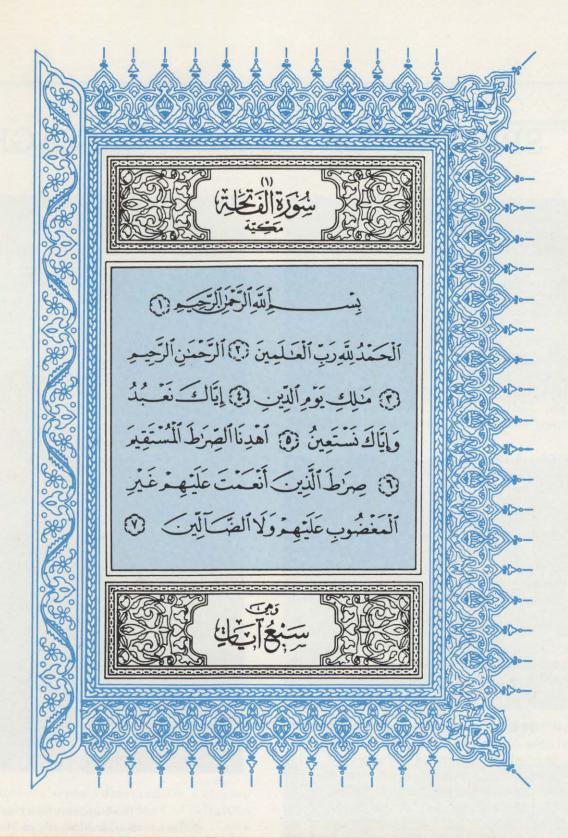


Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad
The Promised Messiah and Mahdi



In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful. All praise belongs to Allah, Lord of all the worlds, the Gracious, the Merciful, Master of the Day of Judgement. Thee alone do we worship and Thee alone do we implore for help. Guide us in the right path, the path of those whom Thou hast bestowed Thy blessings, those who have not incurred Thy displeasure, and those who have not gone astray.

SPECIAL CENTENNIAL MESSAGE

(This is a special message of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, the Supreme Spiritual Head of the world-wide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community delivered by him on the auspicious day marking the commencement of the Centennial Thanksgiving Celebrations all the world over. We feel proud in reproducing this historic message for our readers).

One hundred years ago today, an amazing event took place in an obscure and tiny hamlet (Qadian), in the province of the Punjab, India. It was an event which was destined to change the course of history.

There appeared a religious leader specifically commissioned by God to lead mankind as the Promised Reformer of the latter days. His name was Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (1835-1908), the Founder of the world-wide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. He laid the basis for the unification of mankind in a unique manner. He resolved the conflicts and paradoxes prevailing in the religious world regarding the advent of a global Reformer.

The followers of all great religions - Jews, Christians, Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Zoroastrians, and Confucians - anxiously awaited the advent of a Promised Reformer, as predictd in their holy scriptures.

The Jews expected the Messiah to rejuvinate Judaism; the Christians claimed that the second advent of Jesus would bring nigh the Kingdom of Heaven; the Muslims believed that the Messiah and Mahdi would join forces to bring about the final renaissance of Islam; the Hindus awaited the coming of God himself in the form of Kirshna; and, the Buddhists were hopefully awaiting the reincarnation of Buddha.

How could God send different Messengers simultaneously - each calling on the same God in his own diverse way - inviting mankind



The Supreme Spiritual Head of the world-wide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

HAZRAT MIRZA TAHIR AHMAD
KHALIFATUL MASIH IV
(may Allah be his Help)



message continues

unto divergent paths and conflicting ideologies? That was the preplexing question addressed by Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian under Divine Guidance and revelation.

It was revealed to him that all the prophecies regarding the advent of various reformers were no doubt true. They, however, implied that only a single claimant would be raised who would combine in his person the qualities, roles, and spritual powers of all the great World Reformers whose advent had been promised. Indeed, he would be a soldier of God wearing the garbs of different prophets. He also proclaimed that the religion chosen by Almighty God for the universal and final manifestation of His unity was Islam.

Thus, in accordance with the Divine command, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad claimed to be that Global Reformer who was destined to be raised in Islam in complete subordination to the Prophet Muhammad - the last Law-bearing prophet- may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.

It was an astonishing claim. It was even more astonishing that this solitary voice, raised from a small, unknown village, seemingly insignificant to the world at large, was heeded at all. Some responded to this call with complete faith and devotion. There were many others who raised a storm of hostility, the like of which has seldom been witnessed in the history of mankind.

His followers were subjected to extreme persecution. they were deprived of religious freedom and fundamental human rights. Laws were even enacted in some countries rendering Ahmadis liable to severe punishment and prosecution for the mere act of professing and practicing their faith. Yet, this phenomenal opposition utterly failed to arrest the progress of Ahmadiyyat. On the contrary, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is marching forward even faster today than ever before. All the hostile fanatics, be they



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses African audience



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses American audience



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses European audience



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Ivory Coast's President



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Gambia's President



US Senator Hartke presents gift to Khalifatul Masih IV

individuals, groups or governments, have totally failed in their efforts to exterminate Ahmadiyyat from the face of the earth.

God stood by His Servant, Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, fulfilled all His promises and, as prophesied in 1898, "caused his message to reach the corners of the earth". Today Ahmadiyya stands established in 120 countries and the pace of its growth is destined to engulf the whole of mankind. God saved his followers (Ahmadis)), protected them from all evil designs and showered His innumerable blessings upon them.

It is, therefore, to extol the name of Allah and sing His praises for His innumerable bounties that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is celebrating the year 1989 as the Thanksgiving Centenary Year.

On this auspicious occasion, I most humbly and sincerely invite all my fellow human beings to seriously study the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam with the prospect of joining its fold.

I call upon God, Who is All-Knowing and Ever-Present, as my witness that the message of Ahmadiyyat is nothing but Truth; it is I slam in its pristine purity.

The salvation of mankind depends on accepting this religion of peace. Islam is the religion which does away with all discriminations between man and man, and demolishes all barriers of race, color and creed which divide humanity.

Islam liberates man from the bondage of sin and strengthens his ties with his Creator. It is a religion so simple, yet so highly organized as to meet the demands and the challenges of the changing world.

Islam permits no exploitation -be it social, political, economic or religious. The political philosophy of Islam has no room for false or deceptive diplomacy. It teaches absolute morality, and enjoins justice and fairness to friend or foe alike, in every sphere of human interest.





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV speaks Columbia University

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with the Nigerian President 🕨

Islam neither permits coercion for the spread of its own message nor gives licence to other religions to do so. Indulgence in terrorism, even in the name of the noblest objectives, is entirely incompatible with the teachings of Islam.

It is to this Islam I invite mankind.

I am fully aware that in the eyes of many cursory observers, Ahmadiyyat has not as yet emerged as a potent force capable of bringing about the global moral and spiritual revolution to merit serious consideration.

Yet, my trust is in God. Weak and humble though we are, God has graciously chosen us as His instrument to usher in a new era of global peace and unification of mankind. Listen to what the Promised Messiah proclaimed toward the close of the last century, in the light of Divine revelation received by him:

"The time is near when I should attain a magnificient victory, because in support of what I state, there is another hand which operates. Yet, the world cannot perceive it, but I behold it. There is a heavenly spirit which speaks in me and grants a new life to every word and every letter of mine. A commotion and upsurge has errupted in the heaven which has caused this earthly body to stand up to God's behest. Every such person who has not been denied forgiveness and salvation shall see for himself that I do not make these claims on my own. Can they be seeing eyes which fail to recognize a man of truth? Can he be deemed alive who has no a wareness of this Heavenly call?"

It is likely that many will turn a skeptical ear to what I say, wondering at the certitude and firmness of my faith in the glorious future of Ahmadiyyat. The weak and oppressed proponents of Christianity, at the end of the first century of the Christian era, must have felt somewhat as I feel today. Yet, I have no doubt whatsoever that a day will dawn before the end of the next century when people of that age will look back with no less amazement at the

incertitude and disbelief of the people of today.

In the end, let me invite you once again with all my heart to accept the call of the Promised Reformer. Herein shall you find peace and contentment of heart which can only be acquired by submission to the Will of God.

May Allah bless you all.

Mirza Tahir Ahmad Supreme Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.



Hazrat Khaifatul Masih IV with Mayors of Chatham and Dillingham. Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad, Amir and Missionary Incharge is sitting on the extreme right



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV chatting with the President of the National House of Chiefs of Ghana, West Africa



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Liberian Vice President on the right is West Germany's ambassador to Liberia





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Tanzania's President



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV is engaged in conversation with the Governor General of Mauritius



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV and Sierra Leone's President



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV meets with Ghana's President

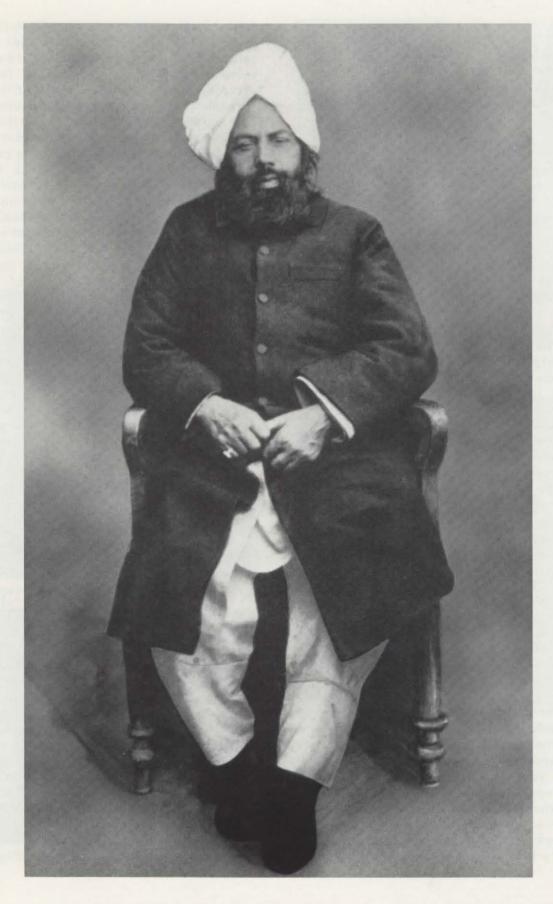
Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad The Promised Messiah and Mahdi

The Founder of The Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (1835-1908), born in an obscure and small village in India championed the cause of Islam at a time when Islam was under severe attacks by other faiths and the Muslims all over the world were subjugated, weak and defenseless. Their will to defend Islam had crumbled under the missionary onslaught of Christianity and the sharp criticism of westernized intellectuals. Hazrat Ahmad under Divine command, proclaimed to be the Promised Reformer of the Latter Days whose advent had been predicted in the sacred scriptures and traditions of the world religions, and he claimed to be the champion of God in the mantle of different prophets. He proclaimed that the religion chosen by Almighty God for the universal and final manifestation of His unity was Islam and Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) was the last Law-bearing Prophet. He claimed to be in complete subordination of the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad resolved to set forth the truth of Islam in its pristine purity. From about 1872 he began to emerge as the reputable scholar and eloquent speaker of Islam. He wrote more than 80 books expounding the beauties of Islam. In 1889 he founded the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community to establish the True Islam in action. He successfully revived the faith in One God - Allah, and in the prophethood of Muhammad (may the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). Despite bitter oposition and at times violent persecution the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community became the most dynamic religious force within Islam with a clear mission to take the message of Islam to the corners of the earth. At present the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has ten million adherents in 120 countries bonded in universal love and brotherhood. No barrier of discrimination is permitted to stand in the way of self-less devotion to promote the unification of mankind through Islam.





With Deep Gratitude Thanks to Allah, The Gracious

اک فطرہ اس کے نفن نے دریا بنا دیا بیس خاک مض اُسی نے تزایا بنا دیا

"A drop was I, through His Grace I became a flowing river;

Dust was I, yet He made me shining star."

Alhamdo lillah. The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of U.S.A. is presenting this Souvenir in commemoration of the Ahmadiyya Centenary Thanksgiving Celeberation. May Allah reward all those dear ones abundantly who helped in its preparation and publication. May Allah also reward those who are busy in making arrangements related to various programs of the Centenary.

Through the special grace of Allah, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has entered the new century after completing the first one in a glorious and excellent manner. If we compare the beginning and the end of the first century, it becomes manifest that the Ahmadiyya Community was established by Allah the Exalted. This Community was founded under Divine command by a man raised by God Who could imagine that this delicate plant would survive the deadly and furious storms of opposition and persecution? Even the family members and relatives of the Founder of this Community, the residents of his village, district, province and country tried their level best to arrest its growth, but they failed bitterly. It seemed rather impossible to come out alive from the raging fire which was lit all around it. But the world witnessed that this Community which was established by God crossed each and every obstacle successfully and progressed with amazing speed all over the world. There was a time when there was only one person and a handfull of men in an unknown village of Qadian who had accepted his claim, but now there are ten million in 120 countries who

follow him. There was a time when there were only a few pennies given in the cause of Islam, but now millions of dollars are being contributed for propagation of Islam and distribution of the teachings of the Holy Quran. This is a revolution wrought by utmost sincerity, devotion, faith and love. The monetary sacrifice is made not only for one day or one year; this is being constantly repeated year after year. Just take the example of the Community in U.S.A. In 1947, the annual budget was the total contribution of a few members in the amount of 147 dollars, while the annual budget this year was 1.5 million dollars. There were additional donations toward the publication of the Holy Quran, construction of mosques, establishment of mission houses, and homes for the poor. This is a never ending process. Alhamdo lillah.

