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اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ  
وَأٰلِ مُحَمَّدٍ

Holy is Allah and worthy of all praise. Holy is Allah, the great.  
O Allah, bestow your blessings on Muhammad and on the people of Muhammad.  
(May peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.)



أَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ رَبِّي

مِنْ كُلِّ ذَنْبٍ

وَأَتُوبُ إِلَيْهِ

I seek forgiveness from Allah, my Lord, for all my sins, and turn towards him.

رَبِّ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ خَادِمٌ لَكَ

رَبِّ يَا حَافِظِي وَانصُرِي

وَارْحَمِي

O my Lord, everything serves You, so  
O my Lord, protect me and help me and have mercy on me.

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

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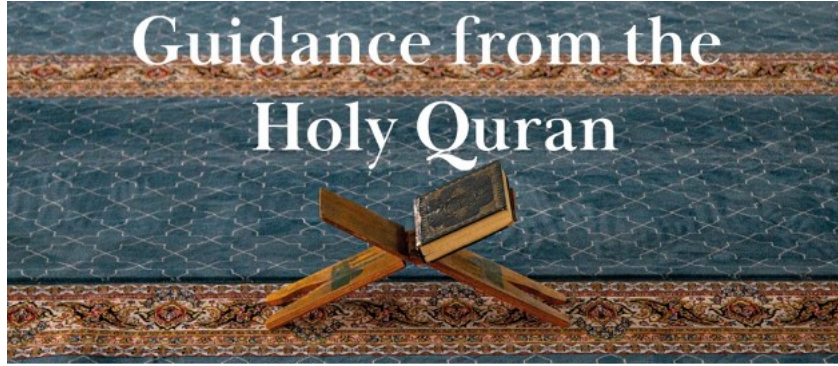
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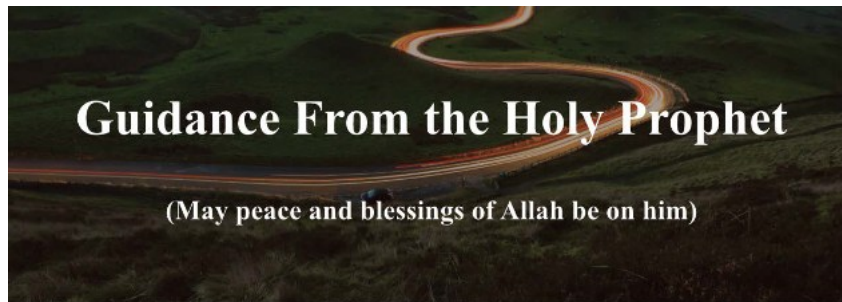
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### Beware of Injustice

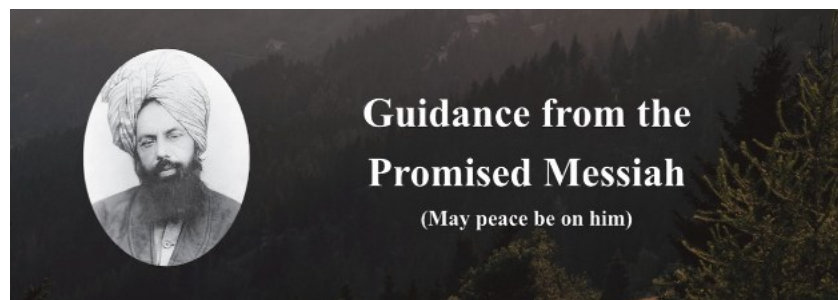
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And whosoever does that by way of transgression and injustice, We shall cast him into Fire; and that is easy with Allah. (4[An-Nisa]: 31) (English translation of the Holy Qur'an by Hazrat Maulawi Sher Ali)



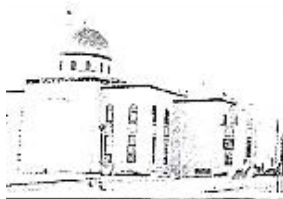
حَدَّثَنَا عَبْدُ اللَّهِ بْنُ مَسْلَمَةَ، قَالَ: حَدَّثَنَا دَاوُدُ بْنُ قَيْسٍ، عَنْ عُبَيْدِ اللَّهِ بْنِ مِقْسَمٍ، عَنْ جَابِرٍ، عَنِ النَّبِيِّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: إِيَّاكُمْ وَالظُّلْمَ، فَإِنَّ الظُّلْمَ ظُلُمَاتٌ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، وَاتَّقُوا الشُّحَّ، فَإِنَّهُ أَهْلَكَ مَنْ كَانَ قَبْلَكُمْ، وَحَمَلَهُمْ عَلَى أَنْ سَفَكُوا دِمَاءَهُمْ، وَاسْتَحَلُّوا مَحَارِمَهُمْ.

Jabir relates that the Holy Prophet said: Eschew wrong, for on the Day of Judgment wrong will become manifold darkneses; and safeguard yourselves against miserliness, for miserliness ruined those who were before you. It incited them to murder and to treating the unlawful as lawful (Muslim). (Gardens of the Righteous (Riyadh as-Salihin), Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, International Publication Ltd, UK, p. 54)



### Be Strict in Observing Justice

Be strict in observing justice and bear witness only for the sake of Allah, even if it should occasion loss to you or your parents or your kinsmen or sons, etc. Let not the enmity of a people towards you incite you to injustice or falsehood. Truthful men and truthful women will have a great reward from Allah. They exhort one another to hold fast to the truth. Those who do not keep company with the untruthful. (The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam, Islam International Publications, UK (2013), p. 76.)



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May 20, 2025

Dear USA Jamā'at Members

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala Be Nasrihil-'Aziz has graciously approved the USA Jamā'at National 'Āmila for the 2025-2028 term. The new National 'Āmila will come into effect starting July 1, 2025 and will continue to discharge its responsibilities until June 30, 2028. The list of new USA Jamā'at 'Āmila members is attached.

Jamā'at officeholders at all levels must keep in mind that they have to fulfill their responsibilities and discharge their duties as per the rules and traditions of the Jamā'at to the best of their abilities. All 'Āmila members shall continually pray to Allah Ta'ala to seek His help and blessings and it is also important that continued guidance is sought from Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala Be Nasrihil-'Aziz for advice and prayers and genuine efforts are made to implement the instructions of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala Be Nasrihil-'Aziz.

It is humbly requested that this information be shared with all USA Jamā'at members with request for prayers for the USA Jamā'at National 'Āmila and the incoming 'Āmila members in all local Jamā'ats.

May Allah help and enable us to discharge this sacred trust that is placed with us.

Wassalam

Khaksar

Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad

Amir Jamā'at USA

# Jamā'at Ahmadiyya USA National Majlis 'Āmila 2025-2028

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, may Allah be his Helper, has approved the following national executive for the period July 2025-June 2028.

US Jamā'at Office	Name
Amīr	Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad
General Secretary	Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi
Secretary Tablīgh	Waseem Ahmad Sayed
Secretary Tarbiyat	Faheem Younus Qureshi
Secretary Ta'lim	Atif Rehman Mian
Secretary Ishā'at	Syed Sajid Ahmad
Secretary Ishā'at Sam'ī wa Baṣarī	Faheem Ahmed Pall
Secretary Umūr Khārījīyya	Amjad Mahmood Khan
Secretary Umūr 'Āmma	Bilal Rana
Secretary Diyāfat	Shoukat Pervaiz Choudhry
Secretary Māl	Talha Ahmad Chaudhry
Additional Secretary Māl	Nasir Mahmood Ahmad
Secretary Wasaya	Bilal Raja
Secretary Ta'limul Qur'ān & Waqf 'Ārḍī	Hafiz Mubarak Bola Kukoyi
Secretary Taḥrīk Jadīd	Atif Zeeshan
Secretary Waqf Jadīd	Nasirullah Ahmad
Additional Secretary Tarbiyat and Waqf Jadīd Nau Muba'ī'in	Abdul Latif Balanta
Secretary Jā'idād	Niaz Butt
Secretary Waqf Nau	Mirza Haris Fazal Ahmad
Secretary Zirā'at	Mirza Nabeel Ahmed
Secretary Ṣan'at-o-Tijārat	Muhammed Ahmad Chaudhry
Muḥāsib	Muhammad Owusu
Amīn	Bashir Ahmad Malik
Internal Auditor	Mirza Naseer Ehsan Ahmad

July 12, 2025. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih, may Allah be his Helper, graciously approved Dr. Ahsan Khan Sahib as National Secretary Rishta Nata USA Jama'at.

Upon the recommendations of the Respected Ameer Sahib, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, Ayyadahullāhu Ta'ala Bi-Nasreh-il 'Aziz has approved the following Na'ib Umara for the term, 2025-2028.

Respected Azhar Haneef Sahib, Na'ib Ameer and Missionary In-Charge.

Respected Dr. Hamid Ur Rahman Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Dr. Nasim Rahmatullah Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Falahuddin Shams Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Wasim Malik Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Dr. Bilal Rana Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Dr. Faheem Younas Qureshi Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Anwer Mahmood Khan Sahib, Na'ib Ameer

Respected Ameer Sahib has assigned the following areas of responsibility to Na'ib Umara for the term 2025-2028:

Respected Dr. Hamid Ur Rahman Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for South West: California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Colorado

Respected Dr. Nasim Rahmatullah Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for Mid-West: Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, Missouri, Kansas, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska

Respected Falahuddin Shams Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for Central Atlantic: Maryland, Delaware, DC, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, South Carolina, and North Carolina,

Respected Wasim Malik Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for Northwest: Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming,

Respected Dr. Bilal Rana Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for South and Southeast: Texas, Louisiana, Florida, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kentucky, Georgia, Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, and Mississippi

Respected Dr. Faheem Younas Qureshi Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for Northeast: New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire.

Respected Anwar Mahmood Khan Sahib, Na'ib Ameer for: Tahrik Jadid and Waqf Jadid.

(Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jama'at)



## Important Instructions of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)

### ***Dress Code in the Mosque***

*Respected Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir USA, has received the following circular from Tabshir, Islamabad, UK, for the information of all local Jamā'ats:*

**“One should wear simple clothes to the mosque. The clothes should not feature company logos, pictures, cartoons, or animal designs. Since we cover pictures in front of us during prayer, our clothes should also be plain. If someone is wearing a shirt or vest with such designs, they should wear a plain jacket over it.”**

**(National General Secretary, USA)**

# Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V Mentions Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA in Friday Sermons

**2 January 2025:** Hazrat Khalifatul-Masīḥ V announced the commencement of the 68<sup>th</sup> year of Waqf-e-Jadid. The Community presented more than £14.6 million in sacrifices, an increase of £736,000 from last year, despite difficult financial conditions in the world. The ranking of countries in terms of collection is as follows.

UK, Canada, Germany, USA, India, Australia, A Middle Eastern country, Indonesia, a Middle Eastern country and Belgium. (Edited from the summary prepared by the Review of Religions, 3 January 2025)

**7 November 2025:** Huzoor presented the previous year's report for Tahrik-e-Jaidid. Jamā'at collected £19.55 million, an increase of more than £1.5 million. In terms of overall collection, Germany stood first, followed by UK. The USA also made extraordinary progress. Canada also increased its collections from the previous year. Then India, Australia, Indonesia, the Middle Eastern countries, and Ghana all made extraordinary progress. The efforts made by Mauritius and Holland are also noteworthy. Similarly, Sweden, Belgium, France, Holland, Kababir, Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, New Zealand, Sierra Leone, Benin, Mali, Niger, Turkey, Georgia, and Australia are all worthy of mention. (Adapted from summary prepared by the Review of Religions)



Hazrat Khalifatul-Masīḥ V leads the funeral prayer in absentia of the following deceased Ahmadi Muslims from the US.

## Mohammad Abdul Sami Jadran

Mohammad Abdul Sami Jadran of Nawabshah, currently in the US, passed away on 28 September 2016. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was punctual in five daily prayers. He was very kind and hospitable. He possessed high qualities and was a pious, sincere, and faithful person. He used to listen to Friday Sermons regularly and tried to follow the instructions promptly. He had great love and devotion to the Ahmadiyya Khilafat. He had been working as an agriculturist in Nawabshah, Sind (Pakistan), and then shifted to the US and started working for a construction company. Later, he became a partner in it, and for this very reason, he was also able to serve in the foundation of the Baitur-Rahman Mosque in Washington. He was very fond of reading the books of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and the literature of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He had urged any person to bring new books for him if he happened to go to Rabwah

(Pakistan). [Translated from Al-Fazl by the Editor, the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA]. [His three children, Nasir Sami Jadran VA, Khalida Samina Jadran Canada, and Sami Fakhra Jadran-Ireland Maryland, live in North America.] (Al-Fazl International, 30 December 2016 to 5 January 2017, p. 14)

## Khalifa Waseem-ud-Din Mahmud

Khalifa Waseem-ud-Din Mahmud, son of Khalifa Alim-ud-Din of the USA, passed away on 12 October 2024 at the age of 93. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)].

He was the grandson of Hazrat Dr. Khalifa Rashid-ud-Din (may Allah be pleased with him), a companion of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). He was the father of Hazrat Ummi Nasir (may Allah be pleased with her), the first wife of Hazrat Muslih Mau'ūd (may Allah be pleased with him). He was the maternal uncle of Hibbat-ur-Rahman (in-charge of Khuddam Section Markazia) and Mahboob-ur-Rahman (General Secretary IAAAE).

He had been serving in the office of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya, Qadian, and Rabwah in various positions. He was punctual in daily prayers, Tahajjud, and fasting. He was deeply committed to Khilāfat and exhorted his children to love and obey Khilāfat. He is survived by his wife, a son, and two daughters. May Allah grant forgiveness to the deceased and place them in close proximity to their loved ones. May Allah grant patience to his family members and enable them to keep his qualities alive. Āmīn (Translated by the Editor of the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, from the website of Al-Fazl International, 3 December 2024)

### **Dr. Masoud Ahmad Malik**

Dr. Masoud Ahmad Malik passed away on 25 November 2024 at the age of eighty-six. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Dr. Masoud Ahmad Malik was the former Nai'b Amīr of the Ahmadiyya Community in the USA. He performed Hajj in 2000. He obtained his PhD in animal nutrition from Nebraska University. He served the community in the USA as Nai'b Amīr from 2013 until his demise and also served in various other capacities. He had the opportunity to do research and find references for Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV's (may Allah shower His mercy on him) book, "Revelation, Rationality, Knowledge and Truth." He was very obedient to Khilafat and understood the system of the community. He was conscious of maximizing time and spending the community's funds judiciously. He had a sign on his desk that read, "What have I done today in the service of my Jama'at?" He truly spent every day in service of the community. He possessed many excellent qualities and fulfilled his duties in an excellent manner. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih prayed that may Allah grant him forgiveness and mercy, elevate his station, and enable his children to carry on the legacy of his virtues. (From the summary of the Friday Sermon at alislam.org, 13 December 2024)

### **Kamran Amjad Chaudhri of Boston**

Kamran Amjad Chaudhri, son of Muhammad Amjad Chaudhri of Boston, USA, passed away on 14 October 2024 in a car accident. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)].

The deceased was in the Waqf-e-Nau Scheme. He was serving Khuddām-ul-Ahmadiyya USA as Nazim Şihhat Jismani. He was punctual in daily prayers and always preferred the work of Jamā'at over other matters. He met with everyone happily and with respect. He was an obedient young man. He was older than all the siblings in the house and used to help them with their studies. He obtained a graduate degree in Biochemistry and got a job in research. He was planning to do a Ph.D. in his field next year. He is survived by his parents, a sister, and three brothers. (Translated by the Editor of the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, from the Al-Fazl International, 11 January 2025)

### **Dr. Fazal Rana son of Hakeem Fateh Muhammad Rana**

Dr. Fazal Rana passed away on 24 October 2024. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

His family accepted Ahmadiyyat during the caliphate of Hazrat Muslih Mau'ud (may Allah be pleased with him). In 1947, he migrated to Pakistan and settled in Digree, District Tharparkar. After completing his MBBS degree, he served as a Captain Doctor and Flight Surgeon in the Pakistan Army. He retired as a colonel in 1990. He served at Fazl-e-Umar Hospital Rabwah during an annual convention. He also attended medical camps of the Jamā'at on the outskirts of Karachi. After his retirement, he served as a doctor in Kano, Nigeria, from 1996 to 1998, and under the direction of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him), he worked as the administrator of Ahmadiyya Hospital to improve the hospital building and organizational structure and established relations with local dignitaries. In 1998, he moved to the United States and served in various positions in the local Jamā'at. He had a deep commitment to the Ahmadiyya Khilafat. He had a great respect for the missionaries and was always ready to cooperate with them. He actively participated in the financial sacrifice and encouraged his children to serve the Jamā'at and make financial sacrifices. He was a compassionate doctor, honest and loving, sincere, and good person. The deceased was a Musi. He is survived by two daughters and three sons. (Al-Fazl International, 21 January 2025)

### **Mubaraka Begum, wife of Dr. Fazal Rana**

Mubaraka Begum passed away on 12 November 2024. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

His great-grandfather Hazrat Haji Rehmatullah (may Allah be pleased with him), was a companion of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). She had a master's degree in Islamic history. The deceased had a very loyal and sincere relationship with the Khilafat. She took great care of the needy and quietly helped them. She actively participated in the financial sacrifice to purchase land for a local mosque in Boston. She had a personal relationship with the local Lajna. She always paid her donations on time and attended events and meetings regularly. She is survived by two daughters and three sons. (Al-Fazl International, 21 January 2025)

### **Khalid Nadeem Ahmad of Maryland**

Khalid Nadeem Ahmad passed away on 29 October 2024, at the age of 68, in Maryland, USA. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)].

His father belonged to Bhera, but due to being orphaned at a young age, he was fortunate enough to be

brought up under the patronage of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him) in Qadian. The deceased had the privilege of serving as the President of the Gilgit Jamā'at for a long time. He used to actively participate in every financial sacrifice. Once, the stage of reconstruction of the Gilgit Mosque came up. When the center told the share of the local Jamā'at, he paid the full amount with the help of the other two people. Once, there was a problem of getting the Jamā'at's property released from an occupant, so he solved it with great strategy. He was a beloved figure in the area due to his high morals, nobility, and honesty. He was highly respected by missionaries and Waqf-e-Zindagi. The deceased was punctual in fasting and prayer. He was cheerful, sociable, a lover of the Khilafat, a noble soul, and a good and sincere person. He is survived by his wife and two sons. He was the son-in-law of Maulana Ghulam Hussain Ayaz (Singapore Muballigh) and the brother of Mubashir Latif Ahmad (Senior Advocate Supreme Court) and the Sajid Naeem Shaheed (Model Town Lahore). (Translated by Editor from Al-Fazl International, 29 January 2025)

### **Safiullah Chaudhri son of Chaudhri Attaullah Khan Warraich**

Safiullah Chaudhri passed away on 3 November 2024 at the age of eighty years. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Ahmadiyyat came to the family of the deceased through his grandfather Hafiz Chaudhri Rahim Bakhsh Warraich of Shadiwal, District Gujrat) who did the written allegiance of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) in 1906 or 1907 and later pledged allegiance at the hands of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih I (may Allah be pleased with him). After staying in his native village for a few years after the partition of India, he migrated to Rabwah with his family and completed his Bachelor's degree from Ta'lim-ul-Islam College Rabwah, Master's from Punjab University Lahore and PhD degree in Chemistry from Osaka University, Japan in 1973. He returned to Pakistan and worked in a chemical company for three years and then moved to the United States in 1976. From 1985 until his death, he worked in high positions in various companies in the pharmaceutical industry and later started his own consulting company. He served Jamā'at in various positions at the local level, in addition to being president of the Willingboro chapter of the US Jamā'at. He was also the president of The Ta'lim-ul-Islam College Old Students Association, USA. He is survived by his wife, a son, and three daughters. (Al-Fazl International, 19 February 2025)

### **Munira Ahmad, wife of Saleem Ahmad, a former Financial Secretary, Lajna, New York**

She passed away on 12 March 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Her father joined the Jamā'at by pledging allegiance at the hands of Hazrat Muslih Mau'ūd (may Allah be pleased with him). She was regular in daily prayers, a devoted, compassionate, sociable, pious, and sincere woman. She presented her house as a prayer center. She had a deep bond and devotion to the Khilafat. The deceased was Musiyya. She is survived by five children, seventeen grandchildren. (Al-Fazl International, 28 April 2025)

### **Nayyar Kaleem Rana, wife of Late Kaleem Rana**

She passed away on 3 March 2025 at the age of seventy-four. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was the great-granddaughter of Hazrat Chaudhri Abdul Majeed (may Allah be pleased with him), Amir Jamā'at District Jalandhar, India, and Hazrat Chaudhri Ghulam Ahmad Kathgarhi (Rais Kathgarh). She was the daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Muhammad Zafarullah Khan Shaheed. She was regular in five daily prayers, a devoted, simple-minded, God fearing, good-mannered, pious, and sincere woman. The deceased was Musiyya. She is survived by a son and two daughters. She was the mother of Bilal Rana, Nai'b Amir, and the Secretary of Public Affairs, Jamā'at Ahmadiyya, USA. (Al-Fazl International, 28 April 2025)

### **Naema Farhat, wife of Malik Fida, Virginia**

She passed away on 14 February 2025 at the age of ninety-two years. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was the daughter of Haji Muhammad Abdullah, life devotee and former Nai'b Nazir, Baitul-Maal Rabwah. She served as the local secretary of Nāsirāt. The deceased was Musiyya. She is survived by three sons and three daughters. She was the great-grandmother of Rai Athar Ahmad, a student of Jamī'a Ahmadiyya, UK. (Al-Fazl International, 5 May 2025)

### **Saeed Ahmed Malik of Maryland**

He passed away on 15 December 2024 at the age of 78. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was the great-grandson of Hazrat al-Ḥājj Maulawi Muhammad Abdullah (may Allah be pleased with him), a companion of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and grandson of Malik Abdul Rehman. He completed his Master's degree in Botany from the University of Peshawar in 1967 and then worked as a research scholar for three years at the Pakistan Forest Institute, Peshawar. In 1970, when Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him) started the Nusrat Jahan Scheme, he and his elder sister, Ms. Naeema Latif, served as teachers in Nigeria from 1972 to 1985. In 1989, he

moved with his family to the United States, where he served as the local financial secretary of two chapters of the US Jamā'at. In 2005, he offered himself to serve at the National Headquarters Bait-ur-Rahman Mosque and started working there as an office manager and served there till the end of 2019. As an office manager, he worked with devotion and dedication. In his duties, he preferred obedience over his relations and always served selflessly. The deceased was a Mūṣī. He is survived by his wife, two sons, three daughters, a brother, and two sisters. (Al-Fazl International, 12 May 2025)

### **Dr. Col. Pir Muhammad Munir**

Dr. Colonel Pir Mohammed Munir Ahmad passed away at Tahir Heart Institute, Rabwah, Pakistan. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Dr. Col Pir Muhammad Munir who used to be an administrator of the Fazl-e-'Umar hospital in Rabwah. He was a convert to Ahmadiyyat and his parents later accepted Ahmadiyyat as well upon seeing his good character. He served the Community in various capacities, including as a general physician and administrator of the Fazl-e-'Umar hospital. His period of service spanned 19 years. His wife says that he was a very kind father and husband. He fulfilled his life devotion with true loyalty. He was regular in offering prayers and was devoted to his faith. He had a bond of love with Khilafat and advised his children to write to the Khalifa. He is survived by his wife, three sons and grandchildren. His Holiness prayed that may Allah grant him forgiveness and mercy. Amin. (From the summary of the Friday Sermon of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V dated 30 May 2025)

### **Amatul Naseer Nighat**

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) led the funeral prayer in absentia of Amatul Naseer Nighat wife of Rāja 'Abdul Mālik, after the Friday sermon on 11 July 2025. She passed away recently at the age of 70. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was a Mūṣīyya. She was the granddaughter of Hazrat Mirza Sharif Aḥmad (May Allāh be pleased with him), the great-granddaughter of Hazrat Nawwāb Amatul Ḥafiz Begum (May Allāh be pleased with her), and the daughter of Colonel Mirza Dawūd Aḥmad. She also spent a significant amount of time in the USA, where she served Lajna as Secretary of Finance and Secretary of Hospitality for nearly ten years. She was regular in giving alms and charity. She helped the poor, even helping some build their homes. She was very hospitable and caring. She prayed a great deal and with great fervor. She would often recite the poetic couplets written by the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). She was very kind to her neighbors and her relatives. His Holiness prayed that may Allah grant her forgiveness and mercy. (From the summary of the Friday Sermon of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V dated 11

July 2025)

### **Khawaja Abdur Rahman of Sialkot, Pakistan, father of Muhammad Ahmad Khawaja of North Jersey**

Khawaja Abdur Rahman of Sialkot, Pakistan, passed away on 28 July 2025 at the age of ninety-two years. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V said: He was born in Sialkot. He studied law and then joined the Air Force and obtained his training from Risalpur. He rendered remarkable service in the Pakistani Air Force as a legal officer until 1974. In that same year, he was discharged from his post along with other Ahmadi Muslim officers. During the sensitive period of riots against the Ahmadiyya Jamā'at in 1974, he served in the Jamā'at's legal commission under the instructions of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him), and as part of the Jamā'at's efforts, he met with Hanif Ramay, the Chief Minister of Punjab.

