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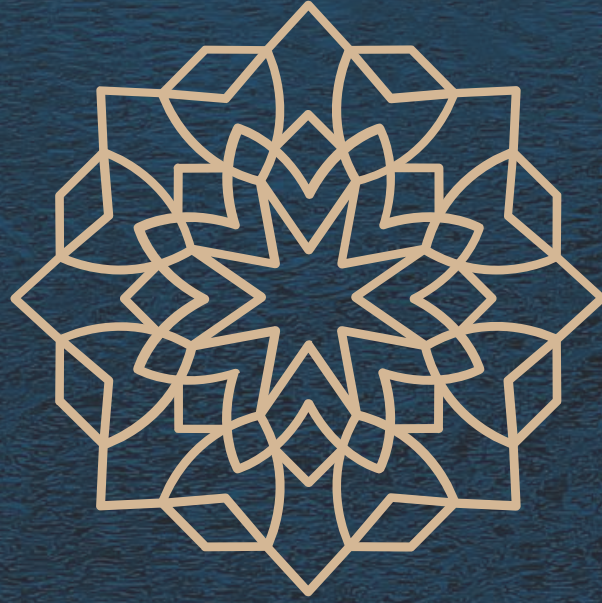


THE HOLY QURAN

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“CALL UNTO THE WAY OF THY LORD WITH WISDOM AND GOODLY EXHORTATION, AND
ARGUE WITH THEM IN A WAY THAT IS BEST. SURELY, THY LORD KNOWS BEST WHO
HAS STRAYED FROM HIS WAY; AND HE KNOWS THOSE WHO ARE RIGHTLY GUIDED.”

(Chapter 16, Al-Nahl: 126)



HADITH

وعن سهل بن سعد رضي الله عنه أن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال
لعلي رضي الله عنه : "فوالله لأن يهدي الله بك رجلاً واحداً خير من حمر
النعم" (متفق عليه)

"BY ALLĀH, IF ALLĀH GUIDES A SINGLE PERSON THROUGH YOU, IT IS BETTER FOR
YOU THAN (THE MOST PRECIOUS) RED CAMELS." (BUKHĀRĪ, KITĀBUL JIHĀD)



EXCERPT OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH^{AS}

"A strange phenomenal event took place in the desert of Arabia, when hundreds of thousands of the dead became alive within a few days and those who had been corrupted through generations took on Divine color. The blind began to see and the tongues of the dumb began to flow with Divine wisdom. Such a revolution took place in the world as no eye had seen and no ear had heard of before. Do you realise what that was? All that was brought about by prayers during the darkness of the nights of one who had been wholly lost in God, that created an uproar in the world and manifested such wonders as seemed impossible at the hands of the unlettered helpless person. O Allāh! Send down blessings and peace on him and on his followers in proportion to his concern and suffering for the Muslim Ummah (the people of Islām), and shower upon him the light of Thy mercy forever."

(Barakātud-Du'ā, pp. 10-11)



GUIDANCE FROM HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH V (AA)

“Build personal relationships and friendships with them. Form bonds with your neighbours. Neighbours should learn from you. Hold seminars or Interfaith programs of a smaller scale every two or three months and invite them. You should invite them to all such programs and upon hearing what you have to say, they will ask questions themselves. In this way, they will gradually become introduced.”

(This week with Huzoor 12 November 2021)

TABLIGH

OUR HISTORY, PASSION, RESILIENCE, & PRAYERS

Spreading the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat is a core tenet of our faith. The propagation of Islam Ahmadiyyat is rooted in sacrifice, passion, resilience, and prayers, all in the field of Tabligh. This mission of spreading the beautiful teachings of Islam Ahmadiyyat is rooted in the love of Allah and the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa), following the footsteps of this Noble Prophet (sa) aspiring to bring about a spiritual revolution in the deserts of Arabia.

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa) brought about the world's most profound spiritual revolution ever witnessed:

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV (rh) stated in his Friday Sermon of August 28th, 1987: "Regarding Tabligh, every Ahmadi must very well understand that: Tabligh is not an optional obligation. His spiritual personality will not be complete without Tabligh. This is a compulsory duty. It is so important that Allah addressing the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) says that if he did not perform this duty, it will mean that he has wasted the office of the prophethood. For this injunction, the whole of his Ummah (followers) is accountable, including us."

As the Promised Messiah (as) worked tirelessly in the defense of Islam, he also faced lots of opposition. Allah the Almighty revealed to the Promised Messiah (as):

إِنِّي مُهَيِّنٌ مَّنْ أَرَادَ إِهَانَتَكَ

"I shall humiliate him who seeks to humiliate you."

This prophecy was fulfilled time and time again, where through prayers and a living connection with Allah, the Promised Messiah (as) overcame all of his opponents and demonstrated the truth of Islam Ahmadiyyat.



Abdullah Atham

Died within 7 months of an unconditional prophecy made that he would die within one year.

Alexander Dowie

“Great is Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, The Messiah Foretold Pathetic End of Dowie” - The Boston Herald

Pandit Lekhram

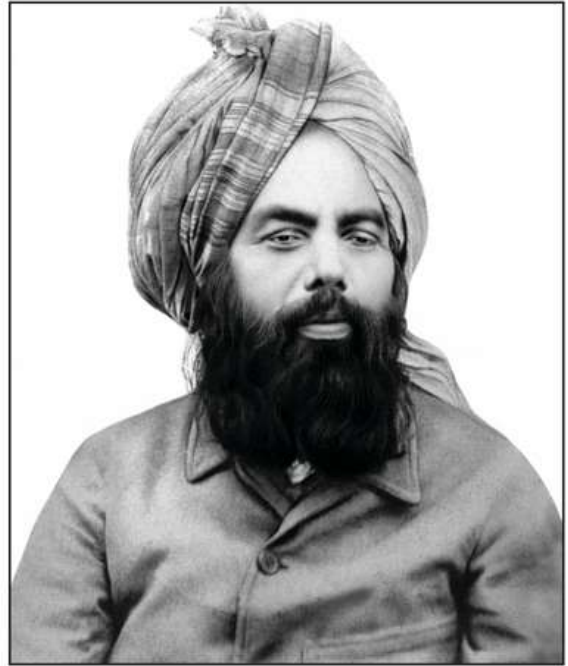
Promised Messiah (as) stated that: “If within six years from today February 20, 1893, this man does not meet with punishment from God, which is unusual in its poignancy and tragedy and which empowers all and sundry with the fear of the Lord, then let everybody think that I am not from God”