Friends and foes alike witnessed the marvelous expansion of the Community. All the promises of help and victory made by Allah the Exalted to His beloved Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiani, the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, were clearly fulfilled in the century which just ended. No one can deny the fact that the little seedling has now become a tremendous tree with its branches in various countries. God's promise that:

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has been fulfilled in its full glory. Each and every member of the Ahmadiyya Community prostrates to God Almighty to express his thankfulness and gratitude for His heavenly help and favor. In utmost humility, every member begs Him for His continued blessings in the centuries to come.

May Allah give Ahmadiyyat and Islam prosperity and success. May all those who have accepted the Promised Messiah and Mahdi take full share of Allah's blessings; and may all those who have not yet recognised him be blessed to come into the fold of guidance.



May Allah shower upon them His special favours that are destined for those who accept Allah's chosen ones and their successors. May the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community progress in spiritual and moral fields with ever-increasing speed under the leadership of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV. May we witness the progress and prosperity of Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam in this new century. May Allah accept all our humble prayers. Amen.

Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad A mir and Missionary Incharge Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, USA



The Amir presenting Holy Quran to Ambassador of Mauritius



The Amir presenting Holy Quran to a guest in New York



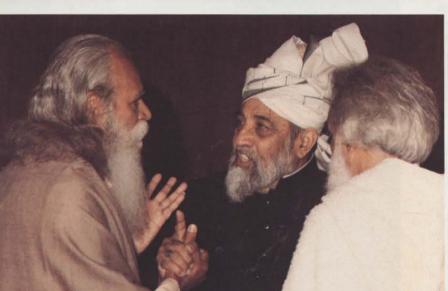
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The Amir with participants of Religious Founder's Day



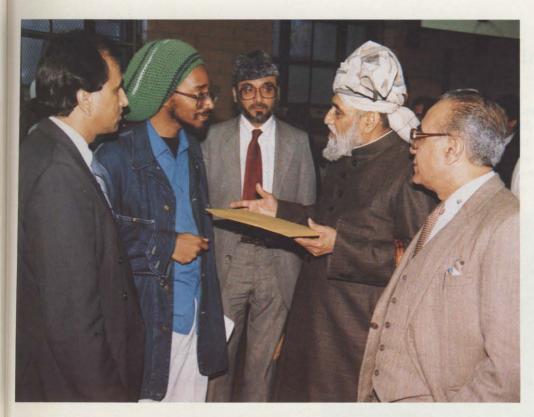
The Amir shares religious feelings with Bhuddists



The Amir presents Holy Quran to Congressman Hall

◀ The Amir presides over US Jamaat's Jalsa Salana





The Amir converses with



Majlis Shura USA 1989



The Amir presides over the In company of Amirul Momeneen and missionaries

THE AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY

By Sahibzada M. M. Ahmad

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was founded by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad in 1889. He claimed to be the Mehdi and the Messiah of the age in fulfillment of the prophecies of the Holy Quran and indeed as foretold in scriptures of other principle religions. In accordance with a prophecy of the Holy Prophet Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, his appearance was heralded by the occurence of solar and lunar eclipses on designated dates in the same month of Ramadhan. This happened in 1884. In pursuance of a divine command he raised his lonely and feeble voice from a tiny, unknown and isolated village of Qadian, cut off from the rest of the world. Among thousands of his miracles and prophecies was one in which God gave him the glad tidings: "I shall cause thy message to reach the corners of the earth."

Despite desperate opposition, trials and tribulations the Community's progress has remained uninterrupted and is today moving from strength to strength under the dynamic leadership of its present supreme Head, Mirza Tahir Ahmad, the fourth elected successor of the founder.

Ahmadiyya Beliefs:

Ahmadi Muslims believe in:

One Almighty and Loving God who is the Creator of the heaven and the earth. There is none like Him. He alone is worthy of worship.

The Holy Prophet Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, is the Khatam-un-Nabiyeen (The Seal of The Prophets) and is the greatest prophet of all times whose mission, unlike other prophets like Moses or Jesus, was universal to all mankind and is for all times.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III (may Allah be pleased with him) leads salat at Pedroabad, Spain in 1980 on the occassion of the laying the foundation-stone of the Masjid

Basharat - the first mosque built 500 years after end of Muslim rule.





M. M. Ahmad with late Chinese Premier Chou En Lai

The sacred creed, "La ilaha illAllah Muhammad ur rasool Allah" which means that there is none worthy of worship except Allah and Muhammad is the Messenger of Allah.

The Holy Quran is the revealed Word of God, unalterable and unaltered through the ages and a permanent source of divine guidance.

The Five Pillars of Islam.

All the injunctions of the Holy Quran including that there is no compulsion in the matter of religion, the freedom of conscience, religious tolerance and respect for other faiths. They condemn terrorism in any form.

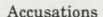
Peace and harmony. Ahmadiyyat requires all its followers to remain loyal and true to the country of which they are citizens.

The Mission of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, The Promised Messiah and Mahdi

The mission of the Founder of the Community was to revive and rekindle mankind's faith in God, to work for the renaissance of Islam, and to gather and unite all faiths under its banner, to recapture Islam's lost moral excellence and glory, to reinstitute its true teachings. In fulfillment of his divinely assigned role of the Prince of Peace his mission was to inculcate among mankind the spirit of tolerance, good will and true brotherhood.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses the Tahir Training Class in New York. Subjects taught include the Holy Quran, the Hadith, Salat and Islamic History.



against

Ahmadis

The charge against Ahmadis that they do not believe in the Finality of the Holy Prophet Muhammad, (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)

is both cruel and false. With all their heart and soul Ahmadis believe him to be "Khatamun Nabiyeen". He is the greatest of all prophets and there will be no law-bearing prophet after him. He is the Seal of the Prophets. There can be no future prophet unless he is a servant and a true follower of the Holy Prophet and works for the fulfillment of his mission. This Ahmadiyya interpretation is supported by the Holy Quran, the Hadith, writings of past eminent scholars, and divines: and by logic and reason. The Founder of the Ahmadiyya Community was a prophet without a new law. He received the evlevated status of prophethood only because he was "an ummati" (a humble servant of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him.



Tahir Training Camp (only Boys shown) where intensive Islamic education and training is imparted every Summer (New York)

Differences

with

non-Ahmadi Muslims

Ahmadis believe that Jesus Christ was not "the son" but only a true prophet of God. While the non-Ahmadi Muslims believe that he was bodily lifted to heaven from the cross Ahmadis Muslims, on the other hand, believe that he did not die on the cross but was taken down and treated and saved. Jesus later journeyed in search of "the lost sheep of Israel" through Afghanistan to Kashmir where he died. His tomb is located in the town of Srinagar. Christ's second advent therefore, was not to be in his physical self but was to be in his spirit and power.

Ahmadis do not subscribe to the interpretation of Jihad (Holy War) as a permission to use force in matters of religion. The Quranic teaching is that there is no compulsion in the matter of religion. All people should have freedom of conscience, religious freedom and respect for reformers of all faiths. The real Jihad lies in self-



purification and in propagating the excellence of Islam. Jehad with force is allowed only in self-defense.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community's Services in the Cause of Islam and

Humanity:

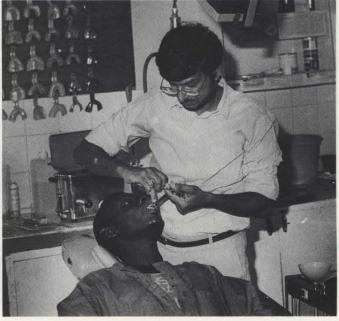
The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has a proud record of service to Islam and humanity without distinction of color or creed. It has produced voluminous literature presenting the true Islam so maligned and misunderstood in the West. It has already completed translations of the Holy Quran into 54 It has constructed over 500 mosques and mission houses within the last five years. Its missionary work is unmatched and unequaled by all the other Islamic sects put together. It has built schools and hospitals to serve particularly the needy and the poor in Africa and elsewhere. It has stood for the cause of Muslims everywhere in Shuddi (forcible conversion to Hinduism) movement in India; in the defence of the honor of the Holy Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him; in helping the down trodden people of Kashmir against the tyranny of the Dogra regime; in the epic struggle for the creation of Pakistan; and, later providing a voluntary battalion on Kashmir Front; in the struggle for independence of the countries in the Middle East from colonial powers, including the Palestinians for their rights; and in providing help in national calamaties within and outside Pakistan - too numerous indeed even to be barely listed here.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV at Ahmadiyya Hosital in Ghana



Amir and Missionary Incharge with American Ahmadiyya Medical Team returning after voluntary service in Africa



Ahmadi Muslim dentist provides free services in Africa

Persecution of Ahmadi Muslims

Pakistan:

A11 followers of prophets face persecution, but what distinguishes the present persecution of Ahmadies in Pakistan is that it was inspired, encouraged and led by Gen. Zia who hijacked the country for over a decade (so far only the hijacking of airinvites public attention condemnation). He promulgated a martial law ordinance in 1984, which prohibits the Ahmadi minority from practicing their faith "by words either spoken or written or by visible representation". This ordinance has encouraged assassinations and mass arrests and jail sentences of Ahmadis for the "crime" of wearing a badge of their sacred creed, in some cases even greeting others by Islamic greetings of "Aslaamo Alaikum", or wearing rings with Quranic inscription.

literature has been confiscated and their mosques desecrated. In brief, the ordinance has criminalized religion and provided a legal cover to the denial of human rights and religious freedom. No country in modern times has ever legislated favor of gross violation of human rights - a unique contribution of Gen. Zia's regime and its legacy.

The subcommission of U.N. Commission on Human Rights expressed its "grave concern" on the ordinance which "prima facia violates the right of liberty and security, the right to freedom from arrest and detention, the right to freedom of thought, expression, conscience and religion and the right of religious minorities to profess and practice their own religion and the right to an effective legal remedy". The U.N. Sub-Commission further concluded that Ahmadis "as a whole have been subjected to discrimination in employment, education and to the defacement of their religious property."





Hafiz Muhammad Amjad tortured in Pakistan for reciting the credo "La ila ha illAllah Muhammadar Rasulullah"

Prof. Ageel bin Abdul Qadir martyred in Hyderabad 1984

Ahmadiyya Muslim Mosque suffered shahadat (Detroit, 1983)







Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV is greeted by the President of Liberia during his visit to that country in 1989.

Ahmadiyya Centenary

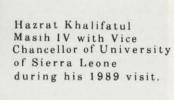
Beginning March 23, 1989, Ahmadis world over celebrate their first centenary by homage to Allah for His favours and grace. They renewed their pledge of unflinching and steadfast loyalty to God and to the Holy Prophet of Islam, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. They reaffirmed their unwavering committment to their service of Islam and humanity and to peace and tranquility on earth. They pledged and have started work for the expansion of the Community a 100 fold and more, covering every single country on earth. They have also pledged to construct a hundred thousand new mosques, 10,000 houses for the poor and homeless, and provide for care and adoption of orphans. The community's global work for supremacy of Islam through its lofty teachings and values will continue with greater efforts and sacrifice.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Amir of Kano, Nigeria



BLEBSEN ALLOPSIES MINAMANI





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Nigerian Khadims

Ahmadiyyat's Future:

Ahmadis believe that barriers of prejudice will tumble down as truth begins to assert its slow but inevitable claim to recognition. The nations of the world over will begin to acknowledge the truth and the ground will be cleared for a new world order which will free the suffering humanity from its present costly conflicts and acrimonious religious dissertations which so hamper the attainment of the divine purpose of human creation.

The future of Ahmadiyyat is portrayed in the prophetic words of the Promised Messiah written in Tazkiratush-Shahadatain: "The Third Century from this day shall not pass until all those who look for the physical descent of Jesus fom heaven, be they Christians or Muslims, will despair of it and will forsake the false beliefs now so fondly cherished by them. Then there will be one religion (Islam) in the world and one leader (Hazrat Mohammed Mustafa, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). I have been sent to sow a seed and I have sown it. It will now grow and bear flowers and fruit in due season and there is none who can uproot it"



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV meets Uganda's Prime Minister



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III (may Allah be pleased with him) is delighted in the company of children - our future.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV's speaks to Philadelphia's Press.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Prime Minister of Mauritius





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III speaks after inaugurating Ahmadiyya Muslim Mission House in Haddorsfield, UK



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV's audience enjoy his answers to their questions at end of state dinner in Los Angeles.



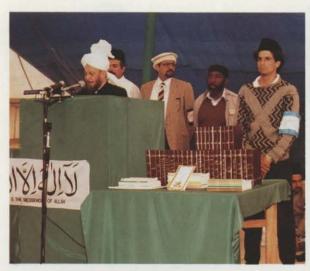
Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV is greeted in Ghana



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV is being presented the keys of Bo (a town in Sierra Leone) by its Mayor.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV presides at state dinner Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr, Naib Amir I (USA) speaks.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV speaks at UK's Jalsa Salana.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV presides at inauguration of Portland's Rizwan Mosque during his 1987 visit.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses Press conference at Ahmadiyya Muslim Hospital, Talingding Kujang.





