A Law Bearing Prophet;" the Venerable Oung Mean Candavanna, Spiritual Leader of the Cambodian Buddhist Society addressed on "Buddha- the Light of Asia;" Rev. M. John Farrelly OSB, Prof. of Theology De Sales School of Theology Washington, D. C. explained "Jesus and the Christian Way;" and Alhaj 'Ata Ullah Kaleem, the Imam of the American Fazl Mosque

Washington, D. C. delivered his speech on "Muhammad the Messenger of Allah."

In his Presidential address, Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan exhaustively dealt with the moral and religious degeneracy of the present-day society and then presented its solution in the acceptance of the Reformer of the age, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah, who came in the spirit and power of all the Prophets particularly in that of Jesus Christ and the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of God be upon him). [The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1981, p. 6]

The proceedings were reported by "The Diamondback on December 1, 1981. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1981, p. 10)

#### 4 June 1982

A 3-story building for a mosque in Philadelphia, the largest city of Pennsylvania, was purchased for \$42,000. Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem inaugurated the mission building with Friday Sermon on 4 June 1982. (General File America, Diary 1972, p. 77)

#### 9 June 1982

In June 1982, while in Islamabad, Pakistan, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) suffered a severe heart attack. He died on 9 June 1982 at 12:45 P.M. Inna Lillāhi wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. His body was taken to Rabwah for burial. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1982, pp. 1-2)

#### June 1982

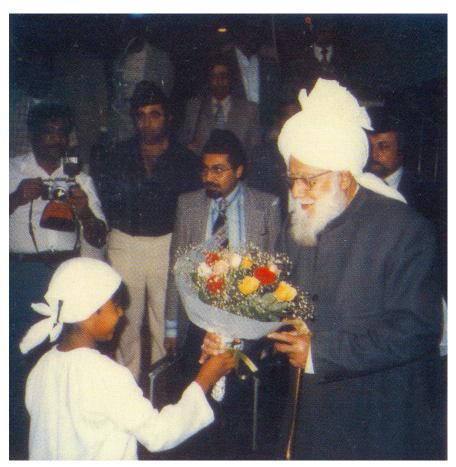


Brother Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr (National President from 1978/79 to 1983) went to Rabwah in June 1982 on the sad demise of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III. (General File, America 1982, p. 131)

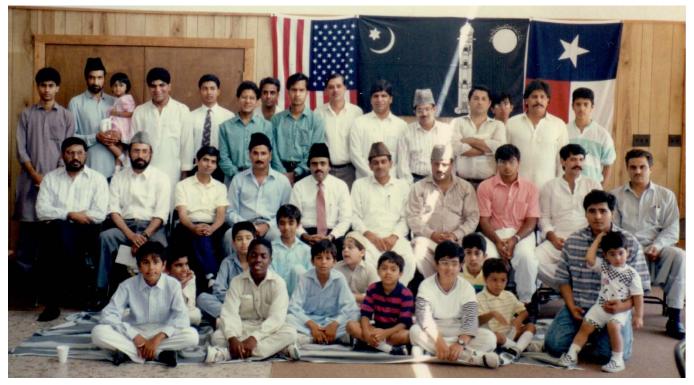
#### 10 June 1982

On 10 June 1982, Khilafat Electoral Committee established by Hazrat Muṣliḥ Mauʻūd (may Allah be pleased with him), convened to hold the election of the next Khalifa. Mirza Mubarak Ahmad, the then Wakil-e-Aʻla, presided over the election. Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad was elected as the fourth caliph of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community. According to the tradition, he first took Baiʻat (Oath of Allegiance) and then led the funeral prayer of Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad (may Allah shower His mercy on him). About 100,000 people participated in the funeral prayers. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III was laid to rest next to the grave of Hazrat Muṣliḥ Mauʻūd (may Allah be pleased with him) in Bahishtī Maqbarah, Rabwah, Pakistan. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1982, pp. 3-6)





Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III rahimahullah in San Francisco in 1980



Houston Majlis in the 1980s





Raising the flag of Ahmadiyyat in the US.





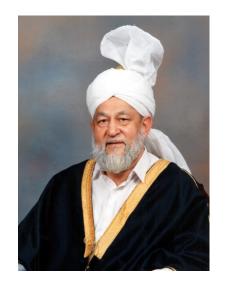
Picture of the left: (From left) Missionary Major Abdul Hamid, Syed Sajid Ahmad, Missionary Mir Mahmad Ahmad Nasir. Year 1979.

Picture on the right: (Standing from left to right) Rafi Ahmad, Syed Sajid Ahmad. (Seated from left to right) Saleem Muhaimin, Abdul Haq, Missionary Abdul Hamid. Year 1979.



# Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (1928-2003) Khalifatul-Masih IV (1982-2003)

(May Allah shower His mercy on him)



#### 1982

Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem, Missionary and Amīr Jamā'at USA, laid down the foundation brick of the Tucson Mosque in 1982. Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) mentioned this mosque at Jalsa Salana (annual convention) at Rabwah in 1982. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 287).

#### 1982

A 2.5 Acre piece of land was bought by Dr. Ahsan Zafar for \$62500 in Willingboro in 1982 and donated to Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA. (General file America 1984, pp. 280-81)

#### 1982

Missionary Azhar Haneef devoted his life at the hand of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV.

#### 13-15 August 1982

The thirty-fourth US Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam was held at Wayne, New Jersey. Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV sent message for the convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1982, pp. 2-4)

# December 1982

Missionary Mian Muhammad Ibrahim returned to Rabwah Headquarters in December 1982. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 43)

# 8 March 1983

Maulawi Muhammad Din, the second Aḥmadiyya Muslim missionary in the US passed away. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV lauded his achievements in his Friday sermon of 11 March 1983. (Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khutbat-e-Tahir, Vol. 2, pp. 155-6)

#### 13 March 1983

A mosque at Tucson was inaugurated by Missionary Maulānā 'Ata Ullah Kaleem. The mosque was built, and total expenditure was born by Dr Zafar Qureshi and his family. The mosque was named Yousaf Mosque and is working as US Mission. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 1983, p. 7, (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 279-280).

#### 20 March 1983

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message to Canadian Ahmadīs on 20 March 1983 to leap forward like American Ahmadīs and collect 300,000 Dollars in the next 3 years for new mission houses, mosques, and extension of existing mission houses. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 112)

#### 21-22 May 1983

National Ijtimā of Majlis Anṣārullāh USA was held at Fazl Mosque, Washington D.C. on 21-22 May 1983. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 1983, p. 8, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1983, p. 37)

# 8-9 August 1983



Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad of USA was martyred on the night between August 8 and 9 by a hired black American. The body reached Rabwah and Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV led his funeral prayer. He said: O martyr of Aḥmadiyyat, peace be on you; You did illuminate the name of

Aḥmadiyyat. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 22).



#### 8-9 August 1983

The Detroit Mosque which was bought in 1980, was set on fire by terrorists on 8 August 1983 resulting the martyrdom of Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad. The mosque was repaired in 1989 and was named Bait-ul-Muzaffar. Another house and big piece of land was bought in the vicinity of the mosque. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50th Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 22).

#### 13 August 1983

The thirty-fifth Annual Convention of the Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam USA was held at the Lower Huron Metro Park, Bellville, MI on 13 August 1983. First session was presided by National President Alhaj Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr. Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar delivered inaugural address. The message from Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was read by missionary Mubasher Ahmad. A special message by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV on the martyrdom of Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad was received by telephone and was read by missionary 'Ata'ullah Kaleem.

Sayyeda Ummi Mateen Maryam Siddiqa, Central Sadr Lajna addressed Annual Convention of Lajna Ima'illah USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1983, pp. 6-7)

#### 29 October 1983

Buyut-ul-Hamd Scheme was launched on 29 October 1982 to build houses for the poor and widows as an expression of gratitude to Allah for Basharat Mosque in Spain. The US Jamā'at joined the scheme immediately. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 111)

# November 1983

It was in November 1983, at the Holiday Inn in Georgetown, that Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amīr and missionary in-charge, USA, bonded some expatriates from Asia and other countries with local African American Aḥmadīs. Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad had the good fortune to be knit together in the bond of brotherhood with Brother Muzaffar Zafr. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 153)

#### 26 November 1983

Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad was appointed Amīr and missionary in-charge from 26 November 1983.

The mosques in Cleveland, New York, Los Angeles, Portland and Willingboro and the mission houses in Detroit, Houston, New Orleans and the National Mosque were built or acquired under his leadership. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998)

#### November 1983

The foremost task assigned to missionary in-charge Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, (Amīr USA from November 1983 to June 1989) by Khalifatul-Masih IV, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (Raḥimahullāhu Taʻālā) was to launch a scheme to establish major Aḥmadiyya Centers in the five important cities of Washington DC, New York, Detroit, Chicago and Los Angeles. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 50)

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV asked all Chanda paying Aḥmadīs of the US Jamā'at that they should try to pay a minimum pledge of \$3800 for building five new mosques in USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1983, p. 1)

#### 25-27 November 1983

Majlis-i-Shūrā of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Washington D.C. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1983, pp. 13-14)

# 1983

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) said, "I warn Aḥmadīs all over the world that even if they were not calling people towards Allah previously, they will have to do so in future. To bring about the victory of Islam all over the world is a tremendous assignment. It requires many sacrifices which are being demanded from the Aḥmadiyya Community. From today, let every Aḥmadī Muslim decide that while he will continue to earn a living, wherever he is, he will give precedence to Daʿwat Ilallah (calling people towards Allah)." (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50th Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 69)

# 23 March 1984

A house in was bought in New York for \$24900 for mission house. It was inaugurated by Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad on 23 March 1984. (General file America 1984, p. 90)

#### 1984

A larger building was procured for \$450,000 in Queens after selling the existing New York mission house. (General file Mission America 1984, pp. 245-246)

#### 1984

In Zion a Flat and a house was bought for \$30,000 in 1984. It has hall and flat on the first floor. There is adequate space for car parking. (File Mission Houses and Centers America, p. 1)

#### 1984

A 6-acres piece of land was acquired in Detroit. (File Zafar Sarwar 1984-5, p. 17 and General file America



1984, p. 245)

# 26 April 1984

Government of Pakistan promulgated Ordinance XX under the regime of General Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq. It is meant to prohibit the practice of Islam and the usage of Islamic terms and titles by the Aḥmadiyya Community. The ordinance bars Ahmadi, who are deemed Non-Muslims under the Pakistani constitution, from publicly practicing the Islamic faith and also disallows them from using any Islamic texts for praying purposes. It is in addition to – but separate from – the 1974 Second Amendment to the Constitution of Pakistan. While the Second Amendment declared that Aḥmadīs are non-Muslims, the Ordinance prohibits Aḥmadīs from identifying themselves as Muslims. (Wikipedia)

#### 29 April 1984

Three days after the notorious Ordinance XX on 26 April 1984, the fourth Khalifa of Aḥmadiyya Islam, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (may Allah shower His mercy on him), was forced to migrate from Pakistan to England due to the cruel and discriminatory regime of General Zia-ul-Haq. Jamāʻat office was set up in London. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 110)

#### 29 June 1984

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) asked for donations to build centers across America and Europe in Friday sermon delivered at Fazl Mosque, London, on 29 June 1984. He urged the USA Jamā'at to construct five new mosques and mission houses. The mosques were to be built in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., and Detroit. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih asked members to collect \$2.5 million. He made a personal contribution of \$4,200. (Khutbat-e-Tahir, Vol. 3, pp. 335-6)

#### 3-5 August 1984

The thirty-sixth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1984, pp. 15-20, Souvenir USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa, June 1998, p. 17)

#### 30 September 1984

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) wrote to Amīr and missionary in-charge, Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, on 30 September 1984: I am extremely pleased to know that a building was procured in Zion for the purposes of a Mission House. God may bless your endeavors and enlist you in His favorite personalities.

