

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/ National President
Jamā'at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السلام علیکم ورحمة اللہ وبرکاتہ

On 15th July 2011, Hadrat Khalīfatul Masīh V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Jalsa Sālāna UK is only a few days away and the guests have already started arriving. These guests are accommodated under the Jama'at's arrangements and also with their friends and relatives. Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ instructed the volunteers to do their best to serve these guests who have travelled here solely for the sake of God.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: The United Kingdom has the largest system of Langar Khāna after Rabwah, and this is due to the presence in this country of Khalīfatul Masīh. The hospitality of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام has spread all over the world with the expansion of the Jama'at. The Langar in Rabwah and Qādiān is mostly run by paid staff, whereas in the UK it is run by volunteers who have served excellently for many years.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Our Jalsas are also attended by non-Ahmadīs who are deeply impressed by the selfless work of the volunteers. These volunteers thus become the means for spreading the good name of the Jama'at and this is a great honour for them. May Allāh enable all volunteers to fulfil their respective duties, so that the whole Jalsa runs smoothly.

In the context of hospitality, Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ quoted several accounts related by the companions of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام. These accounts reveal that the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام took great pains to look after his guests. He personally supervised the arrangements and sometimes brought them food and milk himself. He kept in mind the preferences and habits of his guests and tried to serve them according to their needs. He would taste the food himself and, if he did not like it, he would not have it served to the guests, and would make other arrangements.

Hudur ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: On occasions, such as the Jalsa, the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام gave instructions that all guests should be served the same food. But on other days he wanted the personal requirements of the guests to be catered for. The Promised Messiah علیہ السلام also taught his companions to practice such hospitality. Sometimes he would get up at night and check if all the guests were sleeping comfortably. Sometimes he would give his bed to a guest and would sleep on the floor himself. He would come out to welcome the guests and also see them off. He was particularly kind to children.

Hudur عليه السلام said: Allāh greatly blessed the Promised Messiah's efforts to give the best hospitality to his guests. Sometimes while he was asleep Allāh would reveal to him that some of his guests had gone to bed without food. He would get up at once, find out who had not eaten and make provisions for them. Even when the food seemed insufficient, Allāh would bless it and it would suffice everyone, and the guests even took the blessed leftovers with them to share with their families. The Promised Messiah عليه السلام always urged his companions in these words, "The guest should not have to suffer any inconvenience." These words are as important today as they were then. The volunteers should bear them in mind and fulfil their duties diligently. May Allāh enable them to do so. *Āmīn.*

At the end of the sermon, Hudur عليه السلام spoke about the sad demise of Sheikh Mubarak Sahib of London and Raziya Begum Sahiba of Rabwah. Hudur عليه السلام also informed the Jama'at of the tragic martyrdom of Malik Mabroor Ahmad Sahib who was President of Nawabshah Jama'at in Pakistan.

Please convey these guidelines given by Hudūr عليه السلام to the members of your Jamā'at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Mansoor Ahmad Khan)

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