He had a close connection with Hazrat Mirza Bashir Ahmad and Hazrat Chaudhri Zafrulla Khan (may Allah be pleased with them). He also had the opportunity of helping Hazrat Chaudhri Zafrulla Khan in preparing the first volume of "The Essence of Islam." At the central level, he served as the Director of the Fazl-e-'Umar Foundation and also served as a Qadhi in Dārul Qaḍa Rabwah for many years. I also worked with him in Qaḍa for some time; he was a very wise and humble person. He always had a connection with Khilafat, and later, he also maintained a close connection with me. He moved to Canada in 2002, where he served as a Regional President. He was regular in offering prayers and reciting the Holy Quran. He was at the forefront of making financial sacrifices and was a sincere and loyal Ahmadi. His life was an excellent example of loyalty to Khilafat, humility and sincerity.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter, two sons, and many grandchildren.

His wife, Amatul Qayyum, is the daughter of the late Ghulam Ahmad Akhtar, who served in the Railways as a Director – he held a high-ranking position. After retirement, during the era of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him), he also served as Nazir-e-A'la for some time. At times, he was also assigned duty on the stage alongside Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II during speeches, assisting in security. In any case, he belonged to a devoted family.

Khawaja Iftikhar was the father-in-law of Dr Zahid Khan, the current Sadr Qaḍa Board UK.

Khawaja Abdur Rahman's daughter, Aisha Khan, writes: "I always found him to be an obedient servant of Khilafat. He raised all three of his children on this very foundation, impressing upon us that aside from obedience to the Jamā'at and Khilafat, our lives should have no other purpose. That is what he told us. Even when he suddenly lost his job in the Air Force in 1974

and later found limited success in his private law practice, he never gave up patience or abandoned trust in Allah the Almighty. Never once did he extend his hand to another human being for assistance; he always presented his needs solely before Allah the Almighty.”

She continues: “Ever since my childhood, I have seen him as a devout worshipper, consistently engaged in virtuous deeds. He would always pay his Chanda at the beginning of each month, and if he had the means, he would even offer it in advance. He went above and beyond in maintaining relationships. His loyalty to Khilafat, as I mentioned, was exceptional. He was also deeply committed to the system of the Jamā’at, and in fact, all his brothers share a profound bond of sincerity with both the Jamā’at and Khilafat, as well as their father. He was the one who instilled this spirit in them. By Allah’s grace, the entire family has a deep bond of loyalty.

His wife, as mentioned earlier, is the daughter of Akhtar Sahib – she also belongs to a devoted family. Because of the upbringing provided by both husband and wife, their children, too, have developed a sincere bond with the Jamā’at and are actively serving. May Allah enable them to continue their good deeds, and may He treat the deceased with forgiveness and mercy. (alislam.org)

### **Bushra Pervaiz Minhas wife of Pervaiz Minhas**

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) led the funeral in absentia of Bushra Pervaiz Minhas after the Friday Sermon on 24 October 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji’oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She served the Community in various capacities, both in Pakistan and the USA. She was regular in offering prayers, was kind and sociable, sincere, regular in offering financial contributions, and had a strong relationship with Khilafat. Huzoor (may Allah be his Helper) prayed that may Allah grant her forgiveness and mercy. (From Summary of Friday Sermon of 24 October 2025)

### **Syeda Bilquis Sadaqat Sami Jadran, wife of Mohammad Abdul Sami Jadran**

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) led the funeral in absentia of Syed Bilquis Sadaqat Sami Jadran wife of Muhammad Abdul Sami Jadran of the USA on 9 October 2024. She passed away on 20 September 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji’oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was the daughter of Syed Saeed Khalid of Karachi. Her entire life was a model of worship, piety, and unwavering sincerity. Those who knew her say that they never saw her missing a prayer. The deceased was

regular in the five daily prayers, Tahajjud, and recitation of the Holy Qur’an. She was a loyal woman, consistent in financial contributions, Sadaqa, and charity. She faced every difficulty and trial in her life with great patience and gratitude. She was a Musiyya. Survivors include a son and two daughters [Nasir Sami Jadran, VA, Khalida Samina Jadran, Canada, and Sami Fakhra Jadran-Ireland, Maryland]. She was the sister-in-law of Dr. Abdul Momin Jadran of the UK. (Al-Fazl, 31 October 2025)

### **Farida Mahmood, wife of Bashiruddin Mahmood of Fitchburg**

Farida Mahmood, wife of Bashiruddin Mahmood of Fitchburg, USA, passed away on 22 August 2025 at the age of 73. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji’oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

The deceased's father, Mian Ghulam Ahmad, belonged to Qadian. In 1981, she moved to the United States with her husband. Apart from the local president, she had the privilege of serving for a long time in the local Amila in various positions of Lajna Imā’illāh. She observed fasting and praying. She was a polite and sociable woman. She took part in the work of Lajna with great interest. She had a deep connection of loyalty and sincerity with the Ahmadiyya Khilafat. She was a Musiyya. She is survived by two sons, a brother, and three sisters. Her son, Mr. Furqan Mahmood, has been serving as the President of the Fitchburg Jamā’at. (Translated by the Editor, the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, from Al-Fazl International, 3 November 2025)

### **Sheikh Abdul Wahid of Boston**

Sheikh Abdul Wahid of Boston, USA, passed away on 3 July 2025 at the age of 88. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji’oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was the son of Maulana Shaikh Abdul Qadir (Former Sodagar Mal). The deceased worked as an Executive Computer Consultant and also in Real Estate in the United States. He served seven years as the Qā’id Finance of Majlis Ansarullah, USA, and for six years as the Secretary of Property of the Boston Chapter of the US. The deceased made a special effort to buy a house near the local mosque so that he could regularly come to the mosque to offer congregational prayers and attend other events of the Chapter. He had a deep connection of loyalty and sincerity with Ahmadiyya Khilafat. The deceased used to preach with great enthusiasm. He purchased at his own expense English and Spanish translations of the Holy Qur’an, as well as other books and literature of the Jamā’at and donated to twelve local libraries in Boston. Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, a daughter, three brothers and two sisters. (Translated by the Editor, the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA, from Al-Fazl International, 10 November 2025)



## Khuddam From the Gulf Region of the US Meet Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V



A group of twenty-one *Khuddam* from the Gulf Region of Majlis Khuddāmul-Ahmadiyya USA had an in-person *Mulaqat* with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) in Islamabad, UK, on 17 November 2024.

The *Khuddam* had the opportunity to ask several questions during the *Mulaqat*, which Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V graciously answered.

On a question about levels of hell like heaven, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih explained that hell has different stages. He elaborated that some people would face less severe punishment while others would endure greater torment depending

on their sins. He said, “Allah the Almighty will not treat everybody in the same way. So, everybody will get his or her punishment according to their deeds and sins, just as they will get the reward in Heaven.”

When a *Waqif-e-Nau* asked to join the police force, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih permitted him to pursue the career and said:

“I even asked Khuddāmul-Ahmadiyya and young people to join the public service and the police force. That is how you can improve the quality and behavior of the police department and the police officers. American police are quite irrational. They

don’t care about the people. Sometimes, they become very cruel. So, if you join the police force, I hope you will try to improve the behavior of those people, or if you get a higher status in the police department, then you can reform the police department.

In the end, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih distributed pens among the *Khuddam* and allowed them the honor of taking a group photo with him.

**(Edited from a report prepared by *Al-Hakam*, dated 27 November 2024)**

## Khuddam From South-West Region US Meet Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, may Allah be his Helper



From 9 to 15 January 2025, a group of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya Southwest Region of the United States had the blessed opportunity to visit Islamabad, UK, and meet with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper). While many moments were captured in the “This Week with Huzoor” episode on MTA International, there were countless behind-the-scenes experiences that left a lasting impression on the hearts of the participants. (Adapted from the Report by E. Mahmood Kauser, Missionary, Los Angeles & San Diego, USA, Al-Hakam, 21 January 2025)

A group of twenty-two *Khuddam* from the southwest region of the USA had an in-person *Mulaqat* with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper), at Islamabad, Tilford, UK, on 12 January 2025.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V answered questions from *Khuddam*.

A *Khadim* asked about how to remain patient and maintain dignity when hearing false allegations against the *Jamā'at*.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih highlighted that allegations against Divine communities are historically inevitable. He underscored the importance of knowledge-based responses and patient endurance

and reminded the *Khuddam* that controlling anger reflects true bravery.

A question arose on how younger *Jamā'at* members could effectively serve when some elders deemed them too inexperienced for certain responsibilities.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V Huzoor advised, “The fact is that the youth must also be trained [for the work]. Only then will the second line be formed. Why are they preventing you from working? You should tell them that you have come to establish the second line [of workers].

I recall that I was ten years old and serving in *Atfāl-ul-Ahmadiyya*.

Then, at the age of twelve or thirteen, I became the local *Atfāl-ul-Ahmadiyya* secretary under the *Za'im*. After that, I became a *Za'im*. By progressing through these various stages of training, one eventually reaches a certain level.

At the end of the meeting, the *Khuddam* had a photograph taken with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih and also received pens as gifts. Khalifatul-Masih also enquired about their food arrangements, including breakfast, and asked whether everything was satisfactory. (Edited from a report prepared by *Al-Hakam*, 21 January 2025)

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## The Only System of Khilafat That Shall Prevail is The One Established By Allah Through the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him)

### Khuddam from Great Lakes, USA, meet Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V



Members of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya from the Great Lakes Region of the USA had a *Mulaqat* with Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) on 25 May 2025 at Islamabad, Tilford, UK.

A *Khadim* enquired about the significance of *Waqf-e-Ardhi* (temporary life devotion) for *Khuddām*.

Huzoor (may Allah be his Helper) explained that the importance of *Waqf-e-Ardhi* is universal for all members of the *Jamā'at*, whether they belong to Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya or other organizations. He elaborated on the meaning of *Waqf-e-Ardhi*, defining it as the act of dedicating a period of one's time, perhaps two or three weeks, for the cause of the *Jamā'at*. He advised that one should formally apply.

A *Khadim* asked whether the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) had conveyed his message to the Ottoman Empire.

Huzoor affirmed that the Promised Messiah sent his message everywhere. He mentioned that during that era, an ambassador from the Ottoman Empire visited the Promised Messiah in Qadian. The Promised Messiah conveyed the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat to

him. At that time, a form of caliphate existed in Turkey. However, the Promised Messiah told the ambassador that their ways were not correct, that they needed reformation and that they should accept his claim.

Huzoor narrated that upon hearing this message, the ambassador left in anger and subsequently spoke very harshly and used improper language against the Promised Messiah. Huzoor emphasized that the Promised Messiah had thus delivered the message and had foretold that their system of Khilafat would not endure; rather, the only system that would prevail is the one established by Allah, in accordance with His promise, through the Promised Messiah.

The conversation then turned to the challenges Ahmadis face during Hajj or Umrah when wishing to offer *salat*. A *Khadim* enquired how to navigate the situation, considering the reluctance to pray behind non-Ahmadi imams and potential safety concerns.

Huzoor advised that if one finds oneself in a situation where it is impossible to leave the area and the congregational prayer led by a non-Ahmadi imam has commenced, one may find it unavoidable to join.

Huzoor also noted that many Ahmadis travel for Hajj and Umrah in groups. He observed that many non-Ahmadi groups from different sects also offer their prayers separately. Therefore, Ahmadis, too, often manage to pray separately, sometimes by arriving at the prayer place at different times or finding other ways to hold their own congregations.

The final question addressed the observation that some Ahmadi youth appear to be negatively influenced by Western society, affecting their conduct and language.

Huzoor placed the initial responsibility on Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya, parents and the *Nizam-e-Jamā'at*. He emphasized the need for proper *Tarbiyat* and for keeping the youth attached to the *Jamā'at* from childhood. He stated he has spoken countless times about the parental duty to keep children close. He observed that while children often remain on the right path until about 14 or 15, upon reaching young adulthood (around 18), they sometimes assert independence and resist guidance. (Adapted from summary prepared by *Al-Hakam* dated 25 May 2025)

## It is a Quranic Injunction Always to be Kind to One's Parents and Obey Them

### Khuddam from North East Region of the US meets Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper



A delegation of five Majālis of Khuddāmul-Ahmadiyya USA spanning from Boston to Buffalo (Northeast Region), had the honor of a Mulaqat with Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) on 6 September 2025 at Islamabad, Tilford, the UK.

During the introductions, a young American man named Timothy, who had converted from Christianity a year prior, introduced himself. Huzoor enquired about the meaning of his name. The Khadim replied that it meant “honored by God.” Huzoor remarked that by accepting Islam Ahmadiyyat, God had indeed honored him in practice and not just in name, which was a great blessing. Huzoor asked what had led him to accept the truth of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamā'at. The Khadim explained that his journey began with an “Islam 101” course online, which connected him with the local Jamā'at. He subsequently visited his local mosque, participated in the observance of Ramadan, and ultimately accepted Islam, Ahmadiyyat. Huzoor advised him that he should acquire religious knowledge, beginning with learning Surah al-Fatihah and reciting it in his daily prayers.

After the introductions, the

Khuddām were graciously granted permission to ask questions.

The first question was from the new convert, who sought guidance on how he could continue to progress on his spiritual path and become a better Ahmadi Muslim each day.

Huzoor advised that the first and most fundamental step, as he had already mentioned, was the observance of the five daily prayers. He should strive to memorize Surah al-Fatihah with its meaning, as this would bring great blessings. Furthermore, Huzoor advised him to read the literature of the Ahmadiyya Jamā'at, recommending that he begin with [“The Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam”](#) and [“Noah's Ark.”](#) These books, Huzoor stated, would greatly help in increasing his religious knowledge and deepening his understanding of Islam.

A Khadim of Ghanaian descent, currently pursuing a PhD degree, asked for Huzoor's advice on treating one's parents with kindness, even when their wishes might sometimes seem unwise.

Huzoor drew attention to the Quranic injunction to always be kind to one's parents and to obey them, with the crucial exception of matters that contradict the commandments of Allah and the

true teachings of Islam. Huzoor explained that in all other matters, one should strive to respect and treat them with kindness and Allah would bestow His blessings for this conduct.

A Khadim asked whether an Ahmadi Muslim, while pondering over the Holy Quran, could attempt to derive new meanings and interpretations from its verses.

Huzoor affirmed that this was permissible. However, he provided an important guideline: if one's new interpretation contradicts the established understanding of the Jamā'at, then one should write to the Khalifatul-Masih, present the interpretation, and seek his view. If the Khalifa validates it, then it is acceptable.

Huzoor gave the example of Dr. Abdus Salam, who had presented his own scientific interpretations of hundreds of Quranic verses, which would not be possible for general commentators. Huzoor also explained that the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) presented certain interpretations and the Khulafā have, at times, elaborated upon them in ways that might superficially seem different but are, in fact, not contradictory.

(Edited from summary prepared by Al-Hakam)

## Salat Brings Discipline and Better Worldly Affairs

Khuddam East Region USA meets Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)



A delegation of 22 *Khuddām* from the East Region of Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya [USA](#) met with Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) on 20 September 2025 at Islamabad, Tilford, UK.

During the introductions, one young man stated that he is a member of the Waqf-e-Nau scheme and is also a *Hafiz* of the Holy Quran. Huzoor advised that he could lead the *Tarawih* prayers during Ramadan, as this would serve as an excellent means of reinforcing his memorization.

A young *Khadim*, aged fifteen, asked:

**Q: How can one balance their education with their responsibilities for the Jamā'at?**

*Huzoor advised him that whenever Allah provides an opportunity to serve, one should pray to Him for the capacity or Tawfik to fulfill that service. At his age, Huzoor stated, his main objective is his education. As he wishes to become a doctor, he must work very hard and concentrate on completing his degree. Service to the Jamā'at can be rendered in his spare time, such as on weekends or during holidays.*

**Q: Regarding keeping long mustaches that hang over the lips.**

*Huzoor (may Allah be his Helper) explained that it is narrated in a Hadith that the Holy Prophet (may*

*peace and blessings of Allah be on him) instructed his followers to grow their beards and trim their mustaches. The beard should be grown to a reasonable length, not left to grow uncontrollably. The practical wisdom behind trimming the mustache, Huzoor noted, is that it should not be so long that it dips into one's glass while drinking or becomes soiled with food while eating. The sunnah is to trim the mustache and to allow the beard to grow to a reasonable length. (Sahih al-Bukhari, Kitab al-libas, Bab taqlimi l-azfar, Hadith 5892)*

**Q: About joining the Wasiyyat scheme for a person who has no income, owns no property, mentioning that he thought Huzoor had called for all Ahmadi Muslims to become *Musis*.**

*Huzoor clarified that his guidance was not as the questioner had understood it. Huzoor explained that he had said that among the earning members who have a reasonable income and do not have excessive prior liabilities, at least 50% should be part of the Wasiyyat scheme. Furthermore, office-bearers should especially strive to be *Musis*, as Wasiyyat is a yardstick to measure one's commitment to financial sacrifice.*

The *Mulaqat* concluded with the *Khuddām* having the honor of a group photograph with Huzoor and each attendee was graciously gifted a pen. (Adapted from the Summary prepared by *Al-Hakam*)

# Activities and News of The US Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA Holds the 2024 Jalsa Salana at Baitul Hameed Mosque in Chino, California



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This year's Jalsa featured an additional afternoon session, featuring two speeches on "Falling into the quicksand of addiction, and how to be rescued" by Dr Mutahir Farhan and "The Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) and Hazrat Amman Jan (may Allah be pleased with her): A heavenly match rooted in *Taqwa*" by Jaleese Dar.

The evening guest session drew nearly 200 non-Ahmadi Muslim guests, including local and state

government officials, members of local enforcement, professors, university students and interfaith congregations.

Lajna Imā'illah's separate session included a speech on Wasiyyat delivered by Unber Shah, an address on giving precedence to faith over worldly matters by Faiza Shah,, and a discourse on how to save children from societal ills by Kinza Azim. Tooba Laique delivered a speech on "Hold on to the Rope of Allah for Everlasting Success," and Aziza Rahman spoke on pursuing higher education.

The closing session on Sunday began with a speech in Urdu by Malik Tariq Mahmood on the Holy Prophet Muhammad as the perfect preacher. Qudus Malik then

delivered a speech on "Khilafat: Illuminating Journeys of Faith and Transformation."

During the closing session, the attendees listened to Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V's (may Allah be his Helper) concluding address at the Jalsa Salana Qadian 2024, delivered earlier in the day. During his address, Huzoor mentioned the West Coast Jalsa Salana towards the end of his address, sharing how several Jalsa Salanas around the world are simultaneously taking place with the Qadian Jalsa Salana.

This year's Jalsa Salana had 110 international guests, 210 non-Ahmadi guests and 10 countries were represented. (Edited from report by Ahsan Mahmood Khan, Afsar Jalsa Gah, Al-Hakam, 3 January 2025)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Participates in Puerto Rico Book Fair



This event is marketed as the largest book fair in Puerto Rico. It was held in Barranquitas from 6 to 8 December 2024, about an hour and a half drive from San Juan, the capital of Puerto Rico. It was the first time that we participated in the book fair. I reached out to the organizer through Facebook and signed the Jama'at up with a table, which cost 200 USD.