When five years passed after the prophecies were published, people began to mock the Promised Messiah and claimed that it was an unfulfilled prophecy. To their surprise, the next Eid-ul-Fitr which was the end of Ramadhan occurred on a Friday and on the following day in the afternoon, Lekh Ram was killed by a trusted companion who wished to convert from Islam to Hinduism.

میں تیری تبلیغ کو زمین کے کناروں تک پہنچاؤں گا

“I shall cause thy message to reach the corners of the earth.”

We look at the pace by which Islam Ahmadiyyat has spread to every nation in the world, in over 200 countries, with tens of millions of followers, this is only possible through the divine support of Allah the Almighty.



Despite the humiliation of all the opponents of the Promised Messiah (as), he always remained humble and exhibited the highest levels of morality and purity. Allah the Almighty revealed to the Promised Messiah (as):

تیری عاجزانہ راہیں اُسے پسند آئیں

“He has liked your humble ways”

It was the character of the Promised Messiah (as) that brought thousands of people towards him in his lifetime. He would invite people to come to Qadian, and spend time with him, and would show them the signs of Allah for themselves to see. This was the power of the prayers of the Promised Messiah (as) and the potency and power of his relationship with Allah Almighty. When people accepted Islam Ahmadiyyat, they would see the physical change in their lives and the positive impact that it would have on them.

Let's look at the story of Hazrat Seth Abdur Rahman (ra) sahib. The Promised Messiah (as) had written over 80 books for the propagation of Islam. One day Hazrat Seth Abdur Rahman (ra) sahib received a book in the mail from the Promised Messiah (as) known as Fathe Islam. Upon hearing his brother read this book, Hazrat Seth Abdur Rahman (ra) sahib's heart became so overwhelmed with conviction that this must have been written by the prophesied Imam Mahdi and Promised Messiah to come in the latter days. He then ordered more books of the Promised Messiah (as) and later accepted Islam Ahmadiyyat. Hazrat Seth Abdur Rahman (ra) sahib states about his experience after bai'at: "During the past 20 or 25 years prior to doing bai'at, I had such unspeakable illnesses and habits within me that I often used to cry to my Lord as to how I could ever get rid of them. The task of riddance appeared impossible to me even after trying thousands of times. However, I state under oath that after the bai'at all of these things disappeared one after another... and I felt no pain." Further elaborating on the profound books of the Promised Messiah (as), regarding Brahine Ahmadiyyat, Sufi Mir Abbas Ali Shah wrote: "I smell the fragrance of prophethood from the writings of this book."

Hazrat Sayyid Ashhad-ud-Din, who was a famous saint of Hyderabad wrote in a letter: "I saw the Holy Prophet Muhammad in a vision. I entreated him, O Messenger of God, is this man who claims to be the Promised Messiah, a liar and imposter, or truthful? The Holy Prophet replied, 'He is truthful and has come from God.' So I then understood that you are right. After this, we shall not have any doubts concerning you." In the end, we must remember the responsibilities that have been entrusted to us regarding Tabligh.

The Promised Messiah (as) states in Malfuzat: "If it was within my power, I would have desired to go from door to door like beggars and propagate the True Religion of Allah and thereby rescue humanity from Shirk and Kufr. If Allah would grant me the knowledge of the English Language, I would personally embark on preaching expeditions and spend my entire life in this pursuit even if I were to die in this cause."



Once, I brought the Jama'at's attention towards the fact that in a year, every Ahmadi should strive to convert at least one person to Ahmadiyyat. Upon this, Maulvi Muhammad Abdullah Sahib, a companion of the Promised Messiah (as), stood up and said, "I will not convert just one person, rather I will convert a hundred people to Ahmadiyyat." When he came to Jalsa the next year, he was accompanied by a man whom he had brought to take the oath of allegiance. He said, "You can find out from the office that I have already converted 99 people, and this is the hundredth person, who I have brought to take the oath of allegiance. I have fulfilled my promise." Although Maulvi Abdullah Sahib was called 'Maulvi', he was in fact an average landowner, who was very passionate about Tabligh. Observe! If a landowner can bring a hundred people into the fold of Ahmadiyyat within the span of a year, then a missionary who converts a hundred people to Ahmadiyyat within a year should still feel ashamed. So, do not rejoice upon converting one or two people to Ahmadiyyat. In the Ahadith, the Holy Prophet (sa) is recorded to have stated:

'I treat My servant according to his perception of Me'

أَنَا عِنْدَ ظَنِّ عَبْدِي بِي

If you are happy with one person [converting to Ahmadiyyat], then Allah the Almighty will grant you one person; If you are happy with two people [converting to Ahmadiyyat], then He will grant you two people. However, if you were not satisfied with even ten million people [converting to Ahmadiyyat] and you prayed, 'O God! I will only be happy when you grant me fifty million' then God would treat you accordingly. So, do not feel proud if one or two people have entered the fold of Ahmadiyyat through you. Rather, you should not be happy until you bring thousands, in fact hundreds of thousands and millions of people into the fold of Ahmadiyyat.

