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A MESSAGE FROM SADR MKA USA

My Dear Khuddam,

Assalaamu Alaikum Warahmatullah
Wabarakatuhu



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Delivering his Friday Sermon from Qadian, India, Hudhoor^{aba} gave a discourse on the hospitality aspect of the institution of Jalsa Salana in particular Jalsa hosted by the community of Qadian which was about to start in three days. Hudhoor^{aba} said the Promised Messiah^{as} established the institution of Jalsa Salana to promote the fraternal bond of believers and to inculcate the love and awe of God among them; to seek Allah's protection from satanic temptations, to adopt taqwa, and to espouse compassion and a sense of brotherhood. Hudhoor^{aba} said mutual love and affection is necessary for taqwa; piety and devotion can be achieved when people of the community would set high standards of humility and honesty.

Hudhoor^{aba} said people should not simply derive joy from the bustle of Qadian and should engage in prayers to welcome the Jalsa so that they can be recipients of the prayers of the Promised Messiah^{as}. Hudhoor^{aba} urged prayers for those who are traveling for the Jalsa and for those who wished to travel but could not.

Addressing the organizers and workers of the Jalsa Hudhoor^{aba} urged them to make specific considerations for the guests who are traveling in huge numbers to Qadian due to Hudhoor^{aba}'s presence there – Hudhoor^{aba} said their

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sincerity was palpable and aroused feelings of love for them in Hudhoor^{aba}'s heart.

Quoting from the writings of the Promised Messiah^{as}, Hudhoor^{aba} said, "Listen, those who care to hear, what is it that God wants of you; just this that you become His; that you do not associate any partners with Him, neither in the heaven nor on the earth", Hudhoor^{aba} prayed, "May Allah make us so." Observing the sense of sacrifice and altruism of the people of Qadian in serving people from all over the world Hudhoor^{aba} said he was reminded of the times of Rabwah and asked that prayers are made that God may alter the helpless situation of the people of Rabwah.

Hudhoor^{aba} went on to counsel the volunteers of the Jalsa to serve the guests of the Promised Messiah^{as} in a most excellent manner and while doing so not to be swayed by any likely aggravating situation and be always mindful that they are to serve the guests. Hudhoor^{aba} cited verse 135 of Surah Al Imran and said that when believers are thus enjoined for everyday matters, in case where people who have gathered for the sake of God, this commandment should be applicable in a heightened way.

Hudhoor^{aba} gave specific instructions to volunteers in terms of their varied ethnicity and those who had come from Pakistan; Hudhoor^{aba} enjoined upon them that obedience of the person in-charge of their specific department was paramount. Hudhoor^{aba} said that each person from the volunteers was at duty at the Jalsa as an Ahmadi and not as a person from a specific ethnic background and that they all needed to keep their own emotions caused by pressure of work etc. under check while serving the guests of the Promised Messiah^{as}. Hudhoor^{aba} cited hadith and related an incident of the Promised Messiah^{as} to illustrate the significance of looking after guests and to be accommodating to their needs. Hudhoor^{aba} stressed that no social discrimination should be made in serving the guests.

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EDITORIAL

It's time to ponder - The year 2005 bids us farewell and 2006 knocks at our doors. While we make plans to welcome the new year, we may want to look back at how we spent the one that just passed us by. Have we evolved to aspire to a productive 2006? Are we at a better stage in our "Tarbiyyat" than we were when 2005 had started? Just some questions to reflect upon in our daily battle with the "Nafs". Many a time one comes across crossroads in life. These crossroads require tough decision-making while the mind struggles with uncertainty. One searches for a "tested and proven" path to follow - for peace of mind and tranquility in the days that lie ahead. Fortunately for us, we already have these "templates" available. The experiences of our elders in the history of Islam and Ahmadiyyat have left us with a golden rule-book for nearly all situations in life. Be it as private as a matrimonial issue or as open as appropriate behavior in public - we have examples to deal with any challenge thrown our way. And better yet, we can rest assured that we will be on the right path. In essence, my dear brothers, what I am trying to say is, "The message of life is out there; All we have to do is to latch on to it". Since we are on the topic of evolution, it would be apt to review the changes and their impact that we endeavored to bring about to our own heartbeat, "Mujahid". One change that we made in August 2005 was the introduction of a monthly flyer to focus on national events and to keep the lines of communication open year round and not just on a quarterly basis. Another compelling reason was to provide the readers with the latest information regarding the buzz in Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya, USA. In the quarterly issues we planted the poetic gene for your reading pleasure and to encourage the "Aleems" and "Zirvis" of the US to bring out their talents. While it appears that these changes have had a positive impact, I am yet to see any written feedback. Hence I am basing my deduction on the famous last words, "no news is good news". Anyhow, you hold in your hands - or on your computer - the last issue of the year 2005. I sincerely hope that you will enjoy the issue and will provide positive and constructive feedback for continuous improvement. May Allah bless you all and may the year 2006 bring blessings, prosperity and happiness to you and your loved ones. Ameen.

