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#### Does God Exist?" - NY Jama'at's First Program

February 7th, Sunday— @ I:30 pm in Bait-uz-Zafar— Regional Tabligh Seminar. All men and women are requested to attend.

**UP COMING EVENTS** 

February 13th, Saturday— @ 9:30 am Regional Waqfe Nuh Ijtema

February 14th, Sunday— Khuddam, Ansar, Lajna Amila and Monthly Meetings

February 16th, Tuesday- Atfal & Khuddam Bowling trip

February 20th, Saturday- @ 5:30 pm Musleh Maud Day Program in Bait-uz-Zafar

February 21st, Sunday- @ II:30am Career & Education Development Seminar - sponsored by MKA

February 27th—28th, National PR Conference

Every Saturday Tahir School classes @ 9:30 am

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We started off the year with an exciting topic, "Does God Exist, and does He care?". The program was held in Bait-uz-Zafar on Sunday January 3rd, 2010. Many believe in God, but then at times think that perhaps He does not listen to our prayers. The topic was discussed in detail by Dr. Ahmad Chaudhry and Imam Kauser

Sahib. We had our ones speak on the topic too, Daniel Ahmad and Tamur Hamid. There was question and answer session and that made the program even more interesting. The program started off with recitation from The Quran by Zulfikar Sikder and Poem by Mahmood Ahmad. Members enjoyed the dinner cooked by our Ziafat team and most preferred the new timings of the meeting – later in the afternoon.

#### Return Address:

Bait-uz-Zafar Envoy 188-15 Mclaughlin Ave Hollis, NY 11423



Jan 15 2010 5:00PM

#### Letter From Huzoor (aba)

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> Mr. Nazir Ayaz Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at 150-11 72 Rd. # 2C Flushing NY 11367

My Dear Nazir Ayaz

Assalamo Alaikum wa rahmatullah wa barakatuhu

I am very pleased to receive your letter dated 7th December 2009 containing a list of all those members of the new York Jama'at who participated in the renovation projects at the new mosque at their own time and expense.

It is indeed a good long list of such worthy participants. There are those who have expended considerable sums and others who have contributed their professional skills towards the works. They are all to be praised and thanked for their contributions. There are others who have contributed general Waqare-Amal duties as well who are equally worthy. May Allah bless and reward all the contributors to the works at Baituz Zafar. I pray for them all.

May Allah bless you.

Wassalam

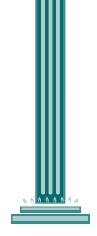
Yours sincerely

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Mirza Masroor Ahmad KHALIFATUL MASIH V







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Tabligh Workshop, Metro Region Sunday February 7th 2010 Masjid Bait-uz-Zafar Agenda

1:30 Zuhr and Asr prayer

2:00 PM Talawat ----- Majid Yanful

Translation -----Khalid Perine

2:15 Welcome & Introduction Outling the National Tabligh Plan

Br. Ali Murtaza (National Tabligh Secretary)

2:25 How to become a successful Daeen... Amir Malik President Boston Jamatt

3:25 A Tabligh Video presentation By Missionary Mukaram Maulana Naseem Mahdi Sahib Missionary In-charge & Naib Amir of USA

4:00 Interactive Session addressing How to get more members involved what can we do that has not been done.

4:30 Concluding Remarks...

4:45 Refreshments

5:30 Salatul Maghrib





## Tabligh Report

#### Tabligh Announcements

- \* Twitter Account: If you have already opened a twitter account please follow <a href="www.Twitter.com/AhmadiyyatIslam">www.Twitter.com/AhmadiyyatIslam</a> and <a href="www.Twitter.com/GhulamRabbi">www.Twitter.com/GhulamRabbi</a>
- \* QPTV programs will be shown every Tuesday at 12:30 pm on channel 35 and every Friday at 4:30 pm on channel 56. A regional Tabligh seminar is tentatively scheduled for February 7. Details will follow.
  - \* On March 7th Seeratun Nabi will be held at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque. Please mark the date on your calendar more details will follow.
  - \* Please invite you guest to the Seeratun Nabi program and email invitation will be sent out to all members and invitation cards will be available by Friday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - \* We have prepared a press release so please let Tabligh Secretary know of your press contacts
  - \* The official website for Review of Religions launched: <a href="www.reviewofreligions.com">www.reviewofreligions.com</a>. It has 8 years of archived issues.
  - \* I encourage the Daeen to also utilize Muslim Sunrise for Tabligh www.muslimsunrise.com
  - \* Join the MKA radio program on Sundays at 6PM at <a href="http://www.blogtalkradio.com/therealrevolution">http://www.blogtalkradio.com/therealrevolution</a>