#### 12-14 October 1984

The National Ijtimā' of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA was held in Groveland-Oaks Park, near Detroit. About eighty-five attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1985, p. 7)

#### 1984



Zafar Ahmad Sarwar came to USA in April 1984 and since then has served the following Jamā'ats as missionary: St. Louis, MO, Detroit, MI, Chicago, IL, Pittsburgh, PA, Cleveland, Ohio, Columbus, OH, Dayton, Ohio, Indiana, IA, HQ Washington, DC. HQ Bait-ur-

Rahman, MD, Houston, TX, Austin, TX, Dallas, TX, New Orleans, LA, Miami, FL, Oklahoma City, OK, Rochester, NY, Buffalo, NY, Syracuse, NY, Binghamton, NY, Albany, NY, Boston, MA, Fitchburg, MA, Seattle, WA, Portland, OR., Milwaukee, WI, Oshkosh, WI and Zion, IL. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 51)

#### 1984

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya bought a church building in Zion and converted it to a mosque in 1984. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 367).

#### 2-4 August 1985

The thirty-seventh Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message which was read by Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amīr and missionary in-charge, USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 1985, pp. 1-2, Souvenir USA 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa June 1998, p. 17)

# 1 September 1985

Chaudhri Zafrulla Khan passed away. The UNO flag was lowered. The news of his death was published in Washington Post, New York Times and some other newspapers. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 1985, p. 3, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 1985, pp. 1-5)

#### 10 October 1985

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message through Wakil-ut-Tabshir. He said: Most earnest and special attention should be paid towards those who have newly joined Ahmadiyyat. The right way of becoming Dā'ī Ilallāh (i.e., the one who calls to Allah) and joining the system of regular contribution should be introduced to them immediately." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January



1986, p. 3)

#### 6-17 November 1985

More than seventy members of the General Council (Majlis-i-Shūrā) representing over twenty-five Local Jamā'ats from the entire U.S.A; and members of the National Managing Committee including all Muballighs, met for a two-day annual meeting on November 16 and 17 at Bait al-Zafar in New York. Several important matters of the USA Jamā'at pertaining to Tabligh, Ta'lim-o-Tarbiyat, Finance and General affairs were taken into consideration by the General Council and necessary decisions were made. Most importantly, the annual budget for the fiscal year 1986-87 was discussed and finalized for submission to the Markaz for formal approval. Election of the National Office Bearers was held in the final session of the General Council meeting. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1986, p. 11)

#### 1985

A house and 5-acre land were procured in Glenn Ellyn in 1985 for \$262500 for the purpose of building mosque. (General file Mission Houses and centers, p. 7)

#### 1985

Four Acres of parcel land was bought in Los Angeles around 1985. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 295).

#### 1985

One acre (0.82 acre) land was bought for mosque in Portland, Oregon for \$17,000 in 1985. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 280).

# 1985

Due to increasing population of Aḥmadīs in the area, Jamā'at acquired an office building having covered area of 8,000 sq. ft. Funds were raised locally. The mosque was named as Dar-ul-Aman and was inaugurated by Na'ib Amīr Naseem Mahdi and Na'ib Amīr Azhar Hanif. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 367).

#### 1985-6

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Cleveland bought a piece of land for \$50,000 in 1986. (Letter Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad 1985-11-30, File Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad 1985, pp. 60-2)

#### 1986

In 1986, initially a 9.1-acre lot was purchased for Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 378).

#### 3-4 May 1986

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA held 25<sup>th</sup> Ijtima. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent message. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 1986, p. 3)

#### 4 April 1986

Missionary Khalil Ahmad Nasir passed away. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April 1986, p. 1)

#### June 1986

Muhammad 'Abd-ur-Rashid Yahya came to the US again. He served in Washington for two years. He remained in-charge of Chicago West, Chicago East, Zion, Milwaukee and St. Louis in July 1988. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 46)

#### 28, 29, 30 June 1986

Annual Convention No. 38 of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community USA was held at the Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. Nearly 2,000 attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1986, p. 7)

#### July 1986

An Aḥmadī Muslim youth, Fahim Ahmad, age 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hanif and Nafia Ahmad was martyred in Zion, IL. The murderer was a Caucasian man, Joey Isbell. (Perseverance—The story of Al-Haj Rashid Ahmad American, pp. 189-9)

#### 24 August 1986

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Los Angeles hosted the fourth West Coast Convention at Crown Valley Community Park—a suburb of Los Angeles. Approximately three hundred attended the convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 1986, p. 7)

#### 29 to 31 August 1986

Annual National Ijtimā' of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA was held at Addison Oaks County Park in Oxford, MI. One hundred and nineteen registered for the Ijtima. (Tariq, Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya USA, November 1986, p. 9)

#### 15-16 November 1986

Majlis-i-Shūrā of the Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam, USA, was held at Bait-uz-Zafar, New York. It was chaired by Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amīr and missionary in-charge. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 1986, pp. 3-6)

#### 1987

The thirty-nineth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland. (Souvenir USA 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa, June 1998, p. 17)

#### 30 September to 14 November 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His



mercy on him) toured 11 states of USA from 30 September to 14 November 1987. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13).

#### 30 September 1987

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya New York procured a two-story nursery school building at Palo Alto Street, Hollis Jamaica (Bait-uz-Zafar). Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV visited the place on 30 September 1987. He met with the members of the Jamā'at. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p. 43)

#### September 1987



Syed Shamshad Ahmad Nasir arrived in US in September 1987.

He was stationed for eight years at the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community's U.S. national headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland. He served in Houston, Texas and Dayton, Ohio. (The

Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 51)

#### 1 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) toured USA from 30 September to 14 November 1987.

Jamāʻat Aḥmadiyya USA arranged a reception in Marriott on 1 October 1987 in honor of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) where 250 politicians were invited. The representatives of the Governor of New York and the Mayor of New York City presented address of welcome.

In the afternoon, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV addressed the faculty and students of the Department of South Asian Studies of the Columbia University.

(American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p. 43, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 115)

#### 2 October1987

Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday sermon in New York. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13).

# 2 October 1987

Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was interviewed by Voice of America and Daily Jang. The media of N.Y. published his presence. The interview appeared in New York Times, New York Tribune and some other local papers.

A magnificent reception in honor of Hazrat

Khalifatul-Masih IV was held at the Washington Hilton. It was attended by over 300 people from different segments of the city most of whom were from the government. There were a few diplomats and intellectuals from other faiths. Welcome address was presented by Senator Vance Hartke.

(American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p. 43, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 115)

#### 3 October1987

Majlis-i-Shūrā (Advisory Council Meeting) was held on 3 October 1987 under the chairmanship of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV. The election of the national Executive body was also held and Khalifatul-Masih accorded its approval. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 115)

# 4-6 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) arrived in Washington on 4 October 1987 and proceeded to American Fazl Mosque where a large number of families had an audience with him. The meeting with families continued for the next two days. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 116)

#### 4 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited Aḥmadiyya Community in Philadelphia and Willingboro. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13).

#### 7 October 1987

Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA arranged a reception in Washington Hilton in honor of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV in which 350 guests were invited. The Mayor of Washington D.C. declared 7 October 1987 as Hazrat Mirza Tahir Day.

Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was interviewed by Jang and BBC correspondents at the Fazl Mosque. The interviews were reported in their respective media. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

#### 8 October 1987

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Willingboro procured a house with 5.3-acre land in 1983. The house was converted to a mosque. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV came here and inaugurated the mosque. A reception was arranged in his honor. The mayor announced 8 October 1987 as "Mosque Inauguration Day." Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV named it Nasir Mosque. He unveiled a plaque of the mosque. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-



September 2020, p. 117)

#### 9 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon at Armory Place where hundreds of people listened to him. He performed groundbreaking ceremony of the mosque in Silver Spring and named it as Bait-ur-Rahman. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

#### 9 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) inaugurated the Philadelphia Mosque. A reception was arranged in honor of the Khalifa. City Mayor presented welcome address. The inauguration news was published in Philadelphia Daily News. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

#### 10 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) arrived in Dayton OH. A reception was arranged which was attended by dignitaries of town council. The mayor presented Khalifatul-Masih an insignia. The reception was covered by local media. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

#### 10 October 1987

Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) arrived in Chicago and members of the Aḥmadiyya Community welcomed him. People came from Milwaukee, Zion and St. Louis. He was also welcomed when he arrived in Hinsdale Hall of University of Chicago where 150 non-Aḥmadīs from different sections of society were present. Another reception was arranged in the same university's Banquet Hall. Khalifatul-Masih IV answered questions on Islam from the audience. Mayor of Chicago was invited to yet another reception. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

# 11 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was interviewed by Channel 19 of Chicago TV Network. The interview was broadcast on local TV the same evening. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 117)

#### 13 October 1987

Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) addressed a public reception at Zion where the mayor of the city of Zion welcomed him. Later, he was interviewed by TV reporters. The local media covered the event. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 44)

# 15 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) held a question/answer meeting in Detroit. He met non-Aḥmadī guests and answered their questions. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 44)

# 16 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon at Detroit, Michigan. He said: "Build dignity of character. It abolishes the feeling of inferiority complex. There is no discrimination of White-Black in Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community." (The Detroit address, 16 October 1987 by Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118) [For details, see "The Detroit Address," published by MKA USA]

#### October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) laid foundation stone of a mosque and a mission house in Troy MI.

He travelled to Miami FL, St. Louis MO and gave audience to the members there. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 45)

#### 21 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) inaugurated Yousaf Mosque in Tuscan, AZ. (The first mosque was demolished due to road expansion. Another larger mosque has been built to the east of the mosque). A press conference was arranged. He granted interviews to media. The media covered the event. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 45, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)

#### 21 October 1987

A reception was arranged at San Francisco. Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (may Allah shower His mercy on him) met medical professionals and professors at a local college. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)

# 22 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was welcomed at Los Angeles. He addressed Lajna Ima'illah of Los Angeles. He also addressed a press conference which was covered by local media. Channel 18 televised one-hour documentary of the Los Angeles tour. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 45, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)



#### 23 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon in Los Angeles. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)

# 27 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) met with intellectuals and held Majlis-i-Irfan [a question/answer session] in San Francisco. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 45)

#### 28 October 1987

In Portland, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) held a question/answer session and addressed a public reception. He hosted a special dinner for Aḥmadīs as well as non-Aḥmadīs. A question-and-answer session followed. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V addressed a public reception at the Red Lion Hotel which was attended by the dignitaries of the town. The program ended with a question-and-answer session. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih also performed an Amin ceremony. (American Aḥmadiyya Centennial Souvenir 1889-1989, p 45)

#### 30 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) opened Rizwan Mosque in Portland and delivered Friday sermon. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)

#### 31 October 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) addressed a reception in Portland which was attended by 125 guests. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 118)

#### 8 November 1987

After delivering Friday Sermon in Calgary, Canada, on November 6, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV returned to Washington D.C. on 8 November 1987. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13)

#### 13 November 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV delivered Friday Sermon in New York. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13)

# 13-14 November 1987

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV presided the Majlis-i-Shūrā of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA in New York. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13)

#### 1987

Mahmood Ahmad Bengalee, the last International Sadr of Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, attended the Annual Ijtimā of Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya in New York in 1987. He had several meetings with Qa'ideen Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya and also visited many chapters in the US from west to the east of the country. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2014, p. 65)

#### 1987

A building was bought in Bedford, Cleveland, Ohio in the year 1987 and was converted to mosque. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 518)

#### 1988

Missionary Azhar Haneef earned Mubashshir degree from Jāmi'a Ahmadiyya Rabwah.

#### June-August 1988

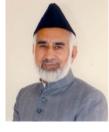
With the Pakistan government's persecution of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community intensifying beyond all previous thresholds, Khalifatul-Masih IV challenged Zia to a prayer duel in his Friday Sermon of 3 June 1988.



