

Renaissance and Victory of Islam

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Key for Abbreviations:

(saw) means SallAllaho alaihe wassalam= Peace and blessings of Allah be upon him

(as) means Alaihe Salam = upon whom be peace

(ra) means either RaziAllaho Taala unho/unha meaning Allah be pleased with him/her

or (ra*) means Rahmullah alaih= Allah's Mercy be upon him (aba) means Ayyadullaho benasril Azeez =

After reciting Tashahhud, Ta'awwudh and Surah Fatihah, Hudhur (aba) said:

"The era through which we are passing is the period of the second phase of Islam. It is the time of the revival and rejuvenation of Islam. It is that period when Allah Almighty would establish and prove the pre-eminence of Islam over all other religions. We Ahmadis, with the Grace of Almighty Allah, hold firm to this belief that Allah Almighty from every single perspective and angle *is* proving the superiority of Islam over all other religions. In particular (this is true in) the manner in which the Jama'at is standing firm against the Christian doctrine of attributing divinity to man, based on reasoning and logical arguments that the Promised Messiah (as) has provided and explained to us, along with those heavenly and divine supports and succour that Allah Almighty is demonstrating for us at every moment.

There is no other Muslim group or sect, which in comparison to this work we are carrying out, is performing it to a fraction and nor is it possible for them to, because this task in this era, Allah Almighty was to ascertain and

acquire from the Promised Messiah(as) and his Jama'at and he is ascertaining this work from the Jama'at of the Promised Messiah(as). Even the Christian world is conceding to this and also pious natured and sincere Muslims are also recognising and accepting this; that the path to guidance is now through Ahmadiyyat alone. And they are acquiring guidance through this path. Those who are sincere and righteous firmly believe that the Promised Messiah (as) was sent from God the Almighty.

There was an era some 60 or 70 years before today, when Christian priests in Africa were proclaiming that the time is drawing near that all of Africa would fall into the lap of Christianity and would accept the divinity of the son of man. Further, approximately 120-130 years before today, Christian missionaries were boasting the exact same regarding India. That in India, Christianity would rapidly gain triumph.

However, when the Promised Messiah (as) rebutted the doctrine of the divinity of man from their [i.e. the Christians] own books, and also through logical arguments and rational reasoning, then, through the Grace of Almighty Allah, hundreds and thousands of Muslims who were about to fall into the lap of Christianity or who believed Christianity to be better than Islam, came to their senses. They were saved from adopting that incorrect and erroneous concept. There was a huge hurdle and barrier that the Promised Messiah (as) erected before them, thereby proving and establishing the unity of Allah and the pre-eminence of Islam to the entire world.

Similarly, in Africa the missionaries of Jama'at Ahmadiyya, (the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community) by preaching Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam, exposed the erroneous concept of the Trinity. In this way they erected a barrier in front of the Christian missionaries. Those Christian missionaries had to openly and plainly concede and accept that these Ahmadis were placing these barriers before them. However, despite observing the works and accomplishments of this Chosen One of Allah Almighty, the Stalwart and Champion of God, the majority of the Muslims, instead of rejoicing and jumping up in joy, and instead of joining the Jama'at of Promised Messiah(as), raised a storm of antagonism, discord and acrimony against the Promised Messiah(as), such that Allah Almighty alone was the Helper.

However, as I stated, Allah the Almighty's decree will most surely be fulfilled by that person who was sent by Allah, and that *is* being fulfilled. Righteous and sincere people slowly but gradually are entering the Jama'at

of the Messiah (as) of Muhammad (pbuh) and they have been and will continue to join. But the majority, out of the fear of the so-called 'Ulema, (the Muslim clergy) and also due to a lack of knowledge, are relentless in their opposition to Jama'at Ahmadiyya. On a daily basis some action or endeavors against the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at emanates from the Muslim countries, in particular from Pakistan. And this occurs against Jama'at Ahmadiyya on a regular basis.

Some television channels also keenly promote this animosity against Jama'at Ahmadiyya; these TV channels are watched in Europe and also the rest of the world. Such TV channels inappropriately provoke the sentiments of Muslims. On a regular basis they incite their emotions against Ahmadis. In accordance with their policies, some TV channels do not permit this incitement to occur. However, on the pretext of charitable work, slots are purchased by extremist organisations, such people who want to spread disorder, and they somehow or the other find time on these TV channels and announce on them that Ahmadis are "wajib-ul-qatal" (liable to be killed). In this vein in the past few days on one of these channels here in Europe, a maulawi proclaimed that Ahmadis are "wajib-ul-qatal", however when the owner of the channel was contacted he apologised and he provided the assurance that this maulawi would not be allowed back onto his TV channel.