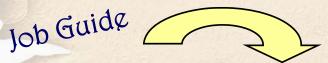
#### Tabligh Progress Report:

- \* Imam sb, Tabligh Secretary, Naib Qaid and Regional Nazim Khidmate Khalq attended an Interfaith meeting on Jan 31st in Grace Church, Brooklyn. Imam sb led the meeting with opening prayers, Naib Qaid sb assisted with video recording. The team met many contacts invited them to March 7th Seratunnabi at Bait-uz-Zafar mosque
- \* Tabligh Sec sent materials to a Spanish Muslim who requested Spanish literature from a prison
- \* Information was also sent out to an inquirer who wanted material after watching our QPTV programs.
- \* Taleem secretary reported attending 3/4 meetings with intellectuals in New York. He also interviewed on JUS TV on the subject of Religion and God.
- \* There are 3 guests who attended out Jumma service.
- \* Multiple emails were sent out to contacts on Jama'at Press release and multiple other updates
- \* Two members visited Hempstead to distributed flyers

#### Bangla Desk

- Bangla Live Q&A (Shotter Shondane) on MTA and Tabligh contacts were notified to watch and learn from the programs.
- \* Bengali literature were given to one Tabligh contact
- \* One Hindu student came to mosque, a copy of Philosophy was given to him.

Report by: Ghulam Rabbi & Naved Saeed



How can Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya USA's Sinat-o-Tijarat Department help when someone loses a job?

http://www.mkausa.org/Sanato-Tijarat/MKAUSA-And-These-Tough-Times

The Sanat-o-Tijarat Department published an Ahmadiyya Resource Directory, providing resources for career development, listing many services available to Jama'at members and published contacts in various careers. The Ahmadiyya Resource Directory advertises not only Ahmadi-owned businesses, but also Ahmadi employees who may be working in very diverse fields.

Download a copy: <a href="http://www.mkausa.org/Sanato-Tijarat/Sanat-o-Tijarat">http://www.mkausa.org/Sanato-Tijarat/Sanat-o-Tijarat</a>
Register Yourself: <a href="http://www.mkausa.org/component/option,com\_forme/fid,13/">http://www.mkausa.org/component/option,com\_forme/fid,13/</a>

#### Looking for a job?

Go to the Job Portal and search for job openings that have been referred to us by other Ahmadi brothers: click here!

Need help with your resume? We have a team of experienced professionals who can work with you on making your resume look more attractive. Send your resume to <a href="mailto:resumehelp@mkausa.org">resumehelp@mkausa.org</a>

Newest Professions, Growing Salaries 12 Jobs That Didn't Exist Until Recently:

http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/career-articles-newest professions growing salaries-992

#### Need Financial Help?

These are tough economic times and many families are hurting. If you, your loved ones or your friends need help in paying for heat, electricity, medication, avoiding eviction or foreclosure, looking for a new job or simply putting food on the table. You can call-211 - to get help or go to <a href="https://www.211.org.">www.211.org.</a>



## **Soup Kitchen**

Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya of New York Jama'at held a soup kitchen in Astoria, Queens, on December 27th, 2009 where Khuddam got together in Bait-uz-Zafar early morning, sacrificing extra sleep on a Sunday Morning, and travelling on their own expense to the soup kitchen venue and helping in preparing food for more than 80 people. Sacrificing time to

Adopting Two Families

By the Grace of Allah, on Saturday January 9th, Khuddam from the NY Metro area rounded up donations collected at the Queens mosque and from various homes in Queens and Long Island and delivered them to two families experiencing difficult circumstances. Items collected included 5 twin beds, two dressers, a dining table, rocking chair, cupboard, dinner set, kitchen supplies, clothes, blankets, bed sheets, and winter coats. Jazakallah to the Jama'at members for their generous donations.