WASIYYAT; A DIVINE SCHEME FOR OUR PEACE - ANWAR RAFIQ, DALLAS MAJLIS

THIS ESSAY STOOD SECOND IN TRABIYYAT DEPARTMENT'S ESSAY COMPETITION, 2005

"Then Allah would send rain which no house and tent would keep out and would wash away the earth until it would appear to be a mirror. Then the earth would be told to bring forth its fruit and restore its blessing. In this period of blessings, one pomegranate would feed a gathering of people and half of its husk would be so big that a gathering of people would be able to recline under it. The blessings in milk would be so abundant that a milch camel would be sufficient for large gatherings and a milch cow would suffice a whole tribe and a milch sheep would be adequate for a whole family." (Sahih Muslim, Kitab Al Fitan, Bab Zikr-ad-Dajal, pg. 593)



Thus Holy Prophet^{saw} gave us glad tidings of peace after the collapse of Gog and Magog. The peace would attain reality in the period of the Promised Messiah^{as}. Prophets of God have so much love for the people that they cast trouble on themselves for the benefit of humankind. Similar were the prayers of Promised Messiah^{as}. When God gave him the news of punishment on a large scale and also that the time of his death is near, Promised Messiah^{as} became agitated. He wrote a booklet named "Al-Wasiyyat" based on the revelations he had received. Parents, when departing from this world make a will for their loved ones. Similarly, loving all the people of the world and to bring them under the banner of peace, Promised Messiah^{as} wrote this booklet. In Al-Wasiyyat, Promised Messiah^{as} made a will for a pious change in life. Pious change brings peace in the world. Allah says in the Holy Qura'n:

"Surely, Allah changes not the condition of a people until they change that which is in their hearts.(13:12)"

In Al-Wasiyyat Promised Messiah^{as} first explained the truthfulness of his claim. He briefly mentioned the signs. These signs indicate that the help of Allah is with him and that Allah has made him the reformer of this age. The person who is already been bestowed with a pious change from Allah is the one we should associate with so that we may be able to follow the same path and bring a pious change in our lives as well.

"O ye who believe, Fear Allah and be with the truthful. (9:119)"

The company of truthful is tied with Khilafat, the second mani-

festation of Allah. This is the promise Allah gave to Promised Messiah^{as}. Today we are linked with the Promised Messiah^{as} through Khilafat. Khalifa is a person on whom Allah has bestowed a pious change. Holding the rope of Khilafat with sincerity is the best means to bring a pious change in our lives as it is based on the sayings, life and company of a Khalifa.

Promised Messiah^{as} also made us realize the importance of righteousness of beliefs. If beliefs get corrupted, then they become a hurdle in bringing a pious change and as a result, the level of morality declines and strays generations away from God. That is why Promised Messiah^{as} in his book 'Al-Wasiyyat' briefly yet comprehensively introduced the concept of God, and told us about the everlasting communion between man and God. He announced that no characteristic of God is ever abolished and rejected the belief of His son-ship. He also made correction to the belief regarding Hadhrat Isa^{as} and gave the argument of his death from the Holy Qura'n and Hadith.

Another means of attaining a pious change is financial sacrifice. Prophets of God make extreme financial sacrifices. Holy Prophet^{saw} sacrificed to an extent that Zakat never became obligated upon him. Similar was the example of Promised Messiah^{as}. In Al-Wasiyyat, the Promised Messiah^{as} moves our attention towards sacrificing one-tenth of our income and property. He clearly states the purpose of this sacrifice which drives us to be a part of this divine scheme. He says:

"... shall use the funds for the advancement of Islam, dissemination of the Qura'nic knowledge, publishing religious books....These funds shall also be used to help orphans, the poor, and new converts entering the Ahmadiyya Community who do not have sufficient funds to support themselves." (Al Wasiyyat, Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, pg. 24)

The message here is that when we spend in the cause of spreading the message of Qura'n, then Allah will also bless our life with the

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WEST COAST JALSA SALANA 2005

Los Angeles Hosts the 20th West Coast Jalsa Salana
By Amjad M. Khan, Regional Qaid West (South)



By Allah's grace and mercy, the historic 20th Annual West Coast Jalsa Salana USA took place on December 23-25, 2005 in Pomona, California. Total attendance peaked at 826 on Sunday (officially registered), with representation from all West Coast Jama'ats. Over 170 Khuddam and Atfal attended the Jalsa. 69 Khuddam volunteers provided valuable help throughout the event, including over 45 from the LAEast and West Majalis.