In a question-and-answer session, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, the Fourth Caliph, said: I swear by God that when our Lord comes to assist us, there shall be no one there who will help you. When God's decree will shatter you into pieces, all traces of your identity shall be wiped out,

and the world shall forever remember you with disgrace and disgust." Five days later on 17 August 1988 his plane was blown from the sky. In the following week's Friday Sermon, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad said: God has given his decision. Aḥmadīs are happy because they have witnessed the victory of God. It is a great heavenly sign of the succor that God has extended to us. (Friday Sermon of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV dated 19 August 1988, Khutbat-e-Tahir Vol. 7, pp. 559-579)

# 1988



In 1988, Mubasher Ahmad devoted his life. He has served the U.S.A Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community in the Southwest, Midwest, Northeast and Central South Regions as Regional Missionary. Presently missionary Mubasher Ahmad is Editor-in-Chief

of the Muslim Sunrise magazine, member of the USA Qada Board.

He arrived in the US in 1969. He served Ahmadiyya



Muslim Community as the President of Washington, DC Metropolitan Chapter in years 1980-84, and National General Secretary for several years. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 73, Nos. 10-12, Vol. 74, Nos. 1-9, p. 52)

#### 20 January 1989



George H. W. Bush was inaugurated as 41<sup>st</sup> US President on 20 January 1989. He remained in the office till 20 January 1993. (Wikipedia)

#### 23 March 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message on completion of one hundred years of Aḥmadiyya Muslim community. He outlined aim and objectives of the advent of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him). He said, "Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qādiān laid the basis for the unification of mankind in a unique manner. He resolved the conflicts and paradoxes prevailing in the religious work regarding the advent of a global Reformer." (The Muslim Sunrise, March 1989, Vol. LV, No. 2, pp. I to IV)

#### 24 March 1989

The first Friday sermon of the second centenary of Aḥmadiyyat was broadcast live to Mauritius and Germany via phone. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61).

#### June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited USA for the second time. He went to Rochester, Amsterdam, New York, Willingboro, Washington D.C., Baltimore, Chino and Los Angeles in California. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April-Sept. 2020, pp. 121)

# June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) held question/answer session. The news media asked numerous questions, especially on the unique status of Aḥmadiyyat in the contemporary world, on the mission of the Promised Messiah, on the achievements of the Aḥmadiyya Movement in the world over the last one hundred years and on its future in the next one hundred years. He said, "If the community had already spread to over 122 countries of the world in its first one hundred years, then one could well imagine what the next one hundred years would bring." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-Sept. 2020, p. 121)

#### June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) traveled to Amsterdam, a scenic town in upstate New York. The combined Chambers of Commerce of the surrounding towns held a reception at a luncheon in his honor. A large number of guests, mayors of the local towns and members of the Aḥmadiyya Community from Rochester and New York attended. Khalifatul-Masih IV spoke on freedom of conscience in Islam in response to the raging global debate raised by a notoriously offending book that evoked strong sentiments across the western and the Muslim worlds. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-Sept. 2020, p. 121)

# 23-25 June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) graced forty-first Annual Convention of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA held at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland. More than 3,000 attended the convention. The program began with Friday Sermon by Khalifatul-Masih IV.

After the preliminary session, Khalifatul-Masih IV gave his spiritually inspiring inaugural address. The Aḥmadiyya Exhibition, the first of its kind was displayed. Khalifatul-Masih IV went around the exhibition and appreciated the effort. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April-Sept. 2020, p. 121)

# 24 June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) addressed the Lajna Ima'illah USA. His address was relayed live in men's marquee. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April-Sept. 2020, p. 121)

# 25 June 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) presided the concluding session of the annual convention. A poem written by him for martyrs in Pakistan was read by missionary Zafar Ahmad Sarwar in his melodious voice. He wept quietly as the painful tragedies were recounted in the poem. Then, he delivered his concluding address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 121-2)

#### June 1989

The foundation stone of Bait-ul-Ḥameed Mosque in Chino California was laid by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV on 30 October 1987.

During his second visit to the US, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV went to Chino and inaugurated Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque with his prayers.

Many newspapers across the US reported his interviews. Among them were: The Sun of Baltimore,



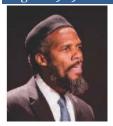
York's Daily Record, India West Journal of Los Angeles, CA, The orange County Register of Chino and The Chino Champion. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 122)

#### 1989



Şāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad assumed charge as Amīr Jamā'at USA in 1989. (50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir-June 1998, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 122)

#### August 1989



Missionary Azhar Haneef returned to the US after completing his studies at Rabwah.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 53)

#### 3 November 1989

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) announced in the course of Friday sermon at Fazl Mosque London 3 November 1989, the following changes in the auxiliary organizations all over the world. These changes have come into force at once.

- The national Nazim A'la of Majlis Anṣārullāh will henceforth be designated as Sadr Majlis Anṣārullāh of that particular country.
- The national Quaid of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya will henceforth be designated as Sadr Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya of that particular country.
- 3. The national President of Lajna Ima'illah will henceforth be designated as Sadr Lajna Ima'illah of that particular country.
- 4. The national Sadrs of all these auxiliary organizations shall henceforth
  - Seek guidance from Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV and shall be answerable to him in all matters pertaining to the concerned auxiliary organization.
  - ii) Send a monthly brief of their activities to Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih with a copy to the Amīr/National President.
  - iii) Refer to Khalifatul-Masih all cases of appointments and removal of office bearers

- along with the recommendations of the Amīr/National President.
- iv) The sphere of Sadr Majlis Ansarullah, Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Aḥmadiyya and Sadr Lajna Ima'illah in Rabwah shall henceforth be restricted to Pakistan only.
  - (Khutbat Tahir Vol. 8, Friday Sermon 3 November 1989, pp. 709-724)

#### 1990

Majlis Ansarullah, USA started publication of "Al-Nahl" magazine. The magazine has been published regularly since then and is mailed to every member free of charge. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 207)

# 20 January 1990

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV appointed Qamar Ahmad Shams as the Sadr Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA with effect from 20 January 1990. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Jan-Feb 1990, p. 4)

#### 28-29 April 1990

Majlis-i-Shūrā (consultative body) of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held in Cleveland on 28-29 April 1990. It was presided by the Amīr Jamā'at, Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad. It was attended by delegates from thirty-five Chapters, the members of the National Amila and Aḥmadiyya missionaries. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-May 1990, pp. 14-17)

#### 29 June to 1 July 1990

The forty-second Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Detroit, Michigan. Message from Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was read. One thousand seven hundred and fifty (1750) attended. Also, forty-one non-Aḥmadīs were present to attend the convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1990, p. 18)

# 18 January 1991

The live Friday sermon of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) was transmitted to the United Kingdom, Japan, Germany, Mauritius, the United States of America and Denmark. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61).

#### 26-28 April 1991

Consultative Committee Meeting (Majlis-i-Shūrā) of US Jamā'at was held at Bait-ul-Ahad, Cleveland, Ohio. Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad welcomed the national executives, presidents and delegates from thirty-six chapters of the US Jamā'at. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 1991, p. 12)



#### 11-12 May 1991

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA held National Ijtima. Seventy-five Anṣārs participated. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-July 1991, p. 21)

#### 24-26 May 1991

The 16<sup>th</sup> annual Ijtimā' of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya was held in Washington area. About 400 Khuddam and Atfāl attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-July 1991, p. 20)

# June 1991

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) toured USA for the third time in June 1991. He also visited Mexico. He graced the 43<sup>rd</sup> US Annual Convention at Ypsilanti MI. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 127)

#### 16 June 1991

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV visited Mexico. He had a lunch with 250 members of the Jamā'at. A group of twenty-seven Mexicans accepted Aḥmadiyya Islam. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May June 1991, p. 6)

#### 18 June 1991

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) went to New Jersey to inaugurate Bait-ul-Wahid Mosque (The old building was sold and a new one was acquired). He had lunch with members of Jamā'at. He then had an audience with members of the chapter. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May June 1991, p. 6)

#### June 199

Missionary Inamul-Haq Kauser was reassigned to Los Angeles and served there until May 2003. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 47).

# 28-30 June 1991

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) graced the Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention No. 43 of USA Jamā'at from 28-30 June 1991. The annual gathering was held at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, Michigan. About 4,000 people attended the convention.

The convention began with Friday sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV. The mayor of the city of Ypsilanti also attended the opening session. In the afternoon, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV viewed the Aḥmadiyya Exhibition with guests. A historical documentary film covering a hundred years of Aḥmadiyya history was also presented to the large number of guests in the Auditorium of the University.

On Saturday, June 29, 1991, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV addressed the ladies' section.

(The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-

September 2020, pp. 128)

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) presided the concluding session of the convention. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said:

- 1. Purify yourselves and find God within you.
- 2. Love of God and his servants is the ultimate guide to successful preaching.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1991, pp. 3-8)

#### July 1991

Addresses of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) at the UK Annual Convention were relayed live via satellite in eleven countries with a simultaneous translation in seven languages. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61).

#### 1992

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Charlotte, NC came into being in 1992. A house was acquired and was used as a mosque for 24 years. The house was later sold. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 505).

#### 1992

Construction started on a new building for the Sadiq Mosque in Chicago that was completed in 1994. (Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 133)

#### 26-28 June 1992

The forty-fourth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Movement in Islam, USA was held at York Institute of Technology, Brookville, New York. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 17)

#### July 1992

Proceedings of the Annual Convention were shown live on MTA. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61).

# 21 August 1992

Friday sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV were started transmitting live via satellite to Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia. This initiated the MTA transmission for four continents. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61).

#### 23 August 1992

Missionary Masud Ahmad Jhelumī passed away on 23 August 1992 due to heart pathology.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV said on hid death: He was steadfast in face of trials and always advised his



children to stay connected with Markaz with devotion. He secured a place in his heart due to these qualities. He died on August 23, 1992, due to heart pathology. Inna Lillāhi wa Inna Ilaihi Raji'oon. He was buried in a cemetery in Frankfurt. He was loyal to the Jamā'at for sure. He left behind his wife and three children. ("Shuhada-e-Ahmadiyyat, Aghaz Ta 'Ahd-e-Khilafat-4," pp. 110-111, Compilation of Ahmadi martyrs from Friday Sermons of Khulafā II, III and IV under the auspices of hundred years jubilee of Ahmadiyya Khilafat (1908-2008)).

#### 20 January 1993



Bill Clinton was inaugurated as 42<sup>nd</sup> US President on 20 January 1993. He remained President till 20 January 2001.

#### 23 April 1993

The Miami Jamā'at purchased a house in Broward County, Florida, founding the first Ahmadi Mosque in the state of Florida. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 335).

#### 25-27 June 1993

The forty-fifth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at C.W. Post Campus and the New York Institute of Technology, Brookville, Long Island, New York. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 1993, p. 19)

#### 5 November 1993

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV appreciated financial sacrifices of Aḥmadiyya Community USA.

He said: "By the grace of Allah, ever since you took office of Amīr, the Jamā'at has progressed in every area. Specially the finance department has made rapid progress. May Allah be with you and bless your efforts."

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) said: "America is third in Tahrik Jadid by paying 244,440 pounds. America has great potential and if America makes use of its potential fully, it is just possible that they will leave behind all the Jamā'ats of the world. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1994, p. 3)

# 12 December 1993

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, Maryland followed the instruction of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV and arranged lunch for forty-eight Bosnians (37 men and 11 ladies), four Kurd refugees. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1994, pp. 30-1)

#### 16 August 1994

Missionary to the US, Syed Jawad Ali passed away in Rabwah. He was seventy years old. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1994, p. 11)

#### September-October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited United States of America for the fourth time. He visited Los Angeles, Seattle as well as Vancouver, Canada. He then returned to the US visiting Washington DC and New York. The Amīr of the US Jamā'at, Ṣāḥibzādah M. M. Ahmad, welcomed Khalifatul-Masih IV and his guests. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 131)

# 23 September 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday sermon at Los Angeles. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13).