The donations completely filled a 14-foot moving truck. It took four Khuddam, brothers Farhan Ahmed, Hashim Mumtaz, Umair Jamil, and Nadim Malik, most of the

day to round up the items and unload the donations. Both families lived on third floor apartments without elevators, so this was especially tiring.

All together, the NY Metro Jama'at has now assisted four families in need in the last several months. Please pray that our efforts please Allah, and for the improvement of all those experiencing difficult circumstances.

By: Nadim Malik

## **Atfal & Khuddam goes Bowling!**

On January 24, 2010, Khuddam of New York Jama'at had arranged a program to go bowling at 11:00 am on the Sunday morning. Those who were present included Ahmad Chaudhry, Ghulam Rabbi Ahmed and his son Mirza Ghulam Haseeb, Abubakr Rana, Sammer and Fahiz Nasir, Danial Ahmed, Shabir Ahmad, and Taimur Hamid. By meeting up at the mosque, together we had gone to Strike Bowling in New Hyde Park on Union Tpke. The complex was amazing, and as soon as you walk down to main area, pool tables were set up with three pool sticks hanging from the middle of the table. The arcade was located in the center, and the bowling lanes located on the right and left sides of the arcade. We had gotten two lanes, for an hour's worth of bowling

and had an amazing time. Large screen TV's had been placed above the bowling pins for

entertainment while we sat and watched our other brother's bowl as well. We jumped for joy whenever anyone of us bowled a strike, and a lesser applause was given when spares were bowled. All in all, we rooted on our fellow khuddam no matter what they had bowled, and achieved not only the fun of bowling, but the encouragement and

respect of our brethren.

By: Taimur Hamid



RECREATION

SPORTS

Every Friday evening Khuddam will gather and play soccer to prepare for the Masroor Tournament being held On April 3. Last Year Our Team made it all the way to the Finals and came in second place. This year the goal is to win the Masroor Tournament, by the Grace of Allah. Everyone is invited and encouraged to come and join the team practices. Be a part of the team or help support the team by practicing and helping them prepare. Please contact Fahim Malik at 646-232-0047 or by email at <a href="mailto:fmai



## BOWLING TRIP FOR TAHIR CLASS STUDENTS!!!



## During the February Recess from School

Boys: February 16th, 2010



Students \$5

Adults \$12

WHERE—JIB LANES 67-19 Parsons Blvd Flushing, NY 11365

WHEN— Be at the Mosque by 5:30pm.

**TIME**— 6:30pm—till 8:30pm

Boys contact: Taimur Hamid 646-725-8615

Fahiz Nasar 516-426-5717

Girls contact Sana Nasar 718-440-1967



## Waqf-e-Jadid Pledge Form

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Ever Merciful



AssalamoAlaikum. I humbly ask that each member of your household please complete this Waqf-e-Jadid Pledge Form and send it to Bait-uz-Zafar via either mail, or in person.

1st Regional Atfal Rally!!

Name (Head of Household):		
Pledge for 2010: \$		
Name (Other Family Member 1):	Pledge for 2010: \$	
Name (Other Family Member 2):	Pledge for 2010: \$	
Name (Other Family Member 3):	Pledge for 2010: \$	
Name (Other Family Member 4):	Pledge for 2010: \$	
Name (Other Family Member 5):	Pledge for 2010: \$	
Name (Other Family Member 6):	Pledge for 2010: \$	

Friday, March 5th and Saturday March 6th, there will be a Regional Atfal Rally. Atfal from Queens, Brooklyn, Long Island, and Bronx will gather Friday Evening in Bait-uz-Zafar and have a tarbiyyat workshop and sleep-over. Next day All Atfal will go to an indoor Sports facility for sports. Save those the dates!

## A Symposium on the Life of Holy Prophet Muhammad (\*)



"Love for All — Hatred for None"

Sunday, March 7, 2010, 1:30 – 3:30 PM Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque 188-15 McLaughlin Ave, Holliswood, New York 11423

RSVP: info.newyork@ahmadiyya.us, 917-363-3673 or 718-479-3345

Moderator: Ghulam Rabbi

Recitation of the Holy Qur'an Welcome Address

Br. Mueenuddin Ahmad Vice President, NY Chapter of AMC

The Holy Prophet Muhammad ( ) The Living Quran

Dr. Kareem Sharif

Holy Prophet Muhammad ( ) - The Preacher of a Green Planet

**Ibrahim Abdul-Matin Author,** *Green Deen: How American Muslims Go Green* 

Holy Prophet Muhammad ( ) - His Moral Excellences

**Imam Benjamim Bilal** *CEO, Signs of Life* 

Qaseedah - Arabic poem in praise of the Holy Prophet ( 🥌 )