We spent two evenings at an Airbnb close to the event at a cost of about 400 USD. We spent approx. 8 hours a day at the stand. We prepared breakfast at the Airbnb and had dinner there as well. Lunch was bought

and consumed at the fair.

We were able to sell many books and had many interactions with people about Islam. We distributed flyers to everyone who stopped by the table. The most popular activity was 'get your name written in Arabic,' for which a special, heavy paper with the contact info of the Jama'at on the bottom was prepared.

The overall attendance at the fair was probably 2-3 thousand. (Azhar Ahmad Goraya, Missionary of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Puerto Rico)

## AMI Bookstore Moves to Baltimore, MD



Sahibzada Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Ameer USA (9<sup>th</sup> from left), visited the new AMIBookstore warehouse on 27 April 2025 with his staff and members of the national Amilah. In-Charge bookstore (11<sup>th</sup> from left) and President Baltimore Jama'at (7<sup>th</sup> from left) and the AMIBookstore team members showcased the warehouse.

The new address for the AMI Bookstore is 4240 Shannon Drive, Unit H, Baltimore, MD, 21213

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, North Jersey Holds Tabligh event



Tabligh department of New Jersey held a Dā'ī ilallāh Tabligh event on 24 January 2025 at Unicity of God from the Bible led by missionary Matiullah Joyia. It was attended by forty Dā'īn in person and online.

The department also held a street Tabligh event in Paterson NJ. Approximately 200-300 cars would have seen the placards held by Dā'īn. (Report by Secretary Publication, 8 February 2025)

## Life under The Fahy Bridge, Bethlehem, PA

For the last few years, we have been engaged in a drive in our local community to feed the homeless. We collect essential stuff from our local members as well as the local community and donate it to homeless people. This year we did the same and made a few videos for awareness. We received very good responses on social media. (Farid Ahmad, Secretary Publication, 19 February 2025)



## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Queens Distributes Tabligh Flyers



The Queens Majlis held a Tabligh flyer distribution event. Some highlights of the event:

- Total flyers distributed: 250
- Khuddam volunteers attended: 4
- Atfāl volunteers attended: 4
- Ansar volunteers attended: 1
- Hours spent during the event: 2

(Secretary Publication Queens Chapter, 24 February 2025)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, New York, NY Holds Tabligh Event



(Secretary Publication New York NY Chapter, 24 February 2025)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Connecticut, CT Holds Tabligh Event

AMC Connecticut, CT in collaboration with the Waqf-e-Nau department, held Tabligh Day at Blue Back Square Hartford.



(Report by Saeed Mustafa Connecticut CT, 24 February 2025)

## Press Secretary of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya visits New York, Brooklyn, Queens, and Long Island Chapters of the US



We had our first day of programs in the New York Metro region with Abid Khan, Press Secretary of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya, on 7 May 2025. In the morning, we visited Brooklyn and Long Island mosques where Jamā'at presidents, Qā'ideen, and other members of Jamā'at were present to welcome the group. We visited the mosques and spent some informal time with the members.

In the evening, a Region-wide program was held at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque in Queens, where Abid Khan spoke at length about the status of Khilafat and his loving memories with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) and Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper). The hall was packed with 150+ Ansar, Khuddam, and Atfāl in attendance. (Report by Shoeb Abulkalam, New York)

## Tabligh Stall at Westland flea market in Columbus, Ohio



The Columbus Chapter of AMC, USA, had a Tabligh stall at the Westland flea market on Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2025. One hundred and thirty-seven people visited, thirty-four flyers and eighteen bracelets were distributed. A short conversation with two people took place. (Secretary publication Columbus, OH)

## AMC, Brooklyn, USA, holds Tabligh Stall



AMC, Brooklyn held a Tabligh event on Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025, at Prospect Park, 86<sup>th</sup> Street and Bay Parkway, Brooklyn. Sixteen members of the chapter participated for two and a half hours. Four hundred and fifty fliers were distributed. More than ten people stopped and interacted with the team. (Abrar Hossain, Secretary Publication, Brooklyn)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community (AMC), Brooklyn, USA, Distributes Flyers



Ahmadiyya Muslim Community (AMC), Brooklyn, USA, distributed flyers. Seven Khuddam distributed flyers at two locations in Staten Island. The chapter had the opportunity to dialogue with people. They also distributed free water bottles to all the people walking by. (Abrar Hossain, Brooklyn, reported on June 29, 2025)

## A Journey of Brotherhood, Peace and Purpose on Bicycles

### Tristate Ahmadiyya Unity Ride



On a pleasant spring morning, beneath the soft hues of a rising sun on 19 April 2025, a group of cyclists gathered at the Baitur-Rahman Mosque in Silver

Spring, Maryland. Clad in jerseys bearing the vibrant colors of the American flag, our message was clear: “Peace, Unity, and Love for all, hatred for none.” What lay ahead was more than a 70-mile bike ride. It was a mission – a journey connecting hearts, communities, and mosques.

This wasn’t just a bike ride. It was a Tristate Ahmadiyya Community Unity Ride – a spiritual relay from mosque to mosque, heart to heart. From Maryland to D.C. to Virginia, four mosques became one journey, one community, one message. In the land we proudly call home, we rode together – as brothers, as Ahmadis, and as ambassadors of peace. (Report by Daoud Chattha, USA, Al-Hakam, 23 May 2025)

### National Tabligh Secretary Visits Different Chapters of The Jamā’at

On June 30, 2025, our Jamā’at was visited by National Tabligh Secretary, Waseem Syed from Los Angeles. He spent the last few weeks visiting many different Jamā’ats in the Northeast. We were able to show him our new outdoor sign which he helped finance. After dinner, the National Tabligh Secretary spoke about the importance of each member doing their small part in Tabligh. Simply exhibiting the morals of a good Muslim will show others what Islam truly is. Missionary Azam Akram was also present and spoke about the Prophet Muhammad’s approach to Tabligh. The evening was inspirational for all those who attended.

### Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Staten Island, USA, Distributes Flyers and Free Water Bottles

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Staten Island, held a Tabligh activity at Wolfs Pond, where more than 50

flyers and free water bottles were distributed. (Abrar Hossain, Publication Secretary, Brooklyn, NY)



## Billboards by Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Connecticut, CT

Report Summary				PERFORMANCE		PLAYS	IMPRESSIONS
				Guaranteed		34,944	852,727.90
				Delivered		62,865	1,534,075.65
Variance		27,921	681,347.75				
Display (Panel #): 272 - 008130				PERFORMANCE		PLAYS	IMPRESSIONS
				Anticipated		34,944	852,727.90
				Delivered		62,865	1,534,075.65
Plant:	Hartford			Facing/Read:	South		
Location Description:	I-91 1500' S/O Wilbur Cross Pkwy, Meriden,			Dwell Time:	8 seconds		
Size:	14' 0 x 48' 0			Audited Impressions/Week:	230,467		
# Slots:	8			Audited Impressions/Day:	32,923		
Anticipated Impressions/Day:	30,455			** Impressions Per Play:	24.4026986		
* Anticipated Plays/Day:	1,248						
* anticipated plays per day calculated based on 92.5% contracted uptime				** impressions per play is calculated based on 100% up time			
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By the grace of Allah Ta'ala our 4-panel billboard Tabligh campaign on I-91 Northbound (before Exit 16) from 8/11 to 9/7 received upwards of 1.5 million views (an additional 681,348 impressions or +80% over what was contracted). (Report by Saeed Mustafa, Secretary Publication, Connecticut, CT, 16 July 2025)

## Chicago Bookstall



*(Kashif Ahmad, publication secretary, Chicago, reports an Ahmadiyya Bookstall)*

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Bronx and New York, NY, Participate in the Harlem Day Bookstall and Tabligh Activities





(Report by Shoeb Abulkalam, New York, NY on 21 September 2025)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Brooklyn, NY, Participates in the Brooklyn Book Festival



(Report by Abrar Hossain, Secretary Publication, Brooklyn, NY on 20 September 2025)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, New Jersey, Participates in Book Festival



(Report by Ahmad Waseem, Secretary Publication North Jersey, on 20 September 2025)

## Unity in Diversity—Love For All Hatred For None



(Report by Abrar Hossain, Secretary Publication, Brooklyn, NY)

## Connecticut, CT Chapter Holds a Tabligh Event— Waterbury Gathering '25



Eight Da'een ilallāh, including Missionary Sahib and his son, Khuddam members, a Nasir, and Atfal members, came out as Ambassadors to this year's Waterbury Gathering to convey the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat to hundreds.

From our Tabligh tent, we distributed over 200 flyers, pamphlets, and books, including "Life of Muhammad (in Spanish)," "Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam," "A Message of Peace," "Word of Warning," "World Crisis and Pathway to Peace," among others.

We held deep, meaningful dialogues on the

existence of God, the truth of Islam, the signs of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him), the truth of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), Khilafat, and on global justice and peace. We connected with our Muslim neighbors and shared our message with them directly from the Holy Qur'an. We were interviewed by university students about world conflicts like the crisis in Palestine. Dozens shared contact info and will be invited to future mosque programs. (Report by Saeed Mustafa, Publications Secretary CT Jamā'at)

## The South Virginia Chapter Holds the Regional Tabligh Event



The South Virginia chapter hosted the Regional Tabligh Event on 31 August 2025. Twenty-three members/guests attended. South Virginia Dā'in ilallāh left for Joppatown (about 90 miles) after Fajr prayer and breakfast. (Report by Dr. Naeem Ahmad, serving as Secretary Publication, SVA)

## North Jersey Jamā'at Holds the Holy Qur'ān and Book Fair

North Jersey Jamā'at held a Holy Qur'ān and Book Fair on 20 September 2025 at the Jersey City Street Fair.



(Report by Waseem Mehmood, Serving as Local Publication Secretary)

## Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA and PAAMA, USA, Represent Islam in the Harlem African American Day Parade 2025



The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA and PAAMA (Pan-African Ahmadiyya Muslim Association)

USA represented Islam in Harlem at New York, African American Day Parade 2025 on 21 September 2025. This

historic Tabligh event allowed us to engage directly with tens of thousands of community members in Harlem, broadcast our message through major media outlets, and distribute Ahmadiyya Muslim literature.

Before the parade began, 3,000 flyers and branded bags were assembled and distributed. Many included The Review of Religions and other Jamā'at literature. Approximately 500 lunch boxes were prepared by Sister Maryam Bajwa and her family, which received warm appreciation from the Harlem Parade President. He requested the same contribution again for next year. Mansoor Tahir's truck was outfitted with banners proclaiming: "Love for All, Hatred for None" and "The Messiah Has Come" which were on all four sides, ensuring maximum impact for both close viewers and those at a distance. A stall hosted by Lajna members offered literature and hijab experiences for non-Muslim women.

The parade began at 3:30 PM, from 112th Street to 136th Street. Spectators warmly greeted our members

with "As-Salamu 'Alaikum." Our members responded with "We Love You Harlem!," which generated applause and smiles.

The announcer proclaimed: "This is the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Pan-African Ahmadiyya Muslim Association, Love for All, Hatred for None." He read aloud our banners to the crowd and over the radio station WBLS as well as the ABC Channel 7 livestream, amplifying our message far beyond Harlem. Approximately 2,000–2,500 flyers were personally handed to attendees during the parade. In addition, 1,100+ giveaway bags branded with our logo were distributed. Filming and documentation for Jamā'at media (MTA) ensured long-term archival and promotional use.

In summary, this was a highly successful Tabligh initiative and a milestone for PAAMA and the wider Jamā'at. From nationwide manpower to the tireless contributions of members of Lajna, Ansar, Khuddam, and Atfāl, the effort was unified and blessed.

## North Jersey Chapter Holds Holy Qur'ān Exhibition



(Report by Ahmad Waseem, Secretary Publication North Jersey, on 27 September 2025)

## North Jersey Chapter Holds Qur'ān Exhibition at Hawthorne Day



(Report by Ahmad Waseem, Secretary Publication North Jersey, on 10 October 2025)

## Majlis Khuddam-ul-Ahmadiyya USA Holds Fifty-Fifth National Ijtimā



Members of Majlis Khuddām-ul-Ahmadiyya (MKA) and Majlis Atfāl-ul-Ahmadiyya USA gathered for the first time at Bagh-e-Ahmad in Elmer, New Jersey, for the 55th National Ijtimā on 10-12 October 2025. The focus of the *Ijtimā* and the subsequent programs were around the theme of the year given to the Majlis by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allah be his Helper), which was “Worship of Allah.”

Raja Burhan Ahmad, Professor at Jāmi'a Ahmadiyya UK, attended the *Ijtimā* as a representative from the center. A total of five sessions were held with him.

Various academic and sports competitions were held. The MKA Hub is a staple feature of the *Ijtimā*. This year, the outdoor stage was elevated and several

engaging talks and panel discussions were organized.

On Saturday evening, an address was delivered by Sadr MKA, USA, Abdullah Dibba, on the theme of the year. This address was followed by a special talk-show-style discussion with Dr. Waseem Syed, National Secretary Tabligh, highlighting the importance of service to faith through faith-inspiring incidents. The *Ijtimā* Report was read out by Nazim-e-A'la. After the award ceremony, the *center's* representative addressed the attendees and emphasized the importance of attachment and obedience to Ahmadiyya Khilafat. The *Ijtimā* 2025 was attended by 1,957 participants, with 51 of the 52 *Majālis* and all 10 regions being represented. (Edited from report by Ahtesham Najeeb Chaudhry, Nazim-e-A'la Ijtimā in Al-Hakam, 31 October 2025)

## The New York Chapter Holds Tabligh Day

The New York Chapter held Tabligh Day on 18 October 2025.



(Report by Shoeb Abdulkalam, Secretary Publication, New York on 18 October 2025)

## North Jersey Chapter Holds Two Book Stalls at Easton Annual Book Festival

The North Jersey Chapter held two Book Stalls on 18-19 October 2025 and distributed flyers. The second day of the Easton annual book festival was a huge hit, with a massive crowd drawn in by the spin wheel prize and our impressive book selection and displays. We were kept busy interacting with the attendees and sharing our beliefs and books.



(Report by Ahmad Waseem, Secretary Publication North Jersey, on 18-19 October 2025)

## Lehigh Valley Chapter Participates in the Easton Book Festival



The Lehigh Valley Chapter participated in the Easton Book Festival on October 18 and 19, 2025. This event was a tremendous success for our community. A stall showcased various books on Islam, including “World Crisis and the Pathway to Peace,” “Jesus in India,” “Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam,” and “An Elementary Study of Islam.” There was significant engagement with visitors, allowing us to effectively disseminate the message of Islam.

On the second day of the festival, we had the opportunity to discuss our books with many authors and engage in wide-ranging discussions on spirituality, world events, and the future of mankind. In total, we distributed over one hundred and ten books to interested readers.

The spin wheel attracted a steady stream of visitors, sparking interest in our books and keeping the team joyfully busy throughout the two-day event. (Farid Ahmad, Secretary Publication of the Chapter)

## Queens Chapter, New York Holds Tabligh Event

Queens Chapter, New York held a Tabligh Event on 19 October 2025 and distributed over 500 flyers.



(Report by Shoeb Abdulkalam, Secretary Publication, New York on 19 October 2025)

## North Jersey Participates in the Qur’ān Exhibition and Book Stall

Members of the North Jersey Chapter participated in the Qur’ān Exhibition and Book Stall on 19 October 2025



(Report by Ahmad Waseem, Secretary Publication North Jersey, on 19 October 2025)

## Majlis Ansarullah South Virginia Organizes Family Day



Majlis Ansarullah South Virginia, USA, organized its annual Family Day 2025 at Masroor Mosque in Manassas on 10 August

2025. The event was open to all members of the local Jamā’at, including Ansar, Khuddam, Atfāl, Lajna, Nāsirat, and children of all

ages. It was a spiritually enriching and fun-filled experience.

A joint Discussion for Ansar, Khuddam, and Atfāl encouraged

reflection, cooperation, and community understanding. The discussion was moderated by Zaim Ansarullah, South Virginia, Bashir Ahmad Chaudhary.

Simultaneous separate discussions were organized for

Lajna and Nāsirat members on the same scenarios, moderated by their respective own organizers.

The remainder of the day was filled with exciting sports and fun activities, held separately for men and women. Sports activities

included: Sack Race, Three-legged Race, Egg & Spoon Race, Frisbee Toss /Ring throw, Bean Bag Toss/Cornhole, Musical Chair, Water Balloon Toss/Balloon Pop, Volleyball and Soccer.

## Lajna Imā'illāh South Virginia Holds Open Doors/A Meet and Greet With Your Muslim Neighbors



Lajna Imā'illāh South Virginia held Open Doors/A Meet and Greet with your Muslim neighbors on 16 September 2025. Eleven members participated. This outreach event was organized at a local library to introduce the Masroor Mosque and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. An exhibition of the Holy Qur'ān and selected books of the Jamā'at was on display.

## National Ijtima of Majlis Ansarullah USA 2025 – A Weekend of Brotherhood and Spiritual Renewal

The National Majlis Ansarullah USA Ijtima 2025 was held with great success at the Baitur-Rahman Mosque in Silver Spring, Maryland. The annual gathering brought together Ansar brothers from across the United States for three days filled with spiritual rejuvenation, intellectual enrichment, and heartfelt brotherhood, under the inspiring theme: “We are the Helpers of Allah.”

From the New York Jamā'at, a total of 49 Ansar members attended this blessed event — 47 registered Ansar and 2 guests. Some brothers began their journey on Friday, while others joined by Saturday morning,

driving in groups and carpooling together to share the spirit of unity right from the road.

Most of the attendees stayed in the mosque's accommodation, where the atmosphere of prayer and camaraderie filled the air from Tahajjud to 'Ishā.

The New York Ansar truly embodied the spirit of Khidmat-i-Khalq (service to humanity).

On Friday, several brothers helped serve lunch after Jumu'ah, ensuring smooth coordination for hundreds of guests.

On Saturday, a group of Ansar volunteered for BBQ preparation and serving, adding warmth and

hospitality to the evening's social gathering.

These selfless efforts, though simple, reflected the quiet dignity of service that defines Majlis Ansarullah.

Physical well-being was equally emphasized. Ansar members participated in various sports competitions, including table tennis, volleyball, tug of war, and a 5K morning run. New York participants displayed great energy and enthusiasm, cheering for one another, and embodying the true spirit of teamwork.

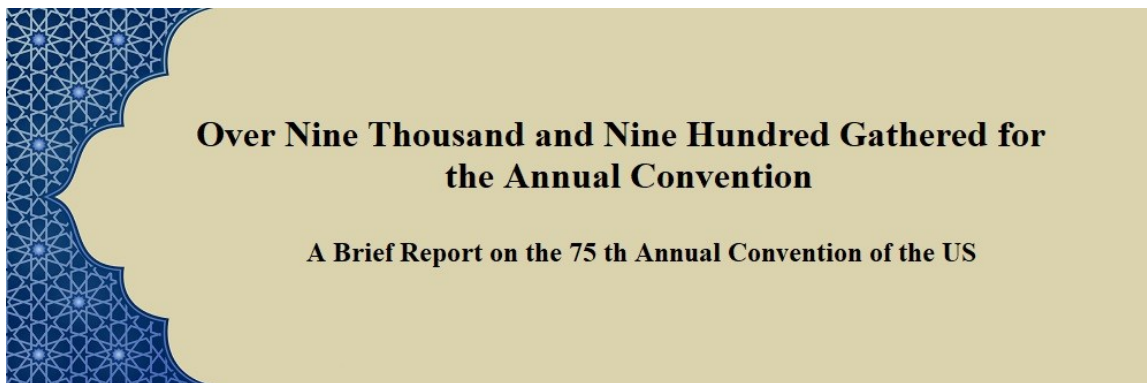


The evenings were marked by BBQ socials, poetry sessions, and faith-inspiring addresses, creating a perfect blend of joy and reflection. The highlight for many was capturing a group photo with Sadr Majlis Ansarullah USA, symbolizing

unity and shared purpose.

As the Ijtima drew to a close on Sunday, the atmosphere at Baitur-Rahman was filled with gratitude and peace. The final session included the Ansar Pledge, Prize Distribution, and the Concluding

Address by Professor Raja Burhan Ahmad (Murabbi Silsila), representing Markaz. (Report by Shoeb Abulkalam, Majlis Ansarullah New York Jamā'at)



### Dr. Mahmud Ahmad Nagi, Columbus, Ohio

The 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, was held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center (GRCC) in the city of Richmond, Virginia, from 4 to 6 July 2025. The

proceedings of the convention were televised by MTA8, USA, which was viewed by more than thirty thousand four hundred people from the US, Canada, the UK, Belgium, and Germany.

### The Opening Session

Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir Jamā'at USA hoisted the flag (Liwa-e-Ahmadiyyat) before the start of the opening session of the 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the US.

The opening session started with the recitation from the Holy Qur'an by missionary Sulman Tariq, and Mr. Khalid Minhas read in a melodious voice some couplets from the poetry of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him.

Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad read a message from Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) first in Urdu and then in English.

Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih said, "You must keep your coming generations attached to the Jamā'at. The Jalsa is held for this purpose: that we gather together for the attachment of intellectual, spiritual, and moral progress... Jamā'at has now formed an integrated unity of people from diverse backgrounds. If we want to understand its significance, do not attach our future generation to the Jamā'at in a true sense, and do not strive to achieve this objective, then the outcome could also be like that of the generations of these early people who became distant from the Jamā'at. Hence, this is a matter of great concern...The immigrants who have come from Pakistan, I would like to say that upon arriving here, do not become immersed merely in worldly priorities, but rather, fulfill your pledge of giving precedence to your faith over worldly matters. Maintain a living connection to your faith and set examples for your children, as otherwise, future generations will face spiritual ruin. In order to fulfill the pledge of Bai'at to the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), always remember his words 'Do not consider this Jalsa to be worldly festival.' Thus, when you regard this gathering as a means for attaining religious blessings, you will fully reap the benefits from its programs, not only during these days but also throughout the remaining days of your lives."