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV speaks to the Press in USA.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Ghana's Vice President



A non-Ahmadi guest asks Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV a question after Huzur's inspiring address in New York.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with staff of Ahmadiyya school.

The Supreme Spiritual Head of the world-wide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

HAZRAT MIRZA TAHIR AHMAD KHALIFATUL MASIH IV

(may Allah be his Help)

Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad IV (born in 1928 in Qadian, India), the Supreme Spiritual Head of the ten million Ahmadi muslims living in 120 nations was elected to the office of Khalifatul Masih IV on June 10, 1982.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih supervises world-wide projects for religious education, moral training and spiritual benefit for his followers. He monitors the most dynamic Islamic missionary work throughout the world. He is vigorously engaged in building new mosques and missionary centers in non-Muslim countries. In the last five years, more than five hundred mosques have been built. Under his leadership efforts have begun to translate the Holy Quran in 100 languages by the end of 1989, out of which translations into 50 languages have already been completed. He also directs projects for publishing and worldwide circulation of Islamic literature.

In the service of humanity he has launched several projects to remove poverty, homelessness and hunger. His major thrust is to help several African countries to become self-sufficient. He helps them by providing talented and technically trained personnel in various devolpmental fields.

Having been endowed with a charismatic personality and incomparable energy, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad performs great tasks and attains his goal with such zeal and vigor as only one possessed with insatiable Divine love could produce. An extremely brilliant and strong-willed man, he is also noted for his great humor and his company is enjoyed by the young and the old alike. He meets with dignitaries, students, the poor, elders, members and office-bearers from the world-wide community.



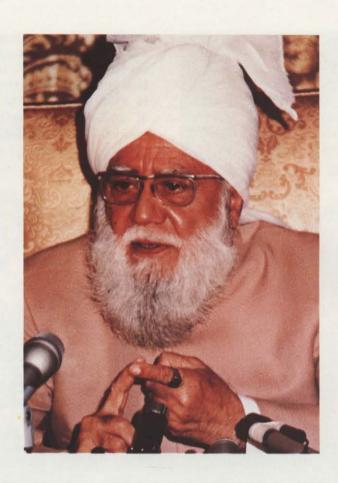


He has taken a special interest in upholding the dignity of women in Islam by motivating Ahmadi Muslim women to take active roles in the affairs of the Community, to improve their education and moral training, to become effective proponents of Islam throughout the world. An outstanding speaker, he has addressed innumerable topics

encompassing contemporary moral, spiritual and social issues. He abhors violence and terrorism and finds them entirely incompatible with the teachings of Islam. He is convinced that all maladies and ailments of suffering humanity can be redressed and mankind can be completely liberated from the bondage of sins.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Amirs and International Executives from different nations at the end of UK Jalsa Salana 1987



Khalifatul Masih III Hazrat Hafiz Mirza Nasir Ahmad (may Allah shower upon him His Mercy)

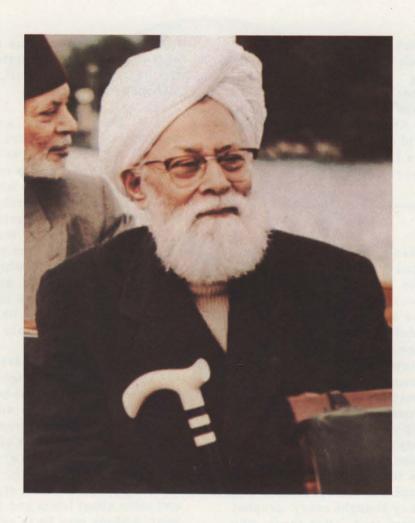
The Supreme Spiritual head of the Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Khalifatul Masih III Hazrat Hafiz Mirza Nasir Ahmad, may Allah shower His infinite mery on him.

On 26th September, 1909, before the birth of Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad, the Almighty Allah revealed to Hazrat Bashir-uddin Mahmood Ahmad, the Second Caliph of the Promised Messiah, peace be on him, that He would bless him with a son who would strengthen Islam.

Hazrat Hafiz Mirza Nasir Ahmad succeeded as the Third Caliph in the year 1965. Since then, he tremendously expanded the missionary activities of the Community strengthening our missions in Europe, Africa and America. This he achieved through establishing long-range plans like the Nusrat Jehan Scheme which established a large number of schools and hospitals in Africa. He supervised accelerated missionary efforts through personal visits to Europe, Africa and America.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III, may Allah grace him with His mercy, passed away on June 9, 1982.





KHALIFATUL MASIH II HAZRAT MIRZA BASHEERUDDIN MAHMUD AHMAD (MAY ALLAH BE PLEASED WITH HIM).

The Promised Messiah and Mahdi Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, was given the promise by the Almighty Allah of a son through whom "Divinity would be mirrored": while he had retired himself to seclusion in Hoshairpur, India in 1886.

"Behold!

"There comes the source of Light, on whom Allah has showered His benevolence. We shall infuse in Him Our Godliness and shall give him protection against all odds.

"He shall go forward with a tremendous speed; he shall cause the rescue of prisoners; nations shall be blessed by him. Then and then alone he will be lifted to the Heavens towards the pinnacle point of his soul and this is a matter that has been decreed."

The Almighty Allah fulfilled His words. The Promised Son was born on 12 January, 1889. He was named Basheeruddin Mahmud Ahmad according to the prophecy.

At 25 years of age Hazrat Musleh Maood was elected to Khilafat. He rose to the grea-

test of the most elevated spiritual heights. He enriched thousands who surrounded him with his unrelenting inspiration. He institutionalized such great organizations within the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam that the thousands of Ahmadi Muslims we see throughout the world today, including those in America, are a living testimony of the missionary networks launched by him.

In his historic message to the American Jamaat he said:

"I have been asked by our Missionary-in-Charge in the United States of America, Mr. Khalil Ahmad Nasir, to write a message for you to be read in your Second Convention. It is a pleasure for me to do so. Twenty-nine years ago, I sent Mufti Muhammad Sadiq, an old companion of the Promised Mesiah (peace be on him), to introduce the Ahmadiyya Movement in your country. After reaching the United States of America, he chose Chicago as the center of his mission. His was a lonely voice raised in support of the Truth about a quarter of a century back; and probably the people laughed when they heard him preach Islam and call them to Ahamadiyyat -- the true and divinely inspired interpretation of Islam. Probably they thought every prophet and his disciples were mad. But those who thought so were mad themselves. The sheep that does not recognize the shepard is mad and destined for desruction, for it becomes the prey of that old wolf, Satan; and loses all hope for salvation.

"My dear friends and children! No country and no people are absoloutely without seekers for truth. The voice which was taken as the babble of a mad man by many, began to attract some of those who were destined to be the pioneers and torch-bearers of truth in the Unite States of America. May be some of them have left this world, their spirits might be hovering over your heads just now seeing you in the seed which is being sown by God in th wilderness, as well in some well prepared soil, to grow in time and become heavy crop to give a new life to millions and millions of people of your country.

"My friends and children! Ahmadiyyat is the message of God Almighty and not a scheme conceived by any mortal being. So you should look upon it as such and try to follow it literally and with great care. No good citizen breaks the law of his country and so is the case of the true believer.

"So always try and strive to know more and more about Islam and Ahmadiyyat, so that your actions may be in complete accord with law chosen for you by yout Creator."





KHALIFATUL MASIH I HAZRAT HAJI MAULVI HAKEEM NURUDDIN (may Allah be pleased with him).

Born in 1841 in a village named Bhera, in Sarghoda District in India, Khalifatul Masih I, HAzrat Haji Maulvi Hakeem Nurud din, may Allah be pleased with him, was a descendant of Hazrat Umar Farooq, the Second Caliph of Islam. He was an erudite scholar who had quenched his thirst of knowledge by studying in practically all the famous religious institutions of the subcontinent, and had the privelege of learning and residing for a long time in the holy cities of Mecca and Medina. Not only an expert theologian of his time, Hazrat Noor-uddin was a talented physician as well.

When the Promised Messiah and Mahdi Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be upon him, initiated the Baiat (the pledge of allegiance) on 23rd March, 1889, Hazrat Haji Hakeem Maulvi Nurud din was the first to owe allegiance to him. At the request of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be upon him, he settled in Qadian for the rest of his life and never thought of returning to his ancestral home in

Bhera. Impressed by the dynamism of Islam as preached by the Promised Messiah, Hazrat Khalifatul Masih I, may Allah be pleased with him, sacrificed all his material belongings for the sake of Islam. His life was certainly a Himalayan example of the triumph of faith over wordly gains. His obedience to the Promised Messiah had laudably praised him in the following words:

پہ خُوسٹ بو دے اگر ہر کیا نے امت توردیں ہونے ہمیس بو دے اگر ہر دِل بُر اَن نوریفن بودے

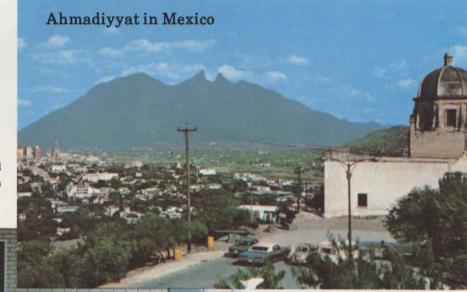
"How excellent if everyone of my followers were Nuruddin

"This is possible only when one's heart were illumined by the light of true, strong and firm belief."

He was elected to the Khilafat in 1908 and passed away in 1914.

Expanding Horizons

under Centennial Tableegh Program



Monterry - the city that hosted Ahmadiyya Muslim tableeghi team from USA.



Students listen to Ahmadiyya Muslim tableeghi team at the Univeristy of Nuevo Leon.



Ahmadi doctor explains Islmaic concepts of food and hygiene.



On the advice of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV to launch tableegh programs in Hispanic-American countries a voluntary missionary effort was started in July 1983. This effort was launched by Hasan Pervez and Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad. During the period of 1987 and 1988 the following tableegh activities were conducted in the five tableegh tours made to the town of Monterry in Mexico:

- acquired a PO Box as communication base;
- 2. freely distributed clothes to 250 families and victims of the hurricane Gilbert;
- arranged regular weekend live TV, radio and newspaper interviews on Ahmadiyyat the True Islam and placed advertisements in national as well as regional level newspapers;
- conducted seminars in the University of Nuevo Leone and also staged exhibitions;
- freely mass distributed literature in Spanish.



The audience attending the Ahmadiyya seminar. The book display invited great attention.



Free distribution of clothes to Mexican families by Ahmadiyya team.



International Dress Exhibition by the Ahmadiyya team.



Live TV interview of Ahmadi Muslims team from USA in Monterry, Mexico.

Centennial Souvenir Message

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Our beloved Imam, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV, has identified our task in the U.S.A. We are to spread the true Islam in America. We must intensify our efforts and be willing to sacrifice much in the cause of Ahmadiyyat. By the Grace of Almighty Allah, our predecessors have planted the seeds of truth. Let us be among those who nurture these fledgling seeds with a passion that will guarantee a bountiful harvest in the name of Ahmadiyyat! May Allah grant us every opportunity to make America a Muslim country during the second century of Ahmadiyyat. Amin. Amin. Amin.

Muzafar Ahmad Zafr Naib Amir I



newly built Rizwan Mosque, Portland



different poses Baitul Hameed Mosque, Los Angels





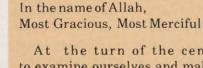
Chicago's Mosque







Centennial Souvenir Message



At the turn of the century we all need to examine ourselves and make new commitments towards the future of Ahmadiyyat. Allah foretold the Promised Messiah of a committed Jamaat of people, pure in their purpose. This happened at the beginning of the first century. It is happenning again at the beginning of the new period, under Khalifatul Masih IV.

The principles of Ahmadiyyat - the True Islam will be our mark. By exemplifying God's commands in our daily lives can we convince others of the Truth we represent. Our character will be shown in the moral rules by which we must live. Living the examples of the teachings of the Promised Messiah is the better way of Tableegh and more.

Ahsan Ullah Zafr. Naib Amir II





Centennial Souvenir Message

It has been five and a half years since I traveled to Pakistan. The occasion was to attend the Jalsaa in Rabwah. I can look at the pictures that I brought back with me and still feel as though I was there only yesterday. One must wonder what remains of an expereince that, at the time, was deeply satisfying and enlightening. During those years I have had many opportunities to make small contributions to Ahmadi celebrations and meetings. I have also been privilege to speak to Christian organizations about Islam in general and often about Ahmadiyyat in particular. I have also, on several occasions, been involved in "Christian Muslim dialogues." Whatever confidence I have in engaging in such activities, I believe I gained during my journeys with my Ahmadi freinds. It is very difficult I realize, for most Christian to see across the threshold into the "House of Islam." I am not sure that this is difficult to do because of irreconciable differences between the two traditions or merely because of managable psychological factors. I have personally done what I could at least to open the door, so that my Christian associates can feel respect for and appreciation of the religion brought to mankind by the Prophet Muhammad (Peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

Louis J. Hammann Professor of Religion Gettysburg College

















Centennial Souvenir Message

On this centenary of the events that took place in Qadian, India, in 1889, I wish to extend sincere best wishes to the Ahmadiyya Movement and its American branch chapters.

Any religious movement with 10 million members in 120 countries is an important movement. However, size is only a relative criterion of importance. The positive moral power and social usefulness are more significant criteria. The Ahmadiyya Community has endeavoed to exert a constructive influence through social projects, educational institutions, and health services. Its missionary zeal is to be commended and so is its call for universal brotherhood.