Nonetheless, these immoral people (i.e. the Maulawies) on the pretext of Islam, the honour of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) and on the seal of Prophethood, provoke the sentiments of Muslims who have less knowledge, and they are the guardians of such work. As I stated, the great endeavors of the Jama'at Ahmadiyya in the work of the preaching of Islam, of establishing the superiority of Islam, and to elucidate the status of the Holy Prophet (saw), the opposing missionaries are themselves conceding and admitting to the great striving of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at.

Those who raise objections, who call themselves Muslims and raise allegations against Ahmadis, are not even able to spend a tiny amount of money for the *Tabligh* (the preaching of Islam). Indeed, they are all concerned about looting the national wealth of countries. Today, in the name of Islam and on the honour of the Holy Prophet of Islam (saw), whatever is occurring in the nation (Pakistan), the extremism and the terrorism that is rife, has completely perturbed and agitated every righteous person—no life is in safe hands.

This extremism does already exist against Ahmadis. It has become the norm and routine for Ahmadis; I have already mentioned this several times. However, in addition, no Pakistani citizen is safe from this terrorism. They do not consider that on the one hand there is lawlessness, disorder is rife in the whole country and there is no law. And on the other hand, calamities that have been sent by Allah have engulfed the country. So what is happening? Which direction is this country taking? To which end is Allah the Almighty taking them and what will their end be? May Allah the Almighty make them understand and comprehend what their fate is.

In terms of the issue and the question of Ahmadis, because of being loyal to the nation, despite the fact that certain legal restrictions and difficulties and adversities are placed upon them, yet still Ahmadis pray that May Allah the Almighty save the country from destruction in every single way. In my previous week's Friday Sermon when I made an appeal for prayers and I also inculcated that a fast should be kept, I would also like to elucidate that when I said that every week an optional fast should be undertaken, I should include that it would be more suitable and appropriate that on the level of a Jama'at a single day should be designated for the fast. Every local Jama'at can make their decision on which day to choose but it would be better if one day is chosen in the local Jama'at. Monday or Thursday can be set for this optional fast; this is what I said to the Ahmadis of Pakistan.

Nonetheless this there is a great need to pay heed and give attention towards this appeal for prayers that I made. In this appeal for prayers, where on the one hand I inculcated the Jama'at to pray that we are saved and safeguarded from these animosities and hostilities, these cruel people and their cruelty, there I also appealed that we should pray that the country is rid of such people, that Allah Almighty cleanses the country of such people who cause disorder and oppression so that this country can then be saved. We love our country; for this reason observing what is occurring our hearts become agitated. Anyhow it is our duty, it is the duty of every Pakistani Ahmadi to do this. Every Ahmadi of Pakistan must act upon this.

Now I return to what I said on the outset. I stated that in this era the Promised Messiah (as), and seeking guidance from him, the members of the Jama'at, are carrying out the work of reviving Islam and are striving to prove its pre-eminence over all other religions. For this reason, whether it is Africa, Europe, America or any region of the world, Ahmadis are at the forefront of defending Islam fearlessly. And not only do they defend Islam, but moreover they prove its pre-eminence and supremacy.

In those places where the wealth of oil has no effect, there Ahmadis and the Jama'at work for the sake of gaining the pleasure of Allah the Almighty through the modest contributions of *chanda*. Indeed, this is not any merit of ours nor is this a source of self-pride, in fact, it is purely the favour and bounty of Almighty Allah that through our trivial sacrifices He infuses immense blessings and immeasurable fruits are born from that. So therefore it is our work that in order to attract the love of Allah the Almighty we must continue offering our menial sacrifices in the way of God. We do not forget the favours bestowed to us by Allah. What an incredible favour and bounty of Allah the Almighty he bestowed on us that He enabled us to accept Ahmadiyyat. If our forefathers were granted the ability to accept Ahmadiyyat, Allah also enabled us to hold firm onto Ahmadiyyat so that we, by being attached to the Imam of the time and by striving to complete his mission, can cater for our life in this world and the next.

