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# Bait-uz-Zafar Envoy

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## UP COMING EVENTS:

May 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sunday— @ 6:00 pm - Jama'at Meeting  
Theme: *Islamic family values - a teaching without borders, An interactive program.* Please come with your family and friends

May 9<sup>th</sup>, Sunday @ 10:00am — Regional Ansar Ijtema at Bait-uz-Zafar  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, Sunday @ 11:00am — Lajna Meeting

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, Sunday @ 11:00am — Lajna Meena Bazaar

May 27<sup>th</sup>, Thursday @ 6:30pm — Khilafat day, Dinner will be served before the meeting

June 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday @ 10:00am - Khuddam and Aftal Regional Ijtema in Bait-uz-Zafar

Every Saturday Tahir School classes @ 9:30 am

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## Faith country: Ahmadiyya message of peace on bus Ads



Ahmadiyya Muslim messages of peace, epitomized by their motto: "Love for All - Hatred for None," are being spread across Los Angeles' Inland Empire on 167 buses.

One of them stops across the street from the Baitul Hameed Mosque on Ramona Ave. in Chino, one of two Southern California chapters of this peaceful, worldwide denomination of Islam.

The campaign by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Greater Los Angeles and the Inland Empire aims to assert the Islamic principles of peaceful co-existence as part of a nationwide effort to denounce extremism and terrorism, and promote the true guiding principles of Islam, which are peace with God and with mankind, freedom, loyalty to one's country, and justice for all.

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## Tabligh Announcements

- \* **Twitter Account:** If you have already opened a twitter account please follow - [www.Twitter.com/AhmadiyyatIslam](http://www.Twitter.com/AhmadiyyatIslam) and [www.Twitter.com/GhulamRabbi](http://www.Twitter.com/GhulamRabbi)
- \* QPTV programs will be shown every Tuesday at 12:30 pm on channel 35 and every Friday at 4:30 pm on channel 56.
- \* The official website for Review of Religions launched: [www.reviewofreligions.com](http://www.reviewofreligions.com). It has 8 years of archived issues.
- \* I encourage the Daeen to also utilize Muslim Sunrise for Tabligh [www.muslimsunrise.com](http://www.muslimsunrise.com)
- \* Join the MKA radio program on Sundays at 6PM at <http://www.blogtalkradio.com/therealrevolution>
- \* We are happy to welcome Mr. Saud Chaudhry to the true Islam, Ahmadiyyat. Mr. Chaudhry is the father of Ghulam Rabbi Ahmad sahib and he has been a regular at the Jumma and other Jama'at activities. After deep study of Ahmadiyyat, he signed the Bait. We welcome him to the fold of Ahmadiyyat. May Allah Bless him.

## Tabligh Progress Report:

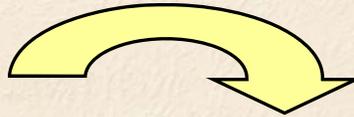
- \* On March 7<sup>th</sup> Seeratun Nabi was held at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque. Total attendance was around 180 with 50 guests.

## Bangla Desk

- \* A Bangla Desk Gathering took place on Sunday April 25<sup>h</sup>, in Bait-uz-Zafar. Detail Report is provided on page 8.

*Report by: Ghulam Rabbi & Naved Saeed*

## Job Guide



How can Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya USA's Sinat-o-Tijarat Department help when someone loses a job?

<http://www.mkausa.org/Sanato-Tijarat/MKAUSA-And-These-Tough-Times>

The Sinat-o-Tijarat Department published an Ahmadiyya Resource Directory, providing resources for career development, listing many services available to Jama'at members and published contacts in various careers. The Ahmadiyya Resource Directory advertises not only Ahmadi-owned businesses, but also Ahmadi employees who may be working in very diverse fields.