#### 11 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV was interviewed by Louis Aguilar of the Washington Post at the residence of Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad, Amīr Jamā'at USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 6)

#### 12 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV was interviewed by Gustav Neibour of the New York Times at Bait-ur-Rahman, Maryland. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 6)

#### 13 October 1994

The Earth Station, a joint venture of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Communities Canada and USA, was inaugurated by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV. Twenty-four-hour transmission of MTA began from the US for North and South America. (Souvenir-Bait-ur-Rahman USA-Inauguration, pp. 6-7, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 9)

# 14 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) inaugurated Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque in Silver Spring, MD. The National Headquarters of USA Jamā'at was moved to this location. First, the Jumu'a sermon was delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV and the salat was led by him.

The ceremony was attended by more than 7,000 Aḥmadī Muslims from all over the US, Canada and other countries. They were joined by members of the US Congress, an ex-president of the World Bank, several ambassadors, the attorney general of the state of Maryland, chairman of the Montgomery County Council, several mayors and high-ranking officials and members



of press media.

The ceremony was reported by the Washington Post, the Washington Time, the Burtonsville Gazette, the Journal (Montgomery), the Diamondback, the Baltimore Sun, the Free Press, the Washington Citizen, TV Channel o (CBS Affiliate) and Voice of America. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 5, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 131)

#### 14-15 October 1994

The 46th Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention of USA was held at newly constructed Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque for two days. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV delivered inaugural address on 14 October.

The next day, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV presided over the morning session of the Jalsa in the Lajna section. Then, he graced the men's section in the afternoon session and delivered his final address at the end of which he led silent prayer. The number of guests who attended to the Convention was over 6,000. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, pp. 9-11)

#### 16 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) graced the National Exhibition on the occasion of 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 2)

#### 17 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV was interviewed by Bhagwan Prakash from Voice of America at Bait-ur-Rahman. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 1995, p. 6)

# 18 October 1994

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) laid the foundation stone of Al-Nasr Mosque, Willingboro. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 474-77).

# 23 October 1994

Khalifatul-Masih IV and his entourage went to Chicago. He inaugurated the newly reconstructed Sadiq Mosque. This mosque was made at the same site where the historic Masjid Sadiq was located. The mosque is located on Wabash Avenue. (Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 133)

#### 23 October 1994

During the fourth visit of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV the US, he also laid the foundation stone of Bait-ul-Jami' Mosque in Glen Ellyn, IL. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 133)

# 1994

Zaheer Bajwa has been serving as Ahmadiyya

missionary USA since 1994. He had been Na'ib Amīr from 2007 to 2010 and National General Secretary from 2013 to 2019. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 54).

#### 6 January 1995

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV asked Aḥmadiyya Community USA to become number one in Waqf-e-Jadīd. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1995, pp. 21-22)

# 28-30 April 1995

The 12<sup>th</sup> Majlis-e-Shūrā (Consultative Committee Meeting) of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. It was attended by 132 delegates from thirty US chapters. Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad, Amīr USA, presided. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 1995, p. 17)

#### 23-25 June 1995

The forty-seventh Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD from 23-25 June 1995. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 1995, p. 9)

# 24 June 1995

The Association of Aḥmadī Muslim Scientists, USA (AAMS-USA) was founded. Dr. Karimullah Zirvi was elected the first president of the association. He served from 1995 to 1999. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 274)

#### 15 September 1995

The third Majlis-i-Shūrā Ansarullah, USA, was held at Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque on 15 September 1995. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-December 1995, p. 20)

# 16-17 September 1995

The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Ijtimā' of Majlis Ansarullah, USA, was held at Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-December 1995, pp. 20-23)

#### 1995

Al-Islam website on the Internet was established in 1995; and one year later, it started transmitting the Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, 50th Jalsa Salāna Souvenir, June 1998, p. 66)



# 2 February 1996



Daud Ahmed Hanif served as Aḥmadiyya missionary USA from 2 February 1996 to 25 November 2017. He was Na'ib Amīr from 17 November 2009 to 25 November 2017 and missionary in-charge from 17 June 2004 to 17 November 2009.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 54).

#### 1 April 1996

MTA started 24-hour transmission from 1 April 1996. (As of October 2019, this service continues an even wider and wider scale). (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 61)

#### 28-30 June 1996

The forty-eighth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Muslims USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a message on the convention.

The first session was presided by Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad, Amīr of the US Jamā'at. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, April-June 1996, p. 26)

#### 30 June 1996

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) addressed the National Amila of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA on 30 June 1996 via the internet service of alislam.org. The address provided pearls of wisdom on how to discharge duties when one is appointed to any office of the Jamā'at. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 135)

# 17 August 1996

Brother Muhammad Sadiq passed away in Newark, NJ. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1996, p. 15)

#### 15 November 1996

Brother Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr, Na'ib Amīr, Jamā'at USA, passed away. . (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September-October 1996, p. 23)

#### 19 November 1996

Dr. Abdus Salam, a Noble Laureate, passed away.

Majlis Aamila of the US Jamā'at passed a condolence resolution on the demise of Dr. Abdus Salam on 23 November 1996. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 1996, pp. 22-24)

A year after the death of Dr. Abdus Salam, the name of the center was changed to Abdus Salam Center for Theoretical Physics during 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the centre. (Wikipedia)

#### 1996

In 1996 a piece of land, about 4 acres, was purchased in the city of Allen for Dallas Chapter's first mosque. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 573).

# 31 October 1997

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV announced in his Friday Sermon that Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA contributed more in Waqf-e-Jadīd than the rest of the world. Jamā'at USA was second in Taḥrīk-e-Jadīd in 1996. First position was maintained by the USA Jamā'at in Waqf-e-Jadīd as well as Taḥrīk-e-Jadīd in 1997. (Khutbat-e-Tahir Vol. 16, pp. 807-8, Khutba 31 October 1997)

#### 1997

The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) wrote his famous book "Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam" in 1897. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) instructed members to commemorate 100 years of the compilation of the book. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 135)

#### June 1997

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited USA for the fifth time in June 1997. He went to Ahmadabad Mission House in Boston, laid foundation stone of mosque at Glen Ellyn, IL and inaugurated annual convention of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13)

# 3 June 1997

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) inaugurated Bait-un-Nasir mission house in Sharon near Boston where Br Abid Hanif had acquired a parcel of land, Ahmadabad. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1997, pp. 15-16)

#### 17 June 1997

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) laid foundation stone of Bait-ul-Jami' at Glen Ellyn, IL (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1997, pp. 15-16)

# 20-22 June 1997

The forty-nineth Annual Convention of the US Jamā'at was held at Bait-ur-Rahman Silver Spring, Maryland from 20-22 June 1997.

On 20 June 1997, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV delivered Friday sermon. In the evening starting at 8 PM, he held Majlis-i-Irfan [question/answer session] amid



three hundred guests and thousands of members of the US Jamā'at.

He addressed the Lajna Imā'illāh USA in the morning session of the convention on 21 June 1997. Later in the evening, he held Majlis-i-Irfan [question/answer session] in the Lajna section while the men watched the question-answer session on closed circuit T.V.

He delivered concluding address on 22 June 1997 and closed the Aḥmadiyya Convention USA with revered prayers. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1997, p. 4)

# September 1997

Hazrat Maulawi Ata Muhammad, a companion of the Promised Messiah, was invited by Missionary Mir Mahmud Ahmad Nasir in September 1979 for a visit to the US. He was in Canada on a private visit. He was given a rousing welcome in York, Washington, and Baltimore. He talked about inspiring stories of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him). (General File America 1979, pp. 191-2)

#### 11 April 1998

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV sent message for the fiftieth Annual Convention Souvenir on 11 April 1998. (Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community 50<sup>th</sup> Jalsa Salāna USA)

#### 24-26 April 1998

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Consultative Body meeting (Majlisi-Shūrā) of the US Jamā'at was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May 1998, pp. 13-14)

#### June-July 1998

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) visited US Jamāʻat for the sixth time. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 13)

# 19 June 1998

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) delivered Friday Sermon at Bait-ur-Rahman. He said: "When a person becomes a friend of God, it is impossible that he will not be friend with other people." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 1998, p. 8)

#### 26-28 June 1998

The 50<sup>th</sup> Aḥmadiyya Convention was held on the premises of Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland on 26-28 June 1998. The convention started with Friday sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV said: "Spend your wealth in the way of Allah according to your real capacity. Do not do any dishonesty in it." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 1998, p. 1, pp. 17-19)

After the Jalsa program, in the evening, after leading Maghrib and 'Ishā prayers, he held Majlis-i-Irfan [question/answer session] on the main men's floor of the mosque with simultaneous transmission to the Lajna section and to the rest of the world via MTA.

On 27 June, he addressed the Lajna Imā'illāh. He had lunch with dignitaries and special guests in the basement of the Bait-ur-Rahman where a grand exhibition was arranged. He held another Majlis-i-Irfan [question/answer session] after leading combined Maghrib and 'Ishā prayers. The proceeding was telecasted live by MTA.

Some of the guests were given opportunity to address Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention on last day, 28 June 1998. They applauded the contributions of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) to the world's peace. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV then delivered his concluding address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 1998, p. 17)

#### 30 June 1998

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) laid the foundation stone of Bait-us-Samee Mosque, Houston, TX. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 139)

(The mosque was completed in 2004 and was inaugurated by Amīr Jamā'at Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar)

#### 1 July 1998

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) inaugurated Bait-ul-Baseer Mosque at Milpitas, CA and delivered final Friday sermon of his sixth visit to the United States. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 139)

# 11-13 September 1998

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Ijtimā' and 6<sup>th</sup> Majlis-i-Shūrā of Majlis Ansarullah, USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September 1998, p. 27)

#### 27 May 1999

Missionary Irshad Ahmad Malhi arrived in the US. He served as Northwest Regional Missionary from November 1999 to June 2010 and East Midwest region from July 2010 to June 2014. He also served East Southwest region from July 2014 to September 2017. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 57).

#### 25-27 June 1999

The fifty-first Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Capitol Expo Conference Center, Chantilly, Virginia. More than 3,000 attended the convention. The first session of the convention was chaired by Ṣāḥibzādah



M.M. Ahmad, Amīr, Aḥmadiyya Community, USA, who also delivered the inaugural address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 1999, p. 5)

# 11 July 1999



Mohammad Zafarullah Hanjra arrived in United States.

He served Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA in Dayton, Columbus, Cleveland, Athens, Detroit and Indiana. In 2004, he was transferred to Houston, Texas region where he spent ten years.

In 2014, he was posted to Los Angeles, California which included San Diego, Las Vegas, and Arizona. Three years later, in October of 2017, he was transferred to Chicago, Illinois. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 57).

#### 2000

The construction of the Willingboro Mosque began in year 2000. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 474-77).

#### 2000

Oshkosh chapter established.

#### 28-30 April 2000

The 17<sup>th</sup> National Majlis-i-Shūrā of USA Jamā'at was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Maryland MD. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 2000, p. 5-9)

#### 23-25 June 2000

The Fifty-Second Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad, Amīr USA, delivered inaugural and concluding addresses. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, July 2000, p. 10-13)

# 11-12 August 2000

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA held International Messiah 2000 Interfaith Conference at Carthage College, Kenosha, Wisconsin. This is located near Aḥmadiyya Mission in Zion, IL. The conference was held to commemorate the killing of Dr. Alexander Dowie as a result of prayer duel with the Promised Messiah ('Alaihis-Salām) in the year 1907. (Mir, Ghulam Ahmad Naseem, "Zion Conference Chicago, USA" and Al-Fazl, International, 19-25 January 2001, p. 7)

#### 2000

A building was bought in Hawthorn, CA and converted to a mosque, Bait-us-Salam. Later in the year 2000, a building adjacent to old building was also procured. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos.