But you should remember, that our work does not end by only offering financial sacrifices. We need to within foster such hearts that establish a connection with God Almighty. We need to achieve the highest and loftiest levels of morality. We, in terms of the message of the Promised Messiah (as) which is the true message of Islam, need to endeavor to spread this in the countries we live in. By rebutting the allegations against Islam, we also need to present the beautiful teachings of Islam to the world.

Thus, the Jama'at of Holland as well, which although is just a small Jama'at, need to comprehend this responsibility. By just one or two people carrying out this work this objective cannot be fulfilled. Every single Ahmadi who lives in Holland, in his environment and society needs to endeavor to carry out this significant task.

It is Holland alone where that unfortunate person lives who, in order to gain popularity in politics, is continuing making brazen attacks and ridiculing and deriding the Prophet Muhammad (saw) and who is increasing in his hostility and opposition against Islam. His animosity against Islam has gone to the extent that when he speaks against Islam he froths at the mouth. Just recently when a Muslim organisation strongly condemned certain terrorist attacks, this unjust person, whose name is Geert Wilders, proclaimed that "This was not sufficient. We will not rest and nor be satisfied until you say that the religion of Islam itself is such that it gives teachings of extremism and terrorism; it is false and it is not from God and it should be effaced entirely from the Earth."

Hence, this is his intention and he says "We are not ready to accept any apology until this occurs." We therefore need to convey this message:

"O oppressive person! Listen carefully; you and your party and every single person like you will perish, however Islam and the Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) are destined to remain until the end of time and they will remain until the last day. And no power of the world, no matter how Pharaoh-like or how significant their opposition to Islam is, can efface Islam from this world. In this era Allah has sent that Champion of Allah, who despite fierce opposition by opponents like you, will make Islam triumph in the entire world through His help and succor. And every Ahmadi who is within the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance) of this Stalwart and Champion of Allah is aware, possesses the knowledge and also pledges that he will sacrifice his life, his wealth and his time and he will not rest until he obtains this objective, *InshaAllah*. Thus, today, all of you who live in this country and Ahmadis who live anywhere in the world, this is the message that needs to be propagated to the world. This needs to be conveyed to every single resident and citizen of this country. Perhaps these politicians who are fierce opponents of Islam may go on winning seats in the government. However, you should inform the world that the acts of this person will be the means of Allah destroying him. Allah the Almighty has always supported His messenger and has always safeguarded his honour. Today as well He will uphold the honour of His messenger. We hold neither power nor will we utilise any worldly power or weapon, but those the prayers of those whose hearts are wounded shake the threshold of the Divine. And here the matter relates to the great beloved one of Allah the Almighty. More than our prayers, Allah's honour will itself come into play such that even the particles of such obnoxious and obscene people will not be found.

There are many people in Holland who are righteous and who have sincere thoughts, they rebuff and reject the statements of this unfortunate and immoral person. This is why a case was launched against this obnoxious person. It is aside the point that it appears now that this court case has fallen prey to politics, but there are most certainly sincere people in this country who are disgusted by the statements of such people. Therefore, search for these sincere and righteous people and convey to them the beautiful teachings of Islam. Search in the world for those people who want to establish peace, love and brotherhood. And then warn them of those in the world who want to spread strife and disorder. Search for those people who regard mutual sentiments and who also respect and honour other

people's faiths. So collect and gather all such people and set in motion a campaign to establish peace in the entire world. Convey to the world that Islam today, most of all, imparts the teaching that: respect one another. To the extent that even to those who carry out *shirk* (associating partners with God) which to God is the most major sin, Islam imparts the teaching that do not insult even their idols lest they in reply perhaps insult Allah, causing disorder to spread in the country. Thus, today, the Ahmadis of Holland need to give immense heed and attention to speeding up and quickening their efforts. If today you had realised your responsibilities properly, which I reminded you regarding for so long, then in Almere, where we want to build a mosque, the government after providing us with the land, would not have seized that land back from us.

Now it may be true that in that area are many opponents of Islam who have much influence and hold sway, but still, within this city there are many sincere and decent people who are ready to support you. In short, you need strengthen and speed up your efforts to a greater degree than previously. In addition, always remember that no endeavour of ours can ever be successful without prayers. You need to strive to establish a special relationship with Allah the Almighty. Give great emphasis to prayers.