Br. Taimur Hamid

Holy Prophet Muhammad ( \*\* ) -Lessons from the Farewell Address

Al Hajj Shaykh TA Bashir

Asst. Sec General, Council of African Imams; Founder, House of Peace (HOP)

Holy Prophet Muhammad ( ) - The Perfect Preacher

Imam Daud A. Hanif

*In charge NY Metro & American Block Countries* 

Holy Prophet Muhammad ( ) - His Success as a Human Being

Imam Tahir Mustafa Kukaj
Albanian Islamic cultural center

Future Programs President, NY Chapter of AMC

Concluding Remarks Moderator

Refreshment will be served at the conclusion of the program.

Program Sponsored by Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of New York. www.alislam.org or www.mta.tv

### LAJNA REPORT

This month's Lajna Monthly meeting started with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Sister Asifa Mahmood with Urdu Translation. The English translation was read by Maham Ahmad. Next Hadith #31, "A Believe is Never Bitten Twice in the Same Hole" from 40 Gems of Beauty was read by Sister Rashida Bajwa with Urdu translation while Ayesha Bajwa read the English translation and commentary. Relating to this Hadith, Sister Fouzia Mahmood read some excerpts from Malfoozat in Urdu and Niala Nasar and Maria Ahmed read these excerpts from Malfoozat in English.



Our first workshop was the Talim workshop which was focused on the Life of the Holy Prophet (saw). Sister Homaa Hamid started this workshop by talking about the personality and simplicity of the Holy Prophet (saw). She read how Holy Prophet (saw) would eat whatever foods were available and was never picky about it, how he always shared his food and was very much against public feasts because the poor would see the feast and feel their hunger even more. He always shared his food with the poor and helped them in any way he could. Even though he encountered many bitter experiences like death of his family members, he never showed bitterness or rudeness to others. The next topic that she discussed was his attitude towards his wives. He was very nice and kind to all his wife and treated all of them equally. The last topic discussed was his treatment of women. He was always kind and caring to women and wanted to set the status of women equal to men. He did not believe in beating women or treating them harshly. Sister Rashida Hamid then discussed these topics in Urdu as

well as read different excerpts from different books on the life of the Holy Prophet (saw). A question & answer session followed in which members asked any questions or thoughts that they had.

Next, Sister Farida Ahmad handed out sheets of paper and members were asked to write any questions that they had, or that they were asked about anything related to Islam. All members were recommended to ask at least one question and write what they think the answer was. These questions were collected and will hopefully be answered by the next meeting.

Lastly, our Tarbiyyat workshop was held by Dr. Salamat Majeed. Lajna were divided in 2 groups. One English speaking group and one Urdu Speaking group. Each group read the Address given to Lajna UK and later wrote down and discussed some rights of women that were talked about in the address. Members then went up on stage and discussed their findings. Finally, announcements were made by Sister Farkhanda Ahmad and requests for prayer were made. The meeting ended with silent prayers and Zuhr and Asr Prayers.

By: Bariah Ahmad

## Taleem-ul-Qur'an

As per the directives of our beloved Imam Hazrat Khalifatul Massih V<sup>th (aba)</sup> an exciting Program for memorization of the Holy Quran has been launched by the department of Taleem-ul-Qur'an. The department plans to

enroll at least 100 people to memorize the last part of the Holy Qur'an by the end of June 2010. The online registration is available on the Taleem-ul-Quran page of <a href="www.ahmadiyya.us">www.ahmadiyya.us</a>. Interested people are requested to enroll as soon as possible. Following is the link for registration:



http://www.ahmadiyya.us/index.php?option=com\_content&view=section&id=17&Itemid=34

The formal online classes will start Insh`Allah in January. We highly encourage the enrollees to start memorizing the last one-fourth (Surah Al-Bayyanah Ch 98 to Surah Al-Nas Ch 114) of the 30<sup>th</sup> Part. We hope the majority of our students would already know most of it. Jama'ats with membership under 100 should enroll at least 2 members in this program, and Jama'at with over 100 memberships should enroll at least 4 members. Although there is no age limit, we highly

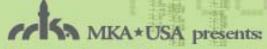
encourage Atfal, young Khuddam, Nasirat and young Lajna to take part in this.