(KHUTBAT-E-MAHMUD, VOL. 36, PP. 212-213)

May Allah enable all of us to spread the message of Islam
Ahmadiyyat in the best possible way. Ameen!



EXPLORE ISLAM

1000 TOWNS

MUSLIM YOUTH ARE TRAVELLING TO OVER 1000 TOWNS IN CANADA TO LET RESIDENTS 'EXPLORE ISLAM'

The religious landscape in Canada is constantly shifting. As the country becomes more and more globally interconnected, individuals are losing connection with their souls. As we witness the rampant growth of technological advancement, social media, and society at large, there seems to be a dichotomy with religious growth and spiritual development.



A recent survey, 'The Canadian census: A rich portrait of the country's religious and ethnocultural diversity', which is conducted every 10 years, has provided some intriguing insight into religion in Canada.





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While small, the proportion of Canada's population who reported being Muslim, Hindu or Sikh has more than doubled in 20 years. From 2001 to 2021, these shares rose from 2.0% to 4.9% for Muslims, making it one of the most rapidly growing faiths in Canada based on percentage. In 2021, over 19.3 million people reported a Christian religion, representing just over half of the Canadian population (53.3%).

However, this proportion is down from 67.3% in 2011 and 77.1% in 2001. Approximately 12.6 million people, or more than one-third of Canada's population, reported having no religious affiliation. The proportion of this population has more than doubled in 20 years, going from 16.5% in 2001 to 34.6% in 2021.



Given this staggering increase in Canadians having no religious affiliation, Muslim Youth across Canada have launched an ambitious campaign called Explore Islam, to highlight the teachings of Islam as the fastest-growing faith in the world.

The Explore Islam nationwide campaign aims to present the religion of Islam to the Canadian public by visiting over 1,000 cities, towns and villages through a robust national plan.

As Muslim youth are going into remote towns, these statistics have proven to be aligned with some of the conversations happening in different towns. Many Canadians have visited different open houses and events in which a growing number of Canadians have shown interest in Islam and understanding the faith practiced by Muslims around the world.

Coast to coast, the Explore Islam campaign is setting the stage to educate, and raise awareness about the true teachings of Islam, and how it leads to a life of peace, serenity, and fulfilment. One unique aspect of this campaign is that Canadians will have the opportunity to meet and interact with Muslims in remote areas. Canadians will also have the opportunity to ask questions about Islam directly from Muslims.

Through this interactive tour, Muslim youth will participate in two-way dialogue with local residents to experience the cultures and perspectives of Canadians from all walks of life. Thus far, Muslim youth have visited over 60 cities and towns over the past few weeks. The response from Canadians has been welcoming and has led to intriguing conversations.

The Explore Islam campaign is presenting the teachings of Islam in a way where those that are not familiar with the Islamic teachings are easily able to understand. Content, events, articles, FAQ, and so much more are being added to exploreislam.ca on a daily basis.

As Canada's largest Muslim youth group, we aim to showcase the true and peaceful teachings of Islam,' said Mr. Tahir Ahmed, National President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association. 'Through this national campaign, we want to provide Canadians an opportunity to meet with Muslims and explore the religion of Islam.'



TABLIGH EFFORTS OF

HAZRAT DR. MUFTI MUHAMMAD SADIQ SAHIB (RA)

AUTHORED BY MURABBI C. MANSOOR AZEEM



Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) (1872-1957) was one of the pioneer companions of the Promised Messiah (as) and was a champion in the field of Tabligh.

He was even fortunate to serve and preach the message of Islam-Ahmadiyyat in several ways during the blessed life of the Promised Messiah (as). It was during the time of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra), he was sent abroad to establish the mission of the Promised Messiah (as) in the West.

VOYAGE TO ENGLAND



Under the guidance of Khilafat, on March 10, 1917, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) started his voyage to England to convey the news of the advent of the Messiah and to present the beautiful teachings of Islam-Ahmadiyyat to the West. Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib(ra) spent about two and a half years in England and published many tracts during his stay. He preached the message of Islam-Ahmadiyya, Death of Jesus and the advent of the Messiah to important personalities including King

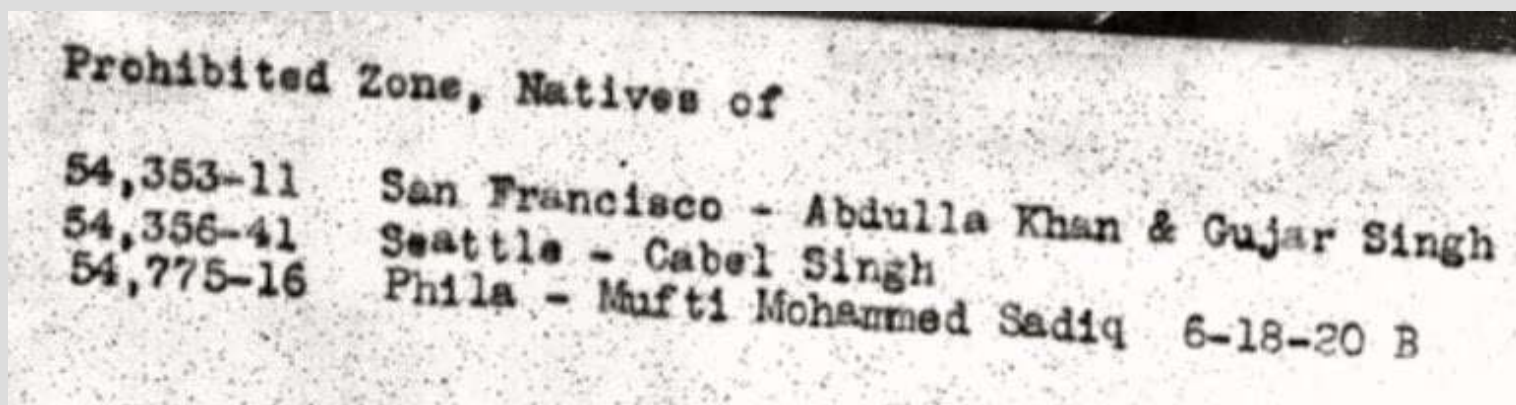


George V and the Queen of England, Secretary of State, Lord Montego, the British Prime Minister, Lord Mayor of London, and Prince Yori Hito Hakashi Foshi of Japan. Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) delivered public speeches in Hyde Park, Central Hall, Mission House, and in various churches in London. He was awarded honorary degrees and diplomas for his contribution to religious knowledge. He debated with Christian Preachers and planned to convey the message of the Holy Quran in churches in every possible way. About one hundred noble souls entered in the fold of Ahmadiyyat by the Tabligh of Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) during this time.