Here I will also say that pray for the Queen of Holland, because there is a section of the people who are against the Queen. And they are against the Queen because the Queen condemns all the oppressive actions against the Muslims and prevents it. Considering Muslims as citizens of the nation, the Queen inculcates that the sentiments of Muslims should be taken care of and their rights protected. And Muslims have been commanded that when someone is kind to you, respond to them with kindness. Therefore, also pray for the Queen, that all the schemes against her come to naught and fail and that Allah the Almighty also opens her heart. Similarly, may Allah the Almighty open the hearts of the people of this country that they come to understand the beautiful teachings of Islam.

Thus, we must work for the establishment of justice. We must also work to make Islam dominant and triumph over everything else and for this we must play a full and prominent role. And we need to do this because we are those who accept the Stalwart and that Champion of Allah, who was to convince the world of the superiority of Islam and the lofty station of the Holy Prophet Mohammad (saw).

As I have explained, it was the Promised Messiah (as) alone who stemmed the tide of disbelief in the Indian subcontinent. Whether the Muslims of the subcontinent admit or not, it *was* the Promised Messiah (as) who protected and saved the Muslims from falling into the fold of Christianity. It was the Promised Messiah (as) alone who for the sake of upholding the honour of the Holy Prophet (saw) sacrificed everything.

Then in Africa, through the preaching of our Missionaries, those who believed in the Trinity were converted into believing in the Unity of Allah. They were formed into those people who send *Darud* (salutations) upon the Holy Prophet (saw). They were transformed into such people who at the Jalsas, invoked *La Ilaha IlAllah* (there is none worthy of worship except *Allah*) in beautiful voices. The majority of such people have converted from Christianity. In Ghana, the majority were converted from Christianity.

As such, today, Jama'at Ahmadiyya having gained knowledge from the Promised Messiah (as), are now performing that task in the world. Now by separating yourself from the Promised Messiah (as) the true picture of Islam can not in any way, shape or form be presented before the world. For it was the Promised Messiah (as) who was that Mahdi, who was sent by Allah the Almighty, who, in this era, was to perform the task of guiding the world. He was sent by God and he was given guidance by God.

It is the Promised Messiah (as) who is that ardent devotee and lover of the Holy Prophet (saw) who spent every moment of his life sacrificed to uphold the honour of the Holy Prophet (saw). The great love and affection that the Promised Messiah (as) held in his heart for the Holy Prophet (saw) can be gauged from his writings. The Promised Messiah (as) says:

"Under heaven there is only one prophet and only one book; in other words, the Prophet is Mohammad the Chosen one (saw), who is higher and more exalted than all prophets, the most perfect of all messengers, Khatam al Anbiya (the Seal of all prophets) and he is also the best of men. Through following him we find God Almighty and all the veils of darkness are lifted and the signs of true salvation are witnessed and manifested in this very life."

The Promised Messiah (as) also says:

"That person who was the best person, who was the perfect man, who was a perfect Nabi (prophet), who brought with him perfect blessings, and also due to his spiritual judgement, and apostleship, a first judgement came upon the world; a dead world and dead nation was resurrected back to life. That blessed prophet was the Seal of all prophets, was the Imam of the Chosen people, the best of all apostles, the pride of all the prophets, the Chosen one, the Prophet Mohammad (saw). O our Beloved God, descend upon this beloved

Prophet of ours Your Mercy and Your Salutations, such as have never been bestowed upon anyone else since the beginning of time."

The Promised Messiah (as) states:

"Such people who without knowledge and justification, without the fear of God, deride the Chosen One of God, the Prophet Muhammad(saw) using obscene language against him and raise false allegations upon him and do not refrain from using obnoxious language; why should we reconcile with them? I say most truly that we can reconcile with the serpents of the jungle and the wild beasts of the forests. However, we cannot make peace with such people, who do not refrain from slandering our Prophet of Allah, that Prophet who we hold dearer than our parents and who these people make impure attacks against. May Allah the Almighty cause us to die in belief in Islam. We do not want to carry out any such act through which the faith continues to be lost."