Respected Naib Umara e Jama'at Dr. Naseem Rehmatullah Sahib, Munum Naeem Sahib, and Daud Hanif Sahib presided all the major sessions. National Jama'at Amila members in attendance included: Dr. Zaheer Mansoor Sahib (Secretary Taleem-ul-Qur'an/Waqf-e-Arzi), Dr. Khalid Ata Sahib (Secretary Wasaya), Nasir Malik Sahib (Secretary Tarbiyyat), Hafiz Samiullah Choudhry Sahib (Secretary Waqf-e-Nau), Mubarik Malik Sahib (Secretary Finance), Dr. Waseem Sayed Sahib (Secretary Waqf-e-Jadid), and Anwer Mahmood Khan Sahib (Secretary Tehrik-e-Jadid). Regional Missionaries included Irshad Malhi Sahib and Shamshad Nasir Sahib.

This year's West Coast Jalsa returned to Los Angeles East after having been held for the past two years in San Jose. The venue - the Los Angeles County Fairplex - is home to the Los Angeles County Fair, the nation's largest annual fair, attracting over 1 million visitors. Nestled under the San Gabriel Mountains, with a warm 65 degree temperature throughout the weekend, the unique location proved comfortable for all.

Led by Afsar Jalsa Salana, Monas Chaudhry Sahib, former Regional Qaid of West (South), the Jalsa team worked tirelessly under a very tight schedule to accommodate hundreds of guests at nearby homes and transform the fair halls into Jalsa Gahs. Several Khuddam volunteers drove thousands of miles - from as far north as Seattle to as far south as Tucson -- to assist in preparations.

All in all, the event proved successful, and we hope and pray that Khuddam from across the country will join us during next year's West Coast Jalsa Salana, *Insha'allah*.

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Hudhoor^{aba} related an incident from 1991 Qadian Jalsa which a person had reminded him about in a letter; Hudhoor^{aba} was on duty as 'naib nazim' at the Langer Khana in 1991 with this person who got enraged at something. That person remembered how, despite his anger, Hudhoor^{aba} smiled at him and most politely explained to him the significance of the duty they were performing.

May Allah enable us to follow the example set by Khulafa. Ameen.

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teachings of the Holy Qura'n. Since the Holy Qura'n is pure, the blessings would benefit us in that they will cause us to tread on the path of piety. There is a saying:

"you will get the same rewards from Allah based on the kind of obedience you observe." (Hayat-e-Noor, Abdul Qadir, pg. 8)

From the words of the Promised Messiah^{as}, it appears that in the beginning the funds will be used for the orphans and needy of the Ahmadiyya community. But when the community will flourish, this money will be used for all the needy humans. Promised Messiah^{as} says:

"Everyone who gets this treatise should make it known to his friends and acquaintances ... and safeguard it for future generations ... and he should also politely inform the opponents."

(Al-Wasiyyat, Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, pg. 28)

He further says:

"Do not confine your sympathies to Muslims alone. Have feelings for everyone. If you do not sympathize with a Hindu, then how would you convey the true message of Islam? Allah is the Lord of everyone."

(Malfoozat, Volume 3, New Edition, page 592)

The advice of financial sacrifice is for our own benefit. Promised Messiah^{as} knew the benefits of financial sacrifice more than anyone else in this age, therefore, he knew that the condition of 1/10th should be the minimum criteria for anyone to be a part of this divine scheme. He had prayed hard and Allah had informed him the acceptance of those prayers. He also wanted these righteous people to be buried together so that people who will come afterwards may derive a lesson from their sacrifices. Thus, this lesson of sacrifice itself would become a motivating factor in bringing a pious change in our coming generations. We will not receive the benefits of this scheme if we keep ourselves at a distance. The companions of the Holy Prophet^{saw} used to remain close to him. Finally the result was that the Holy Prophet^{saw} said, "God reflects in my companions".