Ahmadiyyas have been tested by the fire of persecution and the ice of discrimination. I like their emphasis on friendship, equality, tolerance, and opposition, in contrast to some other religious leaders, to bigotry and fanaticism. I welcome the Ahmadiyya support of human rights, including religious liberty—that basic human right which undergirds and supports all other human rights.

As a committed Christian, I salute the Ahmadiyya Community and its spiritual leaders on this festive and indeed auspicious occasion.

B B Beach Secretary- General International Religious Liberty Association



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) and participants of the Wembley Conference (1924). Chaudary Muhammad Zafarullah is seated on extreme right.

Hazrat Chaudary Muhammad Zafarullah Khan (may Allah be pleased with him) (1893-1985)

The eldest son of Chaudary Nasarullah Khan a famous attorney at Sialkot, Chaudry Muhammmad Zafarullah Khan pledged himself at the blessed hands of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him. He was then 14 years of age.

Hazrat Chaudry Sahib was a graduate of the Universities of the Punjab (India) and Cambridge (UK). He was called to the Bar in 1916. His early law practice took place in Sialkot and later at Lahore. He distinguished himself as a promising young lawyer possessed with rare legal acumen. He was elected as member of the Punjab Legislative Council in 1926. He participated in the Round Table Conferences of 1930, 1931 and 1932. He also served as member of the Indian Parliamentary Reforms Committee in 1933. He was the member of the Viceroy of India's Executive Council at Delhi from 1935 to 1941. He became the Indian Minister for Railways in 1935. He was the Minister Incharge of Supplies during the Second World War in 1939. He was the Advisor on Constitutional and Legal Affairs to the Nawab of Bhopal. He was the leader of the Indian Delegation to the League of Nations in 1939. He pleaded the case of the Muslim League before the Radcliff Commission. He served as Agent General of India and China in 1942.

In 1945 he courageously spoke for India's freedom as the Indian Government's nominee at the Commonwealth Conference.

He served as the first Foreign Minister of Pakistan from 1947 to 1954, having been appointed by the founder of Pakistan Quaide Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah. Later he served the International Court of Justice at the Hague as its Judge, Vice President and President from 1954 to 1970. He also served as the President of the 17th General Assembly of the United Nations from 1962 to

Hazrat Chaudry Sahib laid the foundation stones of the Ahmadiyya Mosques at Lagos in 1943, at the Hague in 1955, at Hamburg in 1957, at Zurich in 1963, and constructed another at Daska, Sialkot. He dedicated his entire property for the cause of the Ahmadiyya Community in 1944 at the instance of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II, may Allah be pleased with him. He got the translation of the Tafseere Saghir done and the costs of this project were borne by him. He served as the Secretary of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II on the occassion of the Majlise Shura of 1924

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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih II (may Allah be pleased with him) in the company of loving followers. Chaudary Sahib (in Fez cap) sits on his right.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III (may Allah be pleased with him) conducts the initiation (baiyt) in London in 1967.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV presides over the inauguration of Masjid Basharat in Spain.



Hazrat Zafarullah Khan with Jordan's King Hussein after being decorated with that country's highiest award.



Muhammad Zafarullah Khan (may Allah be pleased with him) as Senior Judge, Federal Court, India (1941-1947)



with Egypt's Gamal Abdul Nassar

In the name of Allah Most Gracious, Most Merciful

RESOLUTION

the occassion of the Centennial Thanksgiving Celebrations, the following resolution was unanimously passed by the members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA through representatives. national executives and and Missionary Incharge at the the Amir first Mailise Shura of the Second Century of Ahmadiyyat)

We, the delegates of the 33 Chapters of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, United States of America and the executives of its Management Committee comprising the first Majlise Shura of the Second Century of Ahmadiyyat, assembled in New York on April 2nd 1989, do hereby adopt this resolution: Whereas the auspicious occassion of the highly successful completion of the first Century of the Ahmdiyya Muslim Community under the blessed leadership of Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih IV (ayyad Allah benasrehil aziz), the Supreme Spiritual leader of over 10 million Ahmadi Muslim in 120 nations of the world has, overwhelmed our hearts with humble praises of The Almighty Allah;

Whereas our Beloved Imam Hazrat Ameerul Momeneen, with the Grace and Mercy of Allah has steered the ship of Ahmadiyyat into its Second Century through the most violent storms of trials and persecution with his loving care and uniquely foresighted wisdom, through his moving prayers, through the farreaching, countless projects for the benefit of mankind, and in particular through the implementation of the injunctions of the Holy Quran as taught by the Holy Prophet Muhammad, eternal peace and blessings of Allah be upon him and as explained by his servant The Promised Messiah and Mahdi, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be upon him.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV leads collective prayer at conclusion of US Ahmadiyya Jamaat's Majlis Shura 1987



We, therefore, humbly convey our heartiest congratulations to Hazrat Ameerul Momeneen, Khalifatul Masih IV, Mirza Tahir Ahmad, (ayyad Allah benasrehil aziz) alongwith our sincerest wishes and prayers of continued service to Islam and Ahmadiyyat, of untold happiness, glorious success, excellent health and long life.

We further reaffirm our total loyalty and unflinching support to Hazrat

Ameerul Momeneen, Khalifatul Masih IV, (ayyad Allah benasrehil aziz) with our lives, honor, property, time and humble efforts.

On this auspicious occassion we also convey our heartiest congratulations and sincerest well-wishes to all our brothers and sisters throughout the world and in particular to the oppressed and persecuted ones in Pakistan who we never forget in our prayers.



Majlis Shura members with Amir and Missionary Incharge



National Majlis Amla members with the Amir Jamaat USA



Jamaat Presidents with the Amir and Missionary Incharge



The missionaries of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam, USA with Amir and Missionary Incharge Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad

DOCTOR ABDUS SALAM

Through his International Center For Theoretical Physics at Trieste, Italy this world renowned physicist is helping young scientists from the developing nations to keep abreast of current research.)

A staunch, dedicated and a distinguished scholar, Doctor Abdus Salam possesses an unassuming personality and affable manners inspite of his towering stature in the field of outstanding services to Islam, Ahmadiyyat and science. He has demonstrated that the guidance of the Holy Quran leads man to unprecedented heights in his quest for knowledge just as it did in the historical contributions of early Islamic scientists in laying the foundations of mathematics, physics, astronomy, chemistry, medicine, logic and philosophy. He is the first Nobel Prize Winner from the world of Islam.

Doctor Salam's brilliant educational career started from Jhang with distinctions and top positions in every examination in the Universities of Punjab, Pakistan and Cambridge.

In 1955, Salam served as the scientific secretary at the first Atoms for Peace Conference of the UN at Geneva. Two years afterwards he was chosen to found the department of theoretical physics at Imperial College of Science and Technology at the University of London.

In 1960 Salam proposed the creation of his International Center for Theoretical Physics. Since its opening in 1964 the Center has provided a meeting place for leading theoreticians from all over the world to share with professors and students the current state of knowledge in the research of physics and informally meet with world leaders in the field. The Center has provided effective collaboration between physicists of the East and the West. In addition developing nations have sought valuable training for their theoreticians.



Dr. Salam receiving the Nobel Prize (1979)

At the UN Advisory Committee on Science and Technology Salam alongwith other leading scientists specify ways in which scientific knowledge and technical skills can hasten the advancement of those living in poverty. This Committee's "World Plan of Action" works towards building up science and technology within the developing nations and for tranferring technical knowledge to countries that desperately need it. Some of these technologies are desalination and elimination disease-bearing insects. In these Committees, Abdus Salam has been particularly interested in the involvement of leading scientists of advanced countries in the problems of world development.

In all the great advances of nuclear physics, Salam has been in the thick of action.





Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV recieves the genius scientist.

His first major research was done at Cambridge University. In previous theory there was nothing to stop an atom from having an infinite electric charge. Physicists Julian Schwinger, Richard Feyman and Freeman Dyson had indicated how the difficulty could be overcome. But the complete mathematical proof was lacking. Salam supplied that proof.

His second achievement concerns with parity theory - a theory of physics concerning with the symmetry between an event and its mirror image. When a radioactive atom throws out an electron it also ejects a very elusive particle called the neutrino. Both particles spin as they go. For many years it was assumed that the particles were just as likely to spin to the left as to the right. Salam predicted that for every three electrons spinning to the left, one spun to the right. In 1957 Physicist Wu of Columbia University proved this prediction through his celebrated cobalt-60 experiment.

In 1964 Salam alongwith John Ward predicted an eightfold family of new particles having twice the spin of the proton.

Salam introduced Einstein's "four dimensions" (three dimensions of space plus time" making the most fascinating contributions in particle physics in the realm of patternmaking.



Dr. Salam with China's Premier Chou En lai.

"A broken symmetry breaks your heart," Salam says thinking continously about the patterns of nature and their mathematical representations. Famous British author Nigel Calder writing about Salam observes that to a Moslem mystic, Allah is to be sought in eternal beauty and for Salam beauty comes through finding new, subtle, yet simplifying patterns in the natural world.

Dr. Salam shared the 1979 Nobel Prize for Physics for his contributions to the theory of the unified weak and electromagnetic interaction between elementary particles including, among other things, the prediction of the weak neutral current.

"The magnificient irrigation system built in the Indus Valley during the British era had deteriorated. Many years of seepage from the great irrigation canals had waterlogged huge areas of farmland, while evaporation from the soil had caused salts to accumulate. When Salam explained the problem, the US government sent leading scientists, agriculturists and engineers to West Pakistan. After thorough studies, the team, led by Roger Revelle, then director of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at La Jolla, California and science advisor to the Secretary of the Interior, drew up a plan of wells and pumps for draining the land and washing out the salt. Several areas, each



Dr. Salam at the UN.

about a million acres in size are already successfully under treatment west of Lahore. Over 30,000 farmers have adopted this procedure, greatly increasing agricultural production in West Pakistan."

Ishrat Usmani, Chairman of Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission observed, "Most of the scientific effort in Pakistan is in a large measure due to Salam's imagination and the weight of his personality. Salam is a symbol of the pride and prestige of our nation in the world of science."

This Ahmadi Muslim scientist has won countless awards and distinctions in the field of science from almost all major nations of the world. But, his humility and sacrifice for Ahmadiyyat remains unique. Immediately after being informed of his Nobel Prize, Abdus Salam came to the London Mosque and prostrated himself in gratitude to the Almighty Allah, reports Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad then Chief Missionary and Imam of the London Mosque.

Dr. Salam has set a unique example in the the areas of financial sacrifices through his contributions of the translation of the Holy Quran into the Italian language, publication of Ahmadiyya literature and philanthropic support of needy scholars.

DR. MUZAFFAR AHMAD SHAHEED



The first martyr of Ahmadiyyat in USA

Dr. Muzaffar Ahmad Shaheed

Doctor Muzaffar Ahmad was a dedicated worker of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Detroit. Doctor Muzaffar was staunchly devoted to propagation (tabligh) and inspite of his professional commitments he spent most of his time contacting with people from different walks of life and in spreading the message of Islam and Ahmadiyyat.

On the night of August 8, 1983 an assailant shot Dr. Muzaffar outside his the Doctor's) home in Westland, Michigan. This took place three days before the 35th Annual Convention of the Ahmadiyya Community scheduled to be held in Detroit. Dr. Muzaffar was the first martyr who made the greatest sacrifice for Ahmadiyyat the True Islam in the face of violence.



The Historic Visit of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV ayyad Allah to the US in 1987

NEW YORK



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV presides over Majlise Shura Ahmadiyya Community, USA 1987



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV is welcomed by Senator Hartke in Washington DC's Hilton.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV leads collective dua on conclusion of NY public reception.

> Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV leads dua before departure from New York, November 1987.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV's public address in Philadelphia.

September 30: The historic visit begins with the arrival of Huzur ayyad Allah from Canada by air. Huzur immediately drove to Baituz Zafr where after maghrib and isha prayers he met with the members of the Jamaat. It was a moment of happiness for the members because most of them were seeing their Beloved Huzur for the very first time in their lives especially after his election to Khilafat.

Throughout the visit Huzur ayyad Allah held majalise irfaan and met with individual members as well as families of the Jamaat. He also delivered Friday sermons.

In New York Huzur ayyad Allah also addressed a public reception at the Marriot Hotel. This reception was attended by over 250 guests. The representatives of the Governor of New York and the Mayor of New York City presented addresses of welcome.

Huzur also addressed the faculty and students of the Department of Southasian Studies of the Columbia University. Huzur ayyad was asked many interesting questions both by the scholars as well as members of the faculty. They enjoyed Huzur ayyad Allah's exposition of the Southasian affairs in the field of religious and social development.

In Washington DC, Huzur was interviewed by the representatives of the Voice of America and the daily newspaper Jung. A maginificient reception in honor of Huzur ayyad Allah was held at the Washington Hilton. It was attended by over 300 people from different segments of the city most of whom were from the government. There were quite a few diplomats from other nations and intellectuals from other faiths. A delightful address of welcome was presented by Senator Vance Hartke. Mayor Barry sent his representative with his address of welcome.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV at Mosque Baitul Hameed site.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV addresses Tuscon's citizens.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with California's ex-Governor.