After the inaugural remarks by Amir Jamā'at, three speakers delivered speeches. Dr. Mansoor Qureshi on, "Allah is Our Witness—He Named Us Muslims." Ousman Mbowe on, "Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him)—the First and Foremost

Muslim" and Habeeb Shafeek on the topic, "Jalsa Salana—Its Background, Aims and Growth through the Years."

## Second Day Morning Session

The first session of the second day was chaired by Dr. Sh. Nasim Rehmatullah, Na'ib Amir, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA. There were four speeches delivered on the following topics.

1. Billionaires: Islam on Modern Capitalism by Muhammad Chaudhry.
2. The Best Bargain: Sacrificing Wealth and Life to Gain Paradise by Salaam Bhatti.
3. "Lower Their Gaze"—The Way to Preserve Purity and Protect Society by Missionary Matiullah Joyia.
4. Hazrat Maulawi Abdul Karim (may Allah be pleased with him)—"Leader of the Muslims." By Qasim Rashid.
5. Urdu speech by Missionary Adnan Ahmad:

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## Second Day Afternoon Session

The second session of the second day was chaired by Azhar Haneef, Missionary in-charge and Na'ib Amir, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA. Munum Naeem delivered a speech on "The Giving Hand: What the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam Offers America."

About three hundred non-Ahmadi guests from other religions and organizations were specially invited. Mr. Amjad Khan, National Secretary of Public Affairs, introduced guests. Some of them delivered short speeches. The speakers appreciated the efforts of Jamā'at Ahmadiyya in bringing peace at the international level. Almost all guests spoke highly about the slogan of the Jamā'at, "Love for All, Hatred for None." The following guests addressed the audience:

- Hon. Danny Avula, Mayor, City

of Richmond, VA

- Hon. Ghazala Hashmi, Member, Virginia State Senate
- Hon. Kannan Srinivassan, Member, Virginia State Senate
- Hon. Saddam Salim, Member, Virginia State Senate
- Hon. Schuyler Van Valkenburg, Member, Virginia State Senate
- Hon. Joshua Cole, Member, Virginia House of Delegates
- Dr. Scott Weiner, Supervisory Policy Analyst, US on the International Commission
- Prof. Heather Ferguson, Claremont McKenna College, CA

This year's Ahmadiyya Humanitarian Award was awarded to Hon. Chris Van Hollen, US Senator in absentia.

## Concluding Session

The third day started with the recitation from the Holy Qur'an and was chaired by Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir Jamā'at USA.

The students who excelled in academic activities were awarded medals and prizes. Also, prizes were distributed on Essay competition. On this occasion, 'Alam-e-In'ami of Atfāl-ul-Ahmadiyya, Khuddām-ul-Ahmadiyya, and Anṣārullāh were presented to auxiliaries. Central Jersey Majlis was awarded 'Alam-e-In'ami, Ansarullah, Atlanta Majlis received Alam-e-In'ami, Atfāl-ul-Ahmadiyya and Oshkosh Majlis won 'Alam-e-In'ami, Khuddām-ul-Ahmadiyya. Congratulations to all who received these awards.

National Publication Department of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA, held an Essay Writing Competition (both in English and Urdu) in 2020. There were two main topics: Essay Writing Competition on Khilafat and Essay Writing Competition on Ahmadiyyat in the US. Many essays in English and Urdu were received by the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA. The essays declared first, second and third were published in the Ahmadiyya Gazette, USA and Al-

Nur, USA.

At the 75th Annual Convention of the USA held from July 4-6, 2025, prizes were distributed on 6 July 2025, during the prize distribution ceremony.

#### English Essays:

First Prize: Ahsan Ghulam Mohar, Philadelphia, PA

Second Prize: Nazia Khurshid Ahmad, Georgia

Third Prize: Naser-ud-Din Shams, Zion, IL

Consolation Prize: Khulood Sharif, Lajna Imā'illah Boston, MA

#### Urdu Essays:

First Prize: Qudrat Ullah Ayaz, Milwaukee, WI

Second Prize: Sayyeda Zaheda Begum, Milwaukee, WI

Third Prize: Shazia Basit, Austin, TX and Mansoor Rizwan, South Virginia

(Report by Qudrat Ullah Ayaz, Milwaukee, WI)

The first speech of this session was delivered by Ahsan Mahmood Khan on the topic "Zikr-e-Habib: Mirror of My Master (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him), the Foremost Muslim." The second speech was delivered by Missionary Syed Shamshad A. Nasir in Urdu on

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The third speech was delivered by Azhar Haneef, Missionary in-Charge and Na'ib Amīr Jama'at USA on the topic, "Intrigues Against Early Khilafat and Role of Ahmadiyya Khilafat in Restoring Islam to its Glory.

In his concluding address, Dr. Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad, Amir Jamā'at USA compared the success story of Americans with the story narrated by the Holy Qur'an for true believers. The story told by Qur'an is that of "Ibad-ur-Rahman," the servant of the Gracious God. Allah Ta'ala defines how to achieve that success in verses of Surah Al-Mu'minūn 2-12. Those who are watchful of their trusts and their covenants are indeed successful. The most important covenant for an Ahmadi is his covenant of Bai'at.

And that covenant states, I bear witness to Allah Ta'ala. So, we are bringing Almighty Allah to be our witness that I will fulfill my conditions of Bai'at, which I am pledging at the hand of Masih Mau'ūd ('Alaih-is-Salām). Amir Sahib said that we are not following the prerequisite that God has written in His book for spiritual success. Almighty Allah describes those people who shall succeed spiritually as those who will follow the commandments of Almighty Allah. The reward for fulfilling His commandments is described in Surah Al-Fajr, verses 28 to 31. The Holy Qur'an says: O thou, soul at peace, return to thy lord well pleased with him and he well pleased with thee. So, enter thou among my chosen servants and enter thou my garden.

In the end, Amir Sahib reminded audience of the prayers of the Promised Messiah for success. The prayers of the Promised Messiah (on him be peace) shall certainly be accepted and will not prove to be in vain.

Mirza Maghfoor Ahmad appreciated the services of volunteers who devoted their time and energy to holding the Jalsa successfully.

In the end, he led silent prayers ending the three-day proceedings of 75th Jalsa Salana, USA.

The total attendance in the Jalsa was 9,713 (Women 4,739 and Men 4,974). International guests are 4,430 from 22 countries. Non-Ahmadi guests 293, volunteers 750, MTA and online viewers 30,427 from the USA, Canada, UK, Belgium, and Germany.

### Ladies' Session

Lajna Imā'illah, USA, held two separate sessions on the second day of the 75th Jalsa Salana, USA. The Talent Awards /Nāsirat Recognition – Holy Qur'an Competition ceremony was also held. All seven speeches on the following topics were delivered by members of Lajna Imā'illah, USA.

1. Way of the Seekers: Striving for High Moral Values by Nadia Ahmad.

2. The Deceptions in Modern Societies: What is the Ideal Society by Attiya Zafar.
3. The Best Model of Leadership: Khilafat-e-Ahmadiyya by Fareha Hameed
4. Consider the Service of Faith as a Blessing From God by Fizza Nasir.
5. A Journey of Spiritual Awakening: Embracing Islam and Ahmadiyyat by Durr-e-Sameen Prapulla.
6. Strengthening Your Bond with the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) Through Wasiyyat by Dr. Hiba Tul Waheed Ghani.
7. Jalsa Salana: A Special Gathering by Dhiya Tahira Bakr, National Sadr Lajna Imā'illah USA.

### Special Programs:

#### Rishta Nata Booth

Risha Nata, Department of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA held events at the 75th Jalsa Salana, USA. They arranged two programs, "Meet and Greet" and "Marriage in Islam."

#### Wāqifin-i-Nau program for boys and girls

Wāqifin-i-Nau program for boys and girls was held separately in men's and ladies' marquees during Jalsa breaks.

#### Exhibition:

An exhibition was arranged at the Greater Richmond Convention Center (GRCC), which displayed historical pictures of Khulafā and different special events of the Jamā'at.

#### AMI Bookstore:

The Isha'at Department of AMC, USA, arranged a bookstall with the help of amibookstore.us which displayed the latest published books of the Jamā'at Ahmadiyya International for sale and viewing

# Recently Departed Souls

## Saeed Ahmad Malik of Maryland Jamā'at

Saeed Ahmad Malik of Maryland Jamā'at passed away on 15 December 2024 in a hospital in Silver Spring, MD. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was a Musi, a very humble, loving, and kind person. He served as Office Manager at the National Headquarters, Baitur-Rahman Mosque, USA, for many years. He was the younger brother of Late Masoud Ahmad Malik, a Former Na'ib Amīr USA Jamā'at who passed away on 25 November 2024.

He is survived by his siblings, Mubarik Ahmad Malik, Zahida Bajwa, Qamar Shaheen, and his wife Mubarika Malik, children Usama Malik, Asma Siddiqui, Hanaa Malik, Anas Malik and Durresamin Malik.

I humbly request all to pray for the Maghfarat and an elevated station of the departed soul and solace of the bereaved family members. (Ali Iqtidar Bajwa, Acting General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

## Mirza Muhammad Din Naz, Sadr, Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan, Rabwah

I inform you of the passing of Mirza Muhammad Din Naz, Sadr, Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan, Rabwah. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah [2]:157)].

Mirza Muhammad Din Naz was a distinguished servant of Islam and a humble devotee of Khilafat. Throughout his life, he rendered invaluable services to the Jama'at with exceptional sincerity, dedication, and loyalty.

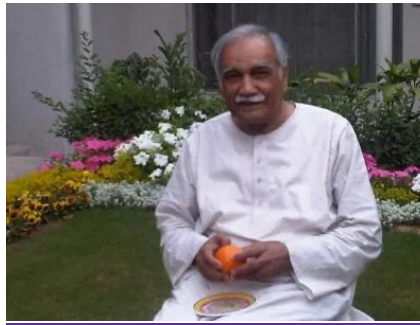
He graduated from Jāmi'a Ahmadiyya Rabwah in 1973 and served the institution as a professor

and later as superintendent. He subsequently held the office of Nazir Ta'limul-Quran wa Waqf-e-Ardi and was currently serving as Sadr, Sadr Anjuman Ahmadiyya Pakistan, Rabwah. His students, spread across the globe, continue to render devoted service to Islam Ahmadiyyat. Mirza Muhammad Din Naz had the unique honor of enduring imprisonment as an Aseer Rah-e-Mola. He also had the blessed opportunity to play an important role in facilitating the migration of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (may Allah shower His mercy on him), the Fourth Khalifa, from Pakistan to the UK during challenging times.

We humbly request all members to pray fervently for the exaltation of his soul and for Allah Almighty to grant him an elevated station among His beloved servants. May Allah also grant patience and solace to his family and the entire Jama'at during this time of immense loss.

Mirza Muhammad Din Naz was the paternal uncle of Umar Nayyar, our Missionary in Central Jersey Jamā'at. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

## Saeed Ahmad Rahmani of Houston, Texas



Saeed Ahmad Rahmani, elder brother of Rashda Minhas, wife of Late Tahir Minhas of Baitul Hameed Halqa, passed away in Houston, TX on 31 December 2024. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (2 [Al-

Baqarah]:157)].

He was the son of Nazir Ahmad Rahmani, a teacher at T.I. school Qadian/ Rabwah. Both his paternal grandfather, Ali Ahmad Haqani and his maternal grandfather Ch. Muhammad Ismael were companions of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him).

Saeed Ahmad Rahmani was born in Qadian, and studied at Ta'limul-Islam School and earned his bachelor's degree from T.I. College Rabwah. He received a master's degree in English from Forman Christian College, Lahore, and served in Audit and Accounts Services of Pakistan in various distinguished posts, retiring as a Member of Finance at the Pakistan Agriculture Research Council.

He was a very humble and kind-hearted person, who treated both young and old with the utmost respect.

We pray for his forgiveness and high status in Jannatul Firdaus.

## Amtul Hamid Bokhari of Baitul Hameed Halqa

Amtul Hamid Bokhari of Baitul Hameed Halqa passed away on 17 January 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allāh we belong, and to Him shall we return. (2 [Al-Baqarah]:157)].

Amtul Hamid Bokhari was the wife of Syed Tayyab Bokhari, mother-in-law of Abdul Mateen, and granddaughter of Mauritius' first Murabbi, Sufi Gulam Mohammad, who was among the first thirteen Ṣaḥāba. She was an exemplary model of faith as an Ahmadi, regular in her prayers and melodious in her recitation of the Quran. Additionally, she took the time to teach her grandchildren how to recite the Holy Quran. May Allah grant patience and solace to her family Amen

## **Amtul Aziz Khan, daughter of the late Hazrat Maulana Abdur Rahman Khan of Qadian**

With great sorrow, I, Sami Fakhra Jadran of Maryland, announce the passing of my aunt, Amtul Aziz Khan, daughter of late Hazrat Maulana Abdur Rahman Khan of Qadian—an early Missionary of Ahmadiyya Jamā'at in Kot Ahmadiyya, Sindh (then India)—and the late Fatima Bibi Khilji of Nawabshah, Pakistan. She passed away on 20 January 2025 in Nawabshah after illness and was laid to rest in Bahishtī Maqbarah, Rabwah. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

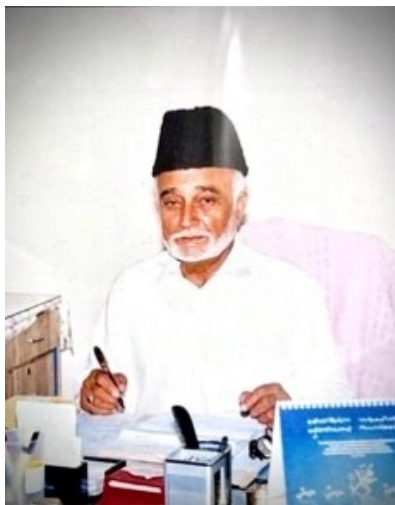
She was the paternal granddaughter of Hazrat Hakeem Maulana Raheem Bakhsh and Hazrat Barkat Bibi of Talwandi Jhanglan, early companions of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). As the first Ahmadi Muslim principal of the Government Girls High School in Nawabshah, she later continued her work at a private girls' school until her passing. After her retirement, she was offered and accepted a lifetime membership as a board member of H.M. Khoja, a non-profit organization led by the renowned educationist of the same name in Sindh. The organization focuses on providing quality education to the people of interior Sindh, a testament to her unwavering integrity and dedication to public service. She served in this role until her last breath. Cherished by her students and colleagues, she was renowned for her professionalism, honesty, and commitment to Pardah. Her moral standards were unparalleled; she ensured male visitors spoke to her from behind a curtain and was usually accompanied by her vice-principal in her office. She was a devoted Ahmadi Muslim and was good in her profession and Jamā'at responsibilities. Her lifelong dedication to education inspired many, and both schools closed on her funeral day in Nawabshah in

her honor. She is survived by her siblings—three brothers and one sister—as well as numerous nephews and nieces from both her paternal and maternal sides, including my brother Nasir Sami Jadran of Virginia, my sister Khalida Samina Jadran of Canada, and myself (Sami Fakhra Jadran-Ireland) in Maryland. May Allah grant her Jannat-ul-Firdaus. Amen.

## **Masroor Ahmed Kahloon father of Amir Ahmad of Baitul Hameed Halqa**

Amir Ahmad of Baitul Hameed Halqa has informed that his father, Mansoor Ahmed Kahloon passed away on 3 February 2025 in Australia at the age of eighty-two. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Mansoor Khaloon was the father-in-law of Nadia Ahmad, wife of Amir Ahmad. He was a Musi. He served in Khuddāmul Ahmadiyya and Ansarullah, 18 years as Gen Sec. Dist. Hyderabad and then thirteen years as Amīr Muqāmi and Amīr Jamā'at District Hyderabad Sindh.



He went to Australia in 2017 and served in different positions in Local Jamā'at Amla. All Jamā'at members are requested to kindly pray for the departed soul and that may Allah give patience to the grieving family.

## **Jamil Choudhry of Central New Jersey**

This is to inform of the passing away of Jamil Choudhry of Central New Jersey on 9 February 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was a Musi, a long-time member of the Central New Jersey Jamā'at, and currently lived in Jacksonville, FL.

He was a humble family man who made lasting efforts to strengthen familial relationships. He was a dedicated Ahmadi Muslim. He always met people with gusto and a warm smile. Going to Jumu'ah, Jalsa, and all Jamā'at events gave him much pleasure and spiritual energy. He loved to recite the Urdu poems of the Promised Messiah and the Khulafā Ahmadiyyat.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters, and eight grandchildren.

May Allah grant him an elevated position in Jannat-ul-Firdaus and solace to all his family members. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

## **Haji Aminullah of Dayton Jamā'at**

Haji Aminullah of Dayton Jamā'at passed away on the night of 12-13 February 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He accepted Ahmadiyyat in 1972 and over five decades, he dedicatedly served the Dayton Jamā'at with unwavering sincerity. He witnessed and contributed to the Jamā'at's remarkable growth and had the honor of being present for the visits of three Khulafā — Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him), Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) and Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper).

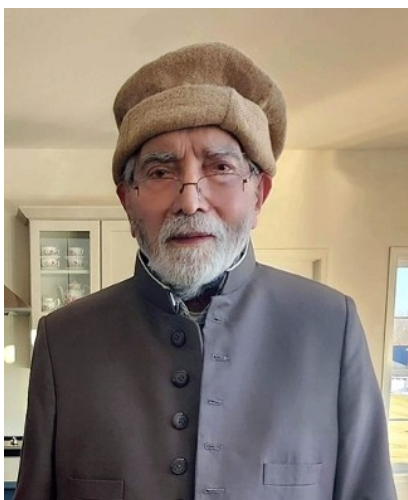
Haji Aminullah was a man of deep faith. He loved the Holy Qur'an and he continuously worked

to improve his recitation. He was always the first to arrive at the Mosque and the last to leave ensuring that the Mosque remained a beautiful and welcoming space. Even when driving became difficult for him, his wife would bring him to the Mosque, and he continued to attend congregational prayers and meetings until the very end.

Haji Aminullah had the opportunity to serve the Jamā'at in various capacities, including as President, Tabligh Secretary and various other offices. Even in his latter years, he was always thinking of new ways to do Tabligh, striving to spread the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat with creativity and dedication and strengthening the ties between the Jamā'at and the broader Dayton community.

I humbly request all to pray for the Maghfarat and an elevated station of the departed soul and patience, steadfastness, and solace to the bereaved family members. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary USA Jamā'at)

### Hamid Bhatti of Harrisburg Jamā'at



I inform you that Al-Hajj Hamid Bhatti of Harrisburg Jamā'at passed away on 2 March 2025 at the age of 90. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Hamid Bhatti was a Musi. Born in Qadian, India, in 1934, he migrated to Pakistan during the partition and later moved to Kenya,

where he built his life with his wife, Mumtaz, and their three sons. In 1974, he immigrated to the United States, settling in Harrisburg, and becoming one of the pioneer families of York Jamā'at.

Hamid Bhatti was deeply devoted to his prayers and his faith. He dedicated himself to serving the Jamā'at, including as the local Finance Secretary for over 30 years, and was known for his love of children, humor, and craftsmanship.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, brother Rashid of Philadelphia, sister Amtul Wadood of the UK, fourteen grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren.

May Allah grant him an elevated station in Jannah and give patience to the bereaved family. Āmīn.

### Waseema Mohamed mother of Dr. Mohamed Shabooti of Los Angeles

Waseema Mohamed mother of Dr. Mohamed Shabooti (Secretary Education of Los Angeles Jamā'at) passed away on 6 March 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [(Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was the mother-in-law of Nadia Malik (Regional Sadr Lajna Southwest). Born on 28th March 1939 in Aden, Yemen, the deceased was the wife of the late Ahmed Mohamed Othman Shabooti, former Sadr Jamā'at Yemen. She was the daughter of Dr. Mohamed Ahmed Din Adeni, and granddaughter of the revered companions of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him) Hazrat Haji Mohamed Din Tahalwi and Hasina Bibi. She was a Musiyya and a devoted servant of Jamā'at. She served as Sadr Lajna Yemen for nearly 30 years. She is survived by one son, three daughters and seven grandchildren. May Allah grant her a high station in Jannah and grant patience to the bereaved family. Members are requested to keep the deceased and her family in their prayers. (President Los Angeles

dated 21 March 2025)

### Sister Fatima Alibrahim of Honolulu

With profound sadness and complete submission to the Will of Allah, we announce the passing of our sister Fatima Alibrahim on 20 April 2025 at Honolulu at the age of twenty-nine years. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

She was suffering from a seizure that stopped her heart. She had been battling epilepsy for the past six years. She leaves behind her devoted mother, Inam Ahmad, and five loving siblings. Two of her siblings have preceded her in death. She was a beloved daughter to her mother and a caring sister to her siblings. By the Grace of Allah, Ahmadiyyat entered her family through her mother, after her mother was gifted books of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him).

Sister Fatima was known for her caring, loving, and compassionate nature. She consistently put others before herself and found joy in giving charity to those less fortunate. She expressed herself through her creative works as an artist and a writer. She loved animals and aspired to become a veterinary technician. Sister Fatima will be brought to Los Angeles for her funeral prayer and burial.

Please remember Sister Fatima and her family in your prayers. May Allah the Almighty have mercy on her and grant her a lofty station in Paradise, as well as patience and solace to her bereaved family. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jamā'at)

### Brother Hamza Zainuddin of Baltimore

Our beloved Brother Hamza Zainuddin peacefully departed this world on 21 April 2025, at the age of 87. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Brother Hamza embraced Islam

through the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in or around 1962 and devoted the rest of his life to humble, unwavering service to Islam and the cause of Ahmadiyyat. He was known for his quiet dignity, sincerity, and deep sense of duty. His character was marked by humility and compassion, always placing the needs of the community before his own. He had deep love and respect for Ahmadiyya Khilafat and Khulafā Ahmadiyyat. He made extraordinary efforts to visit and meet the Khulafā in person and to be in their blessed company. This love was equally reciprocated by the Khulafā, who recognized his sincerity, loyalty, and heartfelt devotion.