ESTABLISHING A MISSION IN THE UNITED STATES

In 1920, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra) directed him to establish the first Ahmadiyya mission in the USA. Following the commandment of his master, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) reached the shores of Philadelphia in February 1920. The immigration department blocked his entry on the grounds that he cannot preach on this soil. He faced the whole situation with great courage, patience and wrote letter to Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra) for prayers. Huzoor prophesied that: *"America cannot and will not stop our entry into the country to establish our mission."*



Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) started preaching to the other inmates while he was detained in Philadelphia. By the Grace of Allah the Almighty, they started accepting Islam one by one and eventually, within two months, 15 of them converted to Islam. Observing this situation, the immigration officer was perturbed that if Mufti Sahib stayed there for long, he would convert everyone to Islam.

So, he himself sent a telegram to the authorities to make a decision quickly. And as per the prophecy of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra) Mufti Sahib entered America. Even during this time, many newspapers, including the Public Religions, had already begun to publish reports on Ahmadiyya Muslim beliefs, and objective and purpose of his arrival.

TABLIGH EFFORTS IN NEW YORK

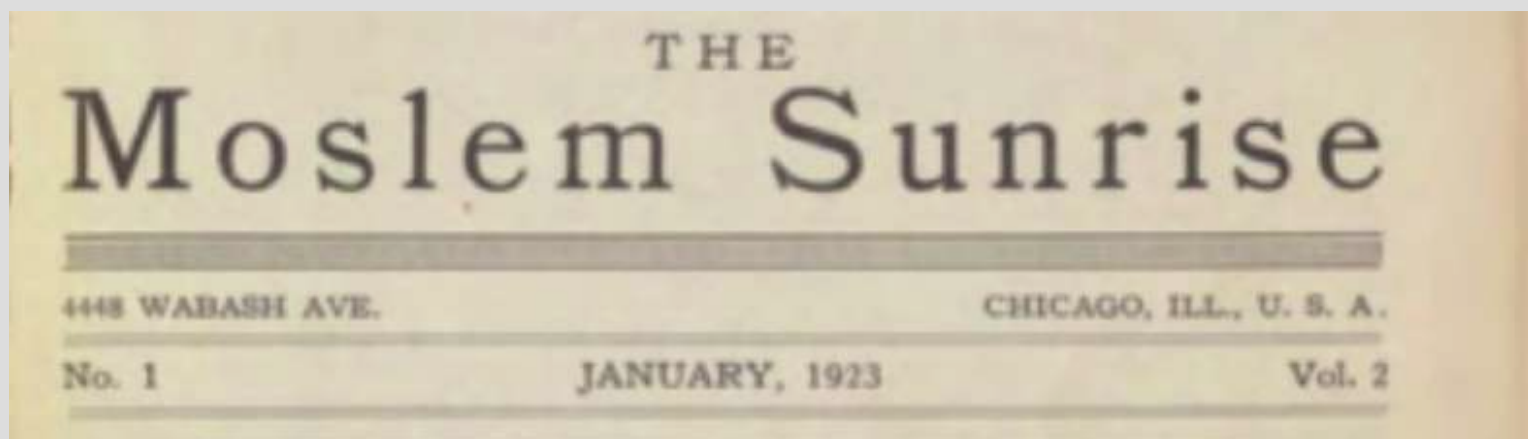
After nearly two months of preaching in Philadelphia and converting many souls while he could not enter in the county. Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib went to New York to expand his horizon of preaching. There he rented a room but was given a notice by the landlady to vacate it because of complaints of some Christian preachers. He found another place and continued his "Jihad" of Tabligh.





ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FIRST MOSQUE IN USA

Again, within three and a half years of his stay in USA. He was able to successfully establish a mission of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at in the USA. The first Mosque, House of Allah for prayers was established in Detroit. A dedicated and sincere Jama'at began to emerge in response to Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib's prayers and efforts.



— “ —

I prayed for three things when I left England for America: a sincere Jama'at of Ahmadi Muslims, construction of a Mosque and starting a new Journal. In spite of all the difficulties, God Almighty has answered my prayers and gave me a sincere Jama'at during the first year, 'The Muslim Sunrise' was started in the second year and a Mosque and a house was constructed during the third year.

— ” —

SILENT TABLIGH



His way of Tabligh, even his style of clothes was such that even by-passers, without saying a word, would consider him as a prophet or a saint. Once he was passing through a street in Chicago when a small girl with great joy pointed to her mother: "Look, Mother, Jesus Christ has come." When asked by the parents of the girl, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) replied that;

— “ —

I am a mere servant of the Promised Messiah, not a Christ.

” —



TABLIGH VIA LECTURES & Q/A'S



Every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) had a regular general meeting scheduled to deliver lectures on specific subjects and then answered questions from the audience. He was also invited by different societies and churches to talk about Islam-Ahmadiyyat. Reports of these educational lectures were being published in the press all over the country. He was awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Literature by Jefferson University of Chicago for his contribution to education and services to human welfare. He was also elected as a member of The Press Congress of The World.