Download a copy: <http://www.mkausa.org/Sanato-Tijarat/Sanat-o-Tijarat>

Register Yourself: [http://www.mkausa.org/component/option.com\\_forme/fid.13/](http://www.mkausa.org/component/option.com_forme/fid.13/)

## Looking for a job?

Go to the Job Portal and search for job openings that have been referred to us by other Ahmadi brothers: [click here!](#)

Need help with your resume? We have a team of experienced professionals who can work with you on making your resume look more attractive. Send your resume to [resumehelp@mkausa.org](mailto:resumehelp@mkausa.org)

Newest Professions, Growing Salaries 12 Jobs That Didn't Exist Until Recently:

[http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/career-articles-newest\\_professions\\_growing\\_salaries-992](http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/career-articles-newest_professions_growing_salaries-992)

## Need Financial Help?

These are tough economic times and many families are hurting. If you, your loved ones or your friends need help in paying for heat, electricity, medication, avoiding eviction or foreclosure, looking for a new job or simply putting food on the table. You can call- 211

## **BIRTH:**

Our Sadr Lajna and Jama'at's General Secretary became grand parents once again Mr. and Mrs. Imran Ahmad were blessed with a child, a baby boy

**Congratulations to the parents:**

**May Allah bless the newcomer and make him the light in his parents' eyes.**

## **Death:**

It is said with great sorrow the death of our Jama'at member Zafar Chaudry sahib who is father of Zarina Ahmad Naeem sahiba.

انا لله وانا اليه راجعون

Inna lillahi wa inna ilahi raji'un

May Allah The Almighty elevate their status in paradise and grant Patience to the family members to bear this great loss. The janaza prayers was held at Bait-uz-Zafar mosque on Sunday May 2, after Maghrib Prayers around 8:15 PM.



## Online Holy Qur'an Education

### Basic Translation of the Holy Qur'an

BT03: Basic Translation of the Holy Qur'an (Module 3)  
Tuesday's from 8:30 - 9:00pm EST  
Start date: April 13th 2010

The course is focused towards teaching basic translation of the Holy Qur'an. The class will cover the verses 2:114 to 2:174 of the Holy Qur'an. The course will include word to word translation as well as some basic Arabic grammar rules. Location: Web Conference Room 1, Audio Conference Room 1

BT08: Basic Translation of the Holy Qur'an  
Tuesday's from 10:00 - 10:30pm EST  
Start date: April 13t, 2010

The course is focused towards teaching basic translation of the Holy Qur'an. It will include word to word translation as well as some basic Arabic grammar rules.

Location: Web Conference Room 1, Audio Conference Room 1



BT07: Basic Translation of the Holy Qur'an (Urdu)  
Tuesday's from 12:00pm - 12:30pm EST  
Start date: April 15th, 2010

The course is focused towards teaching basic translation of the Holy Qur'an. It will include word to word translation as well as some basic Arabic grammar rules. The medium of instruction is in Urdu

Location: Web Conference Room 1, Audio Conference Room 1

BT06: Basic Translation of the Holy Quran  
Wednesday's from 8:30 - 9:00pm EST  
Start date: March 31st, 2010

The course is focused towards teaching basic translation of the Holy Qur'an. It will include word to word translation as well as some basic Arabic grammar rules. Location: Web Conference Room 2, Audio Conference Room 2

To enroll and learn more, please visit the website <http://www.alfurqan.us>

You may automatically unsubscribe from this list at any time by visiting the following URL:

<http://www.alfurqan.us/dada/mail.cgi/u/alfurqan.us/>



The New York Metro Soccer Team competed in The 7th Annual Masroor International Sports Tournament (MIST) which took place in the Headquarters region on the weekend of April 3-4th. 25 teams competed and over 200 athletes participated.

The New York Metro Soccer team played with tremendous heart, team spirit and passion. They played a total of 5 games and reached the semifinals round but could not get back to the



2010 NY Metro Soccer Team

finals match as they did the previous year. Rightfully so the Finals Match was between two very deserving teams of Miami/Midwest and Holland and it was Holland with its top talent that took away the trophy with a 4-3 win.

Our New York Metro Soccer team consisted of Shoeb Abulkalam, Saeed Ahmed, Kawser Ahmad, Salaam Bhatti, Rizwan Ahmed, Ackail Ali, Basil Masood, Fareed Sanusi, Mohammad Sakib, Atiq Ahmad, and Fahim Malik. They played well together. They have established a great bond of brotherhood and a great respect for one another and may Allah Bless them and keep them fit and healthy and ready for their next tournament coming up at the end of May at the Islamic games.