Is there anybody else like this? Is there any such person who displays so much devotion, love and honour for the Holy Prophet (saw) and who demonstrates and expresses this, do we find anyone like this at this time? Apart from the Promised Messiah (as), there is no one comparable. Search out the entire world for such a lover of the Holy Prophet (saw), the world would not find anybody like him. But it is unfortunate that a large majority of the Muslims not only reject this great devotee of the Holy Prophet (saw), but most cruelly, they ridicule and insult him and make him a target of obscene language. On a daily basis in Pakistan, as I mentioned, these Maulawis hold such programmes. In Rabwah also where 98% of the population consists of Ahmadis, Ahmadis are not allowed to hold gatherings and conventions. Yet on the pretext of *Khatam-e-Nabuwwat* (seal of Prophethood), the enemies of Ahmadiyyat are permitted to utilise obnoxious and deriding language against Ahmadiyyat and the Promised Messiah (as.).

From last night a convention was started by these people, in Rabwah. This convention was due to end this evening. From the reports we have received until now, there is less discussion about the love of the Holy Prophet (saw), rather mostly abuse, derision and insults of the Promised Messiah (as) are being spouted. On the guise of *Khatam-e-Nabuwwat* (seal of Prophethood), this devotee of the Holy Prophet (saw) is being targeted. The hearts of the followers of that great lover are being hurt.

We bear all of this in the name of the love of the Holy Prophet (saw) and we submit before our Lord who has never left us to be. If our efforts of Tabligh of Islam (the preaching of Islam) are deficient in any respect then Allah the Almighty to prove the truth of His beloved Messiah is guides people by himself. And for the last one hundred and twenty five years Allah the Almighty continues to guide people in this manner. He is opening the hearts of people and is enabling them to join the Jama'at; and He continues to enable this.

At this time, I will present a few accounts before you which, I would like to relate to strengthen your faith.

Our missionary from Germany, Muhammad Ahmad Sahib, writes: "A non-Ahmadi friend, Sarbad Baaj Sahib, was being preached to for many years by me. He considered the beliefs of the Jama'at correct in every respect. However, he was not satisfied enough to take the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance)." This non-Ahmadi would preach to others because of which people took the *Bai'at*. He was not an Ahmadi himself, yet he would preach and other people converted as a result of that. He still had some reservations which hindered him from taking the *Bai'at*. So our missionary writes further: "One day, this non Ahmadi came to me and said what is the procedure for taking the *Bai'at*? I was astonished and said what is the matter? He said that 'at night I saw a dream. In this dream I hear a voice which says that Ahmadiyyat is that sea the treasures of which not everybody can comprehend the reality of.' He says that this voice completely transformed the state of my heart and therefore promptly I took the *Bai'at*."

In a village in Ivory Coast of Sosiya Bay, our missionary arrived for *Tabligh* (preaching) and he proclaimed the advent of the Imam Mahdi. Upon this, the chief of the village immediately stood up and he started relating a dream he saw: 'At night at the height of the Northern Horizon at approximately two in the morning he saw a light emerging. Approximately one week after, he saw a dream in which a light is emerging from the Southern Horizon. So this village chief related his dream to the '*Ulema* (the Muslim clergy) of the village. They replied that 'you are about to receive an immense good fortune.' Just a few days after seeing this dream, when a delegation of missionaries of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at arrived at that village and they proclaimed that the Imam Mahdi had come, the village chief started jumping with joy and he came forward and he started relating this entire dream, and said that 'this is that good fortune that Allah the Almighty had showed to me through the light that emerged from the South and the North. I accept the truth.' He said to his people that 'any

amongst you who wants to accept this message, I will reassure them that Ahmadiyyat is that good fortune and that light from Allah, so therefore accept it.' Upon this almost the entire village took the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance)."

From Iraq is Waheed Murad sahib. He narrates: "I live in a Shia environment. My father and grandfather are also Shia. However, I was not satisfied with the Shia belief regarding the Imam Mahdi and I would consider that there must be something wrong with this. One day, I saw in a dream, that I am sitting in a room. In it, I hear the voice of four gentlemen who I am not acquainted with. I come out and I see that all those four gentlemen are sprinkling water on my house through a hose. I ask them astonished, 'what are you doing?' They say 'we have been instructed to cleanse your house.' Thereupon I ask them 'what have you been instructed regarding the neighbours' house?' They respond 'we have only been instructed to cleanse your house. 'The second day after the dream, I turned on the television. On the television there were four gentlemen, Mustafa Sabit Sahib, Sharif Sahib, Hani Tahir Sahib and Momin Sahib who were all conducting the programme *Hiwar Al-Mubashir*. Most surely this dream is from Allah so this is why I should take the Bai'at (the pledge of allegiance).

