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Upcoming Events

Friday, March 5 & Saturday March 6 - Atfal
regional rally at the old Bait-uz-Zafar mosque.

Sunday, March 7th - Seerat-un-Nabi Public Meeting
at 1:30 pm. Please Invite Guests.

Sunday, March 14th - Auxillaries meetings.

Sunday, March 21st - Nasirat Ijtema at 10:00 am

Tuesday, March 23rd - Masih Maud Day Meeting
at 7:30 pm. Please come and bring your Family.
Dinner will be served.

Saturday, March 27th - Jamaat General Elections
at 7:30 pm. All Eligible voters will be informed.

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Musleh Maud Day

February 20, 2010

New York Jamaat celebrated the Musleh Maud Prophecy on its actual historical date, February 20th. The program was presided by our Naib Amir, Zinda Bajwa Sahib. Rashid Ahmad Sahib recited some verses from the Holy Quran which was translated by Fareed Sunusi Sahib. Mahmood Ahmad Butta Sahib recited a poem by Hazrat Musleh Maud which gives advice to Ahmadi youths and this was translated by Tamiur Hamid Sahib. The prophecy of Hazrat Masih Maud about Musleh Maud was read in its origin by Ahmad Mubarak Sahib and was translated by Hadi Nasir Sahib. This was followed by the three main speeches of the night. The first speech was by Asad Bajwa Sahib. His speech was focused on the youths of the Jamaat and provided valuable advice given by Hazrat Musleh Maud to the youths of the Jamaat. The next speech was by Brother Ata ul Hassan who spoke on Hazrat Musleh Maud as a liberator of nations. Before the final speech, our young speaker of the day was Saad Mansoor followed by Nazm by Riaz Rehman Sahib. The final speech was by our new member of the Jamaat, Mohammad Afzal Sahib, former Amir of Iran Jamaat. The program ended with concluding remarks by Nazir Ayaz and silent prayers by the Naib Amir sahib. The attendees were served with dinner cooked in house by our Ziafat team. Jazakallah.

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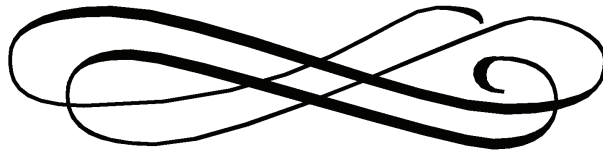
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Tabligh Workshop & Report

The tabligh meeting discussed the ways we can possibly carry out tabligh and what areas we should avoid when doing tabligh. This meeting was set to motivate the community and especially those who are new to preaching or talking about our teachings in general. The jama'at was reminded of our beloved Huzoor's words in regards to reaching at least 2% of the American population. They were also reminded of the guidance of the Promised Messiah that it is our obligation to God Almighty to carry this message to those desolate hearts and those whom are seekers of the truth. It was mentioned that we should avoid egoism, debates, arguments, and instead we should try to convert a contact within minutes. Imam Daud Hanif also made mention of not mixing humanitarian work with preaching, we have an obligation to help man, and also to bring man to his Creator, both should not be mixed and gave reference to some people resentful feelings toward some christian sects. The main presenter of this meeting was Dr. Aamir Malik of Boston. This program was organized by our National Tarbiyyat Secretary, Brother Ali Murtaza.

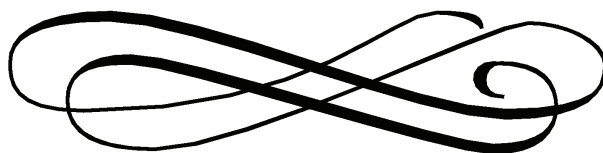
Tabligh Announcements

- ~ 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 was conducted on February 7
- ~ On March 7th Seeratun Nabi will be held at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque. Please take flyers from the mosque and invite guests
- ~ We have sent out News Advisory for press contacts



Waqf-e-Nau Regional Ijtema

The Regional Waqf-e-nau Ijtema was held on Saturday, February 13th at Bait-uz- Zafar mosque. The highlight of the day was the educational competitions amongst the Waqefeen from Queens, Brooklyn, Long Island, Central Jersey, and North Jersey. They came to participate in a spiritual meeting where they were reminded of their tall task ahead – to spearhead the future of Jama'ate Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam. The Queens Waqefeen who were recognized for coming out on top are *Danish Chaudhry, Mirza Ghulam Haseeb, Amatul Hayee Maryam, Labeeba Chaudhry, Amara Mahmood, Naila Ahmed, Husna Ahmed, and Beenish Nayyab*. Congratulations to these Waqefeen and their parents. More importantly, may Allah accept them and guide them.



Online Petitions, Polls, Forwarding of Emails, Personal Blogs and Discussion Forums

This is a reminder for all of us. It needs to be re-emphasized to our membership again. It is a follow-up to my prior email reminder of 12/21/09 with regards to Safe Email Practice.

Every now and then we receive emails that put emotional pressure on us to respond or to act. Specially, in the matters of religion, it is easy to get emotional and act on impulse.

Unfortunately, just like rumours, these emails travel fast and people from one corner of the world involve people all over the globe.

You are all aware of the recent email / sms hoax about an Australian News Channel planning to telecast a cartoon about The Holy Prophet Mohammad (sa).

Obviously, this is a serious emotional attack very hard to resist. But by the grace of Allah, we are Ahmadi Muslims and we have living guidance with us in the form of Khilafat and the Nizaam of our Jama'at.

Here are some guidelines

1) Members of Jama'at are advised not to forward hoax and spam emails to other members of Jama'at. If you are not sure about an information, it is best to verify with the President of your Jama'at or from National Markaz. One must not follow blindly and forward emails to others without verifying the content.

2) Jama'at does not encourage participation in polls and online voting. In most cases, they have no value. Moreover, many online petitions and polls are to collect email addresses for further spamming.

3) In case a matter is serious in your opinion, then members are encouraged to seek guidance from their President or National Markaz.

4) One must verify the source of information and its authenticity before passing on to others.

5) Before forwarding anything, stop for a moment and think about the result of your action and see if it is the best course.

6) Never trust emotional emails and financial gains emails from anyone you do not know. In case you know the person, then try to get the original source. Verify and verify again.

7) Unfortunately, some people thrive on rumours and they try to spread false information and blatant lies to damage others and to cause mischief. As Ahmadis, we must strongly discourage such attempts by totally ignoring such people.

8) Use of personal blogs and discussion forums or participation in other discussion forums for "tabligh" purposes is on the rise again and is strongly discouraged. Seek guidance before you venture into this.

May Allah protect and guide us all

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