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مَثَلُ الَّذِينَ يُنْفِقُونَ أَمْوَالَهُمْ فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ كَمَثَلِ حَبَّةٍ أَنْبَتَتْ سَبْعَ سَنَابِلَ فِي كُلِّ سُنْبُلَةٍ مِائَةٌ حَبَّةٌ وَاللَّهُ يُضَعِفُ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ وَاللَّهُ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ

The similitude of those who spend their wealth for the cause of Allah is like the similitude of a grain of corn which grows seven ears, in each ear a hundred grains. And Allah multiplies it further for whomsoever He pleases; and Allah is Bountiful, All-Knowing. [Ch. 2 V. 262]

Hadith

"A generous one is nearer to Allah, nearer to people, nearer to paradise and farther away from hell, but the miser is farther from Allah, farther from people, farther from paradise and nearer to hell. Indeed, an ignorant one who is generous is dearer to Allah than worshiper who is miserly."

Qashiriya, Al-Jud wul Sikha An Introduction to Financial Sacrifice page 6

Writings of the Promised Messiah ^{as}

It is now time for all those who count themselves among my followers, that they should help this Movement with their money. If someone can only afford one paisa, he should pay one paisa each month for the requirements of the Movement; he who can afford a rupee should offer a rupee each month....Everyone who has accepted the Ba'iat should help according to his means, so that Allah too should help them. If the assistance is received regularly every month, even if it is minor, it is better than that which is made upon impulse after a long time of negligence.

Every person's sincerity can only be judged by the service he offers. O my dear ones! This is the time for helping the faith and fulfilling its requirements. Make use of it, for this time will never return."

Kashti-e-Nuh, Ruhani Khaza'in, volume 19, p. 83.

Summary of Friday Sermon

January 8th 2010

Delivered by Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (atba) the Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

Huzoor (atba) said that there has never been a movement, whether worldly or spiritual, which has survived without financial contribution. A spiritual movement requires funds to carry out its missions and fulfil the obligations to humanity at large (huqooq-ul-Ibaad).

Huzoor (atba) then elaborated that in the Jama'at, there are some chandas (financial contributions) which are mandatory (zakat, chanda aam, chanda jalsa salana, chanda wasiyyat) and others are voluntary. Zakat is one of the pillars of Islam and

the Holy Prophet ^{saw} made special arrangements to collect contributions to this system. After his demise, when one group of Muslims refused to pay Zakat, Hadhrat Abu Bakr ^{ra} as the Caliph, took all necessary measures to collect it. Zakat was deemed obligatory on all those who are eligible. Besides the collection of Zakat, if additional funds were required for a certain project, the Holy Prophet ^{saw} would start a special scheme to collect towards that project.

Huzoor (atba) explained that whenever there has been a need in the Jama'at for funds, Khulafa have launched new schemes in order to fulfil those needs. Tahrik-e-Jadid was launched by Hadhrat Khalifatul-Masih II (ra) at a time when the enemy was proclaiming to annihilate the very foundations of the Jama'at, and this scheme was launched to propagate Islam Ahmadiyyat outside the sub-continent. Waqf-e-Jadid was launched after the creation of Pakistan to spread Islam Ahmadiyyat in the remote areas of Pakistan, and this scheme especially helped spread the word in the province of Sindh. At the time of its launch, Hadhrat Khalifatul-Masih II (ra) not only required funds, but also wanted those men who had a sound religious knowledge to volunteer their time for the cause of propagation. As years passed, and the influence of this scheme spread, the number of people who volunteered their time increased, and then a proper training was organized for them, and now there is an institute located in Rabwah by the name of Madrassa-tul-Hifz which is responsible for training these preachers by certifying them with a three year course. With the influx of Waqfeen-e-nau, the school is expanding at a fast rate. Initially, this scheme was launched to fulfil the propagation needs of remote areas in Pakistan alone, but gradually, this was expanded to Africa and India, and then after migrating to UK, Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih IV (ru) made this scheme worldwide. The Jama'at participation and contribution in this scheme has been increasing every year by the grace of God Almighty.

Huzoor (atba) also updated on some activities that have taken place in Africa under the auspices of Waqf-e-Jadid, where new mosques are being built, new Jama'ats are being established, new Imams are being trained, people are coming into the fold of Islam-Ahmadiyyat and a heightened awakening is taking place in the hearts and minds of people to make even more sacrifices, monetarily and in many other ways. Huzoor (atba) recounted many spiritually uplifting incidents that have taken place in Africa due to the efforts of the missionaries there.