NY Metro combined khuddam from Long Island, Queens to form the basketball team in the Masroor International Sports Tournament this year. Unfortunately NY Metro did not win any games this year and did not qualify to the playoffs. They played North East, Virginia, and East/Jersey teams. NY Metro consisted of Saqib Hashim, Waqas Shah, Farhan Ahmad, Taimur Hamid, Bilal Saleem, Faateh Mubeen, Fareed Sanusu, and Ackil Ali. Inshallah next year will be a better turnout.

# Tarbiyyat

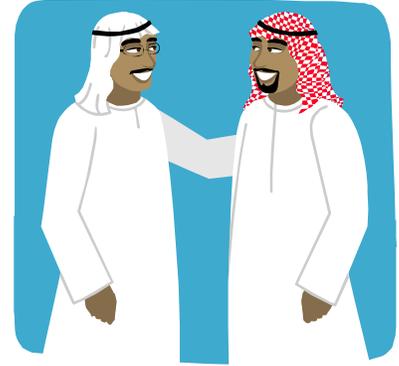
Islahi Committees were formally introduced to Jama'at by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV. This committee works in the capacity of an advisory board to the President of the Jama'at at local level. HSA Jama'at has initiated to formalize this committee in every Jama'at. As such NY Jama'at has formed the Committee. Its members and their responsibilities are as follows. This committee, as you will see under its functions, will work confidentially and impartially. If any member has a Tarbiyyati issue that he/she would like to bring to Jamaat's attention or seek help to resolve their interfamily/personal disputes, they may approach any member of the Islahi Committee. All Jama'at members are requested to cooperate with the members of this committee. May Allah enable us to discharge our responsibilities to the utmost of our capacity and may we always be the recipient of His pleasure.

LIC Members:

- 1) Local Tarbiyyat Secretary - Chairman
- 2) Regional Missionary
- 3) Za'eem Ansarullah
- 4) Qa'id MKA
- 5) Sadr Lajna

LIC Functions:

Act in an advisory capacity:  
 Monitor/Address local Jama'at's Tarbiyyat issues  
 Practice confidentiality and partiality  
 Address any reported family/interpersonal disputes (when assigned by the President)  
 Communicate local Tarbiyyat issues to NIC Chairman  
 Facilitate coordination of Tarbiyyati issues between auxiliaries  
 Operate under guidance from and report to Jama'at President



## Jama'at Tarbiyyat Program

### Your Forum

(interactive reflection on daily life and moral training concerns to collectively develop practical solutions)

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The Regional Tarbiyyat Seminar was held at Bait-uz-Zafar on Sunday, April 4th. Members from the Metro New York Region attended the interactive and educational event. Participants were reminded of the importance of a moral and educational training for both adults and children. Br. Nasir Malik, the National Tarbiyyat Secretary, lead the afternoon's session entitled, "Your Forum: Interactive

Br. Shahid Ahmed, President of the Brooklyn Jama'at, gave a brief introduction setting the tone for the event. Thereafter, Br. Afzal ? recited Surah Al-Imran, verses 15-18. This portion of the Quran opens with the fact that Islam does not prohibit the pursuance of the good things of this world, but it condemns those who are engrossed in making that the primary goal of their lives. The verses then paint a picture of the true believer and how s/he goes on in attaining "something better" than the good of this world.

Br. Nasir Malik conducted the forum. After reciting Surah Al-Fatihah, he related an incident of Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih IV (ra). In explaining one of the definitions of the word "Murabbi", Hadhur mentioned that it is an individual who helps with the tarbiyyat (moral training) of the members. Hadhur said that we also need to be our own Murabbi to improve ourselves.

Br. Malik continued by going over the verses recited and kept the floor open for comments and questions. He remarked, "If being righteous isn't working, that only means that we need to improve our self." In speaking about the five daily prayers, Br. Malik noted that it is the "bare minimum" or a "passing grade", which no good student would be satisfied with. He then went on to expand on the "What, Why, When, and How" of the Tarbiyyat process. The subtopics included the ways to practice what we proclaim and make it like second nature; how to perform Amale-Saleh; the difference between righteous deeds and good deeds; and the topics of change and satan.