10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 463).

#### 7 January 2001

Maulānā 'Ata'ullah Kaleem ex-missionary in-charge USA passed away. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, February 2001, p. 19)

#### 20 January 2001



George W. Bush was inaugurated as 43<sup>rd</sup> US President of the US for two consecutive 4-years terms. (Wikipedia)

#### 9 May 2001

Maulānā Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad ex-missionary incharge USA passed away. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 2001, p. 32)

#### 22-24 June 2001

The fifty-third Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. Ṣāḥibzādah M.M. Ahmad, Amīr USA, delivered inaugural address. More than four thousand participated. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June-July 2001, p. 5)

#### 11 September 2001

Two hijacked jetliners ram twin towers of World Trade Center in worst terrorist attack against the U.S. on 11 September 2001; a third hijacked plane flies into the Pentagon, and a fourth crashes in rural Pennsylvania. More than 3,000 people died in the attacks. (Wikipedia)

#### 2001

In 2001, a house was purchased for mosque for Atlanta GA chapter at 6113 Oakbrook Parkway, Norcross, GA 30093. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih named it "Bait-ul-Baqi." (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 346).

# 2002

The construction of the mosque in Dallas started in January 2002. Two halls were constructed in the first phase that were used as a mosque, Bait-ul-Ikram, from July 2002. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 573).

#### 29 January 2002

In his first State of the Union address, President Bush labels Iran, Iraq, and North Korea an axis of evil and declares that U.S. will wage war against states that develop weapons of mass destruction. (Wikipedia)



#### 26 -28 April 2002

Majlis-i-Shūrā of the US Jamā'at was held Bait-ur-Rahman, Maryland on 26-28 April 2002. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 2002, p. 1-3)

#### 28-30 June 2002

The fifty-fourth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar presided the first session of the convention. He addressed inaugural as well as concluding session of the convention. More than 4000 attended the convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, June 2002, p. 31)

# 22 July 2002

Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad, Amīr USA, died after protracted illness.

Washington Post in its publication dated July 28, 2002 gave short summary of his activities and services to Jamā'at Ahmadiyya. Different organizations of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya passed resolutions on his death. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 2002, p. 7)

#### 19 August 2002



Khalifatul-Mash IV appointed Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar as Amīr of USA. (Khilafat Centenary Souvenir 1908-2008, Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, pp. 146-7)

#### 18 to 20 October 2002

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA held its 10<sup>th</sup> Majlis-i-Shūrā (Consultative Body) and annual Ijtimā' at Bait-ur Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. (Al-Fazl International, 14 February 2003, Al-Fazl, 8 April 2003, p. 2)

#### 10 November 2002

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) sent a special message on his health recovery. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, December 2002, p. 2)

#### 27-29 December 2002

The 17<sup>th</sup> West Coast Jalsa Salāna (convention) was held at Bait-ul-Ḥameed Mosque in Chino, California. The convention was attended by 757 which included members from eleven chapters from West Coast plus from other chapters of USA and from overseas Pakistan, Bangladesh, Abu Dhabi, England, Canada and Guatemala. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April 2003, pp. 28-32)

#### 2003

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV praised Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA while addressing Majlis-i-Shūrā 2003: "I would like to inform you that I am very happy with the progress of United States of America. I have especially noticed how M.M. Ahmad has ably steered you through difficult times to ever rising heights of achievements."

The proceedings were telecasted live. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 158)

#### 19 April 2003

Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) passed away on 19 April 2003 in London after heart attack. He was seventy-four years old. He had been residing in London since April 1984. His funeral prayer was led in London by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, newly elected fifth Khalifa of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community on 23 April 2003.

# 22 April 2003

On 22 April 2003, Khilafat Electoral Committee established by Hazrat Muṣliḥ Mauʿūd (may Allah be pleased with him), held with Chaudhri Hameedullah, the then Wakil-e-Aʿla, Tahrik Jadid presiding over the election in London. Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad was elected as the fifth Khalifa of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community. According to the tradition, he first took Baiʿat (Oath of Allegiance) and then led the funeral prayer of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad. About 40,000 people participated in the funeral prayers. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV was laid to rest at Mubarak Mosque, Tilford, England.

# I shall give you a large party of Islam

Revelation of *Hazrat* Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Promised Messiah and Mahdi May peace be upon him



# Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (1950-...) Khalifatul-Masih V (2003-...)

(May Allah support him with His mighty help)



#### 24-26 May 2003

National Majlis-i-Shūrā of Aḥmadiyya Jamā'at, USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Maryland. Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr USA presided. More than one hundred and fifty delegates and officers attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 2003, pp. 28-29)

#### 27-29 June 2003

The fifty-fifth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland. (Al-Nur, Sad Sala Number, Vol. 41, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 166)

#### 8-10 August 2003

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya held its 25<sup>th</sup> annual Ijtima. 787 participated. Members from as far as California, Washington, Texas, Michigan, Florida and Massachusetts came to participate.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) sent a message for Ijtimā 2003 of Khuddam and Atfāl, USA. He said: "I wish to remind the Khuddam and Atfāl of the United States of America to observe five daily prayers in congregation and always remain loyal to the institution of Khilafat." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 2003, pp. 30-33)

# 9 September 2003

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) sent a message for USA Jamā'at's Taḥrīk Jadīd Issue of the Aḥmadiyya Gazette.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said: "I pray that Allah enables us to fulfill our obligations towards Tahrik Jadid and that we bring about reformation within ourselves, so that we can create a true new world order in which there is respect for justice and all human beings begin to live in peace and so that Allah welcomes us all saying that your

battle has come to an end, you are now reconciled and peace with Me. Come and enter the fold of my faithful servants in this very life. Amin." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 2003, p. 6)

# 2003

A Synagogue was purchased in Brooklyn, NY area. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named it as "Bait-ut-Tahir." The mosque can house 150 people. A property in the vicinity was also bought for missionary house. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 479).

#### 25 April 2004

Bait-ul-Jami' at Glen Ellyn, IL and Aḥmadiyya Community Center, Van Buren, Chicago, IL. was inaugurated by Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr Jamā'at USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August 1997, pp. 15-16)

#### 23-25 April 2004

National Majlis-i-Shūrā of Aḥmadiyya Jamā'at, USA was held at Bait-ul-Jami' at Glen Ellyn, IL. Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr USA presided. The meeting was broadcast live via internet between Aḥmadiyya centers in Silver Spring, MD, Central Jersey, NJ and Silicon Valley, CA. Members in all these centers could see each other and communicate between them. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2004, pp. 21-23)

# May-June 2004

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) directed to revive Aḥmadiyya Engineers & Architect Association, USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2004, p. 36)

# July 2004

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him



with His mighty help) met the US national executive at the Canadian Annual Convention in July 2004. A large number of Aḥmadīs from the US attended the convention. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 161)

#### 3-5 September 2004

The fifty-sixth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland on 3-5 September 2004. The date of convention was changed from 25-27 July 2004 to 3-5 September 2004 due to the tour of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) to Canada. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2004, p. 57)

#### 28 September 2004

The house purchased in Miami, Florida, in 1993 was later sold due to zoning restrictions on 21 September 2001. A church building was acquired on 28 September 2004 and was converted to a mosque. The name of the mosque is Bait-un-Naseer. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 335-6).

#### 2-4 September 2005

The fifty-seventh Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Expo Conference Center, Chantilly VA.

Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr USA, delivered inaugural address. The theme of the convention was "Prayers." (Al-Nur, Sad Sala Number, Vol. 41, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 166)

#### 30 September to 2 October 2005

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA held twenty-fourth Annual Ijtimā and thirteenth Majlis-i-Shūrā. Approximately three hundred Anṣār from forty Majalis attended the Ijtima. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 2005, p. 34)

#### 2006

The construction of the Willingboro Mosque was completed in 2006. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 474-77).

#### 9 February 2006

Dallas Morning News, Chicago Sun Times, USA Today, Houston Chronicle, published Aḥmadiyya response to cartoon controversy. (The Muslim Sunrise, Spring 2006, p. 43)

#### 22 July 2006

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) appreciated the efforts of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA for donating \$4m to establish Tahir Heart Institute in Rabwah, Pakistan in his letter of 22 July 2006. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA,

Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 161).

#### 1-3 September 2006

The fifty-eighth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held on 1-3 September 2006 at Dulles Expo and Conference Center, Chantilly Virginia. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) addressed to the US Jamā'at live from London. Khalifatul-Masih V directed that Jamā'at USA should prepare at least ten Wāqifīn-e-Nau to join Jami'a Aḥmadiyya every year. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2006, pp. 4-12, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 162)

#### 15 November 2006

A premise at 9501 Satellite Blvd, Ste 103, Orlando, FL was purchased. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named it Bait-ul-Aafiyat. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 339).

#### 2007

The Willingboro Mosque was inaugurated by then National Amir, Dr. Ahsan Ullah Zafar in 2007. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 474-77).

# 13-14 January 2007

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Anṣār Leadership Conference (ALC 2007) was held at Bait-ul-Ikram Mosque, Allen, TX with an attendance of eighty. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April 2007, pp. 45-49)

#### 23 March 2007

A church building was purchased in the outskirts of Hartford City. The building was converted to a mosque and was named Bait-ul-Amn. It was inaugurated by Missionary Daud Hanif, Na'ib Amīr on 23 March 2007. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 326).

#### 31 August to 2 September 2007

The fifty-nineth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Dulles Expo and Conference Center, Chantilly Virginia. (Al-Nur, Sad Sala Number, Vol. 41, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 166)

#### 26-28 October 2007

Majlis Anṣārullāh USA held twenty-sixth National Ijtimā and fifteenth Majlis-i-Shūrā at Bait-un-Nasir Mosque in Columbus Ohio.

#### 2007

A church building was purchased in 2007 and was converted to a mosque by Austin, TX Chapter. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His



mighty help) named the mosque as Bait-ul-Muqeet. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 569).

#### Early 2008

Aḥmadiyya Muslim community condemns vulgar images of Danish cartoons. (Khilafat Centenary Souvenir 1908-2008, Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, pp. 8-9, the Muslim Sunrise, Vol. 88, No. 1, p. 37)

#### 8 March 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) sent a message on USA Khilafat Centenary Souvenir (1908-2008).

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said: "The Promised Messiah (peace be on him) imposes upon us the heavy responsibility of spreading the message of Islam and reforming ourselves in such a way that can bring ourselves and the rest of mankind closer to its Creator." (USA Khilafat Centenary Souvenir 1908-2008, Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, p. 8)

#### 16 June 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) arrived at Washington Dulles airport on 16 June 2008 for his first visit to the US. On the request of Hon. Thomas M Davis, National Flag was waved on the first arrival of Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad to United States of America. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 165)

#### 17 June 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inspected MTA Earth Station. The station receives telecast from European Satellite and transmits to North America and Canada. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 165)

# 20-22 June 2008

The sixtieth Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg on 20-22 June 2008. Ten thousand attended the conference. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 167)

#### 20 June 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered Friday sermon on first day of the annual convention. He went through exhibition and took keen interest in it. In the evening he chaired Waqf-i-Nau program. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2008, pp. 5-9, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 167)

#### 21 June 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih distributed educational awards on 21 June 2008. He addressed Lajna Ima'illah USA in English. Mentioning his tour of Africa, he said that love for Khilafat is flourishing from the hearts of all members of the Jamā'at. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2008, pp. 15-22, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 169)

#### 22 June 2008

Gold medals and certificates were distributed among the brilliant students for their remarkable educational achievements in the concluding session of the Annual Aḥmadiyya Convention chaired by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) on 22 June. Certificates were also given to the members of auxiliaries, Ansar, Khuddam and Atfāl who achieved first position in the Essay competition. 'Alam-e-In'ami was given to Majlis Oshkosh that was the best Majlis during 2006-07.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered concluding address. He said: "True happiness would be achieved only if everyone pledges to improve spiritually, religiously, and morally as described by the Promised Messiah." The attendance of Jalsa USA was 9,574 as compared to 4,500 in the last year. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2008, pp. 23-33, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, No. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 169-171)

# 23 June <u>2008</u>

An address was delivered by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) at Khilafat Centenary Celebration Reception/Dinner at Tysons' Hilton, McLean, Virginia USA. Three hundred and two guests were invited. The guests included four representatives of state department.