He served as President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Baltimore from 1984 to 1993, a pivotal decade during which his leadership, wisdom, and dedication left an enduring impact. His commitment to the spiritual and social well-being of the Jamā'at was evident in every act of service. Brother Hamza's legacy lives on in the countless lives he touched and the spiritual home he helped strengthen for generations to come.

May Allah the Almighty accept his devoted services, shower His choicest blessings upon his soul, and grant him a lofty station in Jannatul-Firdaus. May He also grant strength and solace to his family and loved ones during this grief. "O thou soul at peace! Return to thy Lord, well-pleased with Him and He well-pleased with thee. So, enter thou among My chosen servants, and enter thou My Garden." Āmīn. (Surah Al-Fajr, 89:28-31) [Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi,

General Secretary, USA Jamā'at]

## Mohammad Abdul Ghaffar of Los Angeles Jamā'at

It is with a very heavy heart that I share the news of the passing of Mohammad Abdul Ghaffar of the Los Angeles Jamā'at, who returned to his Creator on 22 April 2025 while admitted to the Memorial Hospital of Gardena, CA. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Mohammed Abdul Ghaffar (AKA Jonathan M.A. Ghaffar)'s journey to Islam was extraordinary. After years of searching, he embraced Islam Ahmadiyyat in 1994 and committed to sharing the message of Islam with everyone he encountered. Through his writings, radio shows, and countless conversations, he inspired many to reflect, question, and turn their hearts toward Allah. His final book, "Insights on Islam," and his many essays reflect his honesty, spiritual insight, and deep gratitude for Allah's blessings. Please see his video:

<https://youtu.be/7iVhlzmJrGY?si=X-4KFAKW2VjDwE>



Mr. Ghaffar was a bridge-builder between faiths, cultures, and hearts. He lived with humility, humor, and an unwavering commitment to serving the Jamā'at.

May Allah grant him great rewards for his sacrifices and raise his status in heaven. He leaves behind his wife, Nusrat, and an entire Jamā'at of spiritual family.

Please remember him in your prayers and join me in asking Allah to grant patience and strength to all who feel the pain of his loss. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jamā'at)

## Raqeeb Wali, a beloved pioneer of Jamā'at

Raqeeb Wali, a beloved pioneer of Jamā'at USA, passed away on 26 April 2025 at the age of 93. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

Raqeeb Wali was born in 1932 in Philadelphia, PA, as James Green, the son of Mr. Albert Green, a steelworker during World War II, and Mrs. Mary Green. He graduated from Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts, with a B.A. in Mediterranean Studies and Arabic.



*Raqeeb Wali, second from right, with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III rahimahullah in 1980 in SF CA.*

He accepted Ahmadiyyat in 1957 at age 25, after a profound discussion with Missionary Khalil Mahmood, who led him to embrace Islam. Upon his conversion, he was given the name Abdur-Raqeeb Rashid Wali. He often recounted that his journey to Islam began with a simple cup of tea and cookies, highlighting the warmth and hospitality that welcomed him into the faith.

He served the Jamā'at with dedication over the last 60 years, including as President of Boston, President of San Francisco, and President of Merced, the USA. In 1977, he moved to Pittsburgh, California, and became the President of the San Francisco

Jamā'at. In 1987, during a visit by Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) to California, the regional Jamā'at was reorganized into five separate chapters: San Francisco, San Jose, Pittsburg, Sacramento, and Merced. Wali served as the regional president overseeing this transition and was also the local President for the Merced Chapter until his retirement in July 2019 after 35 years of dedicated service. He also served as Za'im Ansarullah of Merced Majlis. Moreover, Wali gave a keynote address at the first West Coast Jalsa in 1980 in San Francisco.

A passionate preacher, he worked as a Muslim chaplain for 25 years in four different prisons in California, including the Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla—the largest women's prison in the world. In this role, he educated more than 100,000 inmates about Islam and the teachings of Ahmadiyyat. Additionally, he taught English to non-native speakers at Merced Community College for 25 years, taught Islamic Studies at Basawa Teacher's College in Nigeria, West Africa, and taught English at the Saudi Arabian Naval Academy for two years.

In 1973, he was part of a historic seven-member delegation from the U.S. that visited Rabwah, Pakistan, marking a significant milestone in the community's history. In 1976, he became the first African American to be married in Qadian, India, to Rifat Wali, the daughter of Darvish 'Umardin Khan (late), who was the personal driver for Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him). Their Nikah ceremony was performed in Mubarak Mosque by the companion of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him), Hazrat Abdur-Rahman Jat (may Allah be pleased with him).

Despite his declining health, he loved offering congregational prayers and, as recently as last month, would give the iqamat.

He is survived by his wife Rifat Wali, his two sons, Hashim Wali and Nasir Wali, four daughters,

Aliyah Aleem, Sultana, and Attiya, and seven grandchildren. He was the uncle of our young Missionary Jalal Muzammal, serving in the Milwaukee Jamā'at.

A recent video of him sharing his life story was shared in the God Summit and Trip Down Memory Lane:

The 90-Year Journey - The God Summit 2022

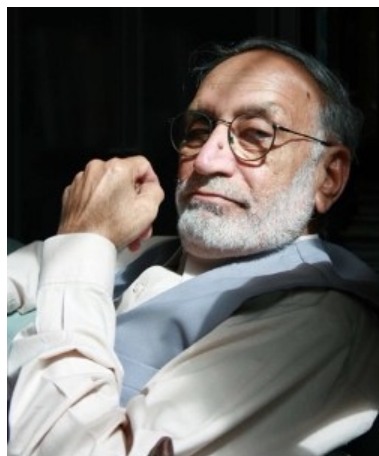
A Trip Down Memory Lane - 25 Photos that Shaped Ahmadiyyat in America

(Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jamā'at)

### Dr. Colonel Pir Mohammed Munir Ahmad

With profound sadness, I am informing you all that Colonel Pir Mohammed Munir Ahmad passed away in the Tahir Heart Institute, Rabwah, Pakistan. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was born on January 8, 1939. He converted to Ahmadiyyat while in medical school in 1964. In 1965, he married Amatul Malik, the great-great-granddaughter of Hazrat Mir Muhammad Ismail (may Allah be pleased with him).



He served as a medic in the Pakistani Army in Azad Kashmir during the 1965 Indo-Pak war. He retired from the army as a Colonel in the late 90s.

In 2004, he dedicated his life to the Jamā'at and was appointed General Physician Administrator. He served in this position from

2005 to 2017. He then served in the ENT Outpatient Department from 2017 until his retirement in 2023. He served the Jamā'at as Waqfe Zindagi for 19 years.

He is the father of Khurram Fuad Ahmad, Javad Ahmad, and Saad Ahmad, and the brother of Pir Tayyab Ahmad of Oshkosh Jama'at. He is survived by his wife, three sons, seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. One of his granddaughters is the wife of Syed Hamza Ahmad, Waqf Zindagi, working in the Accountant's office of the NHQ.

May Allah Ta'ala grant him a high station in heaven and solace to members of the bereaved family. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jamā'at)

### Dr Aftab Ahmad of Portland Jamā'at

Dr. Aftab Ahmad of Portland Jamā'at passed away on June 1, 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilaihi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]



Dr Aftab Ahmad was one of the earliest members of the Portland Jamā'at. Along with the late Dr. Tahir Ahmad and Mirza Luqman Ahmad, he was responsible for establishing the local Jamā'at. He had the honor of hosting Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV (may Allah shower His mercy on him) twice in his house during Huzoor's visits to Portland.

He was also instrumental and responsible for building the Portland Rizwan Mosque and

served as President of the chapter for a time. He financed and created a professional Arabic and English recording of the Holy Quran available in a CD set that was widely distributed, and many people benefited from it. As a renowned heart surgeon, he was not only responsible for the surgeries of thousands of people but also played a significant part in the effort to create the Tahir Heart Institute in Rabwah, Pakistan, and organized an annual trip of volunteers for training.

His generosity helped members of the Jamā'at and converts. May Allah grant him mercy and elevate his status in heaven, and grant

solace to his family. Amen. (Mukhtar Ahmad Malhi, General Secretary, USA Jamā'at)

### Choudhry Mohammad Naeem Zahid

Choudhry Mohammad Naeem Zahid, younger brother of Mrs. Naveed-I-Jattala of Los Angeles Jamā'at, passed away in Pakistan on 9 June 2025. Inna Lillāhi Wa Innā Ilayhi Raji'oon. [Surely, to Allah we belong, and to Him shall we return. (Al-Baqarah 2:157)]

He was the maternal uncle of the brothers of Ahsan and Armughan Jattala. He was in his mid-sixties. He served the Jamā'at in different capacities. He was very

hospitable; he would always offer his car to all guests coming from Markaz. By the grace and mercy of Allah, he was a Musi and he was buried in Rabwah, Pakistan.

May Allah grant him a higher rank in paradise. May Allah grant solace and patience to his family to cope with this untimely death. Amen.

Special Prayers are also requested for Mrs. Naveed-I-Jattala, who has been battling with Cancer for over two years. May Allah alleviate her pain and suffering and grant her full health, Amen. (President, Los Angeles, CA)

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**Safeta Cerimovic, Syracuse, New York**

I was eight years old when the war in Bosnia shattered the world I knew. One moment, I was a child playing in my village near the city of Foča, and the next, my family and I were drifting between makeshift shelters, school buildings, abandoned houses, and distant towns, always moving, always searching for a place safe enough to pause and rest. There was no normal childhood, no sense of home, not even privacy. Survival became our way of life.

What stayed with me most was the fear. Fear of the unknown, fear of losing family members, fear of tomorrow. Yet, in every town we passed through, there was always a mosque. That tiny sanctuary, no matter how crowded or dim, became my refuge. I would stand in prayer whispering prayers that a child should never have to make, prayers for her family to stay together and alive, for stability, for peace. Even as a non-Ahmadi Muslim girl, I felt closest to Allah in those moments inside the mosques, where my heart softened despite the war surrounding us.

### **The War Ended, But My Search Did Not**

When the war finally ended, I hoped to achieve some sense of normal life. My dream was to attend a Madrasah [school] in Bosnia. I wanted to learn, deepen my faith, and replace fear with knowledge. But before that could happen, our family relocated to the United States. It was a decision made out of necessity, not desire. My youngest sibling needed medical treatment,

and post-war Bosnia did not have specialists for her condition. That is how we ended up in the USA. My parents, two brothers, my baby sister, and I. My oldest sister had emigrated a year earlier, and another sister stayed in Bosnia with her own family. This separation introduced another kind of war in my life, a war of longing and emotional displacement.

Arriving in America in 2000 felt like losing my security and myself all over again. I cried daily, praying that Allah would send me back to Bosnia, back to my sister, back to everything familiar. My first day of American high school was humiliating. I could not speak English, did not understand the culture, and felt painfully out of place. Loneliness consumed my thoughts, dreams, and hopes. Every day, I begged my late mother to give me a timeline for when we could return to Bosnia. Eighteen? Twenty? Any age? She would simply say she was not certain and that I had to make the best of where we were. This was in July of 2000, and August became a month of drowning in sorrow as I dreaded September and returning to school.

### **The Moment That Changed Everything**

On our second day in the USA, we went to the Refugee Center for paperwork. My oldest brother suddenly lit up with joy, he recognized a former classmate from his high school in Bosnia. I was exhausted from two full days of travel, flights, buses, cars, and my baby sister crying nonstop. I signed

my papers and was asked to wait in the car. My brother returned excited, already making plans with his friend. I was happy for him, thinking of my own best friend and what I would give to see her for even one second. Soon after that encounter, my brother's friend came to visit us.

I was in the kitchen making breakfast for them, unaware that this simple moment would become the turning point of my life. I overheard them discussing Islam in a way that immediately caught my attention. It was the first genuine religious conversation I had heard since arriving in America, a breath of familiarity in a foreign world. He said something that startled me: "Imam Mahdi has come, and 'Isa (may peace be on him) is not alive in the sky. He has passed away."

For a Muslim raised in Bosnia, where Hazrat 'Isa is spoken of poetically as being in the heavens and where no such theological discussions ever occurred in our mosques, this was shocking. I had heard stories and qasidas (Arabic poetry) implying he was in the sky, but never a direct discussion. His words felt blunt, confusing, intriguing, and almost unsettling. My family praised my brother's friend for being intelligent, talking how he was even a valedictorian candidate in Bosnia, but was replaced with someone else since he emigrated to the USA before he graduated, but then my family dismissed his religious beliefs as "nonsense." Yet his conviction stayed with me.

That summer, lost in depression

and with nothing to do while waiting for school to begin, I turned to the Qur'an. I brought the famous Bosnian translation by Besim Korkut with me, and I read it cover to cover in seven days. My intention was simple: to prove him wrong, to find verses that contradicted his claims so I could defend what my family believed.

But I didn't find anything to negate what he had said. Instead, I found clarity about the prophets, especially about Hazrat 'Isa, and other teachings that aligned with what he mentioned. He noticed that I knew many stories from the Qur'an and appreciated my interest. What truly surprised me was his character, a young Bosnian man who prayed on time, was joyful and relatable, yet maintained his faith openly, even in America where many immigrants felt pressure to assimilate, hide their identities, or bend their practices.

Quietly, privately, I asked him for books about Ahmadiyyat in the Bosnian language since I didn't understand English. He only had two, translated excerpts from the writings of the Promised Messiah (may peace be on him).

Page after page, my heart awakened. The teachings of Ahmadiyyat were not just beautiful, they were complete. They answered questions I didn't even know I had. They gave structure to the love for Allah I carried since childhood. Faith felt rational, compassionate, and alive.

For the first time, my tears changed. There were no longer cries to return to Bosnia. They were tears of contentment, of finding what my soul had been searching for.

Two months later, I accepted Ahmadiyyat.

### Faith, Love, and the Weight of Trials

My journey could have ended with newfound peace, but Allah had more to teach me.

The young man who introduced me to Ahmadiyyat became my husband. Our marriage brought joy but also challenges. My family struggled deeply with my

acceptance of Ahmadiyyat, especially when harmful propaganda reached them. But I knew what Allah had placed in my heart, and He gave me strength I did not know I possessed. A few months after I accepted Ahmadiyyat, we married. But more trials came. My husband became ill. I began working, and slowly my spiritual focus shifted. I stopped attending Lajna meetings. Doubts crept into my mind, not about Islam or Ahmadiyyat, but about cultural behaviors, social expectations, and the pain of feeling judged or misunderstood, as well as the sadness I sensed in my family's eyes regarding my new lifestyle. As a 17-year-old new immigrant, isolated from my family, soon after becoming a mom and raising my son, adjusting to American culture, and living with in-laws, I struggled to hold onto the rope of Allah. Without the Jamā'at's support, without sisterhood, I felt myself unraveling. The only constants were my Salat and my hijab. Everything else faded. My life, once so full of purpose, felt fractured. I was deeply unhappy and didn't know how to fill the emptiness.

### The Jalsa That Changed Everything

In 2006, my husband asked if I wanted to attend Jalsa Salana. I had gone "twice" before, physically present but not spiritually engaged. At that time, I was focused on trying to understand sisters through my broken English, adjusting to different cultural customs, and feeling out of place. But this time felt different. Sitting among thousands of Ahmadi in Virginia, I listened to speeches that healed wounds I didn't know how to express. Sister Aasilah Faheem spoke of the pain of separation from family, reminding me I was not alone. She taught me that sincerity, prayer, and focusing on Allah instead of people brings stability. Sister Salihah Malik explained *Purdah* (veil) in a personal, compassionate way. She showed that true *Purdah* grows from Taqwa, not from comparison. Her words reassured me that faith is a journey,

and that I was allowed to grow slowly. Dr. Shanaz Butt spoke about inner purification and the jihad of self-reform. Her message encouraged me to look inward with honesty and see spiritual struggle as an opportunity, not a failure. Many other sisters, and speakers on the men's side, reopened my heart to the truth of Ahmadiyyat. Tears streamed down my face as if Allah Himself was washing away the heaviness I had carried. For the first time, I truly understood the purpose of Jalsa. At this Jalsa, during breaks, my husband would meet me in front to check on me, as we had done in previous conventions when we often would leave and missed half of the proceedings and only returned around Namaz (prayer) time. This time, however, we simply briefed each other on what had inspired us, said, "See you later," and stayed for the entire program. My dear son Amar, the delight of our eyes, was enjoying himself so much. He was only four years old at the time, yet he quietly sat and listened attentively. He was just perfect. Writing this almost nineteen years later brings me so much joy, as those memories continue to shine brightly in my heart and remind me of the peace and unity we experienced as a family in those moments. After Lajna proceedings, I met Dr. Shanaz Butt, our National Sadr at the time. She embraced me with the warmest hug and made me feel truly welcome. I met many sisters, especially those whose speeches moved me. It was as if Allah Himself had sent Sister Aasilah into my life. She took my contact information, emailed me, sent me books, and invited me into her home, gently teaching me the importance of writing letters to Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V. In 2008, when Huzoor came, she made sure I met him, and she witnessed the transformation within me.

### Khilafat: The Healing I Did Not Know I Needed

Meeting Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) was not just a memorable event; it was a turning point that reshaped

the foundations of my soul. I had carried two sets of wounds, those of a new convert trying to find my place in a community I loved deeply, and those of a war survivor carrying scars no child should ever endure. I did not expect that a moment so brief could speak to both pains at once. But Allah's mercy works in ways that transcend time.

When I entered Huzoor's presence, everything I had struggled with, confusion, loneliness as a convert, and the heavy grief of my past, rose to the surface, yet at the same time softened. The trauma of war, which had shaped my earliest memories, and the isolation I felt in my early years in the Jamā'at, both seemed to loosen their grip on me.

For years, I had prayed for clarity, for the ability to forgive, and for inner peace. I had begged Allah to help me understand why I had suffered so much as a child and why I sometimes felt so lost as an adult trying to build a new spiritual identity. I carried these questions with me into the *Mulaqat*, hoping to finally speak them, but Allah had a different plan.

The moment I sat before Huzoor, the questions vanished. I could not speak. I could not explain anything I had been carrying. I could only cry. And in that silence, Allah placed healing where words had failed.

Huzoor's concern, his gentle repeated question, "Are you okay?" pierced through years of pain that I had learned to hide. It was as if Allah was speaking to me through him, acknowledging the burdens I could never articulate. Huzoor didn't need long explanations, and I didn't need to justify my tears. His presence alone was enough.

### Healing My Struggles as a New Convert

Before meeting Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, I often felt caught between worlds. I loved Ahmadiyyat with my whole heart, but I sometimes struggled with the human imperfections within the

community. I was young, idealistic, and still learning. It pained me deeply when I saw behavior that did not reflect the beauty of the teachings. I wondered if something was wrong with me for feeling hurt. I wondered if I truly belonged. In that short meeting, Allah removed those doubts. In Huzoor's presence, I understood that my connection was not to individual people, it was to Khilafat, to the Promised Messiah, and ultimately to Allah. I realized that the Jamā'at is a family of human beings striving to follow divine guidance, and that my role was not to expect perfection, but to seek closeness to Allah through obedience, service, and humility.

### Healing the Trauma of War

But what I never expected was this: the same moment healed the wounds I had carried since childhood. Something in Huzoor's presence reached the part of me that had frozen the day the war began. The part that had endured fear, displacement, loss, and betrayal. The part that had struggled for years to feel safe in the world.

When I cried before Huzoor, it was not just the confusion of a convert. It was the child in me who had never been allowed to cry when the world shattered. It was the eight-year-old who had stayed silent while tanks rolled through villages and neighbors turned into enemies. It was the refugee who had crossed borders with a fractured heart and the young girl who had tried to rebuild herself in a foreign land. In those few minutes, Allah allowed me to finally release what I had held inside for so long. The peace that settled into my heart after the *Mulaqat* was unlike anything I had ever experienced. It was as if Allah had taken the weight of both my past and my present and replaced it with a steady certainty: You are safe now. You are home.

### A New Beginning

When I walked out of that *Mulaqat*, I was not the same person.

The war no longer defined me.

The trauma no longer held me captive. The struggles of being a new convert no longer unsettled me.

### Allah had allowed me to begin again, through Khilafat.

That meeting with Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) became the moment my heart truly healed. It became the moment I understood that Allah's plan had never abandoned me; it had been guiding me all along, even through the darkest chapters of my life. It was the moment that taught me that true peace is not the absence of hardship, it is the presence of divine love.

From that day, I learned a truth I will carry forever: life will have its ups and downs, our *Deen* (faith) will be tested, and we will face challenges that shake us to our core. But if we remain connected to Khilafat, if we hold fast to the rope of Allah through His blessed guidance, we will always be healed, uplifted, and saved. Allah's mercy flows through Khilafat like a river that never runs dry, reaching every corner of our hearts, even where pain has left deep scars.

Through the mercy of Allah and the blessings of Khilafat, I felt the fullness of His love in a way that words can hardly capture. I felt safe, I felt at home, I felt whole. The child who had cried silently under the shadow of war, the young convert who had feared she did not belong, all of them were embraced and healed.

And so, I walk forward with a heart that knows both the fragility and the resilience of life, with gratitude that runs deeper than I can ever express. Allah's plan is perfect, His timing flawless, and His love boundless. Through Khilafat, I have been given a gift beyond measure, a connection that nurtures, protects, and transforms, and a reminder that no matter what storms come, His mercy will always guide me home.

# Acceptance of Islam by a Friend of The Holy Prophet

May peace and blessings of Allah be on him

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There was a friend of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him) named ʿĪmād (ضماد) during the Period of Ignorance (before Islam). Hazrat Abu Bakr, Hakeem Ibn Ḥizām and ʿĪmād were best friends of the Holy Prophet during the Period of Ignorance. He was a nice gentleman. He was an exorcist and knew contemporary medicine and he used to treat people. He used to travel in search of cures. Once he returned to Mecca from a journey and heard from people that his friend Muhammad had gone mad. He said, “I go and see him. Perhaps God will heal him with my hand.”

So, he went to the Holy Prophet and said,

“O Muhammad! I know to exorcise the devil and people get well too. If you have this ailment, let me treat you.”

The Holy Prophet said, “Listen to our declaration first.”