"This status would not have been possible if they would have kept themselves at a distance."

(Tafseer Hazrat Masih Maood (A.S), Volume 2, pg. 641)

Hadhrat Khalifat-ul-Masih Al-Khamis^{aba} made a tehrik to the Jama'at on the occasion of 100 years of Wasiyyat, reminding us of the importance and message that the Promised Messiah^{as} had given. We should come forward by accepting his call so that we may also take part in bringing peace in the world, the news of which was told by Allah to the Holy Prophet^{saw} and the Promised Messiah^{as}. May Allah help us in following the Will of the Promised Messiah^{as} which, in reality is the Will of Allah.

**MAY ALLAH BLESS YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES
WITH HEALTH, PROSPERITY AND HAPPINESS IN
THE NEW YEAR 2006. AMEEN.**

MKA SPORTS - BY KASHIF CHAUDHRY, MOHTAMIM SEHAT E JISMANI (SPORTS)

3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The first annual MKA 3-on-3 Basketball tournament was hosted by Maryland Majlis on November 26 and 27, 2005, (Thanksgiving day weekend). This tournament was hosted in a fairly different manner as compared to other traditional competitions held by MKA, USA in the past. First, the teams consisted of 3 players only. Secondly, the teams were formed just before the beginning of the games. Hence the players had no idea who would be on their team when participating. There was a very strong underlying message here - preparation for practical life, where one really doesn't know with whom they may have to work. Thus the unknown encourages improvisation, team-work and mutual respect. Not only didn't the participants know who they would be teaming up with, better yet, the captains had strict guidelines of selecting the first player from a majlis other than their own. This guaranteed a diverse mix and even distribution of talent.

The tournament was kicked off with the opening ceremony, presided by respected Imam Yahya Luqman Sahib. This followed a few full court warm up games so that everyone could see each player's talent level. Six best players were then selected to be captains and to form their teams. Thereafter the teams played a round-robin tournament to determine playoff seeding for Sunday's games. Captains of the teams were used to referee games when they were not playing.

Playoffs were held on Sunday Morning. During the playoffs quarter-final, semi-final, and championship rounds were held. In the Championship game, Br. Usman Jamil's team faced off with Br. Furhan Jamil's team. This exciting match ended going into overtime, during which, Br. Usman Jamil lead his team to win the championship. Between the Semi-Final and Championship



3-on-3 Tournament which was played in Maryland on Thanksgiving day Weekend, 2005

Round, an impromptu 3-Point contest was held. Br. Usman Jamil won the 3-Point Contest.

The closing ceremony was presided by the Regional Qaid of Southeast Region,

Br. Hadi Ahmad. After making concluding remarks he distributed the trophies amongst the players.

The unique make-up of the teams provided an excellent opportunity for Khuddam to get to know members from other Majalis within the region. With the precedence set, *Inshallah*, this will become an annually recurring event and more Khuddam will participate in this tournament in the future. The Sports Department wishes to thank all organizers whose hard work led to a successful event. May Allah bless them all and reward them abundantly. *Ameen*.



A basketball match in progress during the 3-on-3 tournament

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

- Al-Wasiyyat** - The Will, a book writing by the Promised Messiah^{as} explaining the virtues of sacrifice.
- AS** - Abbreviated for "alaihissalam" : peace be on him. Mentioned as a sign of respect whenever there is a mention of prophets.
- Atfal** - Plural of Tifl - Members of the children's wing of the organization. Ages range from 7 to 15 years.
- Br.** - Abbreviation for Brother.
- Imam** - Leader of a Muslim congregation.
- Inshallah** - God Willing.
- Jazakallah** - May Allah reward you.
- Khuddam** - Plural of Khadim - Servants.
- Khalifa** - Supreme Spiritual Head of Muslims. Plural - Khulafa.
- Langar Khana** - Food preparation department.
- Majalis** - Plural of Majlis - Constituencies within the organization of Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya.
- Majlis e Amila** - Administrative body of the organization.
- Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya** - The youth wing of Jama'at e Ahmadiyya comprising of members between the ages of 15 - 40 years.
- Mohtaram** - Respected.
- Mujahid** - Struggler.
- Nafs** - Soul.
- Qadian** - City in India and birthplace of Promised Messiah^{as}, the Holy Founder of Jama'at e Ahmadiyya.
- Qaideen** - Plural of Qaid, head of a constituency within Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya.
- Sadr** - Administrative head of Majlis Khuddam ul Ahmadiyya.
- SAW** - Abbreviated for "sallallahu 'alaihi wa sallam" : Peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. This is repeated every time there is a mention of the Holy Prophet Mohammad^{saw}.
- Seht e Jismani** - Health of the body - Sports
- Tarbiyyat** - Training.