The event was hailed by some attendees as a "knowledgeable" event and one which should recur "pretty often". Br. Javed Saeed of Elmhurst highlighted the productiveness by reiterating that, "You need to reinvent yourself every time you attend all these Tarbiyyat sessions". Despite the positive feedback, Br. Sehar Mohammed of Holliswood who makes these events possible with the audio-visual setup, found Lajna's lack of participation to be disappointing. "It would be more interesting if everybody...could participate", remarked Br. Mohammed.

# 2010 National Shura



The 27<sup>th</sup> Majlis-e-Shura 2010 was held at Maryland's Baitur Rahman Mosque on Friday April 23, 24, & 25. Queens NY Jama'at was led by President Nazir Ayaz Sahib and NY Missionary Daud Hanif Sahib along with the 4 elected Shura delegates plus two guests. The four elected delegates were Mahmood Ahmed Bhutta Sahib, Abdul Ghafoor Sahib, Ahmed Nawaz Choudhry Sahib and Abubakar Rana. Mohammad Afzal Sahib went as an observer and Ahmad Mubarak Sahib went as a special representative appointed by Amir Sahib.

The group traveled together in one van and reached Baitur Rahman Mosque just prior to Friday Jummah prayer. During the first session, elections of National Majlise Aamla for the term 2010-2013 was held. Total of five Shura Sub-Committees were formed to discuss the Shura items and they were: Tabligh, Tarbiyat, general, Rishta nata and finance. Alhamdulillah each delegate from Queens were able to participate in the different committees for discussion of the proposals. All Shura recommendations will go to Hazoor (aba) and once approved will be implemented.

It was my first visit to Shura and my overall feelings and experiences were great. I felt that the Shura officials did a great job in explaining the rules of the Shura proceedings. The most attractive part of the program was the short lectures

given by Nasim Mahdi Sahib (missionary in charge USA) on the subject of Tabligh, hadith and other related items. It is a great blessing of Allah that we have among us such a leader who is filled with wisdom and is a very powerful speaker with such calmness and serenity when he speaks to his audience. I felt very uplifted listening to him and also for being among the righteous during the 3 day program.

By: Abubakr Rana

## Weekdays classes at Bait-uz-Zafar:

We are glad to inform you that children classes will take place at Bait-uz-Zafar from Mondays to Thursdays conducted by Mohammad Afzal Sahib and if number of children increases, then we will add more tutors. The classes will take place at 4:30pm ending with Asr prayers at 5:30pm.

Saturday Tahir classes continue to take place. In the month of March, Jama'at arranged sports for boys in a nearby Gym.

## Salat At Bait-uz-Zafar:

As we head for warmer days and hope that more of you will come to join in the congregation prayers at Bait-uz-Zafar. Please note, Prayers at Bait-uz-Zafar follow timings as stated in the Jama'at calendar. There is Dars after Esha prayers everyday.

## Jumma Announcement:

We have a procedure laid out for those who want announcements done at Jumma. All announcements must reach Vice president sahib by Thursday Maghrib time. No announcement will be accepted at the Jumma time. You can give your announcements to me by E-mailing at [sanfas@aol.com](mailto:sanfas@aol.com), or call him at 347 562 3975 or you can leave it with him or in his mailbox at Bait-uz-Zafar. Kindly follow these instructions, much obliged

## Public Relations:

Students from Summit school that is located across from Bait-uz-Zafar visited Bait-uz-Zafar and were given tour of the complex by Asad Bajwa and Mohammad Afzal Sahib. They were provided with introduction to Islam literature. The teacher and students presented us with a flower plants that they watered before they left as a gift of friendship among the two institutes.

## Donation:

Br. Abubakr Rana has donated treadmill so now we have two in our recreation area at Bait-uz-Zafar. We hope that you will come and use the facility at Bait-uz-Zafar and work to improve your health. Jazakallah to Rana.

## Karate Class! (coming soon...)

Karate Classes to commence soon at Bait-uz-Zafar. The classes will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 5 and 7 pm every week and as it is run by private instructor, there will be fee with some discount to members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community. students from 6 years on are welcome.

