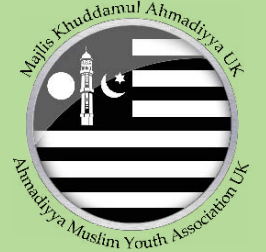




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THE HOLY QUR'AN

هُوَ الَّذِي بَعَثَ فِي الْأُمِّيِّينَ رَسُولًا مِّنْهُمْ
يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ
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لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ ﴿٦٢﴾

English translation (62:3):

He it is Who has raised among the Unlettered people a Messenger from among themselves who recites unto them His Signs, and purifies them, and teaches them the Book and wisdom, although they had been, before, in manifest misguidance

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FRIDAY SERMON

Hadith:

Jabir narrates that he heard the Holy Prophet (saw) state:

“The most excellent way of remembering Allah is to proclaim: There is no one worthy of worship except Allah. And the best supplication is to profess: All praise belongs to Allah.” (Bukhari)

Sayings of the Promised Messiah (as):

No true Muslim has ever believed that Islam should be spread by the sword. Islam has always propagated through its inherent qualities. Those who, calling themselves Muslims, seek to spread Islam by means of the sword are not aware of its inherent qualities and their conduct resembles the conduct of wild beasts. (Tariyaqul Qulub, Rohani Khazain Vol. 15, Page 167, foot note)

Delivered by Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V (atba) on 23rd September 2011



Hudhur delivered his Friday sermon from Germany and said that following last week's Ijtimas of Khuddam and Lajna, Hudhur has been receiving letters from people who were roused and stirred by Hudhur's discourses at the two events. It is, and indeed should be, the distinction of an Ahmadi that he or she should pay heed to any reminding or any advice. Thus, a large majority has responded to Hudhur's discourses in light of a verse of the Holy Qur'an: 'And those who, when they are reminded of the

Signs of their Lord, fall not deaf and blind thereat;' (25:74) The Ijtimas were attended by half of the membership of the two organisations and if the majority of those who attended bring about pious changes in themselves, they can be helpers of the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) in the revolutionary change that he wished to bring in the world.

Those who were influenced by Hudhur's discourses need to continually ponder over them on individual basis as well as the respective auxiliary organisations need to plan for their regular study. Otherwise the enthusiasm dies down. The auxiliary organisations should make use of the current mood and strike while the iron is hot and try and mould its members according to temperament for the which the Promised Messiah's (on whom be peace) advent took place.

Many people were also influenced by Hudhur's discourses via MTA. A mother wrote to Hudhur that her young child hid his face in a cushion when he heard Hudhur speak on a matter that he felt Hudhur was addressing him on. Such is the spirit of the children of the Community that they are embarrassed and try and correct themselves. Some children gave up mobile phones in wake of Hudhur's discourses and the eagerness to play games and other idle pursuits on their handsets lost its appeal. Hudhur said what is required is for the adults to constantly self-reflect and for the parents to constantly remind their children to make good practices a permanent part of their lives. Temporary joy is immaterial, unless we inculcate pious changes on a permanent basis we cannot rest and cannot be part of the great revolution that the Promised Messiah (on whom be peace) came for.

For the full sermon please visit: <http://www.alislam.org/friday-sermon/index2.php?d=2011-09-23>

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Every Thursday | Optional fast (timing sent via text message) |
| First Sunday of the month | Tahajjud (Time to be confirmed) |
| Every Monday before Isha | Khuddam Class |
| Every Friday from 6 - 8 pm | Football Practice Session at Beauchamp College |

NEWS & EVENTS

Leicester Khuddam assist Help for Heroes in Charity Fundraising by Ibrahim Bonsu (Qaid Leicester)



On 27th August 2011, Leicester Khuddam assisted the Leicester branch of the Help for Heroes Charity Organisation in fundraising at Oadby ASDA, Leicester.

The event was mentioned on BBC Leicester Radio in which the name of the Leicester Jama'at was stated as one of the participants.