Saying this, the Holy Prophet recited:

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ نَحْمَدُهُ وَنَسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ سُورِ  
أَنْفُسِنَا وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ أَعْمَالِنَا مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضِلَّ لَهُ وَمَنْ يَضِلَّ  
فَلَا هَادِيَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ

مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

Translation: All praise belongs to Allah. We too glorify Him. We seek His help and His forgiveness of sins. We believe in Him and put our trust in Him. We beseech His protection from the mischiefs of our souls and the faults of our deeds. Whomsoever Allah guides, no one can lead him astray and whomsoever He causes to go astray, no one can guide him. I bear witness that [there is none worthy of worship except Allah. He is One and has no partner. I bear witness that] Muhammad is His servant and His Messenger.

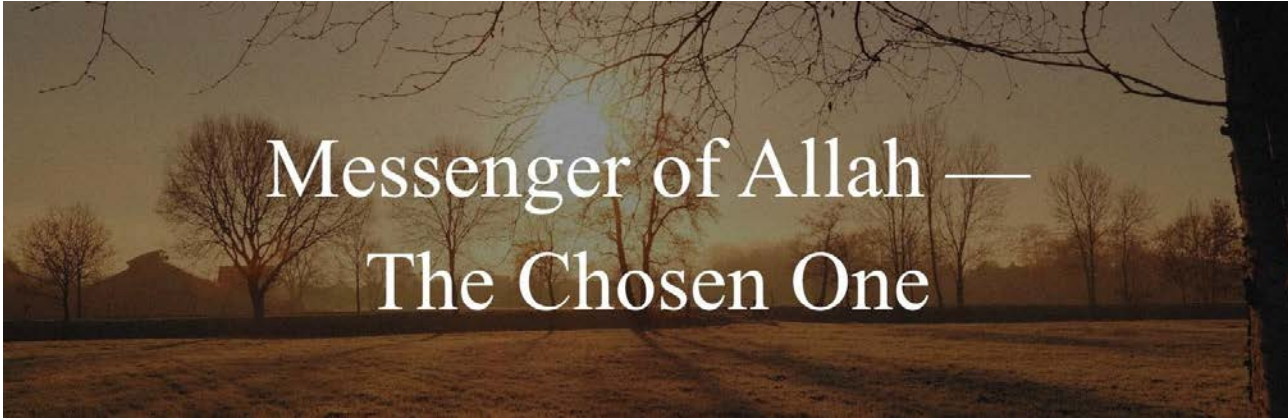
ʿĪmād heard and said, “Recite these words again.”

The Holy Prophet recited them again. ʿĪmād requested to recite for the third time, which the Holy Prophet did. At last, ʿĪmād said,

“By God! I have heard the priests and have heard the stories of the travelers, and have heard compositions of poets, but I have never heard such words from anyone. By God, these words are like the ocean. O Muhammad! extend your hand. I pledge allegiance to you on Islam on behalf of myself as well as from my people.” (Translated from Al-Fazl, 13 August 1929, p. 6)



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The Messenger of Allah came to this world,  
Generous and kind, His flag unfold.  
He demonstrated morals high and true,  
The compassion and care  
Beyond compare,  
Mercy that reflected Allah's Grace,  
Shining like the light in every place.

He was the Light of the East, the light,  
Sent at the perfect time to guide to the right.  
To save you, me, and all beyond,  
They tried to stop Him with evil and false.  
But He remained radiant, full of light,  
Guiding hearts and minds to freedom.  
-Freedom of evil, idols, and ignorance

They tried to rid themselves of Him,  
But His light within would never dim.  
Muhammad, the Guided One,  
The First of Worshipers, He has won.  
Awaited for ages, He came to enlight,  
Abolishing falsehood and bringing the light.  
He rose to the top, a Prophet's crown,  
The Seal of the Prophets, until the end of times.

He is a mercy for all the worlds,  
Mercy for creation, answering the call.  
We have clear signs, both seen and known,  
He was trustworthy, and His heart was shown.  
Before Allah revealed His mission,  
He was the one who we waited for.

He is Ta-Ha, the Perfect Man,  
Moral and spiritual, the nobleman.

Most Deserving of Praise, so true,  
For all He endured, for me and you.  
The Noble Prophet, pure and wise,  
In every aspect, He was our prize.

He rose to kingship but humbly stayed,  
As an unlettered one,  
He brought the Quran, a sacred word,  
A book of wisdom, yet never heard.  
Not even to educated men,  
This was proof from Allah above,  
He is the Chosen One, the One with the Sign.

The Bearer of Good News, He came,  
To all of humanity, He brought the same,  
The guardian of peace, His heart so pure,  
The distributor of justice, forever sure.  
The custodian of rights, He stood so tall,  
A champion of all time.

He came as the Warner, showing the way,  
Forewarning humanity of their despair.  
He showed them actions leading astray,  
Calling them back to the light of faith.  
He manifested Allah's signs so clear.,  
In the best way for all who wanted to hear.

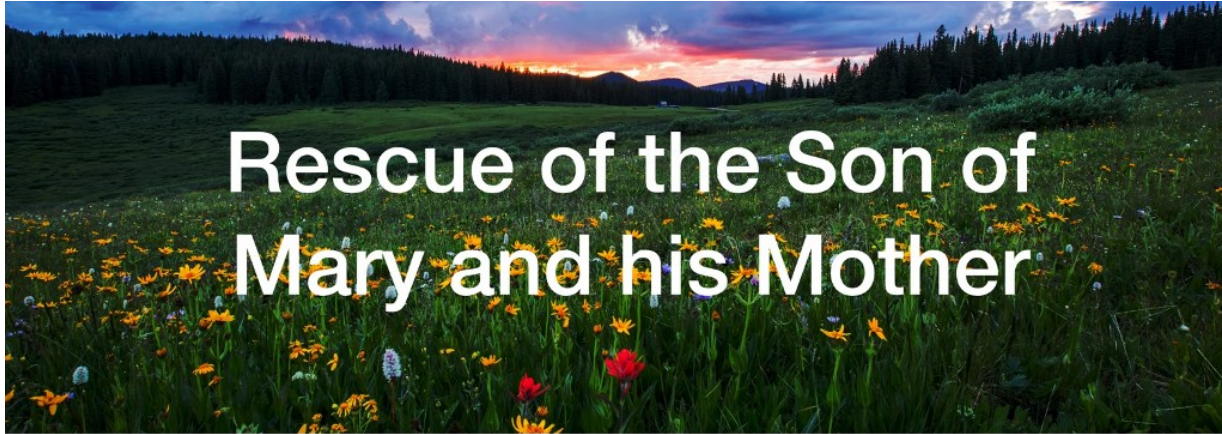
He was the First Muslim to bow,  
Submitting to Allah, with all his being.  
The First of Believers,  
Who truly accepted all Allah's command  
A Caller to God from first day to last,  
He sacrificed all.  
He gave everything he possessed.

He is a Witness to Islam's truth,  
 Unstoppable and steadfast from his youth.  
 An advisor and friend to all beforehand,  
 Faithful, loyal to everyone ahead.  
 He spent His life as the Warner of truth,  
 Asking for good in all we do.

He is the Bringer of Glad Tidings,  
 When there were none,

He brought justice, rights for all,  
 He was always the Chosen One.

Thousands of salutations upon Him,  
 The Prophet of Islam.  
 The days are near, the time is right,  
 When all will know, with every sight,  
 You are the Chosen One,  
 The True Friend to Humankind.



## Rescue of the Son of Mary and his Mother

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Allah revealed the hidden truth about Jesus, son of Mary and his mother to His Prophet Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him) in the Holy Qur'an, saying:

وَجَعَلْنَا ابْنَ مَرْيَمَ وَأُمَّهُ آيَةً وَآوَيْنَاهُمَا إِلَى رَبْوَةٍ  
 ذَاتِ قَرَارٍ وَمَعِينٍ

And We made the son of Mary and his mother a Sign, and We rescued them and helped them reach an elevated land, a restful place with springs of running water. (23[Al-Mu'minun]: 51)

Hazrat 'Isa (Jesus), peace be on him, survived crucifixion and was rescued to the valley of Kashmir, an elevated land, a restful place with springs of running waters. His mother, Mary, was with him as explained by the Promised Messiah, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (may peace be on him) in his various writings. The Promised Messiah writes the translation of the above verse of the Holy Qur'an:

"We delivered 'Isā and his mother from the hands

of the Jews and conveyed them to a high mountain which was a place of comfort and elegance and had springs of clear water in it." [Haqīqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Divine Revelation), Islam International Publications, UK, Edition 2023, p. 119]

The Promised Messiah explains further:

"We gave shelter to 'Isa and his mother after Jews had tyrannized them and wanted to crucify Hadrat 'Isā [Jesus] (may peace be on him), and helped them both reach a mountain which was higher than the rest of the mountains—namely, the Mountain of Kashmir—a region with refreshing water and a place of great amenities and comfort." [Haqīqat-ul-Wahy (The Philosophy of Divine Revelation), Islam International Publications, UK, Edition 2023, p. 298]

Wikipedia writes under "The Ahmadiyya View:"

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad stated in his writings that Jesus (under the name of Yuz Asaf) traveled to Kashmir after his ministry, married, and lived to an old age before dying and was buried at Roza Bal, a shrine in Srinagar.

The belief is supported by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and by some writers who cite Kashmiri oral traditions and interpretations of various religious texts.

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, resident of Qadian, has written in numerous books on this issue; two of them are mentioned here:

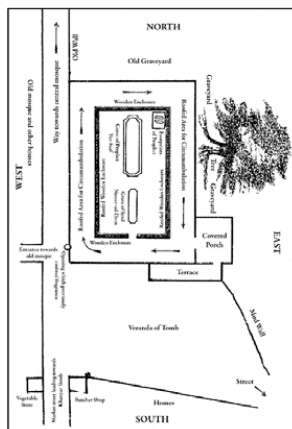
### Rāz-e-Ḥaḳīqat (The Hidden Truth)

In the epilogue of this book, the Promised Messiah presents the true and accurate biographical findings of the life of Jesus. He also attached a sketch of Roza Bal, the shrine of Jesus, which is located at Khanyar Quarter in the downtown area of Srinagar city in Kashmir, India. The Promised Messiah says:

By the grace and mercy of God Almighty, in order to humiliate our opponents and establish the truthfulness of this author, it has been proven without a shadow of doubt that the grave of Yuz Asaf, situated in Mohalla Khanyar, Srinagar, is in actuality the grave of Jesus, peace be upon him. The Ointment of Jesus, mentioned in more than a thousand books of medicine, constitutes the foremost evidence that the Messiah, peace be upon him, was delivered from crucifixion and did not die on the cross. Setting forth the details of this ointment, physicians have openly affirmed that:

“This ointment is prepared for injuries caused by falls and all other sorts of wounds. It was prepared for the wounds of Jesus, peace be upon him, namely, the wounds be sustained to his hands and feet.” [Rāz-e-Ḥaqīqat (The Hidden Truth), Islam International Publications, UK, Edition 2016, p. 29]

This is the tomb of ‘Isa, peace be upon him, who is also known by the names Yasu, Jesus and Yuz Asaf. According to the testimony of the elders of Kashmir, the tomb has existed in Mohalla Khanyar, Srinagar for nearly 1900 years. [Rāz-e-Ḥaqīqat (The Hidden Truth), Islam International Publications, UK, Edition 2016, p. 43]



### Masīh Hindustān Meīn (Jesus in India)

In this treatise, the Promised Messiah puts forward the following view:

The theme is the escape of Jesus from death on the cross, and his journey to India in search of the lost tribes of Israel. Christian as well as Muslim scriptures, and old medical and historical books, including ancient Buddhist records, provide evidence about this journey. Jesus is shown to have reached Afghanistan and to have met the Jews who had settled there after deliverance from the bondage of Nebuchadnezzar. From Afghanistan, Jesus went on to Kashmir, where other Israelite tribes had settled. There he made his home, and there in time he died; his tomb has been found in Srinagar. [Masīh Hindustān Meīn (Jesus in India), Islam International Publications, UK, Edition 2016, p. Inside of front cover]

### Story of the Discovery of the Tomb

Khalifa Abdul Manan, grandson of Khalifa Noor-ud-Din (Jamuni) narrated to the author that his grandfather Noor-ud-Din of Jalalpur Jattan, District Gujrat, traveled to Bhera in his adolescent age to learn Qur’an and the teaching of Islam from a renowned scholar, Hazrat Hakeem Maulawi Noor-ud-Din, before the advent of Promised Messiah (may peace be on him). When Hazrat Hakeem Maulawi Noor-ud-Din (may Allah be pleased with him) served as Royal Physician under Maharaja Ranbeer Singh in Jammu, he [Noor-ud-Din of Jalalpur Jattan] was also taken along with him and was assisting Hazrat Maulawi Noor-ud-Din, his namesake. To remove the confusion, the Maharaja started calling him ‘Khalifa’ of Hazrat Hakeem Maulawi Noor-ud-Din.

While Khalifa Noor-ud-Din of Jalalpur Jattan was assisting Hazrat Hakeem Maulawi Noor-ud-Din in the medical affairs of the state, one day he was in Srinagar city on an official duty, when he heard from the local people that the Shrine

(Roza Bal) is in fact the grave of Jesus (may peace be on him). On his way back to Jammu, he narrated the information to his master, Hazrat Hakeem Maulawi Noor-ud-Din. This important information was conveyed to the Promised Messiah in Qadian. Under the auspices of the Promised Messiah, research and documentation of traditions surrounding the shrine were initiated.

It is stated that Khalifa Noor-ud-Din stayed approximately four months in Srinagar along with a team, gathered information and obtained witnesses and signatures of more than five hundred locals. Since then, Khalifa Noor-ud-Din is revered as a Researcher of the Tomb of Jesus in Kashmir.

His progeny has always and till today used the title “Khalifa” before their names. It is worth mentioning that his daughter Ghulam Fatima was the grandmother of my wife, Maryam Siddiqua (Maryam Mahmud after marriage to me)

### International Conference London 1978 on “Deliverance of Jesus Christ from the Cross”—A Significant Event, a Landmark and a Milestone

On the initiation of Imam B.A. Khan Rafiq, Missionary In-Charge UK, an international conference named “Deliverance of Jesus Christ from Cross” was held in London during the caliphate of Khalifatul-Masih III, Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, at the Commonwealth Institute, which was attended by scholars of various faiths.

The conference focused on the Ahmadiyya Muslim point of view that Jesus survived the crucifixion, traveled east, and eventually died a natural death in Kashmir, an elevated land of flowing waters.

The event featured presentations by scholars like Prof. Fida Hassnain, Andreas Faber Kaiser, Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, Sahibzada Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad, and research scholars from various principal faiths representing countries from around the world, as

well as a keynote address by Ahmadiyya Muslim Caliph at that time, Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, who traveled from Headquarters Rabwah, Pakistan to London. The last day of the conference was set aside for the keynote address of Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him). The event was widely published by newspapers. The London Mission also received threatening letters.

The conference was held from June 2nd to 4th, 1978. The conference reopened the debate surrounding the crucifixion of Jesus, which had gained new momentum with the discovery of the "Shroud of Turin," in Italy. Two of the scholars of the conference are introduced here:

**Prof. Dr. Fida Muhammad Hassnain (1924 – 2016)**

One of the speakers was Professor Dr. Fida Hassnain who was born in Srinagar, the city that is home to the Tomb of Jesus. He was a historian, an archeologist, and an authority on the tomb of Jesus. He authored many books such as "Beautiful Valley of Kashmir" and "A Search for the Historical Jesus." He mastered the post-crucifixion life of Jesus Christ and provided tangible evidence that the Shrine of the Roza Bal is the Tomb of Jesus.

**Andreas Faber-Kaiser (1944-1994)**

He was a Spanish philosopher, journalist, and ufologist. He was the director and editor of the award-winning magazine «Mundo Desconocido». He wrote a book entitled "Jesus Died in Kashmir: Jesus, Moses and the Ten Lost Tribes of Israel." This book was published in 1977. How wonderful that several people, including him, have taken the time to investigate and report on the real Jesus. He found a group of people living in Kashmir today who identify themselves as the children of Israel and venerate Jesus's tomb. Among them is a living descendant of Jesus with a complete family tree tracing his descent over 2000 years. In his book, he writes a chapter "Mary was buried in Pakistan"...leaving Taxila, Mary and Thomas\*\* traveled

towards Kashmir; Mary was not to experience the so called "Heaven on Earth." Not being able to bear the hardship of the long journey, Mary died at what is now the small town of Murree [Pakistan], which was named in honor of her and is situated about 40 miles from Taxila and 30 miles from Rawalpindi [Pakistan]. The place where she is buried is known as Pindi Point. The sepulcher itself is called Mai Mari da Asthan, meaning "Resting place of Mother Mary." According to Jewish custom, the tomb is oriented east-west, as are the tombs of Jesus and Moses. This contrasts with the customary orientation of Muslim Tombs, which are North-South.



\*\* Thomas was one of the twelve apostles of Jesus, who traveled with him and was one of the closest followers.

**Some Extracts from Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him)**

The international conference in London was held under the auspices of Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad Khalifatul-Masih III, as mentioned above. In addition to his keynote address, he shared the details and consequences of the conference on the Annual Convention 1978. Some of his extracts regarding this subject, before and after the London conference, are given below:

"Some time ago, three hundred scientists researched the 'Shroud of Christ' and proved that Hadrat 'Isā [Jesus Christ] (may peace be on him) was taken down alive from the cross and his wounds were dressed in the ointments. He came out alive from the cave in which he was kept. These scientists are Christians and some of them are atheists and are residents of Europe. Their names are not disclosed because some Christian powers may have them killed. Nevertheless, they proved from their research that Christ came out of the cave alive and went somewhere. We say to the Christians. You do not know where your Messiah went. And, the Messiah of Muhammad has told you that he had gone to Kashmir." (Translated from Khitabat-e-Nasir, vol. 2, p. 158)

Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah shower His mercy on him), while addressing the Annual Convention on December 27, 1978 said:

"The event that stood out before us this year was the London Conference. The subject of the London Conference was the 'Deliverance of Christ from the Cross,' that is, the Holy Qur'an told us, according to our faith and our light of wisdom, that the Jews failed in their dangerous plan that they kill one of God's messengers by hanging him on the cross and make it known in the world that he was cursed and the curse of Allah was upon him. In our view, neither was Messiah [Jesus Christ] cursed nor was he was under the curse of God. He was one of the eminent prophets from the prophets of God, and he was a

beloved of God, who loved Him and sacrificed everything for Him. Apart from a few years in the beginning, of one hundred and twenty years, he spent eighty years calling people towards one God and in preparation for the acceptance of Muhammad (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him). Not thirty, yes, for about ninety years. For eighty-seven years, he walked on his feet; a horse was given to him once, he said, 'Will I take care of the horse or God's people?' I will go in the same manner every day."

"The main benefit of the conference was that the Christian world, which was sleeping comfortably, due to the ascendancy or wealth that the wisdom of God Almighty had given them for centuries... This conference has shaken the Christian World..."

"The conference was widely publicized and made a great impact on the world. All the contemporary scholars have written in their books that the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) revealed to the world for the first time the fact that Jesus did not die on the cross." (Translated from *Khitabat-e-Nasir*, vol. 2, pp. 342-344)

"Many Christian scholars have proved after their research that the Messiah [Jesus Christ] (peace be upon him) was a beloved messenger of God and we respect him from the core of our hearts as we do for other messengers of God. Jesus was a servant of God Almighty, [he was] not God, and he had come

down from the cross alive. He had been sent by God to fulfill His mission, that is, to gather the lost sheep of the Jews. To achieve this goal, God Almighty bestowed him a long life because the lost sheep of the Israelites (Jews) were spread over a vast area from Jerusalem to Afghanistan, India, and the mountains of Kashmir. He traveled long distances to convey the message to them, and since the Messenger of God Almighty sent him for this purpose. God Almighty does not inflict death until He establishes the foundation of that purposefulness. Therefore, God Almighty saved him from the cross and showed the world the sign of His power and gave him the opportunity to fulfill the mission, that is, to gather the lost sheep of the Jews. This is not only our belief but now the great priests have also researched and proved that Jesus Christ came down alive from the cross and migrated to Kashmir. He also went to other places where he was called by the name of Yuz Asaf." (Translated from *Khitabat-e-Nasir*, vol. 2, pp. "235-236)

"The papers that were read out at the London Conference were from countries, Czechoslovakia, Kashmir, England, and Spain. An Ahmadi Muslim came from the United States, and there was Chaudhry Sahib [Hazrat Muhammad Zafrulla Khan (may Allah be pleased with him)], and the missionary in-charge, Bashir Ahmad

Khan Rafiq. The paper from [Sahibzada] Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad was very good, all the articles were good, and at the end, I addressed." (Translated from *Khatabat-e-Nasir*, vol. 2, p. 341)

Kings, through oppression, had forcefully evicted ten Israelite tribes from around Jerusalem towards various locations in Kashmir, India and Iran. Out of the twelve, these ten tribes were not in Jerusalem at the time of the appearance of Jesus. On his migration there, he accomplished two great tasks. One that preached among these ten Jewish tribes who had abandoned the Jewish Law and had his prophethood accepted and brought them back to the Mosaic Law. (Translated from *Khatabat-e-Nasir*, vol. 2, pp. 371-372)

"Albeit, Srinagar is a very famous place in Kashmir. Most of you know. Most are aware of a locality called Khanyar in Srinagar. The neighborhood of Khanyar is there. The Promised Messiah (may peace be upon him) received knowledge from God Almighty and announced to the world that there is a grave in Khanyar of a Prophet Yuz Asaf. It is the grave of Jesus (may peace be on him). There is an old Jamā'at [of Ahmadiyya Community], but there was no suitable abode. Now a movement has spread in full swing, that Jesus has died who was the Messenger of God. May God Almighty have mercy on him, and with other prophets raise him to new heights every day. (Translated from *Khatabat-e-Nasir*, vol. 2, p. 416)

## Keynote Address of Khalifatul-Masih III in the International Conference on the Deliverance of Jesus From the Cross



Addressing the final session of the International Conference on the Deliverance of Jesus from the Cross, Khalifatul-Masih III, declared that the unity of God is the fundamental reality of the universe and terrible ruins awaited those who failed to recognize this and accept Islam.