Huzur ayyad Allah performed the groundbreaking ceremony of the national headquarter complex.

October 7, 1987 was proclaimed as Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad Day by Washington's Mayor Barry.

In Willingboro, New Jersey Huzur ayyad Allah inspected and inaugurated the finely built "Al Nasr Mosque". He then addressed the civic reception hosted by the Jamaat, which was followed by the welcome address of the special representative of the Mayor of Willingboro township. October 8th was publicly dedicated by the mayor to the inauguration of the Ahmadiyya Mosque.

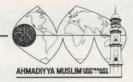
The same evening in Philadelphia Huzur was welcomed by Mayor Goode's representative. Huzur inaugurated the "Nasir Mosque" and the adjacent mission house. An in-depth Press conference followed the public reception.

On October 10 Huzur ayyad Allah attended a public reception in Dayton held in his honor. Prominent citizens of the town attended. The Mayor of the city presented the town's insignia to Huzur.

Starting on October 11, Huzur's visit to Chicago included a public reception followed by a question and answer session at the University of Chicago. Another exclusive reception for non-Muslims was also held at the same University Attendees included 150 dignitaries. Huzur ayyad Allah met with the Mayor of the city.

On October 13 Huzur ayyad Allah addressed a public receptions in the cities of Milwaukee and Zion. Later he was interviewed by TV reporters. The Mayor of Zion welcomed Huzur into the city.

On October 15 1987 Huzur ayyad Allah held a majlise irfaan in Detroit and met with





The smile that puts everyone at ease and inspires love.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV listens to TV anchorman Ross.

non-Ahmadis. Later on, he answered their questions.

Huzur ayyad Allah laid down the foundation stone of Troy Mosque and Mission House.

On October 21 1987 Huzur ayyad Allah inaugurated Masjid Yusuf in Tuscon, Arizona. A Press conference was held for Huzur ayyad Allah. Later on, he granted interviews.

On October 22 1987, Huzur ayyad Allah attended a public reception followed by a question session in Los Angeles, California. Huzuur ayyad Allah laid the foundation stone of Baitul Hameed Mosque and Mission house. Huzur ayyad Allah held majlise irfaan, addressed the lajna members and attended a Press conference. Channel 18 televised one-hour documentary of the Los Angeles tour.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV prays for Tuscon's mosque.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV meets Chicago's dignitaries.

On October 27 Huzur ayyad Allah met with intellectuals and held majlise irfaan in San Francisco.

In Portland on October 28 inaugurated majlise irfaane and addressed a public reception. Huzur ayyad Allah hosted a special dinner for Ahmadis as well as non-Ahmadis. A question and answer session followed. Huzur ayyad Allah addressed a public reception at the Red Lion Hotel which was attended by the dignitaries of the town. Here also the program ended with a question and answer session. Huzur performed an Amin ceremony.

In addition to the above Huzur ayyad Allah also visited Miami and St. Louis.

By the Grace of Allah, during the visit of Huzur ayyad Allah a total of 38 bai'ts (conversion to Ahmadiyyat) took place at various places in USA.



MAULANA JALAL UD DIN SHAMS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY THE CROWN PRINCE SHAHZADA FAISAL BIN ABDUL AZIZ OF SAUDI ARABIA WHEN HE LATER VISITED THE FAZL MOSQUE LONDON ON JULY 12, 1935.





The Charter of Freedom granted by The Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) to the Christians till Doomsday

There are widespread allegations that Islam is a threat to Christianity. The following Charter granted to the Christians by the Holy Founder of Islam, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, underiably proves that not only did the Holy Prophet guarantee freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom of living and all other freedoms, but that furthermore, he gave them his word of honor, his total protection as well as ordererd all his followers not to break this covenant till the Day of Judgment. Let history show another Great Document like this one:

"THIS IS THE DOCUMENT WHICH MUHAMMAD, SON OF ABDULLAH, GOD'S PROPHET, WARNER AND BEARER OF GLAD TIDINGS, HAS CAUSED TO BE WRITTEN SO THAT THERE SHOULD REMAIN NO EXCUSE FOR THOSE COMING AFTER.

"I HAVE CAUSED THIS DOCUMENT TO BE WRITTEN FOR THE CHRISTIANS OF THE EAST AND THE WEST, FOR THOSE WHO LIVE NEAR, AND FOR THOSE OF THE DISTANT LANDS, FOR THE CHRISTIANS LIVING AT PRESENT AND FOR THOSE WHO WILL COME AFTER, FOR THOSE CHRISTIANS WHO ARE KNOWN TO US AND FOR THOSE AS WELL WHOM WE DO NOT KNOW.

"ANY MUSLIM VIOLATING AND ABUSING WHAT IS THEREIN ORDERED WOULD BE RECARDED AS A VIOLATOR OF GOD'S TESTAMENT AND WOULD BE THE BREAKER OF HIS PROMISE AND WOULD MAKE HIMSELF DESERVING OF GOD'S CURSE, BE HE A KING OR A SUBJECT.

"I PROMISE THAT ANY MONK, OR WAY FARER, ETC., WHO WILL SEEK MY HELP ON THE MOUNTAINS, IN FORESTS, DESERTS OR HABITATIONS, OR IN PLACES OF WORSHIP, I WILL REPEL HIS ENEMIES WITH ALL MY FRIENDS AND HELPERS, WITH ALL MY RELATIVES AND WITH ALL THOSE WHO PROFESS TO FOLLOW ME AND WILL DEFEND HIM, BECAUSE THEY ARE MY COVENANT.

"AND I WILL DEFEND THE COVENANTED AGAINST THE PERSECUTION, INJURY AND EM ARRASMENT BY THEIR ENEMIES IN LIEU OF THE POLL TAX THEY HAVE PROMISED TO PAY. IF THEY PREFER THEMSELVES TO DEFEND THEIR PROPERTIES AND THEIR PERSONS, THEY WILL BE ALLOWED TO DO SO AND WILL NOT BE PUT TO ANY INCONVENIENCE ON THAT ACCOUNT.

"NO BISHOP WILL BE EXPELLED FROM HIS BISHOPRIC, NO MONK FROM HIS MONASTERY, NO PRIEST FROM HIS PLACE OF WORSHIP, AND NO PILGRIM WILL BE DETAINED FROM HIS PILGRIMAGE.

"NONE OF THEIR CHURCHES OR OTHER PLACES OF WORSHIP WILL BE DESOLATED OR DESTROYED OR DEMOLISHED. NO MATERIAL OF THEIR CHURCHES WILL BE USED FOR BUILDING MOSQUES OR HOUSES FOR THE MUSLIMS. ANY MUSLIM DOING SO WILL BE REGARDED AS RECALCITRANT TO GOD AND HIS PROPHET.

"MONKS AND BISHOPS WILL BE SUBJECT TO NO TAX OR INDEMNITY WHETHER THEY IN FORESTS OR ON THE RIVERS, OR IN THE EAST OR WEST, NORTH OR SOUTH.

"I GIVE THEM MY WORD OF HONOR. THEY ARE ON MY PROMISE AND COVENANT AND WILL ENJOY PERFECT IMMUNITY FROM ALL SORTS OF INCONVENIENCES.

"EVERY HELP SHALL BE GIVEN THEM IN THE REPAIR OF THEIR CHURCHES. THEY SHALL BE ABSOLVED FROM WEARING ARMS.

"THEY SHALL BE PROTECTED BY THE MUSLIMS.

"LET THIS DOCUMENT NOT BE DISOBEYED TILL THE JUDGMENT DAY

MIGHTY SIGN OF THE ALMIGHTY ALLAH IN SUPPORT OF AHMADIYYAT

Ziaul Haq's Death in Plane Crash was an Act of God

Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam was made the target of an utterly false and world-wide campaign to malign the Movement, its holy founder and its present head. This was a ruthless persecution state-sponsored, spearheaded by Pakistan's President Muhammad Zia ul Haq and was fully supported by his administration. Among other atrocities involving the deprivation of the basic human rights of the Ahmadi Muslims in Pakistan, the following are prominent: Ahmadis were debarred from affirming their faith through the recitation of the credo (Kalima tayyaba); calling their places of worship as mosques; and calling the azan (call to prayer). All such activities were made punishable by three years rigoroius imprisonment and unlimited fine.

Zia's persecution was implemented through public beatings, mob violence, assassinations, and dishonoring of Ahmadis; damaging, defiling, sealing and destruction their mosques; false criminal imprisonment prosecutions; and death sentences of innocent Ahmadis and their social boycott. The campaign also included the character assassination of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Founder of this Community and its religious leaders as well. This persecution continued unabated for years.

Hundreds of false allegations were made against the Ahmadiyya community, including that Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV had abducted and murdered a Pakistani maulvi, Muhammad Aslam Qureshi. This massive campaign with obvious encouragement by the government continued unabated for 5 years. The Press, TV, radio and even local newspapers broadcasted these allegations almost on a daily basis. Apparently, this malicious campaign had put the safety of the Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community to the risk of danger.



"It is my principle that till one prays for one's enemy, one's mind is not wholly cleared." The Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him.

During this time all attempts on the part of the Ahmadiyya Movement to make the leaders of the campaign desist from persecution and to restore Ahmadis' basic human rights and religious freedom failed. General Zia ul Haq exceeded all limits through his promulgation of his Martial Law Ordinance XX of 1984 banning Ahmadis all avenues of redress and forcing the present Supreme Head of worldwide Community into exile.

In his Friday sermon of June 10 1988 the Supreme Head of Ahmadiyya Community invited the General to desist from persecution and falsification campaign against the Community and its beliefs or face the judgment of Allah in a Mubahela (Prayer Duel) in the Court of God in accordance with Islam's Holy Book, the Quran.



The letters containing the Prayer Duel challenge were mailed to all opponents of Ahmadiyyat, foremost being General Zia ul Haq. He was told not to persecute or even accept the challenge because God's destruction would overtake in one year.

But, Zia ul Haq persisted in both. The Almighty's wrath seized him as predicted.

The Mighty Sign began with the reappearance into public view in Pakistan the maulvi Aslam Qureshi, the very same criminal who made a murderous attack on the grandson of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, peace be upon him, but, Alhamdulillah, Sahibzada Mirza Muzaffar Ahmad was saved. Now, after the Mubahela began, Aslam Qureshi returned from his hiding in Iran and openly declared on national television that the mullahs had forced him to vanish himself so that this conspiracy against Huzur could materialize.

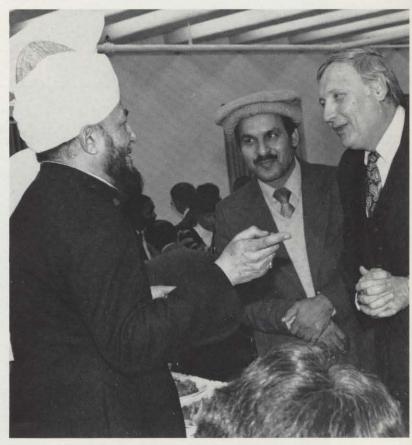
The second Mighty Sign was the grip of the Invisible Hand of the Almighty Allah against the tyrant - the army general who weilded absolute power, sending Ahmadi Muslims to the gallows, imprisoning so many Ahmadi Muslms that Pakistani prisons were overcrowded, and unleashing a series of laws that dwarfed the evil genius of Robespierre. Allah grippped the man so well, so truly, that even the US, his strongest ally, could not protect him. The President of Pakistan met his total destruction as a result of the Mubahela while flying from one army base to another with his most trusted generals, accompanied by the US ambassador.

The Supreme Head of the Ahmadiyya Community cabled his sympathies to the General's family. He did not desire his end. Rather, he warned Zia and all opponents not to persecute and falsify.

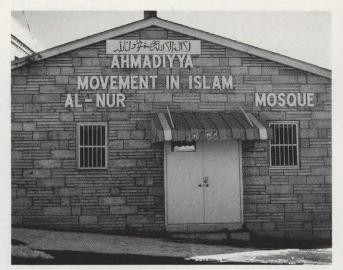
The claim of the truth of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the holy founder of Ahmadiyyat has been established once again by a mighty sign of the Almighty God. All praise to Allah the Lord of all the worlds.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV with Chicago's Mayor Washington in the latter's office.



Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV speaks with guests at a banquet held in Chicago in his honor.



Centennial Souvenir Message

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

All praise be to God Almighty to be among those who have witnessed and participated in the Ahmadiyya Centenary celebrations. This Centenary is a reflection of the glorious past and a promise of a prominent future. As we enter our second century our desire to make spiritual progress should be embedded in our minds so much so that we will be willing to give all our faculties and possessions to the cause of Ahmadiyyat. Our love of God should ring supreme over all other things so that we may experience the real essence of Islam.

Every Ahmadi Muslim should reflect on the promise of "a large party" made to the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him, by the Almighty Allah a hundred years ago. Not only are we a witness to the truth of that promise, we are indeed a part of that promise.

Salma Ghani President National Lajna Amaullah

Centennial Souvenir Message

It is indeed a distinct honor and privilege to have this opportunity to participate in the joyous occasion of the Centenary Thanksgiving, March 23, 1989. I am delighted to respond to your invitation for comments for souvenir publication and to share in your celebration.