The leading newspapers and journals published coverage of the tour. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) mentioned the true teaching of Islam with reference to terrorism. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2008, p. 51, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 171)

#### 24 June 2008

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) left Washington for Toronto, Canada on 24 June 2008 by Special "Khilafat Flight" of Continental Airline. "Khilafat Flight" was printed on the boarding cards. On the backside of the card, it was written "Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community Khilafat Celebration." (Al-Fazl International, 22 August 2008, p.



16, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2008, p. 51 and the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 171)

#### 17 August 2007

The construction of the St. Louis Mosque began in March 2007 with the laying of the foundation stone. The event was presided by Missionary Azhar Haneef, and chapter President, Bro. Munir Ahmad.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named the mosque as "Bait-ul-Hafeez." Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amir Jamā'at USA inaugurated the mosque on 17 August 2008. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 455).

#### 2008

Remodeling of mosques in the US started in 2008 and after approval and release of funds, work on different projects started in summer of 2009 and completed in summer of 2010.

The following mosques benefitted from the remodeling:

- 1. Dar-ul-Aman Mosque, Kenner, Louisiana
- 2. Bait-ul-Ihsan, Syracuse, New York
- 3. Bait-ul-Aafiyat, Orlando, FL: In September 2008, the first phase of remodeling of Bait-ul-Aafiyat in Orlando started.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 339, 381 and 501).

# 20 January 2009



Barack Obama becomes the first African American to be elected 44<sup>th</sup> President of United States of America on 20 January 2009. He remained in the office for two 4-years terms. (Wikipedia)

# 24-26 April 2009

The annual Majlis-e-Shūrā (general council) meeting of the US Jamā'at was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD. Secretaries of different departments presented their reports. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 2009, pp. 73-79)

#### 19-21 June 2009

The sixty-first Annual Convention of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA was held at Dulles Expo Center Chantilly, Virginia. More than 5,500 attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, September-October 2009, pp. 11-20)

#### 29 September 2009

Joe Biden, 47<sup>th</sup> Vice President of USA, invited Lajna Ima'illah at fifteenth anniversary of violence against women. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November, 2009, p. 38, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 172)

#### 2009-10

A church was purchased in Nashville TN and was converted to mosque in 2009-10. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named it "Mahmood Mosque." The mosque was inaugurated by Na'ib Amīrs Naseem Mahdi and Azhar Hanif. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 282).

#### 2010

Maulānā Naseem Mahdi served Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA as Na'ib Amīr and missionary-incharge from 2010 to 2016. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 58).

#### 2010

In 2010, the second phase of remodeling of Orlando Mosque was completed which included a kitchen area, Lajna Hall. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 339).

#### 16-18 July 2010

The sixty-second Annual Convention of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA was held at Dulles Expo Center Chantilly, Virginia. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2010, pp. 11-20)

#### 19 August 2010

Peer Habib-ur-Rahman was martyred in Pakistan. He had moved to USA in 1990 with his family. He played a major role in the establishment and expansion of website alislam.org while in the US. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 168)

# 22 August 2010

Aḥmadiyya Muslim Jamā'at condemned plans to burn the Holy Qur'an in United States on September 11, 2010. Speaking on this issue from London, the Head of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Jamā'at said, "The religious extremism of all kinds needs to be eradicated from the society." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 172)

#### 10 September 2010

US Aḥmadiyya responded to "Burn a Koran Day."

An interfaith gathering was held in the largest church in Gainesville, Florida. This event was organized in



response to Pastor Terry Jones of Gainesville, Florida, who was threating to burn Holy Qur'an on September 11, 2010. Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa, President of the Orlando Jamā'at, was invited to speak at this event. Total attendance was more than 2,000. The event lasted from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM. TV Channel Fox35 Orlando Station interviewed Dr. Wajeeh Bajwa (President Orlando Jamā'at) and Habeeb Shafeek (Tabligh Secretary) in two segments on September 10, 2010, at 8:00 AM and 9:00 AM. Total viewers were more than 500,000.

The response by Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA helped avert the burning on 11 September 2010. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 172-3)

#### 2010

An 8,000 sq. ft. building was acquired in 2010 in Oshkosh WI and converted to a mosque after approval from the authorities. (The Daily Reporter, 4 November 2010)

#### 2011

Upon the instruction and guidance of beloved Khalifatul-Masih V, the Medical Association was divided into separate Men's (retaining the name AAMS-USA) and Women's Association (AWSA) in 2011. Dr. Shanaz Butt was approved as the founding president of AWSA in 2011. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 275).

#### 1-3 July 2011

The sixty-third Annual Convention of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA was held at Dulles Expo Center Chantilly, Virginia. 5,779 attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 2011, pp. 13-24)

# 7-9 October 2011

Majlis Ansarullah, USA held its 30<sup>th</sup> National Ijtimā' and 19<sup>th</sup> Majlis Shūrā at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD. More than 450 Anṣār from all over the USA attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, February 2012, pp. 45-49)

#### 23-25 December 2011

Annual Convention of West Coast USA Jamā'at was held at Bait al-Ḥamīd Mosque, Chino, CA. One thousand two hundred and sixty-one attended. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 2012, pp. 33-34)

#### 27-29 April 2012

General council meeting (Shūrā) of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD. Secretaries of different departments presented reports. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 2012, pp. 46-48)

# June -July 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) toured USA for the second time in June-July 2012. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 173)

#### 17 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited Sadiq Mosque in Chicago, IL. This is the oldest mosque of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community USA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 173)

Khalifatul-Masih V saw a series of framed portrait photographs that had been taken decades ago. Upon enquiring, he was informed that they were early converts to Aḥmadiyyat. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V instructed Jamā'at to search for their progenies and seek to bring them back into the fold of Aḥmadiyyat. (USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan—the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2012, p. 12)

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited the town of Zion IL where a major sign of the truth of the Promised Messiah, was witnessed by the world. (Report by Sunday Herald of Boston on 23 June 1907, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 179)

#### 18 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited Aḥmadiyya Mosque in Dayton, Ohio, USA. (USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan—the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2012, p. 13)

# 19 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited Bait-un-Nasir Mosque in Columbus, Ohio. A new plaque was fixed near the door of the mosque. He inaugurated the mosque and prayed. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 179-180)

#### 19 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited the grave of Mirza Monawar Ahmad in Pittsburgh. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 180)

#### 22 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered the Friday Sermon at Bait-ur-Rahman, the National Headquarters of Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam USA.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him



with His mighty help) was interviewed by Dan Merica of CNN on 22 June 2012. The interview was published on the CNN website on 7 July 2012.

(USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan—the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2012, pp. 20-21, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2013, pp. 6-8)

#### 25 June 2012

Ambassador of Ghana to the United States called on Khalifa of Islam on 25 June 2012. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 180)

#### 27 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih inaugurated/inspected Mubarak Mosque in Virginia. The cost of construction of the mosque was \$3m. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 187-189, Al-Badr, November 2012, pp. 8-15)

#### 27 June 2012



Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad was welcomed to Capitol Hill, in Washington D.C. on 27 June 2012 where he delivered a keynote address on the subject of 'The Path to Peace—Just Relations between Nations" to an audience filled with more than 30 members of the United States Congress, including Honorable Nancy Pelosi, the Democratic Leader in the House of Representatives. (USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan, pp. 42-49, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 181-6)

#### 28 June 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V inaugurated "Hadee Mosque" in Harrisburg, PA. It has an area of 1.5 acre. The covered area is 25,000 sq. ft. It costed \$0.265m to convert the church building to a beautiful mosque. (Al-Badr 8-15 November 2012)

During the journey to Harrisburg, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V stopped at Baltimore where Jamā'at had bought a property. Khalifatul-Masih named it "Bait-ul-Kareem" on the name of first convert of the area "Abdul Kareem." (USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan, p. 63)

# 29-30 June -1 July 2012

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) opened sixty-fourth Aḥmadiyya Annual Convention of USA held at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA on 29 June. He inaugurated the convention by delivering Friday Sermon.

The Lajna Ima'illah held their own all-day program on Saturday presided by Respected Amatus-Sabooh, wife of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered address to Ladies on 30 June.

The three-day Sixty-fourth Annual Convention concluded on 1 July 2012 with a powerful and faith inspiring address by the World Head of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community.

The Convention was attended by more than 11,400 people from across the United States and many other countries.

(USA tour of Khalifatul-Masih V in the year 2012 by Abid Khan, pp. 42-49—the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 189-193)

# 28-30 December 2012

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual West Coast Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community, USA was held at Bait-ul-Ḥameed in Chino, CA. Thirteen hundred attended. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, February 2013, p. 44)

#### 2012

A building with about 2,800 sq. ft. area at 2617 Turner Road, North Chesterfield, Virginia was purchased and converted into a mosque. Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) named it Bait-ul-Anwaar. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 595).

#### 2012

Five-acre land with 12,000 sq. ft. covered area was bought in Fort Worth City of Texas. It was named "Baitul-Qayyum." Two halls are being used as the mosque. There is a kitchen and another hall for sports purposes. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 580).

#### 15 April 2013

The second International Conference of Muslim Television Aḥmadiyya International (MTA) concluded on 15 April 2013 with address by the World Head of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V. Thirty-one delegates from sixteen countries attended the four-day conference which was held at the Bait-ul-Futūh Mosque in South-



West London. Countries represented were India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Mauritius, Ghana, USA, Canada, Germany, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, United Kingdom, Kababir, Holland, Switzerland and Australia. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 194)

# 2013

The first Holy Qur'an and Science Symposium was held in 2013 at Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque in Silver Spring, MD. A total of 184 were in attendance. Beloved Khalifatul-Masih delivered a message for this auspicious occasion, which was read out in the opening session. Nā'ib Amīr, Missionary Naseem Mahdi, presided over the opening session and delivered a short talk. Aḥmadī Muslim Scientists from various backgrounds then delivered talks about their research. Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr USA, addressed the audience highlighting that science really emanates from God. The day was concluded with prayers led by Nā'ib Amīr Masoud Malik. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 275).

# 26-28 April 2013

Thirtieth Annual Consultative Body (Majlis-i-Shūrā) of the US Jamā'at was at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, Maryland 26-28 April 2013. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July 2013, p. 37)

#### 4-12 May 2013

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited Los Angeles for his first visit to the West Coast of USA. This was his third tour to the US. A large number of families of Ahmadīs from California received him. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October 2020-September 2021, p. 14)

#### 6 May 2013

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) granted audience to Aḥmadī Muslim Students studying in schools, colleges and universities across the USA. He advised Aḥmadī Muslim students to strive for attaining excellence and set their standard high by aiming for the Nobel Prize. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 2013, p. 10)

#### 8 May 2013

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih was interviewed by Tamara Audi of Wall Street Journal. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 2013, p. 12, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 195)

#### 10 May 2013

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered Friday Sermon from the Bait-ul-Hameed Aḥmadiyya Mosque in Chino, California. (Khutbat-e-Masroor, Vol. 11, pp. 270-1)

#### 11 May 2013

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Head of Aḥmadiyya Community delivered the keynote address at a special reception held in his honor at the Montage in Beverly Hills, LA. More than 300 politicians, academics and community leaders attended, including the California Lieutenant Governor, mayoral candidate Eric Garcetti, and several members of the United States Congress. During the event, the Los Angeles City Council presented Khalifatul-Masih V with the golden key to the city. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 2013, pp. 18-23, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 196-8)

#### 28-30 June 2013

The sixty-fifth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg on 28-30 June 2013 with an attendance of 4676. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, August-September 2013, p. 24)

#### 4-6 October 2013

Majlis Ansarullah, USA held its 32<sup>nd</sup> National Ijtimā' and 21<sup>st</sup> Shūrā at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD. More than 750 Anṣār from all over USA participated. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2013, pp. 54-59)

#### 27-29 December 2013

The 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of West Coast USA was held. An estimated 1,000 members of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim community and their invited guests gathered at Bait-ul-Hameed in Chino, CA. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March 2014, pp. 41-42)

#### 2013

Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Charlotte, NC acquired a two-acre lot. In the first phase a 22000 sq. ft. was built for the mosque. A hall of 2400 sq. ft. is under construction. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 134).

