

The Amīr/ National President	
Jamāʻat Aḥmadiyya,	
Dear Brother,	
	سلام عليكم ورحمة اللدو بركاية

On 24<sup>th</sup> December 2010, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ايده الله تعالى delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

After reciting verse 187 of Sūrah Al-Baqarah, which is translated as follows:

"And when My servants ask thee about Me, *say*: 'I am near. I answer the prayer of the supplicant when he prays to Me. So they should hearken to Me and believe in Me, that they may follow the right way." (2:187)

Ḥuḍūr إليوالله said: With the grace and mercy of Allāh, Jalsa Sālāna Qādiān starts in two days' time on 26 December. May Allāh bless every aspect of this Jalsa for it reminds us of the Jalsas that used to be held in Rabwah until 27 years ago, with their special holy atmosphere, arrangements and duties. The current generation does not have experience of these Jalsas and need to be reminded of them by their elders so that the memory and spirit of Jalsa is kept alive. There is no room for despondence or despair. By the grace and mercy of God, those happy days will return. We must go on seeking Allāh's help and succour and never despair of His mercy.

The Promised Messiah says: It is the Divine law that when his humble servants are persecuted to the extreme and they see no way of deliverance, He then comes to their aid.

Ḥuḍūr إليواللية said: Let us go on humbly praying to God, He will surely come to our assistance. Let us spend our days and nights in prayer, especially those who are participating in the Jalsa at Qādiān. Every moment of your stay in Qādiān should be spent in prayer. During these days Aḥmadīs in Pakistan and Rabwah should express their grief and anguish to God with heartfelt supplications.

Giving instructions to the participants of the Jalsa, Ḥuḍūr إلى said: Men and women should walk separately on their specified paths. They should be aware of their surroundings from the security point of view and also safeguard their prayers. The proceedings of the Jalsa should be followed attentively. The spirit of goodwill and sacrifice should be evident from your every action. There should be no disorganised behaviour either at meal times or when entering or leaving the Jalsa Gah. Do not give the enemy any occasion to ridicule or harm the Jamā'at. Keep your emotions in check so that there is no occasion for mischief. Say Assalam o Alaikum to one another to foster love and brotherhood.

بيوالله المعالى said: Pakistani participants should offer special prayers for Pakistani Aḥmadīs and for the country as a whole. Today the Aḥmadīs in Pakistan are in great anguish and Allāh listens to the prayers of the anguished. The Promised Messiah عليه المعالى says, "Prayer is blessed with acceptance when it reaches the highest level of anguish." Ḥuḍūr المعالى said: You will have to move the heaven with your prayers if you want to witness their effects on earth.

Ḥuḍūr إليوالله said: Despite all the difficulties, we, as a Jamā'at, are not only enjoying the sweet smell of success but are also partaking of its fruit. We undoubtedly feel sorrow and grief at the martyrdom of our brothers, but these sacrifices are accepted by God and are bearing fruit. We must never be scared or agitated and must never think of God other than by way of good will. Those who pray consistently are cleansed of their spiritual impurities and granted peace and satisfaction. May Allāh accept our prayer and turn our anguish into contentment.

At the end of the sermon, Ḥuḍūr اليوالله informed the Jamā'at of the tragic martyrdom of Sheikh Umar Javed Ṣāḥib, son of Sheikh Javed Aḥmad Ṣāḥib of Mardan. Ḥuḍūr اليوالله iprayed for the martyr and led his *Namāz Janāzah Ghā'ib* after the Jumu'a prayer.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥuḍūr اليوالليتالى to the members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A'lā,

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