TABLIGH THROUGH CHALLENGES

In a public lecture on February 15, 1921, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) challenged the Christian World to follow the noble example of love, tolerance and freedom of religions set by the Holy Prophet of Islam, Hazrat Muhammad (sa) who allowed the Christians of Najran to offer their prayers and religious services inside his Mosque/ Masjid Nabwi. Are the Christians' so tolerant to let me say my Prayer in their Church? The Christian clergy was speechless and absolutely refused to allow this. This news was well covered by the national press reporters.



TABLIGH THROUGH ADDRESSES IN CHURCHES

Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) gave a talk on Islam-Ahmadiyyat to a gathering of respectable citizens at the invitation of a French Bishop. Someone in the audience commented: "We used to send missionaries to India, now India has sent one to America." Upon hearing this, Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) replied: "India does not need missionaries nor can they be effective there in the presence of a Reformer chosen by God Almighty Himself,"

TABLIGH THROUGH THE PICTURE OF PROMISED MESSIAH

Once an American lady wrote to Mufti Sahib that in a dream, she saw herself being guided by a pious man from India. Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) sent her some photographs and she identified the picture of the Promised Messiah (as) as her noble guide.



LONE MISSIONARY IN USA

Once Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (ra) had a lecture in a society. After the lecture, during a question-and-answer session, a priest asked:

— “ —

What will a lone missionary [of Islam] do in America?
We have sent hundreds of missionaries to India.

— ” —

Mufti Sahib explained to him:

— “ —

Analyze what your scores of priests have done in 100 years by spending billions of rupees and then look at my two years of work. According to the number of your priests, not even one person per missionary came into their hands. But I am a lone [missionary of Islam in America] and the work I have done in just two years has been much more successful, and this is only the impact of the truthfulness of Islam.

— ” —

What Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib (RA) mentioned made that priest speechless because he knew the success of Mufti Sahib. In merely 3 years of Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq Sahib's arrival in USA, he converted more than a thousand souls into the fold of Ahmadiyyat.

May Allah Ta'ala enable all of us to follow the blessed footsteps of Mufti Sahib (ra) and may He enable us to do Tabligh in the similar manner so we can also guide the lost souls to come under the banner of the Promised Messiah (as) and the Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa), Āmīn!



SOCIAL VICES IN SOCIETY

Respected Maulana Zaheer Khan Sahib

Question: How should we interact with people who consider themselves part of the LGBTQ+ groups; those who are apparently women but prefer to be called men? In a letter dated 3 April 2023, His Holiness (aba) gave the following answer. His Holiness (aba) said:

Answer: Allah the Almighty created everything in the universe with a purpose. He says:

رَبَّنَا مَا خَلَقْتَ هَذَا بَاطِلًا

“Our Lord, Thou hast not created this in vain.” (Aal-e-Imran 3:192)

Hence, after marriage, there is a purpose behind the relations established by a man and woman, such as chastity and purity, protection of health, preservation of the human race and attaining love and comfort. Allah the Almighty has bestowed us body parts for a certain purpose; He has created the mouth for eating food. If someone uses their mouth to eat filth and dirt, they cannot be considered intelligent.

We observe in our daily lives that there are rules and regulations for aviation in order to fly planes; or there are traffic laws in order to drive cars. A person cannot try to fly a plane or start speeding it down a road without thinking or adhering to any of the laws; nor can someone try to drive a car on the streets without following the traffic laws. Then, every country in the world has its own immigration laws for entering or leaving the country. Is it possible for anyone to enter a country without adhering to its laws?

Similarly, Allah the Almighty has made humans subject to certain laws and guidelines for living their lives. If humans break these laws, then it would certainly be a cause for incurring the displeasure of God Almighty.

According to religious teachings, homosexuality contradicts the natural law, and so Islam has forbidden it. The teachings of Christianity and Judaism are also against it. In addition, contravening this natural law results in the spread of evil and disease. It is an established fact that homosexuals are more prone to contracting diseases like AIDS.

We observe that in order to preserve their species, animals also establish relations with their partners. In contrast, if humans – who have been given a degree of superiority over all other creation by being deemed *the best of all creation* by Allah the Almighty – were to begin expressing their carnal passions in a way that is completely useless and by actions that cannot even promulgate the species, then instead of being the best of all creation, their rank would become less than an ordinary human being, in fact even less than animals.

If people were to employ their intelligence, they would understand that Allah the Almighty has created reproductive organs for a specific purpose. However, those involved in homosexual behaviour merely pursue lust. On the one hand they indulge in homosexuality and on the other hand they desire to have children, for which they adopt other people's children.

In reality, these are all the ploys of the Antichrist, by which the Antichrist is trying to deviate humans from the actual purpose of their creation. Through these Satanic ploys, with thoughtful

and calculated planning, they are trying to separate people from God and religion by somehow eliminating man's trust in God Almighty.

Homosexuality is not something that humans have been born with; such concepts are false. Many people fall prey to this illness after watching inappropriate films as children as a result of which they develop this filthy habit, while society also plays a role in their degradation. Similarly, when such subjects are taught in schools, it develops frustration in children and adolescents, while some children and adolescents fall prey to these evils.

There are some thieves and robbers in the world who fall into these evils because of the poor upbringing provided by their parents, or due to the bad influences of society. Would it be true and accurate for people to say that they were naturally born with these vices? Certainly, such a response would never be acceptable. The same applies to homosexuals.

As for a circumstance in which someone is transgender by virtue of a child being born with a physical defect, it would be considered an illness just as a child who is born blind or deaf or is born with any other type of illness. In such circumstances, this physiological illness should be treated just as other illnesses are treated.