Muhtaram Syed Fazal Ahmed Sahib is the director of the program. He will be contacting you very soon with the complete guidelines. I request to please cooperate with him to make this plan a great success.

I humbly request you to pray for all of us to meet this big challenge and fulfill the desires of Khalifatul Massih.

Zaheeruddin Mansoor Ahmad National Secretary Taleem-ul-Qur'an USA





Ahmadiyya Career and Educational Development Seminar

#### Sunday February 21st 2010

11:30am-3:30pm

Bait-uz-Zafar 188-15 McLaughlin Ave Holliswood, NY 11423

Come and Learn about Fascinating Careers

Meet with people that work for Large Corporations

Make your resume on the spot and have it reviewed

Increase your Pay and Position

Lunch will be served
Dont Miss this Premier Regional Event

#### Taleem-ul-Quran

The National Taleem-ul-Quran department has initiated a new program. This program entails members to memorize the 30<sup>th</sup> part of the Holy Quran by June 2010.

The following people have given their names to be part of this auspicious program:

Rashida Momin, Qudsia Tanveer, Kareem Sharif, Naeem Sharif, Abdul Latif, Zulfikar Sikder, Mueen Ahmad, Farah Ahmad, Taimur Hamid, Bariah Ahmad, Naima Ahmad, Ghulam Rabbi Ahmad, Shoeb Abulkalam, Ahmad Nawaz Chaudry, Benish Nayab, Fasasi Sanusi, Mubashra Bajwa, Ahmad Mubarak, and Fareed Sanusi.



Good Luck to these people and May Allah help them with their endeavor.

Taleem-ul-Quran Secretary Abdul Hadi Nasir



Ansar Held their monthly Meeting on January 10th, 2010. Members are seen engaged in lively discussion after the meeting outside in the lobby of Bait-uz-Zafar.

#### 2010's 1st Khuddam Meeting in Bait-uz-Zafar





On January 10th, 2010, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya of Queens Majlis held its first Monthly Amila Meeting. National Sami-o-Basri Secretary, Ahmad Chaudhry was present along with Qaid of Long Island, Umair Jamil sahib. Alhamdulillah over 90% of the Khuddam Amila members were present and Qaid Queens, Ghulam Rabbi sahib went over every Amila member's departments and goals and responsibilities. Monthly Khuddam Meeting followed after the Amila Meeting. Brotherhood was the theme.

## Family Visits

Respected Imam Daud Hanif sahib along with President Nazir Ayaz sahib and Karim Sharif, Secretary Tarbiyyat visited several families in Manhattan, Elmhurst and Bait-uz-Zafar Halqas. In Manhattan, all members from the Halqa gathered at the residence of Dr. Ahmad Nawaz sahib for convenience. During these meetings members were introduced to Imam sahib. We gained

knowledge of their well-beings and introduced Jamaat programs to them. We also invited members to ask/share any concerns they might have about our programs and/or day to day activities. This is an ongoing program and in the next few weeks we will visit rest of the families in all Halqas (InshaAllah).

\*\*By: Karim Sharif\*\*

Waqfe-Nau Regional ijtema This year's Regional Waqfenau Ijtema is scheduled for Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Bait-uz-Zafar at 10 AM. All parents are requested to bring their waqefeene nau children to the musjid on time. The day will be filled with educational and fun activities, as listed on the schedule and syllabus. Parents are advised to use this as a guide in preparing the children for the competitions. If you may have any questions or

concerns, please contact your local Waqfenau Secretary. (See Next Page for Syllabus)

By: Mueen Ahmad

10:00 AM BREAKFAST & REGISTRATION

10:30 AM OPENING SESSION – Tila'wat, Nazm, & Welcome address

11:00 AM Educational Presentations for 7 years age and under-<u>Joined session for boys</u> and girls

#### Syllabus:

- 1. For 5 years age and below Any NEW thing they have prepared from syllabus
  - Names of the father and mother of Rasool Allah saw
    - b) Name of Massih Maud <sup>as</sup> and his parents
    - c) Names of your parents and grand parents
      - 2. For 6 & 7 years old –
      - a) Dua between two Sajddah
  - b) Prayer for entering the Mosque and while coming out
    - c) Prayer- *Rabbe zidnee ilma* with meaning
  - d) Inna mal amma lu binniyyah Deeds are judged by motives.