POETRY

MY OCCUPATION -

QASIM RASHID, CHICAGO MAJLIS



Ding Ding Ding...You have an incoming call
I don't answer, I stall, I try and fake drop the ball
But it's near
And I fear that it's closer by day and I say
I Need to take five and Pray
They don't listen
They don't see it my mission Their focus is only on numbers
It's a blunder, this deep raging hunger
Engrosses, it infuses encroaches
My soul
My life giving whole
And I See, What they want me to be
So I battle, I don't run nor I tattle
I fight, the good honest fight that is
Right
In front of our eyes, day by day
And I pray
The true honest way, and I say
To those that I show every way
To Him, that is right to speak truth
No passion is needed its ruth
Less to think that a man died for you
And God would forgive your disgrace
For biding, to purified waste
And then BAM! A meeting it's now 10am
I speak to a group of fifteen
And I pray that my words come out clean
And my shortage, of speech is repaired
That my stutter, not keep me impaired
And I've bared, my soul to all my occupation
And it simply restores the sensation
Of heavenly bliss degradation
My spiritual depreciation
As they come to believe, I'm a freak
Of nature my message, is bleak
For man fears, what he cannot touch see or hear
The answer it doesn't seem clear
As the eyes of their world disappears
And we leer, to the subject at hand we approach
No reproach just a joke, a joke to those who will call
The vain weak indifferent the small
Small minded small hearted small souled
To battle against the opposed – minds of today's world
The technological minds of today's dimension
Seem to accept the supposed ascension
As truth
Nevertheless I pursue the path of the Prophets
Of the priceless Patriarch prescribed prayer
Of Peace
From the east...comes the message of deliverance
No, not of the cross but to break the cross
To kill the swine and to win back the loss

Of morality love and humanity, without vanity or profanity
And the clock strikes noon, the requests come through
To vacate the premise and go to pursue
That vile, the ever insulting meat of disgust
Though they admit they are what they eat
They don't see the debris they've become
Satan blinds those who believe on blind faith
It aint just a sayin, for I'll be prayin
But as time ticks by and the end comes nigh
It's only a quick matter before His patience runs dry
They return
It's now 2pm time to burn
Burn the clock like the fires of hell
The quota's not met and our numbers aint well
But neither are their souls entrapped in their bodies of filth
Spiritual filth, physical filth, mental filth, moral filth
It's a landfill, and the heart is the core...in the middle of an all out
war
Between conscience and fantasy, reality and mind
It's been sided too often, told to stay away from the thought
To question the preachers and priests
Just like the scribes and the Pharisees of yesteryear
A Tear, rolls down my cheek as I submit myself before the Holy
One
It's 6pm and the sun close to done
I offer my weak fragile prayer to my Lord
My pen as my sword I remind
Myself my own soul my own mind
That today, we may have made progress some way
Some how or some where or some say
Don't matter what why or when, but tomorrow begins
Another opportunity, another chance at salvation
For my colleagues, at my occupation...

TRANSPIRATIONAL POETRY

ATTENTION ALL POETS

Under the direction of Respected Ameer Sahib, USA and Mohtaram Anwer Mahmood Khan Sahib, MKA USA will be undertaking a poetic project driven by the divine poetry of Promised Messiah^{AS}. Mohtaram Anwer Mahmood Khan Sahib has graciously agreed to provide us with translation and explanation of the poems written by the Promised Messiah^{AS}. Based on the translation provided, the talented poets of MKA USA will be asked to compose original poetry, giving rise to inspiration from translation; hence the term "Transpirational Poetry" or "Tazmeen" in Urdu Language. The Publications Department of MKA USA will assist in facilitating this project.

All Khuddam and Atfal who have interest in writing poetry - English or Urdu - are requested to join this effort by sending an e-mail to publication@mkausa.org. The publications department will contact you with the next steps in due course of time. *Inshallah*.



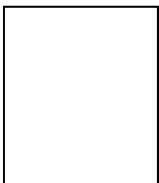
3RD ANNUAL MASROOR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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February 18-19, 2006 (Presidents' Day Weekend)

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Teams from Canada, Pakistan and Germany are expected to participate

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