We do not consider people who have fallen into these vices or illnesses to be so bad that we must shun them and alienate them from ourselves. Rather, because they are human beings, it is the responsibility of society and the government to fulfill their basic needs and to take the necessary steps towards their reformation. Certainly, Allah the Almighty has deemed this act to be wrong and so we also regard it to be wrong. We know that it was because of this vice that Allah the Almighty punished an entire nation. Hence, it cannot be that Allah the Almighty punished a people thousands of years ago because of this vice, yet if people go on committing the same vice today, Allah the Almighty will let it go unpunished. Allah the Almighty's punishment takes various forms. It was thus that Allah the Almighty meted out the punishment in this matter Himself. Allah the Almighty Himself will also determine the fate of such people in this era as well. However, showing true compassion requires us to save people from falling into these evil deeds, because from a religious standpoint, we see these things to be wrong.

Question: Is it correct to say that Transgenderism is merely a mental illness which does not require any sort of operation or medical intervention, but requires extensive psychological therapy? How were such people treated during the time of the Holy Prophet (sa) and what standing did they have in the Islamic society? It is recorded in the *Hadith* that Hazrat Umm Salamah (ra) had a worker who was like this, and the Holy Prophet (sa) cursed that person because that person commented on the body of a woman, which led the Holy Prophet (sa) to realise that this was a transgender person who was inclined towards the female body? In his letter dated 3 September 2023, His Holiness (aba) provided the following answer. His Holiness (aba) said:

Answer: From the creation of Adam until the Last Day, Satan has taken it upon himself to misguide the children of Adam and avert them from the right path. To achieve this, Satan employs various methods in an attempt to lead people astray. That is why Allah the Almighty warned people to remain vigilant of Satanic attacks in the following words:

لَعَنَهُ اللَّهُ وَقَالَ لَأَتَّخِذَنَّ مِنْ عِبَادِكَ نَصِيبًا مَفْرُوضًا ﴿١٩﴾ وَلَا تَصِلَتْهُمْ وَلَا مَنِيتُهُمْ وَلَا أَمْرُهُمْ فَلْيَبْشِرُوا بَلَدًا الْإِنْعَامِ
وَلَا أَمْرُهُمْ فَلْيُعْزِزْ خَلْقَ اللَّهِ ﴿٢٠﴾ وَمَنْ يَتَّخِذِ الشَّيْطَانَ وَلِيًّا مِنْ دُونِ اللَّهِ فَقَدْ خَسِرَ خُسْرَانًا مَبِينًا ﴿٢١﴾ يَعِدُهُمْ
وَيُمْنِيهِمْ ﴿٢٢﴾ وَمَا يَعِدُهُمُ الشَّيْطَانُ إِلَّا غُرُورًا ﴿٢٣﴾ أُولَئِكَ مَأْوَاهُمْ جَهَنَّمُ ۖ وَلَا يَجِدُونَ عَنْهَا مَخْرِجًا ﴿٢٤﴾

“(Satan) whom Allah has cursed. And he said, ‘I will assuredly take a fixed portion from Thy servants; ‘And assuredly I will lead them astray and assuredly I will excite in them vain desires, and assuredly I will incite them and they will cut the ears of cattle; and assuredly I will incite them and they will alter Allah’s creation.’ And he who takes Satan for a friend beside Allah, has certainly suffered a manifest loss. He holds out promises to them and raises vain desires in them, and Satan promises them nothing but vain things. These are they whose abode shall be Hell and they shall find no way of escape from it.” (Al-Nisa, 4:119-122)

In these latter days, Satan has taken on the form of the powers of the Antichrist to lead people astray. This is the very era regarding which every prophet warned their followers, and the Holy Prophet (sa) gave great warnings regarding this period. (*Sahih al-Bukhari*, Kitab al-Fitan, Bab Zikri al-Dajjal)

The Holy Prophet (sa) gave glad tidings about the advent of his spiritual son, his true servant, the Promised Messiah and Mahdi who would combat these Satanic and Antichrist forces. (*Sahih al-Bukhari*, Kitab Tafsir al-Qur’an, Bab Qauluhu “Wa Aakhareena minhum lamma yalhaqu bihim”)

Through the support and help bestowed upon him by God, with arguments and proofs, he will combat the powers of the Antichrist and, God willing, completely frustrate and defeat them. Therefore, through love and complete obedience to the Holy Prophet (sa), this *Jariullah fi Hulalil Anbiya* [Warrior of Allah in the mantles of the Prophets], who attained the status of the Muhammadan Messiah, granted us the weapons of prayer and Jihad of the pen against the Satanic and Antichrist powers. We should equip ourselves completely with these weapons so that we can combat the Satanic and Antichrist powers, safeguarding ourselves and our future generations from further onslaughts. For this however, it is necessary that we cherish the teachings he gave us, and act upon them.

Generally, the term “transgender” is used to delineate conditions pertaining to gender. It is also used for those who possess feelings or thoughts of a gender which is different from or opposite to their gender at birth. If the latter type of illness comes into a person’s mind as a result of thoughts and mental perversions stemming from social misconduct, then this too is wrong. Subsequently, when a person who harbours such thoughts desires to practically change their gender, then all these matters are subject to the same warning which was mentioned above with reference to the Holy Qur’an. Such thoughts, and then acting upon them is akin to changing the creation of God, which Islam does not permit in the slightest.

Since being transgender is either a type of congenital gender defect or a psychological condition pertaining to gender, it should be treated just as we seek treatment for other illnesses. For this, there is no harm in using any beneficial medications or psychological therapy.

We do not consider people who have fallen into these vices or illnesses to be so bad that we must shun them and alienate them from ourselves, or so that we may hate them. This is certainly not the teaching of Islam. Rather, because they are human beings, it is the responsibility of every society and government to fulfill their basic needs and if they can be treated, then that treatment should be provided. They should strive to protect them against all potential evils associated with this illness, which all those inflicted by this illness fall into after giving into the incitements of Satan. They should also take the necessary steps for their reformation.