11:30 PM Educational Competitions for 7 years and above – Separate session for boys and girls

#### Competition for ages 7-10 years old:

- 1. Holy Quran Memorization: Syllabus last 10 Surahs any may be asked randomly
  - 2. Prayers syllabus
  - a) Prayers of Wadhu-ablution
    - b) At`tahyyat
    - c) Darood Shariff
  - 3. Allah's attributes memorization: first 15 attributes in Arabic with meaning
    - 4. Hadith Memorization: from the following with translation
    - Inna mal amma lu binniyyah Deeds are judged by motives.
    - Lae sal khairu kal mu aayanah- what you hear is not same as what you see

#### Competition for ages 11-15 years old:

- . Holy Quran Memorization: Syllabus last 15 Surahs any may be asked randomly
  - 1. Nazm: any 3 couplets from the syllabus memorized
    - 2. Prayers: syllabus
    - a) Dua for entering the home and while coming out
      - b) Dua after Adhan
    - c) Dua for going on a journey and while returning back
  - 3. Hadith Memorization Competition: from the following with translation:
    - Ann nasu ka asna nil musht People are like teeth of a comb.
  - Ista e nu a lal haweje bil kit maan To fulfill your needs, seek help in secret.
    - $Al\ ghenaa\ ghenaa\ annafs$  True wealth is wealth of the heart.
      - Al heya oo khairun kul luh Modesty is the best virtue.

#### Competition for ages 16 and above:

1.Qir`at –e- Quran Competition: <u>syllabus Surah Al Baqarah 1-17</u> verses

To be read, not memorized, a verses or two, as asked by the judges with correct Tajweed

- 2. Holy Quran Memorization: syllabus Ch 87-114 any may be asked randomly
- 3. Split meaning: Surah Al Baqarah 1-17 verses
- 4. Qaseedah: syllabus 1-20 verses a few verses would be asked randomly
- 5. Speech: syllabus: Conditions of Ba`it # 1 #2 #3 Urdu or English 3-4 minutes

The waqafeen have to give an explanation of their understanding of any one condition of the first three conditions

1.30 PM LUNCH & SALAAT ZUHR& ASR

2.15 PM GAMES AND ACTIVITIES WHENEVER POSSIBLE

4.00 PM RECOGNITION / AWARDS CONCLUDING ADDRESS BY HAFIZ SAMIULLAH CHAUDHARY SAHIB

#### **Proposals for Shura:**

If you want to include a proposal for the upcoming shura, you may do so by submitting it tour general secretary Sahib and we will call a Jama'at meeting where these suggestions will be discussed and if approved by

the Jama'at body will be sent to Marqaz. At marqaz, the national Amila will deliberate and if it finds appropriate, it will include it in the Shura agenda. Also at this special Jama'at meeting we will elect Shura representatives.

#### Visit of National Auditor to New York Jama'at

Falauddin Shams sahib, the national Auditor visited NY Jama'at and went over the financial records. He recommended several items to improve our record keeping that we have started to implement and correct some of the procedures.





#### Humanity First USA | Serving Mankind

#### Haiti Earthquake Relief

#### **Situation**

Our volunteers are maintaining a solid presence in Port-Au-Price. Humanity First has taken a multi-national response approach to this disaster, with volunteers from US, Canada, and UK operations working hand in hand on the ground. Our first response team returned last weekend from Haiti, while the second team replaced them in parallel. The third batch of physicians, registered nursing, EMR professionals and the supporting logistics focused personnel are leaving this Friday.

#### **Humanity First action to date**

- More than 35 volunteers have been sent to serve at Port-Au-Prince relief camp
- More than 2000 injured patients have been provided medical treatment & care
- Medicines and medical supplies worth thousands of dollars have been dispensed to the injured patients A large team of dedicated volunteers back in the US have been working round the clock to engage more volunteers to be ready for deployment in Haiti. Other team members have been providing logistics arrangements, and raising funds through various events, individual and corporate donors like yourself.