## Visitors In Bait-uz-Zafar:

Malik Ashfaq sahib visited New York & took tour in Bait-uz-Zafar. He is the executive member of MTA International based in London.



This year, the theme for our Lajna Ijtema was “Qullu Kau’lun Sadeeda: In homes, in Jama'at/Mosque, and in Marriage/Nikah”. Tilawat was recited by Sister Mubashara Bajwa and translation was read by Bariah Ahmad. Next, a Hadith was recited by Sister Arifa Naseeb from 40 Gems of Beauty titled, “Every Truth is the Lost Property of a Muslim”. Nazm was done by Sister Qanta Ahmed. An opening speech was given by President, Farkhanda Ahmad who welcomed and thanked everyone for coming and preparing for the Ijtema and explained the theme for our Ijtema.



The first competition that was held was the Tilawat competition in which members were to memorize verses 71-72 of Sura Al-Ahzab (33:71-72) with translation in either Urdu or English. After this competition an “Ice Breaker Game” was played in which members were divided into groups according to the month of their birth. They then had to talk amongst themselves and find one commonality and share with the rest of the Lajna members. After this game, our Impromptu Speech competition took place. Members were told that the speech topics would be about one of the following: Qullu Kau’lun Sadeeda: 1) In homes 2) in Jama'at/Mosque and 3) in Marriage/Nikah. This session ended with a Religious Knowledge Quiz which was in the form of a game as well.

After Lunch, we continued onto the Nazm Competition. The Nazm was from Durre-Sameen and 7 verses of “Hamein us Yaar say Taqwa Atha Hai” were to be memorized. This competition was followed by a skit presentation by Sisters Fouzia Syed, Aqsa Bajwa, Ismat Mangla, and Farah Ahmed. They planned out 3 different skits which Qullu Kau’lun Sadeeda was portrayed. After each skit, members were asked what they understood from the skit and what the importance of it was. The next presentation was on the same topic of “Qullu Kau’lun Sadeeda”. A slideshow presentation was prepared by Sisters Naila Ahmed, Sana Nasar, Saba Nasar, Nida Nasar, Lyla Mansoor, and Ayesha Mansoor. They briefly explained Qullu Kau’lun Sadeeda in homes, in Jamaat/Mosque, and in Marriage/Nikah.

Bringing us to the end of our Ijtema, President Farkhanda Ahmad gave an overview of all the Halqa’s and their achievements. The prizes were then distributed by Sister Attiya Farhat. We would like to thank our Judges which included: Sister Rashida Hamid, Farhat Ayaz, Rehana Ahmed, Qudsia Ghayur, Asifah Mahmood, Qudsia Ahmad, and Farkhanda Ahmad. Also thanks to Sister Rashida Nasar and her Ziafat team for providing us with Breakfast and Lunch. The Ijtema ended with Silent prayers.

The results for the competitions were:

**Hifz e Quran**

**Impromptu Speech**

**Nazam**

**By: Saira Bajwa**



## National Hifz Class

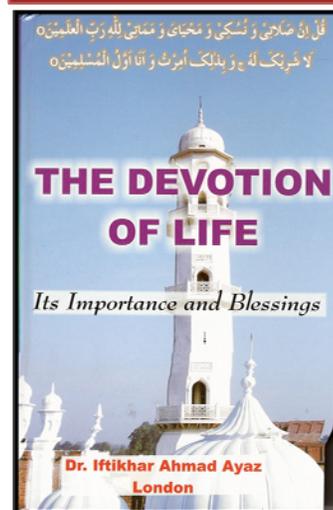
The Department of Taleem-ul-Qur’an is holding the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Hifz-o-Qur’an (memorization of the Holy Qur’an) for 3 weeks at Masjid Bait-ur-Rahman, from Friday June 25<sup>th</sup> 2010 to Thursday July 15<sup>th</sup> 2010, Inshallah.

With the kind and gracious approval of Hadhrat Khalifatul Massih ayyadahullahu ta’ala bi nasrihil ‘aziz, Muhtaram Q`ari Nawab Ahmed of Qadian will conduct this class, Inshallah.