Amir Sahib France writes: 'A lady from Reunion Island was coming to France to attend a meeting. Prior to her arrival, she was told in a dream "when you go to France, make sure you meet your relative Alan." So when she went to France, she met her relative Alan who had already taken the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance) previously. They brought this lady to the mission house and after some preaching she did the *Bai'at*. When the following day they took her to the airport to the place where they were to see her off; there her husband and children were also present and they said that "we have (already) been introduced to Ahmadiyyat, so therefore take our *Bai'at* (pledge of allegiance)." So in this way, the entire family became Ahmadis.

From Egypt is Abdul Majeed Sahib. He writes: 'In a dream I saw that I am in a small boat and there is an oar in my hand. Aimlessly, I am rowing around without any destination. The conditions at sea are stormy and the boat is about to capsize. Then, I hear the voice of God say that here is the rod of Moses(as), strike it in the sea. Upon this a rod appears in my hand which I had acquired from the sky. I strike the rod in the sea. Upon this the boat is transferred to an elevated place. It is a city filled with splendid buildings. All the people within that city are cheerful and beautiful. I am told that this is the town of Jama'at Ahmadiyya. I understood this to mean that this is a

sign that I should take the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance). So therefore, I was granted the ability to take the *Bai'at*.'

The following account is from the year 2000 written by Arshad Sahib of Germany. He says: 'We became acquainted with a Turkish family who came to one of our *Tabligh* stalls. Both the husband and wife came to our mission house. Thereafter, when the Turkish lady saw the wife of the missionary, she started crying. She said that "a few days ago I saw in a dream you were preaching to me." Upon this, she was given details about Ahmadiyyat and she saw Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih the IV (may Allah have Mercy upon him) on MTA (in the mosque/mission house). A few days after she returned to the mosque and said "after I returned home, I prayed in my own way that this has become a riddle for me, so O Allah, Thou Help me! If this holy person who I saw on TV in the mosque is true, then allow me to meet him." So the Turkish lady relates that "in a state of vision I met him" and as a result of this dream, three people from their family took the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance).

It is not only Muslims; rather Allah the Almighty also guides the non-Muslims. Our missionary from Holland wrote to me: 'A Hindu lady, whose name is Malti, accepted Islam approximately fifteen years ago. She married a Moroccan man, Yusuf Mansoor Ullah. After marriage this lady saw a dream that people of different areas of India are clad in white and they are gathering around a holy person. They are gesturing with their hands and saying "this person is the Promised Messiah." That lady related her dream to her husband. The husband, Mansoor Ullah, watched MTA where the Promised Messiah(as)'s advent was being discussed and called his wife over. When he told her to watch the programme on MTA, she saw the picture of the Promised Messiah (as) and immediately recognised him and said "this is that same holy person who I had seen in the dream." They both watched MTA and after, they decided to take the *Bai'at* (the pledge of allegiance).

May Allah the Almighty enable them to remain firm on Ahmadiyyat. It is the task of the Jama'at and they should take care of those people who enter Ahmadiyyat. We should have a permanent connection with such new converts so that they can be brought closer to Jama'at.

There are also examples of Christians. Amir sahib Canada writes about a Canadian lady, Brandy Wilson. He writes: 'This young Canadian woman, who lived in Toronto, was being preached to by the *Da'eenillah* (caller to Allah), Hassan Farooq. Suddenly, after, she saw a dream in which the Holy

Prophet (saw) and Hadhrat 'Isa (Jesus) (as) both reassured her and invited her to Islam. Subsequently she took *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance).

Staying within the Canada, this is an account of the *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance) of Emanuel Ramatris from Ontario, a 24-years old white Canadian. From childhood he would see a light in his dream. This would appear dim at first but gradually over the time the light strengthened in its brightness. When one and a half year ago he converted to Islam this light became stronger in the dream. Whilst studying Ahmadiyyat, this light would become stronger and stronger to the extent that he could make out the hazy outlines of a face. One day he had a 3-4 hours discussion with an Ahmadi friend. That night he saw a clear countenance in his dream. He immediately related this to his Ahmadi friend who showed him the picture of the Promised Messiah (as), or perhaps Khalifa 4th(rh) and the other Khulafa. Nonetheless, when he saw my picture he said "this is the very countenance I saw in the dream." In March 2011 he took the *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance).