Central to Ahmadiyya Muslim belief is their claim that Jesus did not die on the Cross but recovered and journeyed to India in search of the Lost Tribes of Israel, dying there at a ripe old age. His tomb is in Srinagar, Kashmir.

On the second day of the conference, a resolution was unanimously passed by 600 delegates attending, calling on the

Indian Government to permit "reverential investigation" of the tomb. It was identified by the founder of the movement, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad.



We recognize the tremendous achievements of science and technology, but it cannot be denied that these achievements also constitute a threat of ruin and destruction. The only way of deliverance from the ruin threatened by our own handiwork is that we should place our hand in the hand of God. Then, totally discarding the worship of idols and of men and our own ego, and every type of associating partners with God, we should all gather together under the shade of the mercy of the one true God.

In the course of his long and erudite address, he drew upon both biblical and Quranic references to attack what he described as the "myths on which the doctrine of the godhead of Jesus has been constructed."

"God is one and without associate," he said. "He has no son and no consort. He alone is worthy of worship by all who are on the earth and in heaven."

"Christians subscribed to the doctrine that God so loved the world that, to bestow salvation upon man, he placed the burden of the sins of the whole mankind upon his son,

Jesus, and made him accused by bringing about his death upon the Cross and subsequently resurrecting him. In this way, the supposed conflict between the divine attribute of justice, demanding punishment, and mercy, demanding forgiveness, was resolved."



"Islam considers that this design offends against reason and is unacceptable from every point of view," he said. Looked at from the point of view of justice, it was clearly unjust that an innocent one should be punished for the sins of the guilty. From the point of view of spiritual philosophy, sin meant rebellion against God and his commandments and becoming bereft of his love. How, he asked, could man win through to the obedience and love if God by depriving his son of it?"

"Islam teaches that perfect recognition of God is the root of fear and love and appreciation of Him. Man's true love of God attracts the love of God. Such true and perfect love cannot subsist along with the wrath of God and the fire of hell."

"He who is bestowed perfect fear and perfect love is safeguarded against all sin, inasmuch as sin proceeds from fearlessness and daring."

"This is true salvation and for such salvation, we do not stand in

need of any blood or any crucifixion, nor do we need an atonement. All that we need is the sacrifice of the ego," he said.

"Salvation does not mean merely deliverance from the punishment of sin. Salvation means the achievement of that eternal prosperity after which human nature thirsts, and which can be acquired only through the establishment of a true and a strong relationship with God."

"The doctrine that divine justice cannot be fulfilled without atonement is meaningless, and it is a fallacy that justice and mercy cannot be combined in the Divine Being."

"On the question of an associate

of God, he said: "The unity of God has been repeatedly proclaimed in the Bible. Prophet after prophet was raised to establish the unity of the Divine. Not a single prophet in Israel announced that God had any associate. In the idiom of the Bible, men have often been called the son of God, he occupies no higher status than those who were also called sons of God."

"The Holy Qur'an has affirmed the truth by pronouncing that Jesus was delivered from death on the Cross and was safeguarded against an accursed death."

"It is universally understood that a person can be called accursed only if his heart turns away from God. The Christians could not have

reflected on the meaning of becoming accursed at the time of inventing this doctrine, for if they had done so, it is not possible that they should have used this expression for a righteous one like Jesus," he said.

"Such a concept is not only inconsistent with the station of prophethood and Messenger ship of Jesus, but is also inconsistent with his claim of excellence and holiness and love and recognition of the Divine, which is repeatedly mentioned in the Gospels." (Sunday Mercury, special souvenir on Ahmadiyya Muslim Movement Conference, issue June 11, 1978)



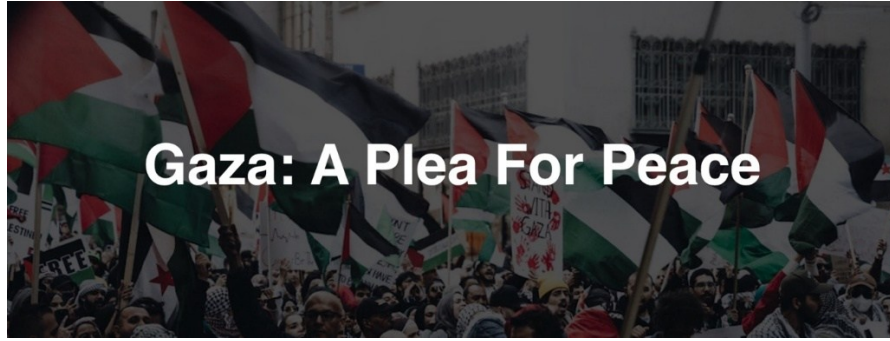
Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) commented on Surahs Al-Ikhlās, Al-Falaq, and An-Nas at the end of Ramadan on 18 February 1931.

Some people are such if they comprehend a point from the Holy Qur'an, they are not satisfied until the person delivering the Dars [study, discussion, lesson] does not state that point. Many people wrote to me that a certain deliverer of Dars did not relate a certain point of the Holy Qur'an. Reading the notes from such people, I am reminded of the story that the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) used to narrate.

There was a woman who was very fond of exhibiting her things, but no one ever praised her. She made ornaments, but since she was a poor woman, her ornaments were also humble, therefore, the wealthy people did not pay attention. Observing that none of her

ornaments were appreciated at all, she set her house on fire. At this, all the women of the neighborhood gathered and started asking her, "Sister, did anything survive?" She said, "Only this ring has been spared." Yet, no one paid any attention to it due to the panic. After all, despite such a situation, a woman deemed it necessary to ask her, "Sister, when did you have this ring made?" Hearing this, she cried out, "Why would my house have burned if you had asked before?"

Thus, some people cannot tolerate it if one does not state the point that they have discovered. They remain restless until their particular point is stated, and they say, "Why did the one who delivered the Dars not mention what we found from the Holy Qur'an?" That is, as if the Holy Qur'an is not narrated unless their point is mentioned. (Translated by the Editor from Al-Fazl, 26 February 1931, p. 6)



## Gaza: A Plea For Peace

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In the 20 June 2025 episode of “This Week with Huzoor,” Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah support him with His mighty help) responded to a question by emphasizing that Muslim countries must unite, and that Muslim leaders must go beyond issuing statements of condemnation. He stated that such words alone are not enough. (This Week with Huzoor – 20 June 2025 [YouTube Video].) His call reminds us that statements alone do not shield the suffering, nor do they fulfill our duty to those in need. This reflection is offered in that spirit—to keep Gaza in our prayers, to share the words of His Holiness, and to uphold the sacred trust placed upon us.

As the Holy Qur’an declares:  
 وَفِي أَمْوَالِهِمْ حَقٌّ لِّلسَّائِلِ وَالْمَحْرُومِ

“And in their wealth was a share for one who asked for help and for one who could not.” (Qur’an 51:20, Translation by Hazrat Maulawi Sher Ali)

This verse reminds us that compassion is not merely a virtue—it is a responsibility. It affirms the dignity of those in need, whether their suffering is visible or quietly endured. The suffering in Gaza continues to deepen, as recent reports reveal the scale of famine and urgent humanitarian need.

The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) confirmed that famine was officially declared in the Gaza Governorate on August 15, 2025. (The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) confirmed and Famine was officially declared in Gaza Governorate on August 15, 2025

(UN News, 2025))

Many Muslims feel that Gaza’s suffering is not fully conveyed in Western media, but the pain is real, and it calls for our constant prayers. The cries of children echo through broken homes. Families who have lost everything still hold on to hope—and to their prayers. In the silence, their faith speaks louder than words.

### Moral Leadership in a Time of Crisis

His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) and worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, has spoken with unwavering clarity on the crisis in Gaza and about hostages held by Hamas. His Holiness said:

“At this time, I would like to make an appeal for prayers, relating to the conditions of the world today. Over the past few days, the war between Hamas and Israel has been ongoing, due to which civilians on both sides, including women, children and the elderly, are being killed or have already been killed without distinction. Even in times of war, Islam does not permit the killing of women, children, or anyone that is not engaged in the fighting. This is something which the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be on him) has given very strict guidance on. The world is saying, and certain evidence

also shows, that Hamas initiated this war and is guilty of killing Israeli civilians indiscriminately.”

He continued,

“Despite the fact that the Israeli army has previously killed many innocent Palestinians in this manner, Muslims, however, must still act according to the teachings of Islam. The Israeli army is responsible for its own actions, and other methods could have been adopted to resolve the issue. If a war is warranted, then it can be fought between armies, not with women, children, and the innocent. Thus, the actions of Hamas were wrong; it has caused far greater harm than any benefit. Nonetheless, the response to all that has happened and the war should have remained limited to Hamas and that, in reality, is what would constitute true bravery and courage. However, now the actions being taken by the Israeli government are also very dangerous. It seems as if there is no end to this situation. The innumerable number of innocent lives of women and children that will be lost is unfathomable.”

(Alislam.org, from the Summary of the Friday Sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, 13 October 2023)

In January 2024, His Holiness said,

“I have been continuously reminding members to pray for Palestine. Remember the people there [in your prayers]. Continue to raise your voices for them in your immediate circles and speak to others in this regard, especially politicians, as I mentioned earlier. It does not seem that the government of Israel will desist from its cruelties. In fact, it has sent a message to its soldiers that the year 2024 is also a year of war. May Allah the Almighty bestow His mercy upon the Palestinians. Now, it is also being said that there is a risk that the war will spread to a wider region, after which a world war could break out. They have started to bombard the area around Beirut as well; they continue to exceed and transgress. Although the American government is apparently calling upon them to limit their warfare, these seem to be mere words with no weight. These are weak and muted voices. It seems that their real plan is to drive out the Palestinians from Gaza and take over the land. May Allah the Almighty bestow His mercy upon the Palestinians and Muslims. May He enable the Muslims to come to reason and also to hearken to and accept the call of the Imam of the Age [The Promised Messiah, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, Founder of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community].” (AlIslam.org, English translation of the Friday Sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, 5 January 2024)

In an article published by Al-Hakam titled “Ahmadiyya missionary attends Vatican inauguration events and conveys

message on Gaza crisis,” we learned that His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad also wrote to Pope Leo XIV on this matter. The article states: “On Monday, 19 May 2025, a private audience was held for leaders and representatives of world religions. On this occasion, my humble self [Ataul Wasih Tariq, Missionary-In-Charge Jamā‘at Italy] conveyed a letter addressed to Pope Leo XIV from the worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad Khalifatul-Masih V. The letter extended greetings of peace and urged His Holiness to use his esteemed position and global moral influence to raise awareness regarding the humanitarian crisis unfolding in Gaza and the widespread suffering caused by ongoing wars around the world.” (Al-Hakam, 26 May 2025. <https://www.alhakam.org/ahmadiyya-missionary-vatican-inauguration-gaza/>)

Al-Hakam shared the insights from the Friday Sermon delivered on 13 June 2025, in which Khalifatul-Masih (may Allah support him with His mighty help) addressed the Friday congregation and appealed for prayers in light of dire situation of the world:

“The Israeli government seems determined to inflict harm upon all the Muslim countries, one by one. And the Muslim world remains heedless. They are engrossed in worldly pursuits and personal development and completely oblivious to what lies ahead. Neither do the Muslims have the right practices, nor do they focus on prayers. In such circumstances, they will incur such a loss that they cannot even imagine. May Allah the Almighty grant them wisdom, and may they pay heed towards this and seek to establish their unity. It should not be the case that, simply due to their sectarian differences, they

do not extend help to one another. Every country is in danger because the disbelievers have all united as one, and thus, the Muslims also ought to become united as one nation. It is only then that they can survive, and there is no other option besides this. May Allah the Almighty protect all those who are innocent and those being oppressed from significant harm. We have to pay a great deal of attention towards prayers. May Allah the Almighty grant us the ability to do so.”

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being oppressed from significant harm. We have to pay a great deal of attention towards prayers. May Allah the Almighty grant us the ability to do so.” (Alislam.org, English translation of the Friday Sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, 13 June 2025)

### Faith in Action: Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

On December 4, 2023, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community launched “Voices for Peace” Campaign from Capitol Hill to call for an End to the Gaza Conflict. The campaign’s goals are a ceasefire, the release of hostages, humanitarian aid, and long-term peace. (On 30 November 2023, Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA launched the campaign: Muslims Launch ‘Voices for Peace’ Campaign from Capitol Hill to Call for End to Gaza Conflict - True Islam), True Islam, Voices for peace: Friday sermon on 13 October 2023 by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, <https://trueislam.com/campaigns/voicesforpeace/>)

### Humanity First UK & USA – Gaza Relief

Humanity First continues urgent aid in Gaza, delivering food parcels, clean water, and shelter to displaced families. Their Smiles for Gaza program offers temporary education and emotional support for children. While not involved in negotiations, they’ve publicly called for the safe release of all hostages and unhindered humanitarian access, echoing their January ceasefire appeal. (Humanity First USA. (16 January 2025). Hope for Healing in Gaza - Humanity First USA), Humanity First International. Gaza Ceasefire Deal Finally Achieved)

### Prayer as Protection: Humanity First Volunteers in Gaza

The prayers of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah

support him with His mighty help) are not only guiding words—they are a lifeline for those serving on the ground. As reported by Al-Hakam (2025), volunteers from Humanity First in Gaza have continued their mission despite bombings near their homes. In one harrowing incident, three volunteers narrowly escaped death after feeling a sudden inner prompting to leave an area moments before it was shelled. Their survival is a testament to divine protection and the power of prayer. Their service reminds us that advocacy must be paired with sacrifice, and that prayer is not passive, it is a force for protection and healing. (Al-Hakam, 17 May 2025.

<https://www.alhakam.org/request-for-prayers-for-humanitarian-work-in-gaza/>)

His Holiness once again urged continued attention towards prayers. His Holiness prayed that may Allah the Almighty save the world from disorder. The current situation is volatile; may Allah the Almighty improve these conditions so that they do not worsen any further. (Alislam.org, from the Summary of the Friday Sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V, 20 June 2025)

### Requesting Prayer for Gaza and Hostages

May we continue to keep Gaza in our prayers, remember the hostages who long to reunite with their families, and give what we can to help those in need. May Allah protect every volunteer, aid worker, and doctor under His divine care—those who continue to serve relentlessly, even in the face of danger and despair. Ameen.

On the Friday Sermon of August 29, 2025, His Holiness said to pray for the general state of the world and for its peace. Worldly people are advancing towards destruction due to their own actions.

He also said to pray for the Palestinians. The Israeli government has crossed all bounds in perpetrating cruelties and injustices. It seems they wish to

completely eradicate the Palestinians from the face of the earth. It is a mass killing in all directions. Now, even some politicians and governments of the world are calling for an end to this, however Israel is not prepared to listen even to them. The intoxication of wealth and power has taken Israel, America and their allies to the heights of arrogance and cruelty. Muslim nations are not doing anything either. If they cannot do anything the least they could do is change their own ways and bow down before God. Muslims are also perpetrating injustices against Muslims. May Allah save them from this.

His Holiness said that today, it is the duty of Ahmadis to speak up against injustices, wherever they may be, and to offer prayers. May Allah enable it to be so. (Alislam.org, from the Summary of the Friday Sermon by Hazrat - V, 29 August 2025)

Abdullah ibn Salam relates that he heard the Holy Prophet say:

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ! أَفْشُوا السَّلَامَ, وَصَلُّوا الْأَرْحَامَ, وَأَطْعِمُوا الطَّعَامَ, وَصَلُّوا بِاللَّيْلِ وَالنَّاسُ نِيَامٌ, تَدْخُلُوا الْجَنَّةَ بِسَلَامٍ - (التِّرْمِذِيُّ)

“O ye people, multiply the greeting of peace, feed people, strengthen the ties of kinship and be in Prayer when others are asleep, you will enter Paradise in peace.” (Tirmidhi). [Gardens of the Righteous (Riyadh as-Salihin), Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, International Publication Ltd, UK, pp. 164-165]

I end this article with the words of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him):

“Lord, reform the people of Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).” Ameen. (Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, Tadhkirah, 2018 UK Edition, Islam International Publications UK, Revelation No. 1883, p. 313)



# The Truth About Christmas

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Christmas is a holiday based on a lot of misconceptions, which raises the question: why do people still partake in its festivities?

1. First of all, it is celebrated on the wrong date. Christmas is supposed to be a celebration of Jesus' birthday, and most Christians know from the Bible that he was actually born in late Summer, although they still observe it on December 25th.<sup>1</sup> The reason Christmas is held in December is that Pope Julius I chose the date December 25th, which was the winter solstice celebration. He wanted more people to embrace Christianity, and adding a new holiday (Christmas) on the same day as their old one made it easier for people to accept the new religion.<sup>2</sup>

2. Children are told imaginative stories about how Santa Claus lives in the North Pole and climbs through chimneys bringing toys. "The iconic version of Santa Claus as a jolly man in red with a white beard and a sack of toys was immortalized in 1881" (Pruitt). The creation of this figure to represent Christmas helped corporations earn profit by selling goods under his name.<sup>2</sup>

3. Jingle Bells was not originally a Christmas song.<sup>3</sup>

4. Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer was created by the Montgomery Ward department store to promote their products.<sup>4</sup>

5. Rankin/Bass Productions created Frosty the Snowman in order to market their company.<sup>5</sup>

These examples illustrate how corporations have created Christmas symbols for marketing. Christmas used to be a celebration of Jesus Christ, but what might have started out as the celebration of the birth of a prophet of God has now morphed into a celebration of falsehoods, turning a once-religious celebration into a consumer-driven holiday.

Even though Christmas has drifted away from its original purpose of remembering a prophet of God, spreading kindness, and looking after the poor, Islam still emphasizes the protection of other faiths. As Muslims, we must respect the customs and traditions of other people. So, saying "Merry Christmas" to others is not a forbidden act, it simply illustrates that we care about others' beliefs. And oftentimes, Christians also say "Id Mubarak" to Muslims. However, we should still be particularly cautious not to partake in any Christmas celebrations, since it is technically still a Christian holiday, even if it has been commercialized. Christians do not celebrate 'Id al-Fitr or sacrifice animals on 'Id al-Adha, reminding us that every faith has their own traditions, so rather than adopting their customs or even trying to change them, we should just stay true to ourselves and our beliefs.

Instead of blindly following the latest trends, perhaps we can find more joy by understanding why we celebrate what we do.

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# Can Trump Bring About the 'Golden Age' of America in His Second Term?

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After a historic win during the 2024 election cycle, Donald Trump and J.D. Vance have officially been sworn in as the President and Vice President of the United States, respectively. The presidential inauguration was held on 20 January, coinciding with the federal holiday of Dr Martin Luther King Jr Day, which commemorates the nation's civil rights leaders.

President Trump's speech announced several executive orders he will immediately put into place, and committed to many within a day of the inauguration. The executive orders mainly revolved around immigration, national security, and the economy. Many of these executive orders follow up on Trump's promises during his presidential campaign. ("Tracking Trump's executive orders: What he's signed so far," [www.axios.com](http://www.axios.com))

Much debate has arisen among legal experts and citizens alike as to whether these executive orders will achieve Trump's goals throughout his presidency. Trump himself proclaimed that these executive orders will reinvigorate the United States' role as a world superpower, stating that "the Golden Age of America begins right now." ("Trump Proclaims 'The Golden Age of America Begins Right Now'," [www.wsj.com](http://www.wsj.com), 20 January 2025)

As his second term begins, here are some of the key issues and solutions Trump announced during his inauguration speech and first day in office.

**Immigration and the US-Mexico border**

When it came to addressing immigration, much of Trump's rhetoric took a militaristic tone, declaring a national emergency at the US-Mexico border. Deporting millions of "criminal aliens" has always been one of the hallmarks of Trump's politics and the new presidential term will be no different.

Following the inauguration, the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is now no longer restricted from raiding places of worship, schools, and hospitals where undocumented immigrants may be located. The "Remain in Mexico" policy from Trump's previous term was reinstated where asylum seekers cannot enter the US until they are scheduled to appear before US immigration judges.

Furthermore, troops are to be sent to the border to, as Trump puts it, "repel the disastrous invasion of [the] country." To be clear, Trump's border policy is not a far cry from Biden's, but it is nevertheless intent on making ICE a more powerful agency. ("How Trump's plans for mass deportations and ICE raids are playing out," [www.nbcnews.com](http://www.nbcnews.com), 21 January 2025)

While Trump said during his inauguration speech that he would end wars and prevent new ones, much concern grew as he also spoke of designating the Mexican cartels as a foreign terrorist organization.

While this executive order is not declaring war, many have been concerned that the United States is effectively setting a precedent for authorizing the use of military force in a sovereign nation.

Moreover, designating an enemy group as a terrorist organization has historically been reserved for those following a political ideology. The Mexican cartels sharply contrast with such enemies in that the cartels are solely driven by profit. ("Trump's bid to label Mexican cartels 'foreign terrorists' poses risks to companies, migrants," [www.reuters.com](http://www.reuters.com), 21 January 2025)

**Expanding the US territory and economy**

The President's concerns over the region were not limited to Mexico's land territories, but also the Gulf of Mexico and Panama Canal. For the former, the President has signed an executive order to rename the Gulf of Mexico to the Gulf of America. The same executive order renamed Mount Denali in Alaska back to its previous legal name of Mount McKinley. ("Trump renames Gulf of Mexico to Gulf of America. But is it really that easy?" [www.usatoday.com](http://www.usatoday.com), 21 January 2025)

Both name changes are symbolic in nature of restorative justice and American expansionism. The same rings true for the President's plans for the Panama Canal. Trump plans to "take back"

the Panama Canal which, unlike Trump's order regarding Mexican Cartels, has directly involved the threat of military force. ("Trump's ambition to retake the Panama Canal could have a heavy cost," [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com), 21 January 2025)

On multiple occasions, Trump has also expressed his desire to take control of Greenland in the interests of "international security," and although Greenland and Denmark have both rejected the idea, Trump does not seem to be deterred. ("Trump repeats of need to take control of Greenland raises concerns, stirs debate," [www.voanews.com](http://www.voanews.com), 21 January 2025)

Moreover, Trump's inaugural speech called upon the ideal of Manifest Destiny to expand the US territorial reach onto Mars. Manifest Destiny itself is widely debated in the United States' history as it follows the notion that Americans were destined to expand westward into decolonized lands in the name of civilization, all at the expense of indigenous peoples living there.