If those afflicted by this illness fall into such vices which Allah the Almighty has deemed evil, then the actions of such people are certainly evil in our view as well. We know that it was because of this vice that Allah the Almighty punished an entire nation. Hence, it cannot be that Allah the Almighty punished a people thousands of years ago because of this vice, yet if people go on committing the same vice today, Allah the Almighty will let it go unpunished. Allah the Almighty's chastisement takes various forms. It was thus that Allah the Almighty dealt the punishment in this matter Himself. Allah the Almighty Himself will also determine the fate of such people in this era as well. However, showing true compassion requires us to save people from falling into such evil deeds, because from a religious standpoint, we see these things to be wrong.

Furthermore, what you have written regarding the *Hadith* is not entirely correct. The actual *Hadith* is that the Holy Prophet (sa) went to the home of his wife, Hazrat Umm Salamah (ra) where he found an androgynous person speaking to Umm Salamah's (ra) brother, Hazrat Abdullah bin Abi Umayyah (ra), saying "If Allah should grant victory at Ta'if tomorrow, I will show you the daughter of Ghailan. She shows four folds of flesh when facing you and eight when she turns her back." (The androgynous person was describing the physical appearance of another woman to an unacquainted man in an attempt to arouse his passions). Upon hearing the androgynous person say this, the Holy Prophet (sa) advised the members of his household not to let such individuals come near them. (*Sahih al-Bukhari*, Kitab al-Nikah, Bab Ma Yunha min Dukhool al-Mutashabbihina bi al-Nisa'i ala al-Mar'ati)

According to this narration, the Holy Prophet (sa) did not curse the androgynous person. Rather, because he was spreading the secrets and physical features of women from other households amongst men which contravenes the spirit of the Islamic veil, the Holy Prophet (sa) forbade allowing people with such evil habits into our homes. And there was nothing objectionable in doing so, because where the Holy Qur'an stipulates the commandment of the veil, it also commands women to also veil themselves from those women who inculcate vices within the women of the home. (*Al-Nur*, 24:32)

Whilst expounding upon this verse from *Surah al-Nur*, Hazrat Musleh Maud (ra) states:

"It is evident from *أَوْ نِسَائِهِنَّ* [their women] that it is also necessary to observe the veil in the presence of certain women. It is common in every country, as was common in our country – although to a lesser degree now – for immoral people to keep trollops who go from house to house quietly inciting women and taking them along outside. In order to stop such women, the Shari'ah [Islamic law] instructs that not all women should be permitted to enter the home. Rather, only such women should be allowed who do not pose this sort of a risk. One should be acquainted with them." (*Tafsir-e-Kabir*, Vol. 8, p. 301)

In accordance with the Qur'anic injunction, the Holy Prophet (sa) directed his wives to exercise caution concerning the androgynous person who had the habit of spreading the private matters of women among men. The androgynous person had not been prevented from entering the Holy Prophet's (sa) household due to any physical defect but rather on account of moral perversion, which caused this person to develop the habit of spreading the private matters of women to other men.

Furthermore, androgynous people fall into two categories: those whose emotional inclinations are similar to men, or those with emotional inclinations similar to women. The narration which has been mentioned suggests that the emotional inclinations of this androgynous person resembled that of men; that is why he observed the physical features of a woman very closely and then described them. Upon this, the Holy Prophet (sa) drew the conclusion that because the emotional inclination of this androgynous person were similar to that of men, he prohibited his blessed wives from allowing him to enter their homes. However, the Holy Prophet (sa) did not express any sort of hatred towards this person on account of any physical defect.



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WE CAN

NEVER

ABANDON TABLIGH

[PREACHING THE MESSAGE OF ISLAM]

**IT IS THE DUTY
OF EVERY AHMADI**

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(KHUTBATE MAHMUD, VOL 7, P. 418)



COFFEE & ISLAM

200+
GUESTS

Coffee & Islam nationwide campaign aims to provide a platform for Canadians to connect with Muslims to learn more about the beautiful teachings of Islam. Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada has launched the “Coffee & Islam” campaign to break down myths and stereotypes, and proactively give Canadians a platform to ask their questions about Islam.

150
SIGN UPS

There are over 30 Coffee & Islam programs scheduled across Canada, and 100s of 1:1 sittings happening in coffee shops across the country. Canadians are simply registering online at coffeeandislam.ca and being connected with the closest event happening in their city.

50+
SITTINGS

Anyone can sign up for a “Coffee & Islam” sitting by going to the official campaign website, www.CoffeeAndIslam.ca, where they can sign up and someone from the campaign will be in touch within 24 hours to set up a time and place for a sitting. It is only through such positive dialogue that we will be able to educate Canadians about Islam through grassroots conversations.

30+
EVENTS

13
BAI'ATS



COFFEE & ISLAM

Alhamdulillah Khuddam across Canada have had many events and sittings with Canadians already. Here are some of the common things that are being discussed:

**SIMILARITIES BETWEEN
ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY**

**WHETHER ISLAM IS A RELIGION
OF PEACE OR VIOLENCE**

**WHAT IS THE AHMADIYYA
MUSLIM COMMUNITY**

**GROWTH OF ISLAM AS A
RELIGION IN THE WORLD**

**MORALITY, SPIRITUALITY,
& PRACTICALITY WITHIN ISLAM**

MOSQUE TOURS



**COFFEE
& ISLAM**

STATISTICS ON ACTIVITIES

HERE ARE SOME OF THE CURRENT
STATISTICS FOR COFFEE & ISLAM:

1,670,000
CANADIANS REACHED

11+
MEDIA INTERVIEWS



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The Promised Messiah (as) on The Blessing of Traveling for Jalsa

“Everyone who travels for this Jalsa...May Allah, the Exalted, be with him, reward him in abundant measure, have mercy on him, ease up for him his circumstances of hardship and anxiety and eliminate his anguish and grief. May He grant him freedom from every single hardship and lay open for him the ways of [achieving] his cherished goals, and raise him up, on the day of Judgment, among those of His servants who are the recipients of His blessings and Mercy. May He be their Guardian in their absence until after their journey comes to an end.