<http://www.alislam.org/archives/friday/FSS20I00108-EN.html>

History of Waqf-e-Jadid

Waqf-e-Jadid was founded in 1957 by Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra). The aim of this scheme is to provide education and training to rural Jama'ats, as well as to take the message of Tauheed to idol worshippers. It was, at first, limited to Pakistan, but Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih IV (ru) later made it international.

About this scheme, Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih II (ra) said:

"This is the undertaking of Allah, and He Himself will complete it. Since it is Allah Almighty who has put this inspiration in my heart, I shall endeavour to fulfil it even if I have to sell my house and my clothes to do so and even if not a single person assists me. Allah shall cut them off from the Jama'at who are not helping me in this regard and will send down angels from heaven to help me." (Friday Sermon, January 5, 1958)

Exhortation to Ahmadi Children

While inaugurating Daftar Atfal in 1966, Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih III (ru) said:

"Today I appeal to all Ahmadi Children (boys and girls) to come forward and fill the gaps which have been left by your elders due to their laxity, and get rid of the weaknesses which have found their way into the work of Waqf-e-Jadid." Al-Fazl, October 7, 1966

Hadhrt Khalifatul Masih IV (ru) said:

"If children are made part of Waqf-e-Jadid at an early age, Allah increases their ability to offer other Chandas as well."

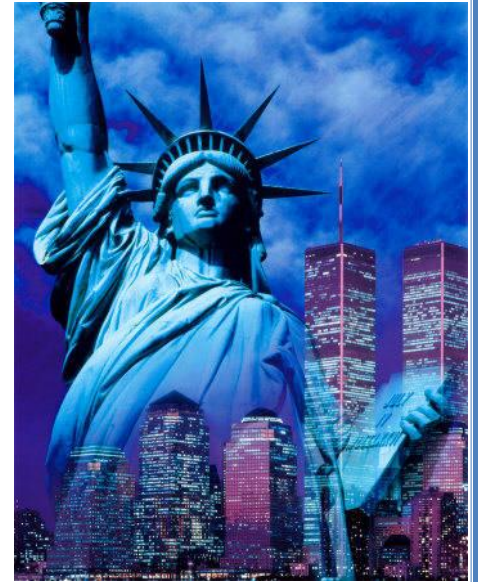
Some Tourist Attractions of USA!!



Disneyland (left): opened on July 17, 1955 and an estimated 515 million visitors have visited the park since its opening. Disneyland Park has become the world's most famous theme park and one of the most visited sites in the world.

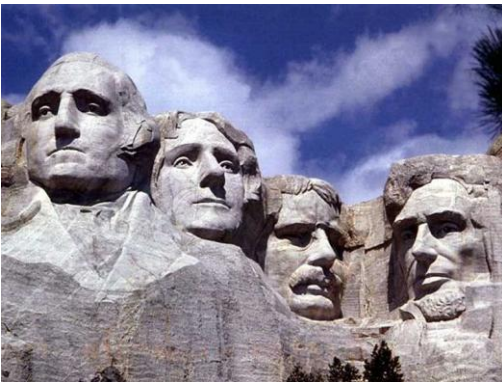
Statue of Liberty (right)

This was a gift given to America by France. It is located on Liberty Island in New York Harbour. It is approximately 305 feet high including the base. The construction of this began in 1875. It symbolizes the liberty and freedom of the United States.



Mount Rushmore (down)

The face of Mount Rushmore includes the busts of the Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln. The sculpture represents the first 150 years of American history.



A Glaswegian tiff, Hafiz Ansar Quraishi won 1st prize in the Adhan competition at the National Ijtema Khuddamul Ahmadiyya UK 2010. Here he is receiving his prize from Huzur Aqdas (atba). Please click on his photo to see full pictures of this event.



We want to hear from you!

Children are encouraged to send their writings for publication in this gazette. If you want to send a picture, artwork, biography, hurdle, word search or about sports you like then you are most welcome. Thank you. The editor

Upcoming Events for Atfal:

5th Dec – Atfal Majlis-e-Amila Meeting

11th Dec – Tarbiyyat Workshop

12th Dec – Atfal General Meeting, Football Match at Kelvinhall Sports Arena

19th Dec – Group Waqar-e-Amal at Mission House

25th Dec – Amila Refresher Course

Weekly Ta'leem Classes every Sunday after Zuhr Salaat

Waqf-e-Nau classes every Sunday before Zuhr Salaat

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