#### 2013

The old building was sold, and a larger building was bought by Minnesota Chapter in Coon Rapids MN to meet its growing needs. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named it Nusrat Mosque. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 443).

#### 26 May 2014

Dr. Mehdi Ali Qamar, a US cardiologist was martyred in Rabwah, Pakistan. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help)



mentioned his services for the Jamā'at in Friday Sermon of 30 May 2014. He led his funeral prayer in absentia. (Khutbat-e-Masroor, Vol. 12, pp. 330-341, Al-Fazl International, 20-26 June 2014, Vol. 21, pp. 5-9, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 199)

#### 25 July 2014

Three-acre land was acquired in the city of Binghamton, New York state for building a mosque. This is the first mosque that has a minaret like Manarat-ul-Masih, Qādiān. It was inaugurated by Chaudhri 'Ata-ur-Rahman and missionary Daud Hanif. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 517).

#### 15-17 August 2014

The sixty-sixth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg. On 15 August 2014, Amīr USA, Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, hoisted the Aḥmadiyya flag while missionary Maulānā Naseem Mahdi raised the American flag. A message from Khalifatul-Masih V was read by missionary Maulānā Azhar Hanif. The attendance was over 7,000, ladies 3,100+, men 3,700+. Total guests were 336 from seventeen countries. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, October-November 2014, pp. 15-22, Al-Nur, Vol. 41, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 168)

#### 23 October 2014

Mujeeb-ur-Rahman, a senior advocate of Pakistan Supreme Court, delivered a talk on Pakistan's Aḥmadīs: Blasphemy, Identity and Persecution. The talk was given at Columbia Law School Jerome Greene Hall, room 105 on 23 October 2014.

A delegation of AMLA (Aḥmadiyya Lawyers Association USA) accompanied him on his historic lecture tour, during which he spoke about Pakistan, human rights and Islamic jurisprudence at Harvard Law School, Princeton University, Columbia Law School, New York University Law School, University of California Irvine and the U.S. Library of Congress. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 418).

#### 18 November 2014

Detroit Jamā'at held first Arab Conference on 18 November 2014 at the University of Michigan, Dearborn. Seventy non-Aḥmadī guests and one hundred thirty Aḥmadīs participated. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 431).

#### 27 November 2014

A large building was purchased in auction with 30,000 sq. ft., 5-acre carpet showroom/warehouse for

\$1.28 m by Atlanta GA chapter. The building has a covered area of 27,000 sq. ft. A portion of it is being used as mosque. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named it as Bait-ul-'Ata. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, pp. 346-347).

# 23 December 2014

Dr. Yusef Abdul Lateef died. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, January 2014, front cover page)

Dr. Yusef Abdul Lateef was a renowned musician of USA. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 124).

#### 26-28 December 2014

Twenty-ninth West Coast USA Annual Convention was held at Bait-ul-Hameed Mosque, CA. (alislam.org)

#### 2014

In Los Vegas, Nevada, a building was acquired and was converted to mosque "Bait-ut-Tauhīd. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 457).

#### 7 February 2015

Al-Haj Rashid Ahmad American passed away in Milwaukee, WI, USA on February 7, 2015, at the age of 91. Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) led his funeral prayers in absentia after Friday Sermon on 13 February 2015. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April 2015, pp. 18-21)

#### 23 May 2015

Nusrat Mosque inauguration in Coon Rapids, MN, attracted over two hundred guests which included neighbors, City of Coon Rapids officials, five State of Minnesota representatives, two local police chiefs, Director of FBI Twin Cities, Congressman Keith Ellison, Congressman Tom Emmer. A message from Governor of State of Minnesota, Honorable Mark Dayton, and a message from US Senator, Al Franken, was read by his representative. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 339, p. 367, p. 420 and p. 501).

#### 14-16 August 2015

The sixty-seventh Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA. More than 8,000 attended.

Dr. Ahsanullah Zafar, Amīr USA Jamā'at, presided over the first session. He delivered inaugural as well as concluding address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2015, p. 16)



#### 12-13 March 2016

The University of Arizona holds a 3-day book fair every year in March. Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya USA exhibited books at Book Fair at Tucson AZ on 12-13 March 2016. Tucson chapter has been arranging a stall at the fair regularly since 2011.

It is a huge celebration participated by several hundred organizations and visited by thousands of people. Ahmadiyya Jamā'at participates in this fair very dynamically. Our stall spread over 3 to 4 spots. Translations of Holy Quran in several languages, other literature is a great source of attraction. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 290)

#### 16-17 April 2016

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of Marshall Islands was held at International Convention Center in Majuro. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 2016, pp. 50-53)

#### 22-24 April 2016

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Majlis-i-Shūrā of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman, Silver Spring, MD On 22-24 April 2016. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, July-August 2016, p. 29)

#### 3 July 2016

Nazir Ahmad Ayaz passed away. He remained president of New York Chapter for thirty-five years. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih remarked about him: "I am happy to say that in my opinion you are an exemplary President of the [chapter] by the grace of Allah." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 158)

# July 2016



Şāḥibzādah Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad was appointed Amīr Aḥmadiyya Jamā'at USA by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) in July 2016. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol.

72, April-September 2020, p. 205)

#### 2016

Missionary Azhar Haneef is appointed Missionary In-Charge and Na'ib Amīr of the US Jamā'at. He served in various regions in the USA before his appointment.

#### 29-31 July 2016

The sixty-eighth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg.

Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amīr USA Jamā'at,

presided over the first session. He delivered inaugural as well as concluding addresses. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2017, pp. 41-44)

#### 20 January 2017



Donald Trump was inaugurated as 45<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. He remained in the office till 20 January 2021. (Wikipedia)

#### 28-30 April 2017

The thirty-fourth Majlis Shūrā of the Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, USA was held at Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque, Silver Spring, MD.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V sent instructions to Shūrā representatives about their role, duties and responsibilities.

National secretaries presented reports about their departments. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April 2018, pp. 27-31)

#### 14-16 July 2017

The sixty-nineth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg. The attendance was approximately 9,000.

Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amīr USA Jamā'at, presided over the first session. He delivered inaugural as well as concluding addresses. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, November-December 2017, pp. 33-4)

#### 22-24 December 2017

The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Muslim Community, West Coast, USA was held at Bait-ul-Hameed, Chino. Total attendance of the convention was 1882, representing 55 chapters of USA and seven countries around the world. The number of Aḥmadī Muslim attendees were 1,592 and 290 non-Aḥmadī guests. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, May-June 2018, pp. 40-46)

#### 21 February 2018

A famous Christian Pastor Dr. Billy Graham from the US died at his home in North Carolina on 21 February 2018 at the age of 99. His net worth was \$25m at the time of death. He had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 1989. Illness and injury slowed Graham in his last decades. He retired in 2005. (Wikipedia)

#### 13-15 July 2018

The seventieth Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex Harrisburg with an attendance of 9,920.



Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amīr USA Jamā'at, presided over the first session. He delivered inaugural as well as concluding addresses. (Al-Nur, Vol. 41, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 168)

#### October-November 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) toured USA for the fourth time. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 14).

#### 16 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inspected MTA international's Masroor Teleport which has been recently redeveloped. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 207)

# 19 October 2018

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad inaugurated the newly built mosque, Bait-ul-Aafiyat, in Philadelphia PA and later delivered Friday sermon from there. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 208)

#### 19 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered the keynote address at a special reception held to mark the inauguration of the first purpose-built mosque, "Bait-ul-Aafiyat" (House of Security) in Philadelphia, USA. Over 175 dignitaries and guests attended the evening reception in the mosque.

Prior to the reception, the Mayor of Philadelphia, James Kenny and Congressman Dwight Evans had a personal audience with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih. He also met members of the assembled media and answered questions about the objectives of the new mosque.

(The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, pp. 208-210)

#### 20 October 2018

Hazrat Mirza Mansoor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) went to the *Laurel Hill Cemetery* Philadelphia and prayed at the grave of Dr. George Baker, a pioneer Aḥmadī Muslim of the US Jamāʻat. [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala, October-November 2018, Part I (A personal account by Abid Khan), p. 74, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 216]

#### 20 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inaugurated the Bait-us-Samad Aḥmadiyya mosque in Baltimore, USA. A special reception was arranged at Hilton Hotel, Baltimore, where 500 guests attended. He said, "True mosques are

centers of peace, where Muslims joined together in order to worship God Almighty and to serve humanity, irrespective of faith or belief." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 211-215)

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#### 22 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) visited Bait-us-Samee Mosque in Houston, TX, before departing to Guatemala. [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala, October-November 2018, Part 2 (A personal account by Abid Khan), pp. 27-29]

#### 23 October 2018



Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inaugurated Nasir Hospital in Sacatepéquez Guatemala. This is the state of art hospital built by Humanity First. Eight Hundred dignitaries and guests from twenty countries attended the reception. He said, "We seek no praise and reward for our humanitarian efforts because we are merely doing what our religion has taught us to do." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 217-220)

He also launched the first ever edition of Review of Religions magazine in Spanish language. [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala, October-November 2018, Part 2 (A personal account by Abid Khan), p. 81]

# 26 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered Friday sermon at Baitus-Samee Houston, TX for the first time. He stressed the need to adopt the highest standards of righteousness as explained by the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala,



October-November 2018, Part 3 (A personal account by Abid Khan), p. 81, Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, pp. 221-222]

#### 30 October 2018

Khalifa of Jamāʻat Aḥmadiyya International visited Joppa Town, Maryland. He inspected the housing complex initiated by Majlis Anṣārullāh USA. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih (may Allah be his Helper) visited the houses of those Ahmadis who had purchased the houses in the housing complex. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, March-April, 2019, p. 24, the Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 216)

#### 31 October 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) held separate meetings with Sam Brownback, the United States Ambassador-at-Large for Religious Freedom and Congressman Jamie Raskin, a representative of Maryland in the House of Representatives. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V also met Ambassador Sam Brownback. [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala, October-November 2018, Part 2 (A personal account by Abid Khan), p. 66 and p. 69]

#### 2 November 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered Friday sermon from Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque, Maryland (national headquarters of Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya community in the USA). After Friday prayer, he led a Bai'at (pledge of allegiance) ceremony in which around 8,000 people took part. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 223)

# 3 November 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inaugurated Masroor Mosque in Manassas, South Virginia. The church building was procured in 2018. US congressman Gerry Connolly welcomed His Holiness Mirza Masroor Ahmad. A reception was arranged. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered keynote address. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 224)

#### 4 November 2018

On 4 November 2018, the final full day of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) was spent in audience with Aḥmadīs of the Jamā'at USA and meetings with National Amila of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Aḥmadiyya and National Amila of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya, USA. [Khalifatul-Masih V's tour of USA and Guatemala, October-November 2018, Part 4 (A personal account by Abid Khan), p. 43]

#### 5 November 2018

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered last Friday sermon of the tour at Bait-ur-Rahman, Maryland. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, April-September 2020, p. 226)

To honor the historic U.S. visit of Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V, nineteen members of the U.S. Congress co-sponsored a bi-partisan resolution No. 1125 before the U.S. House of Representatives. (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 228)

#### 2018

A church building was bought in 2018 at Pico Rivera Los Angeles, CA and was converted to mosque. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) named the mosque as "Masroor Mosque." (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 304)

# 2019

Aḥmadiyya Jamāʻat USA introduced and implemented a new internet-based reporting system (AMC Reporting System) for the local chapters to report their activities online through internet. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 10-12 and Vol. 73, Nos. 1-9, October 2020-September 2021, p. 32)

#### 12-14 July 2019

The 71st Annual Convention of Aḥmadiyya Community USA was held at Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) sent a message. Nine thousand two hundred attended the convention while 25,000 watched the proceeding online. (Al-Hakam, 19 July 2019)

# October 2019

Ṣāḥibzādah Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA commenced the ambitious Zion Mosque and Exhibition Center Project.