#### **Next steps**

The HFUSA leadership team is in high gear and meeting every day to plan for not only continuing the medical relief operations, but also planning the rebuilding phase in Haiti. The infrastructure and property damage in Port-Au-Prince region is colossal and we expect to be driving several rebuilding projects in the near future.

#### **How Can You Help**

At this time, the best ways to help is by donating cash. There are various ways to donate, including credit or debit card payments, PayPal, setting up online bank payments, or mailing a check to Humanity First at the following address:

Humanity First USA 300 E.Lombard Street, Suite 840 Baltimore, MD 21202 **Donate Now** 

#### **MORE TABLIGH NEWS**

- Our first public meeting of the year is to take place on Sunday March 7<sup>th</sup>, please start working on from on to bring at least one guest with you.
- Tabligh Seminar is to take place on Sunday 2/7 at 1:30 pm and this is important for all of us to attend. We need to give time to convey message of peace and this is a good place to start by attending the seminar. It is interactive with many testimonies how many accepted the true Islam, so please do not miss it.

## New York Jama'at pays tribute to **Imam Kauser Sahib**

At the concluding of the Jama'at meeting in January, President Nazir Ayaz appreciated the hard work put in by the outgoing Mubaligh, Imam Kauser sahib in particularly his support and effective role that he played for acquiring our new Mosque and working to raise the funds for it. His love for Tabligh is exemplary. He is always on the road to ensure that he connects with all his nine Jama'ats on regular basis. Our veteran Moshin Mahmud sahib, Vice president Fasasi Sunusi and Ahmad Chaudhry also gave their remarks and gifts on behalf of the Jama'at.

The meeting ended with silent prayers after the concluding remarks by Imam sahib. May Allah be his guide and we wish him the best of the best wishes and our prayers will always be there for him and his family.

- \* It is important that every household must have the calendar so that they can track the Jama'at events up front and plan ahead. Also it has salat timings. If you do not have one, please buy it before we run out.
- \* Among those who helped us with the calendar and we missed the name in our last issue was Naeela Nasir. Jazakallah, Naeela!.
- \* The calendar has been distributed to local elected officials and those under Tabligh. We have sent it to Jama'at officials at the national Head office and Jama'at officials in Canada, India, Pakistan, Ghana, Nigeria, Israel, Guyana and Trinidad. It was sent to Hazoor (aba) with a list of names for prayers for those who worked on it.

#### **National Mosque Fund**

We have just paid our third installment of over six hundred thousand dollars. This time the funds for the installment were provided through the national Mosque fund, but unfortunately there was shortfall and not enough funds in the national Mosque fund to pay our installment and Marqaz had to use other resources to make up the shortfall.

Let all of us keep the spirit alive and from today on work on to save for the next installment due in six months time, but please let us not leave it to the last minute. We should come up with the generous goal and start contributing monthly. It is difficult, but then if we do not raise our bar, who else will; after all it is our Mosque and our dedication need to be high up there so that our generation to come will reap the rewards of our sacrifices and then there are other Jama'ats who need the funds for their Mosques and some of these Jama'ats do not have a place to pray. May Allah accept your sacrifices and reward you abundantly and Bless you and yours.

## Request for prayers

There are many who not doing well health wise. Please remember them in your special prayers for their quick and complete recovery:

Zafar Chaudhry sahib, Sister Nasirah Ahmad sahibah, Kabir malik Sahib, Ahmad Mubarak sahib and others.

## **FINANCE**

We are only five months to close of the current fiscal year and many members are pretty behind in their dues. Kindly look into it and let us meet our targets individually and at Jama'at level. May Allah reward your for your financial sacrifices.



\* Mr. and Mrs. Atif Chaudhry were blessed with their first child, a baby girl. The baby is the granddaughter of our property secretary, Chaudhry Hafeez sahib.

Congratulations to the parents:

May Allah bless the newcomer and make her the light in her parents' eyes.

#### Visit of the National Waqfe Jadid secretary to New York Jama'at

Dr. Waseem Sayed led Jumma prayers at Bait-uz-Zafar and stressed on providing pledges of waqfe jaded now and start contributing as year goes by rather than leave it to the last minute.

## Sales Opportunity in your spare time

If you are interested in making extra money in your spare time and have salesmanship qualities, then there is a good opportunity for you. You can have your distribution region to sell post cards to retailers. If interested, please contact Nazir Ayaz