As a Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Human Rights and International Organizations, I have had the pleasure to become more aware of the tremendous contributions that the 10 million Ahmadiyya Muslims have made to the countries and societies in which they live. Ahmadis have enriched all our lives with their participation in the entire realm of positive human endeavor. In education, medicine, law, and other professions, the arts and culture, and in philanthropy the work of the Ahmadi community has been manifest. My admiration for the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam is

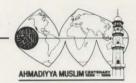
heightened by the fact that in some of the 117 countries the community faces various forms and degrees of discrimination and persecution. Yet, the Ahmadi people remain a peaceful, persevering and benevolent community.

The Ahmadiyya Community in Islam in the United States is a vital part of the unique and diverse American culture. We all benefit from the prosperity and industriousness of the Ahmadiyya community. It is a pleasure to be able to congratulate you on this momentous occasion and to wish all Ahmadis the very best for the future.

Sincerely,

Gus Yatron Chairman

Subcommitee on Human Rights and International Organizations



Centennial Souvenir Message

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my greetings to you and congratulate the Ahmadiyya Muslim community in the United States on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam.

Over the years, I have become acquainted with the many charitable and humanitarian works of Ahmadiyya Muslim throughout the world. In particular, I have great respect for the Ahamadiyya Muslim Community in the Dayton, Ohio area which I represent in the United States House of Representatives. Ahmadiyya Muslims are a vibrant force in our community and have made many contributions to the well-being of our residents.

Ahmadiyya Muslims are known around the globe for their adherence to their motto of

"Love for all, hatred for none." In view of the peaceful and generous nature of the Ahmadiyya Community, it is indeed unfortunate that Ahmadiyya Muslims in some countries have encountered obstacles to the free exercise and practice of their religion. I intend to continue to work with my Congressional colleagues and with the Ahmadiyya Community to promote religious tolerance and to end discrimination based upon religious tenets.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community deserves to be commended for its many good works on the occasion of its Centenary Celebrations. Be assured that my colleagues in the Congress join me in extending best wishes to you,

Sincerely, Tony P. Hall Member of Congress





Hazrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq

The First Ahmadiyya Muslim Missionary arrives in the United States.

In 1920 Hazrat Dr. Mufti Muhammad Sadiq arrived at the shores of Philadelphia. The news of his arrival was heralded throughout the city by the local newspapers.

Inspite of constituional guarantees, propagation of faith other than that brought by the colonists was not permissable. So, Dr. Sadiq was detained in ellis Island, New York. He reported the matter to Khalifatul Masih II Hazrat Mirza Basheeruddin Mahmud Ahmad, may Allah be pleased with him and requested for special prayers for the success of his mission. He was asked to write to the President of the country. The Secretary of State replied on behalf of the President conveying his permission.

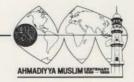
Dr. Sadiq first established himself at Madison Avenue, New York for three months. He then moved to Chicago where he established the first headquarters of the Ahmadiyya Movement in Islam at 74 Victoria Avenue. He established the first Mosque at South 4448 Wabash Avenue. He started the first publication of the Movement "The Muslim Sunrise" from 27 Labelle Avenue, Highland Park.

At the time of his departure in 1922 there were seven hundred Ahmadiyya Muslims here.

Dr. Mufti Muhammad Sadiq died in Pakistan on February 13, 1987.

Pioneer Missionary Efforts

Dr. Mufti Muhammad Sadiq was followed by Hazrat Maulvi Muhammad Din who served the cause of islam and Ahmadiyyat until 1925. Dr. Muhammad Yusuf continued the missionary work in the interim period of 1925 till 1928. In 1928 Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengali arrived.





SUFI MUTIUR RAHMAN BENGALI Ahmadiyya Muslim Missionary Incharge, USA

Maulana Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengali arrived in the United States as the Missionary of Ahmadiyyat the True Islam in 1925. He opened the missions of the Jamaat at Indianapolis, Dayton, Pittsburgh, Youngstown, Cleveland, Saint Louis and Kansas City. He maintained an office on State Street in downtown Chicago from where he established contacts with many famous people.

"The Moslem call to prayer echoed through the vast Cathedral as Sufi Mutiur Rahman Bengali ascended the pulpit. "Obedience to commandments and sincere praying give the Moslems help, courage and confidence with which to combat fear," he said. "The Holy Quran, Moslem scripture, says he who makes complete resignation in God is rewarded and knows no fear," he said. "Equality of man is a doctrine of Muhammad. King and slave, rich and poor, stand side by side, shoulder to shoulder."

Sufi Bengali continued the work of editing the Ahmadiyya magazine The Muslim

Sunrise which was started by Dr. Mufti Muhammad Sadiq, may Allah be pleased with him. His other famous publications are The Tomb of Jesus and The Life of Muhammad which he published after ardous research.

Sufi Bengali was often quoted by national newspapers on issues of international significance particularly those relating to India and England. His strong views on the independence of India from British were widely read in the US. His emphatic belief that the minorities should be given constitutional protection were especially recognized. Indeed he was acknowledged as the Islamic spiritual leader in the US.

Describing the Movement as a revival or regeneration of Islam. Ahmadi Muslims were reported to number between 5,000 and 10,000 in the US during Sufi Sahib's time according to journalistic documentation.

Sufi Sahib's tenure of historical missionary work ended successfully in 1948.

Mr. Muhammad Alexander Russel Webb The First American Ahmadi Convert in Promised Messiah's Time



Mr. Webb was born in 1846 in Hudson City, New York. His father was the owner and editor of a daily paper. The younger Webb took up his father's career in journalism after graduation. Later on, he became the editor of a daily paper in Missiouri.

Mr. Webb was deeply interested in religion. However, he became dissatisfied with Christianity and gave it up in 1872. He researched other faiths in his discovery of the true religion. He studied Buddhism and did not find it satisfactory. He came across an announcement of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad. the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him and started correspondence with him. Through his communications with the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him, he became convinced of the truth of Islam. Mr. Webb then accepted Islam as his faith. He proved a sincere and devoted Muslim and was most eager to do whatever he could to spread the knowledge of Islam and its teachings in the United States.

The correspondence between The Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him, and Mr. Webb is reproduced below: (SHAHNAA E HAQ pp 439 - 444):

3021 Easton Avenue St Louis, Missouri USA

February 24th 1887

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad

Esteemed Sir,

I cannot adequately express to you my gratitude for the letter recieved from you under the date of December 17. I had almost given up all hope of receiving a reply but the contents of the letter and circulars fully repaid me for the delay. I hardly know what to say in reply except that I am still very anxious to gain more of the truth than I have thus far found. After reading your circulars an idea occurred to me which I will



present to you for your consideration knowing or rather feeling confident that you who are so much spiritual than I, so much nearer to God, will answer me in a way that will be for the best. Were it possible for me to visit India I would do so only too gladly. But I am so situated that it seems almost an impossibility. I am married and have three children. For nearly two years I have been living a life of celibacy and shall continue to do so as long as I live. My income is not sufficient to justify me in giving up my business as it requires all that I can make to support for my family during my absence. Therefore a visit to India being out of the question it occurred to me that I might through your aid assist in spreading the truth here. If, as you say the Muhammadan is the only true religion why could I not act as its Apostle or promulgator in America. My opportunities for doing so seem to me very good if I had some one to lead me aright at first. I have been led to believe that not only Muhammad but also Jesus, Gautama Buddha, Zoroaster and many others taught the truth, that we should, however, worship God and not men. If I could know what Muhammad really taught that was superior to the teachings of others, I could then be in a position to defend and promulgate the Muhammadan religion above all others. But the little I do know of his teachings is not sufficient for me to do effective work with. The attention of the American people is being quite generally attracted to the oriental religions.

The public mind, I think is now more than ever fitted to recieve Muhammadanism as well as Buddhism and it may be that through you it is to be introduced in my country. I am convinced that you are very much in earnest. I have no reason to doubt that you are inspired by God to spread the light of Truth. Therefore, I would be happy to know more of your teachings and to hear further from you. God, who can read all hearts, knows that I am seeking for the truth; that I am ready and eager to embrace it wherever I can find it. If you can lead me to its blessed light you will find me not only a willing pupil but an anxious one. I have been seeking now for three years and have found a great deal. God has blessed me abundantly and I want to do his work earnestly and faithfully. How to do it is what has moved me - how to do it so that the most good may be accomplished. I pray to Him that the way may be pointed out clearly to me so that I may not go astray. If you can help me I hope that you will do so. I shall keep your letter and prize it highly. I will get the circulars printed in one of the leading American newspapers so that they will have a widespread circulation and I will send you a copy of the paper. They may reach the eyes of many who will become interested. I shall be happy to recieve from you at any time matter which you may have for general circulation and if you should see fit to use my services to further the aims of truth in the country they will be freely at your disposal, provided of course, that I am capable of recieving your ideas and that they convince me of their truth. I am already satisfied that Muhammad taught the truth; that he pointed out the way for salvation and that those who follow his teachings will attain to a condition of eternal bliss. But did not Jesus Christ also teach the way? Now suppose I should follow the way pointed out by Jesus, would not my slavation be as perfectly assured as if I followed Islam? I ask with a desire to know that truth and not to dispute or argue. I am seeking the truth not to defend my theory, I think I understand you to be a follower of the esoteric teachings of Muhammad and not what is known to the masses of the people as Muhammadanism; that you recognize the truths that underlie all religions and not their esoteric features which may have been added by men. I too regret very much that I cannot understand your language nor you mine; for I feel quite sure that you could tell many things which I desire to know. However, I am impressed to believe that God will provide a way if I try to deserve His Love. Blessed be His Holy name and I hope that I may hear from you and that we again may some day meet in spirit even if we cannot meet in the body. May the peace of God be with you and with those who listen to your words. I pray that your hopes and plans are realised.

With reverence and esteem.

I am,

Yours respectfully,

Alx. R. Webb.

REPLY OF THE LETTER:

Dear Sir.

I recieved your letter, dated 24th of February 1887 which proved itself to be great delight to my heart and a satisfaction to my anxieties. The contents of the letter not only increased my love towards you but led me to the hope of a partial realization of the object which I have in view - for which I have dedicated the whole of my life viz., not to confine the spread of the light of truth to the oriental world but, as far as it lies in my power, to further it in Europe, America, etc., where the attention of the people has not been sufficiently attracted towards a proper understanding of the teachings of Islam. Therefore, I consider it an honor to comply with your request; and have a strong confidence in the Almighty Creator, Who is with me, and He will assist me in giving you a perfect and permanent satisfaction. I give you word that in the course of about five months I will compile a work containing a short sketch of the teachings of Al-Quran, have it translated into English and printed and then send a copy of it to you. I strongly hope that it will bring full and final conviction to a justful, considerate and uncontaminated mind like yours, enoble your soul, endow you with a firm belief in God and improve your knowledge of Him. But, perhaps it may be, that the various demands on my time may not allow me to spare a sufficient time for sending the whole work at once; in such a case I will send it to you in two or three batches. I will not end the communication of instruction to you by this treatise but will continue satisfying your thirst after investigation of truth for the rest of my life. Your friendly words permit me to entertain the happy idea that I will in a short time have the intelligence that the instinctive moral greatness has directed not only to you but to many other virtous men of America to the right way of salvation pointed

out by Islam. Here I end my letter of earnestness and sincerity. May you and I be kept secure from all earthly and heavenly misfortunes and have all our hopes and plans realized.

Yours sincerely,

Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Chief of Qadian Gurdaspur District Punjab India

Regarding his conversion to Islam Mr. Webb wrote:

"I adopted this religion because I found, after protracted study, that it was the best and only system adapted to the spiritual needs of humanity....About eleven years ago I became interested in the study of Oriental religions ... I saw Mill and Locke, Kant, Hegel, Fichte, Huxley and many other more or less learned writers discoursing with a great show of wisdom concerning protoplasm and monads, and yet not one of them could tell me what the soul was or what became of it after death...my adoption of Islam was not the result of misguided sentiment, blind credulity, or sudden emotional impulse, but it was born of earnest, honest, persistent, unprejudiced study and investigation and an intense desire to know the truth. The essence of the true faith of Islam is resignation to the will of God and its corner stone is prayer. It teaches universal benevelonce, and requires purity of mind, purity of action, purity of speech and physical cleanliness. It, beyond doubt, is the simplest and most elevating form of religion to man."

Mr. Webb was appointed the United States Ambassador to the Phillipines and at the end of his assingnment he also visited India. On return to the United States he continued his correspondence with Dr. Mufti Muhammad Sadiq. On learning of the death of the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, peace be on him, he wrote a letter of condolence to Dr. Sadiq in which he remarked:

"Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad accomplished a great undertaking and conveyed the light of



truth to hundreds of hearts, which it could not have reached otherwise. More than twenty years ago I started my correspondence with him and ever since then I have been deeply affected by the fearless earnestness with which he continued to spread the truth in the pursuance of his purpose. Without a doubt God Almighty had chosen him for this great enterprise which he fulfilled completely. I am sure that he will enjoy the companionship of the saints and prophets in heaven."

Mr. Webb followed this letter with another one which was written only four days later, in which he repeated his condolences and sent his greetings to Hazrat Haji Hakeem Maulvi Nurud Din Khalifatul Masih I, may Allah be pleased with him, expressing his conviction that Hazrat Maulvi Sahib's efforts towards the promotion of Islam would be crowned with success.