The online registration will start at <http://www.ahmadiyya.us> website from Monday April 12, 2010 and will remain open for 3 weeks. Girls and Boys of ages 12 to 18 years are invited to enroll in this blessed program.

The selection will be on first come first basis of the qualifying students as only 60 students can be accommodated. So it is imminent to register as soon as possible. For details contact Syed Fazal Ahmed sahib his contact information will be available on the web site.

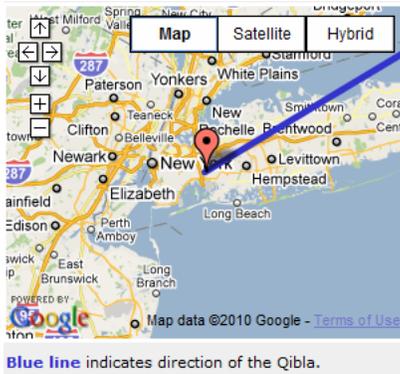
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Wherever you may be, as long as you have access to Internet, you can now determine the direction of Qibla. Even for those who've just moved offices and doubting where the Qibla is exactly, you can be sure that the answer is now right in front of you. If you have internet and you want to know Qibla Direc-

tion for your prayers, please follow the following steps:

1. Go for this web site : <http://www.alislam.org/adhan/>
2. Enter city, then you will see your actual location.
4. Locate your existing position or house.
5. You will find a (+) sign in the middle of the page, put the centre of this sign above your existing location of house.
6. You will find a red line starting from the centre of the (+) sign and end at Kaab'a.

\* Note you can also get the Salat timings and hear the Adhan as well.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Ever Regional Atfal Rally!



Alhamdulillah our first ever NY Metro Atfal Rally was a great success. our regional qaid sahib, Zeshan bhai's idea sparked us to hold such event. Our Nazimeen Atfal: Nadeem Ahmed, Bilal Saleem, Taimur Ahmad, Taimur Hamid & Reaz Rahman, along with the support of Murabbiyyan Atfal: Rashid Alladin sahib, Mohammad Mahmood sahib, Faraan Shamim sahib, and Saleem Chema sahib, and ofcourse our qaideen Ghulam Rabbi sahib, Mobusher bhai, Umair Jamil sahib, and Mahmud Farukee sahib has stepped up and gave their full support in organizing and coordinating the event.

we like to thank Nazir Ayaz sahib, NY Jama'at president for letting us hold the Rally in NY Masjid. We also like to recognize Nasir Bajwa, Asad Bajwa, Fareed Sanusi, Mueen Salim, Fahim Malik, Safwan Akbar, Sammar Nasir, Fahiz Nasir, Tahir Sharif, Ahmad Chaudhry, Fateh Ahmad, Noman bhai. our Naib SADR MKA Rizwan Alladin, Mansoor Ahmed,

Rizwan Akbar, Mansoor sahib, and of course our Regional Qaid sahib, Zeshan Hamid for attending, sports coordination, food preparation, food distribution, taking care of the snacks, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and for being there by sacrificing time to help us hold such an successful event.

We gathered in Bait-uz-Zafar Masjid, Queens, New York on March 5th around 7:30pm. We had overall 48 Atfal Attendance, 2 from Bronx (Bronx Tajneed is only 6), 9 from Brooklyn, 9 from Long Island, and 24 from Queens and with Khuddam and Ansar, we exceeded 75 in attendance.

Friday night we had Maghrib and Isha prayer followed by dinner. the opening session started with recitation of Holy Quran and a Nazm and Atfal Pledge. Regional Qaid sahib then asked the Atfal for the ground rules and were recorded for them to follow during this course. then a Tarbiyyat session followed. Dr Nadeem Ahmad and Faraan Shamim sahib spent time with Atfal asking them about themselves and what they like to do on friday night and how they can spend their spare time doing good things. after wards Atfal played among themselves and eventually shruugged in their sleeping bags looking forward to the exciting day ahead.