Additionally, Trump announced the establishment of new government agencies such as the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) and the External Revenue Service (ERS). The goals of DOGE and ERS respectively, are to curb inflation by reducing government spending and collecting tariffs from foreign nations.

The latter is particularly striking since tariffs are paid by American consumers. Trump announced a 25% tariff rate for Canada and Mexico which will be imposed from February 1. Like many other policies, this was considered an active threat to the US's neighbors. Trump also announced plans for a 60% tariff rate on China and a 20% rate on the rest of the world. Many economists warn of a possible trade war and worse inflation rates should Trump's tariffs backfire. ("Trump threatens 25% tariffs on Mexico and Canada on Feb. 1, punting Day 1 pledge," [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com), 21 January 2025)

How should American Muslims react?

For many Americans, Trump's re-election will undoubtedly be a quintessential change to day-to-day life. While his executive orders have received mixed reactions, many are hopeful that the President will improve peace and security.

No matter the case, the Holy Quran guides us to look past relying on world leaders. The Holy Quran states, "And put thy trust in Allah, and Allah is sufficient as a Guardian." (Surah al-Ahzab, Ch. 33: Verse.4)

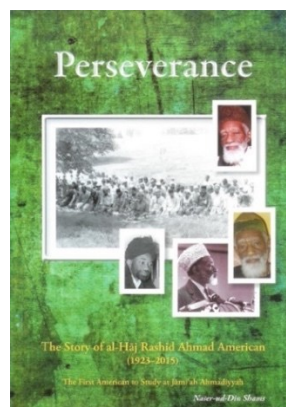
No worldly leader alone can ever hope to safeguard anyone's interest save by the grace of Allah Almighty. Muslim Americans must pray for our leaders to uphold their duties with justice.

Similarly, we must pray for the peace and security of our fellow Americans and the wider world. We must do our job in taking part in the political process and do our most to keep our leaders accountable. We cannot act out of bias or mere opportunism.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper), is the worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He has stated:

"Islam teaches that a Muslim's first loyalty must always be to the truth and so a person must never hide the facts or give false testimony. A person should not be governed by his own personal desires, as this leads to bias and prejudice and takes a person away from what is fair and what is right. This enlightened principle is the means to solve the problems of the world and to transform all forms of hatred into peace, tolerance and mutual respect." ("Muslim leader says justice is a pre-requisite to conflict resolution," [www.pressahmadiyya.com](http://www.pressahmadiyya.com), 25 October 2016)

Ultimately, the outcome of the upcoming Trump administration can depend on our prayers and actions. In due time, we will see whether it will learn from the previous administration or repeat its shortcomings. (Al-Hakam, 23 January 2025)



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# Essay Writing Competitions for 2026

## Rules:

The essay can either be in English or in Urdu.

The scope and extent of coverage of a topic depends on the age of the participants.

The text of the essay must be typed in Word or an equivalent application. Essay should be provided in the original text file and not in a PDF. Pictures and graphics should be attached as graphic files and should not be inserted in the text file.

An essay of more than 1,000 words must have subheadings.

References should be properly mentioned at the end of the essay. Reference to a website is not acceptable if the source is available in print. References to Internet are generally discouraged. References to books should include the following:

1. The author(s), or editor(s)
2. The title (in italics)
3. The edition
4. The publisher's name
5. Year and place of publication

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Must be submitted online via email at [publications@ahmadiyya.us](mailto:publications@ahmadiyya.us). Please mention your phone number to call, your chapter and your auxiliary affiliation.

## Prizes:

Essays will be judged by the auxiliary groups. The top three positions in each group will be awarded prizes. Select submissions will be considered for publication.

## Topics:

### Topic Area: Signs of Latter Days (Submit by 15 May 2026)

- Signs of the latter days in the Holy Quran and their fulfillment
- Signs of the latter days in Hadith and their fulfillment
- Signs of the latter days in Islamic literature and their fulfillment
- Signs of the latter days in world religions and their fulfillment
- Signs of the latter days (comprehensive view, an overview or an aspect)

### Topic Area: Rejuvenation of Islam (Submit by 15 December 2026)

- Concept of God
- Status of the Holy Prophet, may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him
- Beauties of the Holy Quran
- Salvation through Islam
- Death of Jesus - Holy Quran
- Death of Jesus - Hadith
- Death of Jesus - global witness
- Truth of the Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him

### Topic Area: Heavenly Schemes Launched by the Ahmadi Khulafā (Submit by 15 December 2026)

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# History Quiz Competition

## Know Your History Challenge

All competitions will be held by four auxiliary groups: 1. Atfal. 2. Nasirat. 3. Lajna. 4. Khuddam and Ansar.

Chapter Level Competitions to be held in January/February 2026 will advance three members from each group to regional level.

Regional Level Competition to be held in March/April 2026 will advance three members from each group to national level.

National Level Competition to be held in May 2026 will advance the winners and the runners up in each group.

Questions will be posed from the following publications in the order they are listed:

Ahmadiyyat in America (1992)

Ahmadiyya Gazette April-September 2020 (Hundred Years of Ahmadiyyat in the US).

Fath-e-Azeem (the Great Victory) (2023)

Ahmadiyya Gazette USA Centennial Souvenir Edition Oct 2020 – Sep 2021

Ahmadiyya Gazette USA Oct 2021 – Sep 2022 (Special Issue on Inspired Souls)

Ahmadiyya Gazette March-June 2024 on Ahmadiyya Mosques in the US

African American Journey to Islam (2020)

The US Souvenir 1889-1989 (1989)

Khuddam Souvenir (1989)

Jalsa, A Historical Review (75th Jalsa Souvenir)

The Ahmadiyya Gazette May-June 2025 - Jalsa Salana Issue

Ahmadiyya Gazette USA Oct 2022 – Apr 2023 100-Year Timeline of Ahmadiyya Islam in the US

NY Souvenir 1989 (1989)

Annual Report of the Central Lajna Imā'illāh 1981-1982 (English, 1982)

Statistical Charts on the Progress of Ahmadiyyat (English, 1987)

Bait-ur-Rahman Inauguration 1994

US 50th Jalsa Souvenir (1998)

Fulfillment of a Grand Prophecy (2000)

Khuddam 25th Ijtima Anniversary Souvenir (2003)

Bait-ul-Jami Inauguration (2004)

Why Islam is My Choice (2007)

Faith Affirmed – A Journey to Ahmadiyyat Islam (2008)

By the Dawn's Early Light: Short Stories by American Converts to Islam (2009)

Perseverance (2016)

USA Khilafat Centenary Souvenir (2008)

Ahmadiyya Mosques Around the World (2008)

Al-Nur April-September 2020

General Resources: Writings of the Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him (Ruhani Khaza'in), Discourses of the Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him (Malfūzāt), Correspondence of the Promised Messiah, may peace be upon him (Maktoobat-i-Ahmad), Review of Religions, Al-Hakam, Badr/Al-Badr, Al-Fazl, Tarikh-i-Ahmadiyyat, Moslem/Muslim Sunrise (English, since 1921), Ahmadiyya Gazette USA (English, since 1950), Al-Nur USA (Urdu, since 1979) and (publications@ahmadiyya.us)



# National Calendar 2026

**Date(s) ..... Event ..... Local/Region/National ..... Venue**

## January

1 Jan, Thu ..... New Year’s Day ..... Federal Holiday  
 3-4 Jan, Sat-Sun..... Local Jamā’at/Auxiliary Activities Review of 2025 and Plan 2026 activities Local/Aux/Jamā’at  
 3 Jan, Sat, 7 PM ..... Qur’ān Talks ..... Tarbiyat Dept..... Webinar  
 4 Jan, Sun..... Tahrik Jadid Day..... Local..... Jamā’at  
 5-11 Jan, Mon-Sun ..... Tahrik Jadid Week – Pledge Focus..... Local..... Jamā’at  
 10 Jan, Sat ..... National Amila Meeting ..... National Jamā’at..... Zoom Meeting  
 18 Jan, Sun ..... Siratun-Nabi Day ..... Regional ..... Jamā’at  
 19 Jan, Mon ..... Martin Luther King Jr. Day Long Weekend ..... Federal Holiday  
 23-25 Jan, Fri-Sun ..... Ansar Leadership Conference ..... Majlis Ansarullah Bait ur Rahman Mosque, MD  
 21-30 Jan, Wed-Fri..... Ashara Wasiyyat..... Wasaya Dept..... Jamā’at

## February

31 Jan-1 Feb, Sat-Sun .... Local Jamā’at/Auxiliary Activities ..... Local/Aux ..... Jamā’at  
 1-10 Feb, Sun-Tue ..... Salat Ashara..... Tarbiyat Dept..... Jamā’at  
 7 Feb, Sat Quarterly Flyer Distribution (Tabligh, Aux, Waqf-e-Nau).... Local..... Jamā’at  
 7 Feb, Sat 7 P.M. EST..... Quran Talks ..... Tarbiyat Dept..... Webinar  
 7 Feb, Sat ..... Lajna Mentoring Conference National ..... Lajna Imā’illāh ..... Virtual  
 14 Feb, Sat ..... National Amila Meeting ..... National Jamā’at..... Zoom Meeting  
 14-15 Feb, Sat-Sun ..... Muslih Mau’ūd Volleyball Tournament USA ..... Majlis-e-Sihhat ..... South Virginia, VA  
 15 Feb, Sun ..... Beekeeping and Home Gardening ..... Zirā’at (Agriculture Dept) ..... Webinar  
 16 Feb, Mon ..... Presidents’ Day Long Weekend..... Federal Holiday  
 19 Feb-19 Mar, Thu-Thu Ramadan..... Local..... Jamā’at  
 21 Feb, Sat ..... National Education-Webinar ..... Ta’lim Dept..... Webinar  
 22 Feb, Sun ..... Muslih Mau’ūd Day..... Local..... Jamā’at  
 28 Feb, Sat ..... Iftar for Guests – Open House ..... Umūr Khārijiyya Dept..... Jamā’at

## March

28 Feb – 1 Mar, Sat-Sun Local Jamā’at/Auxiliary Activities ..... Local/Aux ..... Jamā’at  
 20 Mar, Fri ..... ‘Id-ul-Fitr..... Local..... Jamā’at  
 21-30 Mar, Sat-Mon ..... Ashara Wasiyyat..... Wasaya Dept..... Jamā’at  
 22 Mar, Sun..... Pathway to Paradise..... Wasaya Dept..... Webinar  
 27-29 Mar, Fri-Sun ..... ACE 2026 ..... Sanat-o-Tijārat Dept ..... Dallas, TX  
 28 Mar, Sat ..... National Amila Meeting ..... National Jamā’at Bait ur Rahman Mosque, MD  
 29 Mar, Sun..... Masih Mau’ūd Day ..... Local..... Jamā’at

## April

1-10 Apr, Wed-Fri	.....Salat Ashara.....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
3-5 Apr, Fri-Sun	.....Local Ijtima (Khuddam and Atfāl).....	MKA.....	Jamā'at
4-5 Apr, Sat-Sun	.....Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	..... Local/Aux	..... Jamā'at
4 Apr, Sat 7 P.M. EST	..Quran Talks .....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar
5 Apr, Sun, 7:30 P.M. ET	.....	Know Your History, Isha'at Dept .....	Zoom
10-12 Apr, Fri-Sun	.....Lajna Mentoring Conference – National.....	Lajna Imā'illāh .....	Columbus, OH
18 Apr, Sat	.....National Education – Webinar .....	Ta'lim Dept.....	Webinar
18-19 Apr, Sat-Sun	.....Ansar Regional Ijtimā'āt.....	Majlis Ansarullah .....	Regional
19 Apr, Sun	.....Organic Home Gardening .....	Zirā'at (Agriculture Dept).....	Webinar
24-26 Apr, Fri-Sun.....	Majlis Shura – USA Jamā'at .....	General Secretary Office	Bait ur Rahman, MD

## May

1-3 May, Fri-Sun	..... Masroor International Sports Tournament (MIST) .	MKA .....	DMV
2-3 May, Sat-Sun	.....Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	..... Local/Aux	..... Jamā'at
2 May, Sat 7 P.M. EST	..Quran Talks .....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar
2-3 May, Sat-Sun	.....Ansar Regional Ijtimā'āt.....	Majlis Ansarullah .....	Regional
3-4 May, Sun-Mon	.....National Seminar and Day on the Hill.....	Umūr Khārījīyya Dept	Bait ur Rahman, MD
9 May, Sat & PM (EST)	..Garments for Each Other .....	Rishta Nata Dept .....	Webinar
9-10 May, Sat-Sun	.....National Waqf-e-Nau Career EXPO Jamā'at USA	Waqf-e-Nau Dept .....	Online/SVA & NVA
9-10 May, Sat-Sun	.....Local Qur'an Conference .....	TaQWA Dept .....	Jamā'at
16 May, Sat	.....National Amila Meeting .....	National Jamā'at.....	Austin, TX
16-17 May, Sat-Sun	.....2 <sup>nd</sup> Khuddam Refresher Course .....	MKA .....	Majālis
21-30 May, Thu-Sat	.....Ashara Wasiyyat.....	Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
22-24 May, Fri-Sun.....	Masroor Cricket Tournament USA .....	Majlis-e-Sihhat .....	Albany, NY
24 May, Sun	.....Khilafat Day.....	Local.....	Jamā'at
25 May, Mon	.....Memorial Day Long Weekend.....	.....	Federal Holiday
27 May, Mon	.....'Id-ul-Adha .....	Local.....	Jamā'at
30 May, Sat	.... Quarterly Flyer Distribution (Tabligh, Aux, Waqf-e-Nau)	Local.....	Jamā'at

## June

1-10 Jun, Mon-Wed	.....Salat Ashara.....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
5-7 June, Fri-Sun	.....13th Annual Holy Qur'ān and Science Sym./MSLM26 ...	National ....	Bethesda Marriott, MD
6 Jun, Sat, 7 P.M. EST	..Quran Talks .....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Webinar
6-7 Jun, Sat-Sun	.....Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	..... Local/Aux	..... Jamā'at
6-7 Jun, Sat-Sun	.....National Education Excellence Day.....	Ta'lim Dept .....	Jamā'at
13 Jun, Sat	.....National Amila Meeting .....	National Jamā'at.....	Zoom Meeting
15-19 Jun, Mon-Fri	.....National Youth Camp .....	Ta'lim Dept .....	Bait ur Rahman, MD
20-24 Jun, Sat-Wed.....	National Waqf-e-Nau Summer Camps (Boys) ....	Waqf-e-Nau Dept .....	Los Angeles, CA
20-24 Jun, Sat-Wed.....	National Waqf-e-Nau Summer Camps (Girls)....	Waqf-e-Nau Dept .....	Bait ur Rahman, MD
21 Jun, Sat	.....Pathway to Paradise.....	Wasaya Dept.....	Webinar
27-28 Jun, Sat-Sun	.....Spiritual Fitness Camps.....	Tarbiyat Dept.....	Jamā'at
27 Jun, Sat	.....National Education – Webinar .....	Ta'lim Dept.....	Webinar
28 Jun, Sun, 7:30 P.M. ET	..... Know Your History .....	Isha'at Dept .....	Zoom

## July

4 Jul, Sat	.....Independence Day .....	.....	Federal Holiday (Closed July 3 <sup>rd</sup> )
3-5 Jul, Fri-Sun	.....Jalsa Salana USA .....	National .....	Richmond, VA
10-12 Jul, Fri-Sun	.....Jalsa Salana Canada	.....	.....
11-12 Jul, Sat-Sun.....	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities .....	Local/Aux .....	Jamā'at
13-19 Jul, Mon-Sun	.....National Hifz-ul-Quran Camp .....	TaQWA Dept .....	Virtual
21-30 Jul, Tue-Thu	.....Ashara Wasiyyat.....	Wasaya Dept.....	Jamā'at
24-26 Jul, Fri-Sun.....	Jalsa Salana UK.....	.....	.....

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## August

1-2 Aug, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Aux	Jamā'at
1-10 Aug, Sat-Mon	Salat Ashara	Tarbiyat Dept.	Jamā'at
1 Aug, Sat 7 P.M. EST	Quran Talks	Tarbiyat Dept.	Webinar
15 Aug, Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jamā'at	Zoom Meeting
15 Aug, Sat	Quarterly Flyer Distribution (Tabligh, Aux., Waqf-e-Nau)	Local	Jamā'at
15-16 Aug, Sat-Sun	Spiritual Fitness Camp	Tarbiyat Dept.	Jamā'at
21-23 Aug, Fri-Sun	Khuddam Majlis-e-Shura	MKA	Bait ur Rahman, MD
29 Aug, Sat	National Education – Webinar	Ta'lim Dept.	Webinar

## September

5-6 Sep, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Aux	Jamā'at
5 Sep, Sat 7 P.M. EST	Quran Talks	Tarbiyat Dept.	Webinar
6 Sep, Sun	Tahrik Jadid Day	Local	Jamā'at
7-13 Sep, Mon-Sun	Tahrik Jadid Week – Collection Focus	Local	Jamā'at
7 Sep, Sat-Mon	Labor Day Long Weekend		Federal Holiday
12 Sep, Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jamā'at	Milwaukee, WI
12 Sep, Sat	Tahrik Jadid (National Webinar)	National	Webinar
13 Sep, Sun, 7:30 P.M.	Know your History	Isha'at Dept	Zoom
18-20 Sep, Fri-Sun	Lajna Majlis-e-Shura	Lajna Imā'illāh	Queens, NY
20 Sep, Sun	Pathway to Paradise	Wasaya Dept.	Webinar
25-27 Sep, Fri-Sun	Ansar National Ijtima	Majlis Ansarullah	Bait ur Rahman, MD
21-30 Sep, Mon-Wed	Ashara Wasiyyat	Wasaya Dept.	Jamā'at

## October

1-10 Oct, Thu-Sat	Salat Ashara	Tarbiyat Dept.	Jamā'at
3-4 Oct, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Aux	Jamā'at
3 Oct, Sat, 7 P.M. EST	Quran Talks	Tarbiyat Dept.	Webinar
3 Oct, Sat	Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtimā'āt (16 Regions)	Waqf-e-Nau Dept	Regional
9-11, Oct, Fri-Sun	MKA National Ijtima - Khuddam and Atfāl	MKA	Bagh-e-Ahmad, NJ
9-11 Oct, Fri-Sun	Lajna USA 4 <sup>th</sup> National Ijtima	Lajna Imā'illāh	Bait ur Rahman, MD
10 Oct, Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jamā'at	Zoom Meeting
17 Oct, Sat, 7 P M (EST)	Garments for Each Other	Rishta Nata Dept	Webinar
24 Oct, Sat	National Education – Webinar	Ta'lim Dept	Webinar
24-25 Oct, Sat-Sun	Ansar Majlis-e-Shura	Majlis Ansarullah	Bait ur Rahman, MD
24-25 Oct, Sat-Sun	National Qur'ān Conference	TaQWA Dept	Virtual

## November

Oct 31-1 Nov, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Aux	Jamā'at
6 Nov, Fri	Majlis Ansarullah Walk-a-Thon (HQ/VA and SW Regions)	Majlis Ansarullah	Regional
7 Nov, Sat 7 P.M. EST	Quran Talks	Tarbiyat Dept.	Webinar
7 Nov, Sat	Quarterly Flyer Distribution (Tabligh, Aux, Waqf-e-Nau)	Local	Jamā'at
8 Nov, Sat	National Qur'ān Conference for Children	TaQWA Dept	Virtual
13-15 Nov, Fri-Sun	Fazl-e-'Umar Qaideen Conference/Atfāl Refresher Course	MKA	Bait ur Rahman, MD
14 Nov, Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jamā'at	Zoom Meeting
21-30 Nov, Sat-Mon	Ashara Wasiyyat	Wasaya Dept.	Jamā'at
26-29 Nov, Thu-Sun	Thanksgiving Long Weekend		Federal Holiday

## December

1-10 Dec, Tue-Thu	Salat Ashara	Tarbiyat Dept.	Jamā'at
5-6 Dec, Sat-Sun	1 <sup>st</sup> Khuddam Refresher Course	MKA	Majlis
5-6, Dec, Sat-Sun	Local Jamā'at/Auxiliary Activities	Local/Aux	Jamā'at
5 Dec, Sat 7 P.M. EST	Quran Talks	Tarbiyat Dept.	Webinar
12 Dec, Sat	National Amila Meeting	National Jamā'at	Bait ur Rahman, MD
13 Dec, Sun	Jāmi'a Inspiration Camp and Open House	Waqf-e-Nau Dept	Webinar
13 Dec, Sun	Pathway to Paradise	Wasaya Dept.	Webinar
13 Dec, Sun	National AEA Webinar	AEA	Webinar
19 Dec, Sat	National Education – Webinar	Ta'lim Dept	Webinar
20 Dec, Sun, 7:30 P.M. ET	Know Your History	Isha'at Dept	Zoom
25 Dec, Thu	Christmas Day		Federal Holiday
25-27 Dec Fri-Sun (Tentative)	West Coast Jalsa Salana	National Jamā'at	Chino, CA

# 10 conditions of Bai'at (initiation)



On December 1st, 1888, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as), the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, published an announcement that God had ordained him that whomsoever sought true faith and piety, should pledge allegiance to him so that Allah may shower His mercy and beneficence on them.

01

That till the last day of his life, he shall abstain from **Shirk** (associating any partners with Allah).

ONE

02

That he shall keep away from falsehood, cruelty, adultery, dishonesty, disorder, rebellion and every kind of evil

TWO

03

That he shall offer Prayers (Salat) five times daily

THREE

04

That he shall not inflict injury on any of Allah's creatures

FOUR

05

That he shall bear every hardship for the sake of Allah

FIVE

06

That he shall not follow vulgar customs, and shall guard against evil inclinations

SIX

07

That he shall discard pride and haughtiness, live in humility & meekness

SEVEN

08

That he shall hold his faith, dignity, and the welfare of Islam dearer than his own life, wealth and children

EIGHT

09

That he shall have sympathy for all of God's creatures, and devote his talents to their welfare

NINE

10

That he shall establish brotherhood with him (i.e., Ahmad), obeying him in all good things, and firmly adhere to these rules until the last breath of his life

TEN