Mr. Webb became the most prominent contemporary defender of Islam according to a historian of Islam in America, Professor Haddad. Mr. Webb wrote three books on Islam including a prayer manual. According to this researcher, Mr. Webb spoke to famous audiences including Mark Twain. He established seven branches or circles of American Islamic Propaganda in various east C o a s t a n d M i d w e s t e r n c i t i e s.

Before his death in 1916, Islam began to emerge as a religion in America.



A historic photograph of early members and missionaries

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and performed this distinct privilege for 17 times later on. He performed the functions of Secretary of the Khalifatul Masih during his first European tour and accompanied him again in his second European tour serving him as his interpreter.

Hazrat Chaudry Muhammad Zafarullah Khan Sahib, may Allah be pleased with him, will be remembered for his historical services to the Ahmadiyya Community, the Muslim Leaguee and to the Arab world. He wrote many books, delivered outstanding orations, translated many works of his Beloved Master the Promised Messiah and Mahdi, (peace be on him), translated a set of Hadith of the Holy Prophet of Islam, (eternal peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), and also translated the Holy Quran. He chaired international conferences, won the lasting respect of contemporary world statesmen, was a philanthropist, gave absolute fealty to spiritual leadership of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and was an unassuming humble friend of the common man. He was a person who made everyone feel comfortable in his presence.

The following account of Sister Aliyyah Shaheed, Pittsburgh is interesting and to the point:

"...when the late Munawar Ahmad was here in Pittsburgh he (Munawar) came to me and said that Sir Zafarullah had come to Pittsburgh on a business trip and he wanted to visit with the members, then he shocked me and asked me to prepare dinner for him in our modest home.

I was speechless to think that such a celebrity would want to visit in the house of such humble people like my husband and I - my husband Ahmad Shaheed was Jamaat President. Only in Ahmadiyyat could this happen....

"On that special event in my life Sir Zafarullah visited with the brothers, he really enjoyed himself; then he came into the kitchen where I was and said, "Sister Aliyyah how can I ever thank you for such a delicious meal and enjoyable evening?" I replied, "By coming again." He said, "I will try."



with M. S. Shaikh, Kuwait's Ambassador to Pakistan



with UN Secretary General Dag Hammerskjoeld





as Pakistan's Foreign Minister at her Legislative Assembly's very first session (1949)

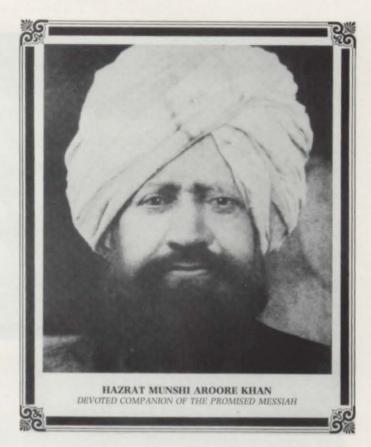


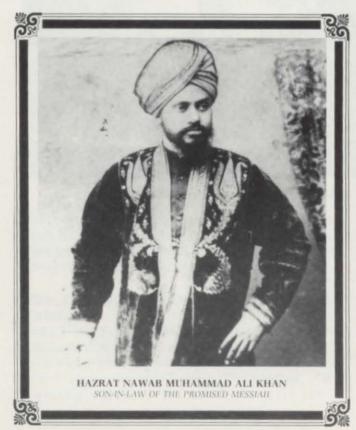
Hazrat Chaudary Sahib speaks over WYNC radio, New York

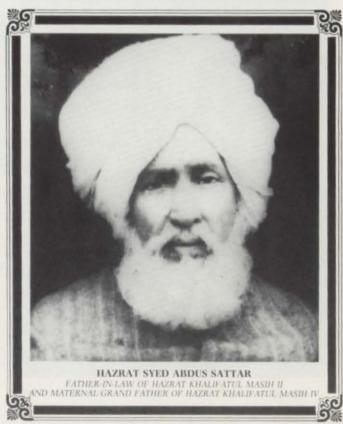


Hazrat Zafarullah Khan with collagues at the UN

Companions of Promised Messiah and Mahdi



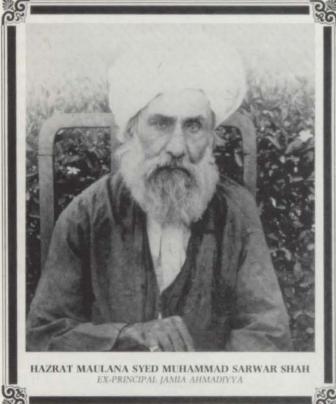


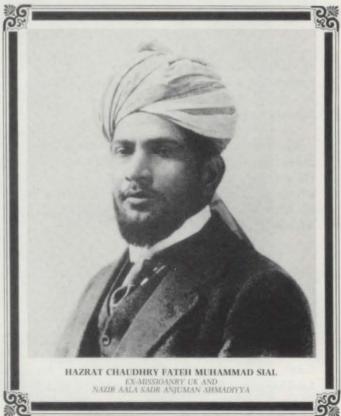














SHEIKH MUBARAK AHMAD AMIR AND MISSIONARY INCHARGE

"Islam is the future religion of Africa. We are now preparing the ground. In Islam there is absolutly no distinction drawn between men of different skin color nor of race.

"Coming world events will aid the spread of Islam. Thirteen hundred years ago our Prophet spoke of the equality of all men. So, to speak of racial equality now is just to repeat his words."

These words stand out prominently in their meaning and realism today, decades after they were said by Shaikh Mubarak Ahmad, when he was the Amir and Missionary Incharge of Ahmadiyya Muslim missionary work in east Africa.

Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad was born in Multan, Pakistan in 1910. At the age of fifteen years he dedicated his life for the service of Islam. He studied at Talimul Islam High School, Madrassa Ahmadiyya and Jamia Ahmadiyya at Qadian. After graduation his first assignment as missionary was at Ludhiana, India. Later, he served at Lahore, Simla and Kashmir.

His long career as missionary in East Africa began with his assignment in Mombasa. He served Amir and Missionary Incharge in Kenya, Uganda, Tanganika and Aden.

During his stay in East Africa, he had the Holy Quran translated into Swahili language. He also arranged to have Ahmadiyya Mosques built at Darus Salaam, Tabora,

Mombasa, Jinga and Kampala as well a score of other places. Thousands entered the fold of Islam through his untiring efforts. While in Nairobi he challenged Billy Graham. The famous Amrican Evangelist expressed his inability to accept this challenge.

In 1962 Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad returned to Pakistan. He served as Additional Nazir Islaho Irshad (Talimul Quran), as Secretary Fazle Umar Foundation, Secretary Hadiqatul Mubashereen and member Anjuman Waqfe Jadid at Rabwah. He supervised the construction of Masjid Aqsa, Fazle Umar Foundation and Khilafat Library building. In addition to many other assignments.

During his assignment as Missionary Incharge of United Kingdom, missions were established in Southall, Birmingham, Manchester, Haddersfield, Bradford, Gellingham, Croydon and Oxforshire.

On arrival in US, Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad was enthusiatically received by the Community here. It happened to be the last day of the Majlise Shura meeting when Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad arrived. The foremost task assigned to him by Khalifatul Masih IV Hazrat Mirza Tahir was to launch a scheme to establish major Ahmadiyya Centers in the five important cities of Washington DC, New York, Detroit, Chicago and Los Angeles.

A NATIONAL MOSQUE FUND WAS ESTABLISHED WITHIN THREE YEARS OF HIS ARRIVAL, SHAIKH MUBARAK AHMAD OPENED THESE CENTERS AS WELL AS MAIN MISSION HOUSES. FOR THIS PURPOSE, OVER \$2 MILLION WERE SPENT.



Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad moves fast in accomplishing missionary and administrative goals never missing out on public relations and spiritual development. During his period as Amir and Missionary Incharge, the annual

budget of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community here has moved up to \$1.5 million. Sheikh Mubarak Ahmad's quote is taken from Davis Douglas Duncan's "The World of Allah" published by Houghton Mifflin.



Hazrat Mirza Basheeruddin Mahmud Ahmad

praying in Hoshiarpur, India, after announcing that he was the Promised Reformer



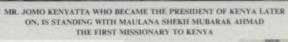
















Special Acknowledgement

Alhamdulillah! Alhamdulillah! It is with the grace of Almighty Allah that we are able to present the Centennial Souvenir Magazine in the implementation of the desire of our beloved Imam the Supreme Spiritual Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Ameerul Momeneen Khalifatul Masih IV Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (may Allah bless him with long life) that every country should publish a souvenir magazine as a part of Ahmadiyya Muslim Centenary Thanksgiving Celebrations. This idea was taken by the Central Committee (photo) who directed the execution of this historic project. I have thoroughly gone through the manuscript from end to end. Therefore, I must express my sincere thanks to all those who worked on this enormous project.

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I would also like to thank Mr. Anwar Mahmood Khan and Syyed Sajid Ahmad for their excellent work in advising, drafting, preparing this magazine and also for collecting the advertisements.

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I pray that the Almighty Allah may accept our most humble efforts.

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October 8, 1987

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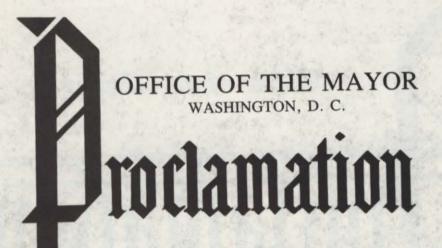
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HAZRAT MIRZA TAHIR AHMAD DAY OCTOBER 7, 1987

BY THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, October 7, 1987, to mark the 100th anniversary of the worldwide Ahmadiyya movement, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad, spiritual leader of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community worldwide, is visiting the United States; and

WHEREAS, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad was born in Qadian, India in 1928, and was subsequently educated in Government College, Lahore, Pakistan, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Seminary called Jammia Ahmadiyya, and at the School of Oriental Studies of the University of London; and

WHEREAS, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad is the grandson and fourth elected Khalifa (successor) of Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, who founded the Ahmadiyya movement, a missionary sect of Islam in 1889; and

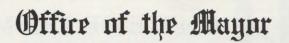
WHEREAS, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad has served as a member of the Central Executive Directorate of the international Ahmadiyya Muslim community, as President of Majlie-e-Khudam-ul-Ahmadiyya, and of the Board of Directors of the Fazle Umar Foundation, an institution promoting academic research and new mission ventures; and

WHEREAS, Under this Khalifa's leadership the Ahmadiyya Muslim community worldwide has diligently striven to better mankind through material as well as spiritual means:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, October 7, 1987, as "HAZRAT MIRZA TAHIR AHMAD DAY" in Washington, D.C., and call upon all the residents of this city to join with me in welcoming a great spiritual leader to our community.



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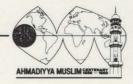
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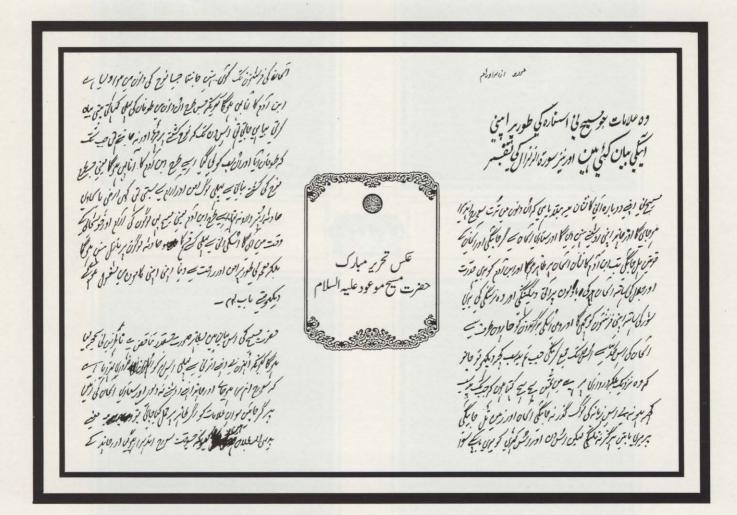
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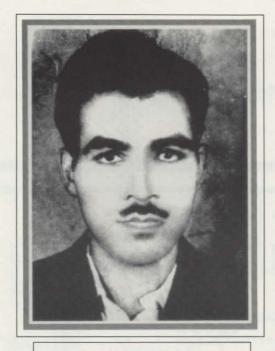


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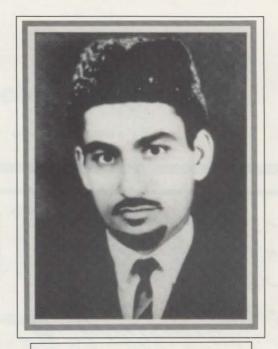


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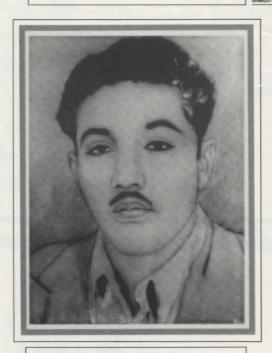




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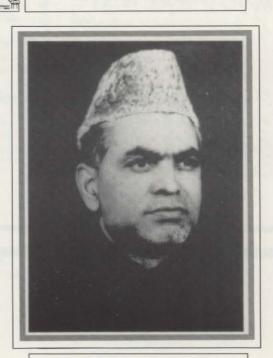