Salat-ul Fajr was led by a Tifl and dars was also given by a Tifl, Safwan Akbar. after wards the teams of Mayar-e-Kabir and Mayar-e-Saghir was formed. Atfal caught some extra sleep and woke up for breakfast. after some playful time everyone headed toward the Indoor Gym. the distance was so close that we all walked there.



Basketball, Soccer, and Race took place and all Atfal Mayar-e-Kabir and Mayar-e-Saghir participated. Alhamdulillah no serious injury occurred. Pizza was served for lunch and then we all walked back to the Masjid. we prayed Salat-ul-Zuhr and Asr, led by a Tifl. Atfal then wrote letters to Huzur (aba) and also filled out the Atfal Survey. the concluding session began with recitation of the Holy Quran and Nazm and Atfal Pledge. Regional Qaid sahib then asked Atfal if they have followed by the ground rules that they have given to follow. few Atfal shared their experience what they thought, a young tifl by name Mirza Haseeb Ahmed said "I learned that don't do bad things and be nice to people". Majority of Atfal raised hands when asked if they have enjoyed the Rally. then Certificates, candies, coat pins, pens, "Love for All Hatred for None" stickers were handed out to all Atfal for participation and for those who came in first and second place in sports.

Zaid Malik from Queens became the MVP in both Basketball and Soccer from Mayar-e-Saghir and Najih Ullah from Brooklyn was the MVP in Soccer Mayar-e-Kabir and Zafar Mahmood from Bronx was the MVP in Basketball Mayar-e-Kabir.

We concluded our Atfal Rally with silent prayer and everyone departed with a joyous spirit. this definitely was a historical event for us and we will always remember this and hold similar event in future. inshallah.

*Shoeb Abulkalam  
Regional Nazm Atfal - NY Metro*

# Bangla Desk Program



Alhamdulillah, the NY Metro Bangla Desk hosted a program for the Bengali speaking members of the Community on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 at Bait-uz-Zafar from Mosque in Queens. The program started at 3:30 PM and ended at Asr Prayer at 5:30 PM.

The program started with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Br. Shakil Ahmed followed by a recitation of a Bengali Nazm by Br. Saeed Ahmed. NY Metro Bangla Desk Coordinator, Reaz Rahman Sb., welcomed all and reminded about all the activities regarding Bangla desk. National Coordinator for Bangla Desk USA Br. Ghulam Rabbi then spoke about the ongoing Bengali program "SHOTTER SHONDHANEY" showing on MTA. It was followed by a video presentation showing some clips of the program.

Soon after a new member to the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community was introduced. By the grace of Almighty God Br. Soud Choudhry accepted Ahmadiyyat just recently.

With the help of Br Khalilur Rahman Sb., we then had an interactive session and discussion regarding various ways of spreading the message of Islam-Ahmadiyyat to all, especially in the Bengali Community. Even with the ill health, Br. Khalilur Rahman Sb sat through the session and answered all questions.



The program ended with dua led by Ghulam Rabbi Sb. After the program, we all enjoyed a lovely dinner which was prepared by all the members of the Bengali Community.

By: Reaz Rahman,  
Bangla Desk in Charge NY

## Quran Classes during Week days:

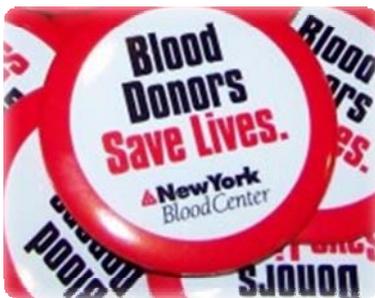
- \* We have on going Quran classes in Elmhurst conducted by Sister Eashidah Hamid and now wanted to start another class at Bait-uz-Zafar from Mondays to Wednesdays one hour before Maghrib. We originally announced these classes starting at Asr time, but for most the time was not suitable. So please send you children regularly to these classes.

## Come to pray in congregation at Bait-uz-Zafar:

- \* Now days are getting warmed with daylight beyond 8:00pm, please use this good opportunity to come to Bait-uz-Zafar with your family and pray in congregation. Join us at Maghrib or Isha and for those who work in the evenings, please come for Zuhr prayers. Few of the members do come for Fajr prayers and what a good way to start the day.
- \* With Maghrib taking place close to 8:00pm, it gives enough time for those who work and come home before heading to the Mosque.