Alhamdulillah, 10 Khuddam participated on the day, alongside a

few other volunteers from the public. The event started at 9am and finished at 5pm. The total amounts raised were:

Sale of merchandise: £335.05p

Bucket collection: £988.40p

The event report was included in the Leicester Mercury Newspaper on September 9th, 2011, and had a special message of thanks to the Leicester Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.

Leicester Qiadat Football Practice Session

by Abrar Ahmad Baig (Nazim Tabligh and Ishaat Leicester)



Leicester Khuddam Football Practice started in March 2011. The objective of these practise sessions are not only for the physical improvement of Khuddam but also to foster brotherhood. There is an average attendance of 10 Khuddam per session which is held every Tuesday. The session begins at 6pm and ends at 8pm.

During the cold conditions an indoor arena was hired, but was later shifted to an open field at Knighton Park during the summer, for fresh air and also to reduce cost.

Alhamdulillah on Tuesday, 12th July 2011, we had the honour of our Regional Nazim Sehat-e-Jisami Brother Toby Sahib joining us in the action of play and sharing some advice with Khuddam afterwards..

Brother Toby Sahib and Qaid Majlis Ibrahim Bonsu afterwards used the opportunity to visit Buraq Ahmad Baig Sahib who injured himself during the National Football Tournament on the 11th June 2011. This visit was an honour and Jazakallah to Toby Sahib.

With the football practice we also hope to to build a team which can play in Regional events and play friendly matches with other Qiadats in the Region, Insha'Allah.



“The day I was born was Friday 14th of lunar month.” (Tohfa-Golarvia page 110)

The Promised Messiah (as) was born on Shawal 14, 1250 Hijri and the date of his demise Rabius Sani 24, 1326 Hijri. Therefore according to Islamic Calendar at the time of demise, his exact age was 75 years, 6 months and 10 days, which is exactly as per his Prophecy; which he claimed to reveal from Allah.

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NEWS & EVENTS



Islam, a name given by Allah to this religion (Qur'an 5:4), is an Arabic word which literally means obedience and peace. ISLAM is derived from the Arabic root "SALEMA": peace, purity, submission and obedience. So 'Islam' would mean the path of those who are obedient to Allah and who establish peace with Him and His creatures. Islam is not a new religion. It is, in essence, the same message and guidance which Allah revealed to all prophets before Prophet Muhammad peace be upon him. Allah says in the Qur'an:

"Say, 'We believe in ALLAH and that which has been revealed to us, and that which was revealed to Abraham and Ishmael and Isaac and Jacob and the tribes, and in that which was given to Moses and Jesus and other Prophets from their Lord. We make no distinction between any of them and to Him we submit.'" (Qur'an 3-85)

Neighbourhood police invited to Iftari at Bait ul Ikram

by Ibrahim Bonsu (Qaid Majlis, Leicester)

For Tabligh purposes and also to improve community cohesion, Nazim Tabligh MKA Midlands-Brother Toby Sahib requested Qiadats to initiate contact with their neighbourhood policing team during the blessed month of Ramadhan.

Invitation was therefore extended to the neighbourhood policing team within the area of Baitul Ikram, Leicester.

Moreover, as a follow up to this invitation some members of Khuddam also met the police during a neighbourhood police surgery to confirm their attendance.

Alhamdulillah, on 27th August 2011, 3 Police Officers joined our traditional weekend Jama'at Iftari at our mosque on Avenue Road Extension. They arrived just after Maghrib Salaat and had a chance to listen to a brief sermon by Murabbi Leicester- Maulana Ghulam Ahmed Khadim Sahib and then joined with the meals.

Some members of the Jama'at interacted with the police during meal time. Qaid Majlis also explained to them briefly about the organisational setup of the Jama'at with special emphasis on the Youth Organisation (Khuddam).

Before leaving, the Police expressed their gratitude for the invitation and their willingness to attend future events especially those involving Khuddam. They were also delighted to receive packs of Jama'at literature containing introduction of the Jama'at and peace conference messages by Huzur Aqdas (atba).

Alhamdulillah it was a positive step in the right direction for Tabligh purposes and community bonding.

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