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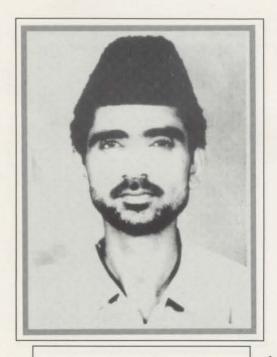




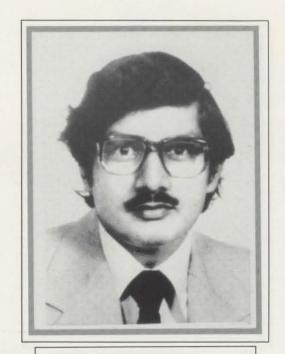
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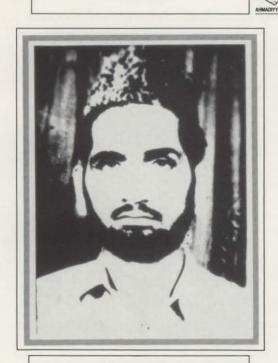




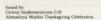
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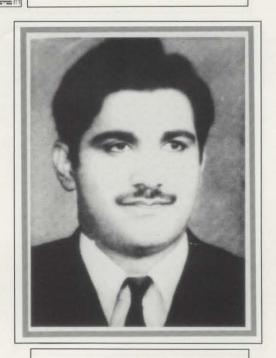


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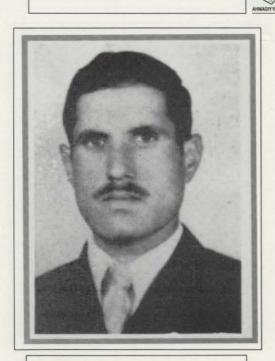
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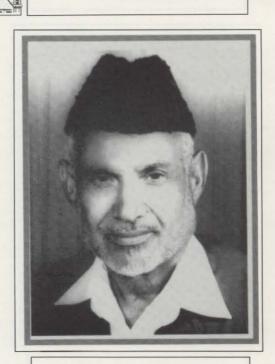
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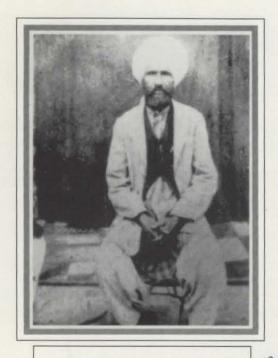


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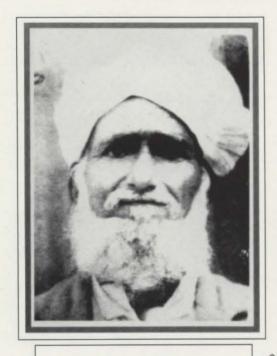
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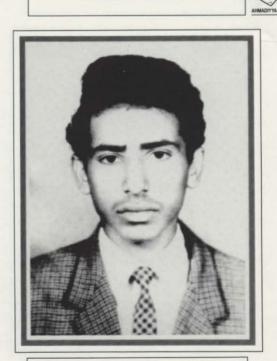
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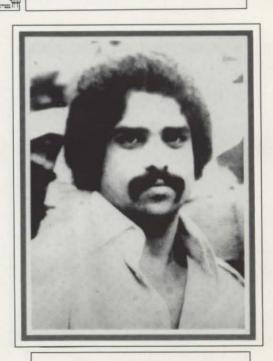
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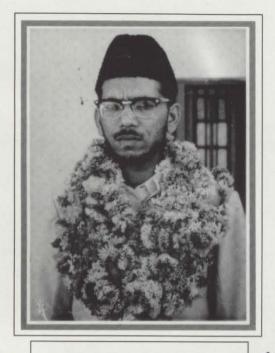


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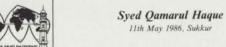
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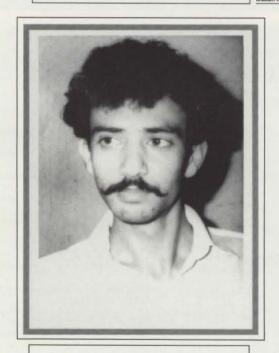




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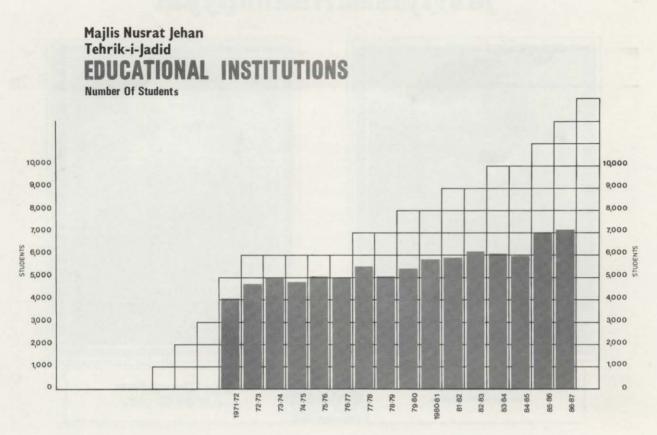


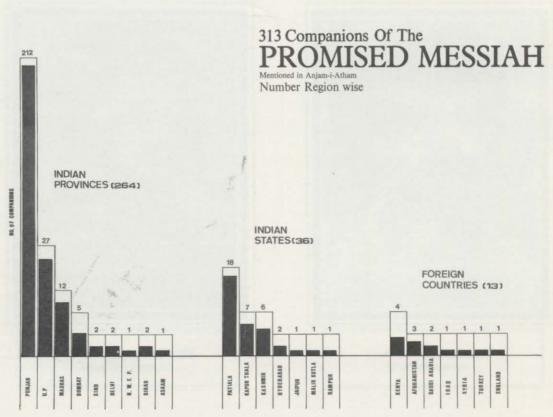


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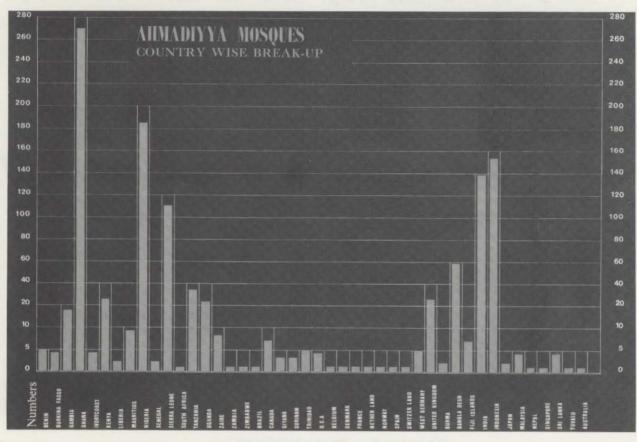


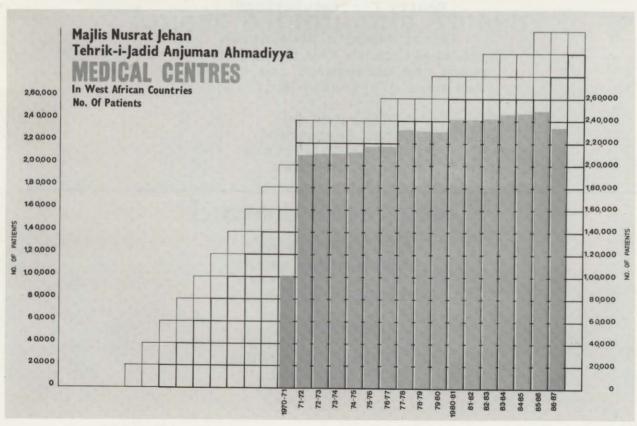
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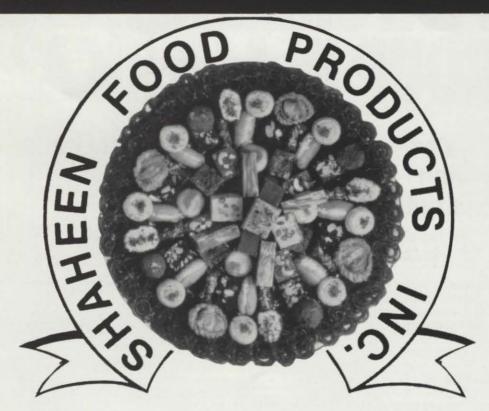
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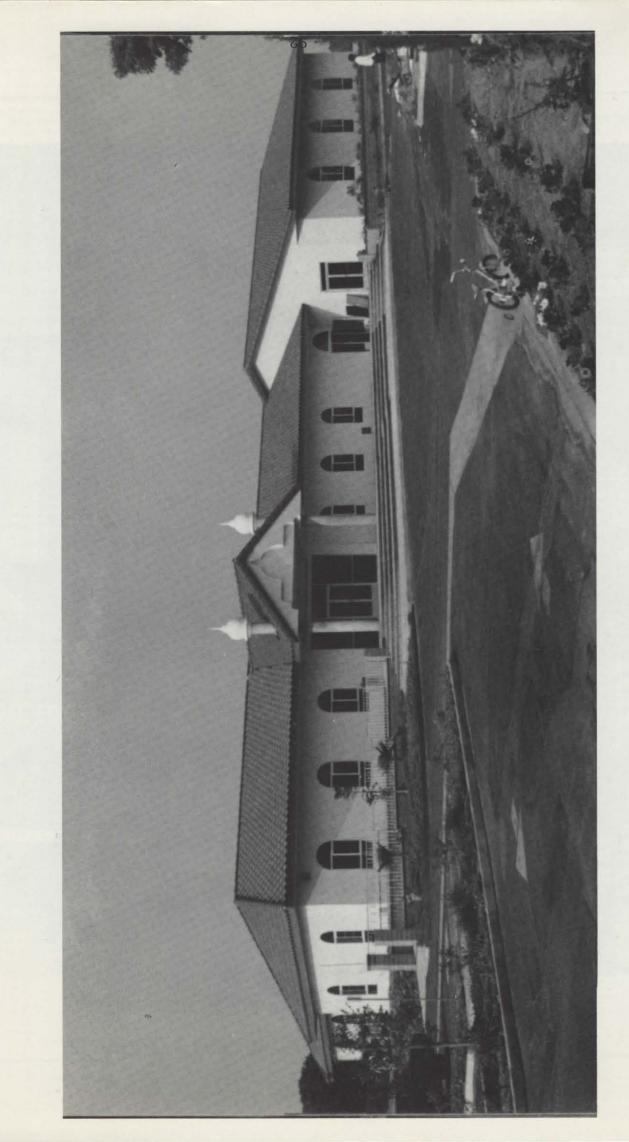


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122. These are they whose abode shall be Hell and othey shall find no way of escape from it. ses

do good works, We will admit them into gardens, beneath which streams flow, abiding therein for ever. It is الْأَدِينُ مِنْ نَخْتِهَا الْانْهُرُ خُلِدِينَ فِيْهَا الْمُنْ الْمُنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنَ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مَنْ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلْمُ اللهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُوا مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُولُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُوا مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُوا مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُوا مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُ مِنْ اللّهُ عَلَيْلُوا مِنْ ا

124. It shall not be according to يَعْلَى الْكِنْةِ مَنْ يَغَلَى الْكِنْةِ مَنْ يَغَلَى الْكِنْةِ مَنْ يَغَلَ your desires, nor according to the desires of the People of the Book. Whoso does evil shall be rewarded for it; and the shall find for himself no friend or helper beside Allah.589

shall not be wronged even as much as the little hollow in the back of a date-stone.590

123. But as to those who believe and مِنْ عَنْمُ اللَّهُ مِنْ اللَّهُ مِنْ اللَّهُ مِنْ اللَّهُ اللّلْمُ اللَّهُ اللَّا اللَّا اللَّا اللَّهُ اللَّهُ اللَّا اللَّهُ اللَّا اللَّهُ ا وَعْدَ اللهِ حَقّاً وَمَنْ أَصْدَقُ مِنَ اللهِ قِيلًا

المُرْزُرُ إِنْ اللَّهِ وَلَا يَجِدُ لَهُ مِنْ دُوْنِ اللَّهِ وَلِيسًا

125. But whoso does good works, وَمَنْ يَعْمُلُ مِنَ الصَّلِحَيْمِ فَنْ قُرُّ وَالْتَ وَهُو swhether male or female, and is a believer, such shall enter heaven, and

a14: 22. bSec : 26. 64:46;33:18,66.

588. Important Words:

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589. Commentary:

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tis only the will of God which prevails. As
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the desires of true believers must coincide with the will of God, they are bound to materialize. words, and is a believer, cles

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The expression, It shall not be according to missionaries should have the hardihood to your desires, does not mean that the desires of the Faithful will not materialize. The verse to it women, unlike men, are devoid of

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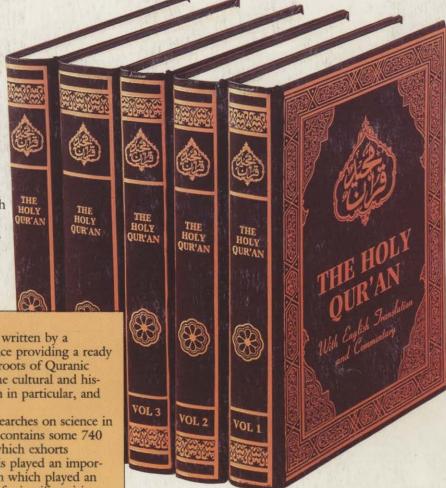
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