## US census Training at Bait-uz-Zafar:

- \* Classrooms at Bait-uz-Zafar are being Utilized for training of US Census employees. Many members of the Jama'at took tests for the employment with the board. One of the candidates from our Jama'at got the job The tests were held at our complex.
- \* By the way, Have you sent in your completed census questionnaire? Please do so if not done so far.



Ahmadiyyat Muslim Community is sponsoring a blood drive in Queens on May 15<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm. The exact location is by the Long Island Railroad (LIRR) train station in Bayside on Bell Blvd, between 41<sup>st</sup> street and 41<sup>st</sup> Ave.

Men, women, young adults, neighbors, friends, co-workers are all encouraged to attend. Our goal is to raise 30 blood donations, Inshallah with your help we will exceed this target.

For further details, please contact Farhan Ahmad at 646-361-7793 or Nadim Malik at 646-418-2995.

### Finance:

- \* You may have received in the mail your current Chanda status. This was sent to you so that please go over it, review it and as a reminder that we are close to the end of our current fiscal year. It will be great to see 100% of us meeting our target. Jazakallah.
- \* We are much behind in Jalsa Salana contributions. It is part of the obligatory Chanda along with Chanda Aam/ Wasiyyat. The Jalsa Salana contribution is 10% of your Chanda Aam or Wasiyyat. Kindly look into it.

### National Mosque Fund:

- \* Let us use our tax returns towards the national Mosque fund and start early to donate towards this fund so that we can maximize our efforts and contributions. Please give this your high priority and come up with the amount required at our next installment. May Allah be with you and help you for His cause.

### Renovation at Bait-uz-Zafar and Fund raising efforts:

- \* Jazakallah, Calgary Canada: Lately you may have noticed Kalima going up at Bait-uz-Zafar front Façade. Lots of Volunteer work has gone into it and we are grateful to Calgary Jama'at members who designed the Kalima and provided funds for it. May Allah reward them and Bless them
- \* We have also installed new fence along the parking lot and for that our appreciation goes to Shafiq Cheema sahib.
- \* We have upgraded our security system and we are grateful to Rashid Ahmad who provided some of the items without any cost and was installed by a team headed by Rashid Ahmad sahib of Flushing.
- \* The classrooms have been renovated and Muzaffar Mahmood worked to scrub and polish the floor.
- \* Now let us talk about our upcoming installment. A gentleman provided his W2 to Abdul Ghafoor sahib that all the refund that he gets go towards National Mosque fund. It was a good amount of \$5,000 that he sacrificed for the noble cause. Another brother paid much of his refund towards the Mosque fund.
- \* We need to play a major role in national Mosque fund contribution. Most of the fund from the national Mosque fund is coming to us so we must do our utmost best to be in the fore front in nation-wide contributions. We have come a long way, let us keep going until we have paid off and look back with joy as the greatest achievement that we have done for our New York Jama'at for generations to come.

### Ansarullah Report

- \* Regional Seeratul Nabi meeting was held on April 17th with speakers from the Metro New York area. There were over a hundred members who attended the meeting.
- \* The Regional Ijtema of Majlis Ansarullah will be held on May 16th, 2010 at Bait-uz-Zafar. The program is available in the Mosque. All members are requested to be present and take part in the competitions. May Allah The Almighty enable us all to take part in our Ijtema.

-Zaeem Majlis New York

### Jalsa Salana UK Invitation Letters:

- \* If you interested to attend Jalsa Salana UK, please provide information to General secretary, Iqbal Ahmad so that you may be issued letter of invitation.

### Volunteering your time in your neighborhood Community:

- \* Your local community is always looking for volunteers in schools, Libraries, Hospitals and other places that serve the local Community. Please volunteer your time and tell the authorities that you come from Ahmadiyya Muslim Community. We have one such good example and that is Abdul Ghafoor sahib who gives few hours daily at his local school.

### Marriage:

Mohammad Yayah sahib was married to Tehmina Rafeeq of Pakistan.  
 Congratulations to the Married Couple, May Allah make their marriage success, Amin.