#### 11 December 2019

On 11 December 2019, an eighteen-year-old student at Barnard College was stabbed and police opened fire to nab the culprits. The episode happened in a school situated in front of the Ahmadiyya mosque in Oshkosh WI. An Aḥmadī Muslim girl student at the school opened the mosque and provided running student a safe heaven. (Fox News, 3 December 2019)

#### 20-22 December 2019

Annual Convention of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, West Coast USA was held at Los Angeles (Chino), CA. Sahibzadah Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir Jamā'at USA addressed the concluding session on 22



December 2019.

# 6 February 2020

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) sent a special message on the completion of 100 years of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya, USA. He said: "These centennial days should not be just to celebrate the past hundred years, but to devote yourself in spreading the teaching and message of Aḥmadiyyat with a renewed zeal, and to rejuvenate the enthusiasm and spirit of Hazrat Muftī Muhammad Sadiq to find the righteous souls, so that as the Jamā'at expands there in future, the arrangements for their education and training also fall in place." (The Aḥmadiyya Gazette USA, Vol. 72, Nos. 4-9, April-September 2020, p. 1)

#### 9 May 2020

Nation's one of the oldest Muslim organizations hosted Virtual Interfaith Iftar events across the country in commemoration of its historical centennial year. Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA invited Americans across the country to unite together in interfaith virtual Iftar celebrations amid the pandemic stay-at-home orders. More than 120 public officials attended the Iftars across more than 50 U.S. cities. Among these officials included 14 members of the U.S. Congress, dozens of members of state and local governments (including state representatives, state senators, mayors, city council members and assembly members), as well as members of law enforcement. Faith leaders from various religious traditions also joined the virtual gatherings. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 9, September 2022, p. 10)

#### 29 May 2020

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) launched MTA8 America for programs in English, French and Spanish for North American countries. (Friday Sermon, 29 May 2020)

#### 2020

The Trump administration announced a proposal (to be effective from 2020) that would grant "Green Cards" to immigrants who meet requirements related to education, age and English-speaking ability. The administration has previously proposed regulation that would deny immigrants entry to the US or lawful permanent residence if they are likely to use Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and other forms of public assistance. (Wikipedia)

#### 5 June 2020

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) outlined guidance regarding the pandemic and situation in America and the world. (The

Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 1, January 2022, p. 7)

#### 10 July 2021

The foundation stone of the Fath-e-'Azeem Mosque and adjoining complex in Zion was officially laid on 10 July 2021. The new site is about ten acres of land and is situated at the corner of Lewis Avenue and 27th Street. The project is expected to cost around \$5 m. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 1, January 2022, p. Inside Cover)

# 3 September 2021

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) presided over virtual meeting with National Amila Lajna Ima'illah, USA. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 9, September 2022, p. 7)

#### 19 November 2021

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) granted audience to Dr. Katrina Lantos-Swett, a Human Rights advocate from the US. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 9, September 2022, p. 8)

#### 10 December 2021

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V presided over virtual Mulāqāt with National Amila members from USA. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 9, September 2022, p. 8)

#### 18 December 2021

Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA held Ahmadiyya Conference for Entrepreneurs. The event had over 400 registrants and was attended by 540 total viewers online. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 2, February 2022, p. 20)

# 13 March 2022

One hundred and twenty-six Khuddam aged 15-25 from MKA USA had the opportunity to meet Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) through a virtual meeting. The Khuddam asked questions. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 4, April 2022, p. 5)

# 17-19 June 2022

Jamā'at-e-Ahmadiyya USA held its 72nd Jalsa Salana on 17-19 June 2022 at Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA after a three-year pause due to the pandemic. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) gave a message for the convention. He said: The purpose of holding this gathering is to acquire religious knowledge and spiritual training.

Five thousand eight hundred seventeen Ahmadīs participated including one hundred forty-seven guests



from sixteen countries in this sacred gathering. People who watched MTA and online streaming were 20,000.

(The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 7, April 2022, p. 5 and p. 7)

#### 26 September 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V left London for his fifth tour of the United States and arrived at Chicago O'Hare airport and proceeded to Zion IL.

#### 27 September 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V was interviewed by Emily Miller, from the Religion News Service (RNN).

He said: The demise of Alexander Dowie was a great sign in favor of the truth of the Promised Messiah (peace be on him). It served as a lesson to the world about the need to maintain mutual respect between the people of different faiths and beliefs and to show tolerance. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 7, April 2022, p. 15)

#### 29 September 2022

The Association of Ahmadi Muslim Scientists USA (AAMS-USA) and the Ahmadi Women Scientists Association (AWSA) were blessed to meet with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V and share their research while also getting valuable guidance and direction from their Imam. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih gave a target to the association to produce at least one or two "Abdus Salams" within the next few years. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 21)

# 30 September 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inaugurated "Fath-e-Azeem" Mosque, Zion, IL. He said that the mosque had been named "Fath-e-Azeem" Mosque, as it is a manifestation of that great victory which was granted to the Promised Messiah. The end of that enemy was declared a great victory, which we witnessed come to fulfilment approximately 115 years ago. He quoted a newspaper in that time which mentioned that great indeed is the Promised Messiah who prophesied the end of Alexander Dowie. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 3)

#### 1 October 2022

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA held inaugural reception of Fath-e-Azeem Mosque. Prior to the address of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, some of the visiting dignities had the honor of having an audience with the Khalifa. They were: Billy McKinney, Mayor of Zion, Illinois, Joyce Mason, State Congresswoman, 61st District, Illinois, Raja Krishnamoorthi, US

Congressman, Illinois, 8th District, Dr Katrina Lantos Swett J.D., PhD, President of the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights & Justice, Chelsea Hedquist, Lantos Foundation for Human Rights & Justice, Dr Craig Considine, PhD, Senior Lecturer, Rice University Department of Sociology, Sheriff John Idleburg, Police and Fire Commissioner, Lake County, Illinois, Cheri Neal, Supervisor of Zion Township and coach for Public Servants Zion, Illinois, Mary Lou Hiltibran, Emergency Services and Disaster Agency (ESDA), Zion, Illinois, Eric Reinhart, State Attorney, Lake County, Illinois, Rabbi Melinda Zalma, Manager of Programs, Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding, New York, Rabbi Marc Belgrad, founder of B'Chavana Congregation in nearby Buffalo Grove, Illinois, Adriane Johnson, State Senator, 30th District, Illinois, Dr Gabrielle Lyon, Executive Director, Illinois Humanities and Yadira Sanchez Olson, Reporter, Lake County News-Sun which is owned by the Chicago Tribune. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, pp. 12-13)

#### 7 October 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) inaugurated Bait-ul-Ikram Mosque, Dallas, TX. He said that Allah has outlined in the Holy Quran the responsibilities of those associated with a mosque. The first thing which Allah enjoins is to establish justice. At another place, Allah states in the Holy Qur'an that one should not act unjustly, even towards their enemies. Hence, there is absolutely no room for causing harm to anyone, and those who come to the mosque must be mindful of the rights of others while acting with justice. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 4)

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) travelled to Fort Worth TX to inaugurate the Bait-ul-Qayyum Mosque. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 20)

#### 7 October 2022

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA held inaugural reception of Bait-ul-Ikram Mosque. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) addressed guests. He guided the world towards peace. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 16)

# 10 October 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V inaugurated National Headquarters, "Sira-e-Khidmat, of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, USA. The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 23)



#### 14 October 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) delivered Friday Sermon at Baitur-Rahman, Maryland. He said, "It is a great blessing of God upon those who have come to the USA for enabling them to settle in this developed country. Over the past few years, many Ahmadis of Pakistan have settled in the USA and they continue to do so, on account of the fact that the conditions for Ahmadis have continued to become increasingly difficult in Pakistan. Ahmadis should be grateful to such governments who grant them refuge. However, the greatest favor of God upon us is that

He has enabled us to accept the Imam of the Age, and the most ardent devotee of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Therefore, if we truly wish to be grateful to God, it is incumbent upon us to obey His commandments, do justice to worshipping Him and do justice in fulfilling the rights owed to His creation. (The Ahmadiyya Gazette Online, USA, Vol. 1, No. 11, November 2022, p. 6)

#### 17 October 2022

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V left US and arrived in London the day after.



Is not Allah sufficient for His servant?

39 [Az-Zumar] : 37

# The Ahmadiyya Gazette USA and Al-Nur USA Present Hundred Years of Ahmadiyyat in the US

As we were preparing for the 2020 publications, the world was hit by the pandemic that disrupted and adversely affected most routine and planned functions. Budgets of all departments were cut. Decision was made to delay the regular publications and use the reduced funds on the special centennial publications. Businesses were closed that affected printing costs and publications scheduling with presses. Despite these difficulties, Al-Hamdu Lillah that the publications department was able to present significant material during the pandemic years.

Ahmadiyya Gazette, April-September 2020 issue was published as the special centennial issue containing an overview of the **history** of Ahmadiyyat in the US. It covered 336 pages + 4 cover pages making **340** pages.

Al-Nur (Urdu), April-September 2020 issue was published as the special centennial issue containing an overview of the **history** of the Ahmadiyyat Muslim Community in the US. It covered 272 pages + 4 cover pages making **276** pages.

Ahmadiyya Gazette, October 2020-September 2021 issue was published as the Centennial Souvenir Issue. It consisted of 616 pages + 4 pages of cover making **620** pages. It contained the history of **departments and chapters** in the US.

Ahmadiyya Gazette, October 2021-September 2022 comprised stories of **inspired souls** spread over **316** pages.

The current issue contains **70+** pages of **timeline**.

The above three publications to this point make **1,622** letter size pages on the hundred years of the history of Ahmadiyyat in the US. May Allah reward all members who helped, including the local officers, national officers, auxiliaries, missionaries and the magazine staff. Amen.

# USA Jamā'at Calendar 2023

Date/Day/Time	Event	Local/Region/National	Venue
	New Year's Day		
	Local/Auxiliary Activities, Reviews 2022 &		
	An Overview of Jamā'at Financial System		
	National Tarbiyat Webinar		
	Ashara Waşiyyat		
	Ansar Leadership Conference Aux National		
	National Amila Meeting		on / Zoom Meeting
	Martin Luther King Jr Day—Long Weekend		
	9th Annual USA Qurʻān & Science Symposiu		
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	Public Affairs Seminar National Umur Khār		
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	National Amila Meeting		
	President's Refresher Course		
	National Tarbiyat Webinar		
	Masroor International Sports Tournament		
	Jami'a Inspiration and Orientation Camp		
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	Muslih Mauʻūd Day		
	Local Jamāʻat /Auxiliary Activities		
	MKA Khuddam / Atfāl Ijtima		
	2nd Refresher Course, Dar-ul-Qada USA		
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	Lajna National Mentoring Conference	-	
	National Amila Meeting		
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-	National Amila Meeting		
	Majlis Ansarullah Family Day		
-	Khilafat Day		
	Memorial Day Long Weekend		
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