Amir sahib Uganda writes: 'Our delegation during a *Tabligh* (preaching) expedition went to a certain house. The head of the house, who was a Christian, addressed the delegation; "you are the very people I was waiting for, because last night I saw a dream that there are some Muslims uniting people of different sects and tribes, and they are only doing this to inform them of the One God and the second coming of Messiah. You have transformed my dream into reality, so please accept my *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance)." Upon this our delegation said "at least read the *Bai'at* form; at least be satisfied with what is written on it." He responded; "I have already believed from before so don't delay my *Bai'at*." At that point he along with his family took the *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance).

Amir Sahib Sierre Leone writes: 'Hassan Kumara sahib is a teacher of languages and arts in a secondary school in Langi. In 2006, Hassan Kumara Sahib saw a dream that in the sky the following words were written most beautifully and in brilliant hand writing, that "Allah is the Greatest". Although he was a Christian and did not accept Unity of God, but he was yet not satisfied that as Jesus(as) was a messenger of God, how could he be God? When he saw these words in the heaven he was trembling with fear and woke up terrified. In 2008 he saw a similar dream that in the sky there is a very bright object. Seeing this, the object explodes and those same words burst out from inside: "Allah is the Greatest" and it spreads in the sky. Then in July 2008, he purchased a Khilafat Jubilee Souvenir published

in Pakistan. He started studying this. Slowly but gradually, with the Grace of Allah, he started becoming drawn towards Ahmadiyyat. Studying the souvenir seems to have answered many of his questions. In 2009 he saw another dream in which he performs the ablution. After preparations he goes to the Ahmadiyya mosque when he reaches the Ahmadiyya mosque the congregational prayers have come to an end, he says that by missing the congregational prayers he becomes extremely saddened. He wakes up after this. In Septmber 2010 the missionary called him to his house and said "why do you not take the *Bai'at*?" He said "I still have some questions, when I will receive the answers to these questions, I will do the *Bai'at*." This year, in January 2011, he received the answers to his questions and took the *Bai'at* (the Pledge of Allegiance). He is now part of the Jama'at and he is studying the books of Promised Messiah (as) with profound interest.

A radio journalist, Mr. Jane Takambul, came to one of our exhibitions and said "Today, for the first time, I have understood the message of Islam. Today I have found Islam. Today I have realised what Islam is as a religion. I used to think Islam was something terrible. Today, for the very first time I have comprehended the message of the Chosen One, the Prophet Mohammed (saw).

Then a guest, Austen Onwahi Sahib, said that "I have heard that the mosque is a place of sorcery. For the first time since entering this mosque of Ahmadiyyat I have come to know that this place is one of immense peace."

Therefore, Allah the Almighty is manifesting signs of His Power and Might, when Allah Almighty all over the world is guiding, Himself, righteous persons and collecting and gathering them and entering them into the Jama'at, such people are recognising the Messiah of Mohammed (saw) and they are establishing a strong bond with him.

Thus we do not need to become perturbed by the hindrances, the animosities and hostilities and the abuse of those who oppose us. Indeed, the opponents of Islam or the opponents of Ahmadiyyat, when they utilise offensive and detestable language against our Master, the Chosen One, the Holy Prophet (SAW), and when they direct abuse against his true and ardent devotee, then our hearts are surely deeply hurt. There is only one solution to this that through prayers, submit before Allah the Almighty and ask for help from the Lord.

Also through your actions and through your knowledge, present the beautiful teachings of Ahmadiyyat and Islam before the world. May Allah the Almighty grant us the ability to achieve this, *Amin*.

In Europe the Jama'at has to face both those opposed to Islam and those opposed to Ahmadiyyat. Ahmadis have to face this opposition on both fronts. We face opposition from the Muslims whatever country they reside in, as nowadays Maulawies are poisoning the minds of these Muslims whilst already there are in existence the anti-Islamic forces, which we have to face.

Our progress and our mosques irritate both these parties. *InshaAllah* (God enabling) the foundation stone for the first purpose-built mosque is to be laid in Belgium. There the Jama'at is facing opposition and hostilities from both fronts. Pray that God Almighty rebounds every evil and every ploy of the enemy upon them and that this foundation stone ceremony passes successfully and the mosque is constructed completely, so that the Oneness of Allah can be proclaimed and that we can present the beautiful teaching of Islam to the world to a greater degree than before. May Allah grant us the ability to accomplish this, *Amin*"