O Allah!...do grant all these prayers, and grant us victory over our opponents with scintillating signs, because You alone have all the prowess and power! Ameen! Ameen!

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PARENTS SESSION

One of the major initiatives held in the month of January was the Parent Sessions. Parents Sessions were held across Canada in every region, this initiative was undertaken after a recommendation of Shura highlighted that parents need to be aware of the challenges their children face and how we can tackle them. Respected Sadr Majlis traveled to every region along with Muhtamim Sahib Additional Tarbiyat and Dr. Khan Sahib, a psychologist with over 30 years of experience.



Over 1000 parents joined these sessions. Important discussions took place such as the challenges our youth face stemming from drugs, dating and other social vices. Parents had a chance to ask questions and interact with the panel on some of the issues they are facing.



The importance of Tarbiyat and how parents must be involved in the upbringing of their children was discussed at length. Different plans and initiatives were shared from the perspective of Khuddamul Ahmadiyya on how to keep youth engaged. May Allah protect Khuddam from any negative influences of the society and keep us attached to Khilafat, Ameen!

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JOIN ISLAM

The Join Islam campaign was launched by Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada to educate and guide Canadians who are interested in learning more about Islam. The website JoinIslam.ca is an online platform that utilizes social media and online advertising to be the #1 source for those interested in becoming a Muslim in Canada.

Given the growing rate of Canadians that are searching for Islam, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada felt the need to capitalise on this opportunity. Through this blessed campaign we were able to connect with amazing Canadians that have shown an immense interest in religions, specifically Islam, Allah, and spiritual development.

SO FAR...

405 LEADS
310 CONTACTS
92 SITTINGS
40 PHONE CALLS
23 BOOKS GIFTED
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18 BAI`ATS

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SMALL TOWN TABLIGH

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**WE SHOULD MAKE
GREATER EFFORT IN
SMALLER TOWNS AND
VILLAGES FOR THE
INHABITANTS OF
THESE PLACES ARE
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LISTEN TO AND
ACCEPT THE MESSAGE OF ISLAM**

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HAZRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH V (AA)

TALIMI AND TARBIYATI CAMP REPORT

By the grace of Allah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada had the opportunity to hold the 17th Annual Grade 10 Talimi and Tarbiyati camp in Peace Village from December 22 to 29, 2023. A total of 79 Khuddam participated in this year's camp. The camp began on Friday, December 22nd with the opening session, presided over by respected Amir Sahib, Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada Tahir Ahmed Sahib and missionary Imtiaz Sra Sahib. At the end Dua was led by respected Amir Jama'at Canada Malik Lal Khan Sahib.



The Khuddam were divided into 8 groups, which competed with one another in sports and educational competitions. These competitions included tilawat, nazm, impromptu speeches, races, basketball, dodgeball, volleyball, soccer and capture the flag.

A detailed schedule was prepared for the students, which closely resembled a day in the life of a Jamia student. After offering the Fajr prayer, the students recited the Holy Quran in the mosque, followed by breakfast and assembly in the Jamia auditorium. Then missionaries taught classes about basic Islamic Jurisprudence, salat with translation, dismantling atheism, and basic Islamic beliefs. In addition, students participated in special activities to enhance brotherhood and teamwork. After offering Zuhr and Asr prayer and eating lunch, the students proceeded to Aiwan e Tahir for sports. Then the students had some time to spend in their hostels before Isha prayers followed by dinner.

Special guest lectures were organized after Isha prayer, which were delivered by notable speakers of the Jama'at. These lectures included talks with respected Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada Tahir Ahmed Sahib, respected National Secretary Tarbiyat Shahid Mansoor Sahib and respected Missionary Shahrukh Abid Sahib. Nights concluded with open group discussions with missionaries in the hostels.



One of the highlights of the camp was a field trip to the Putting Edge center on Wednesday where students participated in Mini Golf. At the end of the camp, students were tested on what they learned during the week with an examination. Throughout the camp, emphasis was given to discipline and at the end of the camp, the best student and best group were recognized.

**BEST STUDENT:
FOZAN KHUWAJA
(SHUJAT)**

**BEST GROUP:
AMANAT GROUP**



The camp came to a successful conclusion on Sunday, December 29. Respected Missionary In Charge Abdul Rashid Anwar Sahib and respected Sadr Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Canada Tahir Ahmed Sahib presided over the closing session. Awards were distributed and students were recognized for their work over the week.

At the end students had the opportunity to express their opinions and feedback about the camp. Overall, the students thoroughly enjoyed the camp. May Allah bless the organizers and the participants and enable us to build a strong relationship with Him. Ameen.



IMPORTANCE OF UPKEEPING ISLAMIC TRADITIONS

In order to draw special attention to ensuring that Khuddam are regular in meeting with their sick brothers and also meeting the families of deceased members a special session was organised.

An event was held on January 14th in Baitul Hamd Mosque. This event was presided by Respected Sadr Majlis Canada. Over 100 members took part in this event both virtually and in person.

Khuddam were reminded of their duty to visit the ill and distressed brothers. As an Ahmadi Muslim it is our responsibility to serve humanity and this is one of the best ways to do so.

In addition, Khuddam were encouraged to take part in funeral services. Khuddam were motivated to be involved in all aspects from cleaning the body, preparing the body for burial and providing solace to family members.

This duty to our fellow brothers can be beautifully summarised by a saying of Hazrat Masih Mau'ud(as):

“My desire, my wish and my objective is serving humanity. It is my job, my faith, my inspiration and my way.”

