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In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful

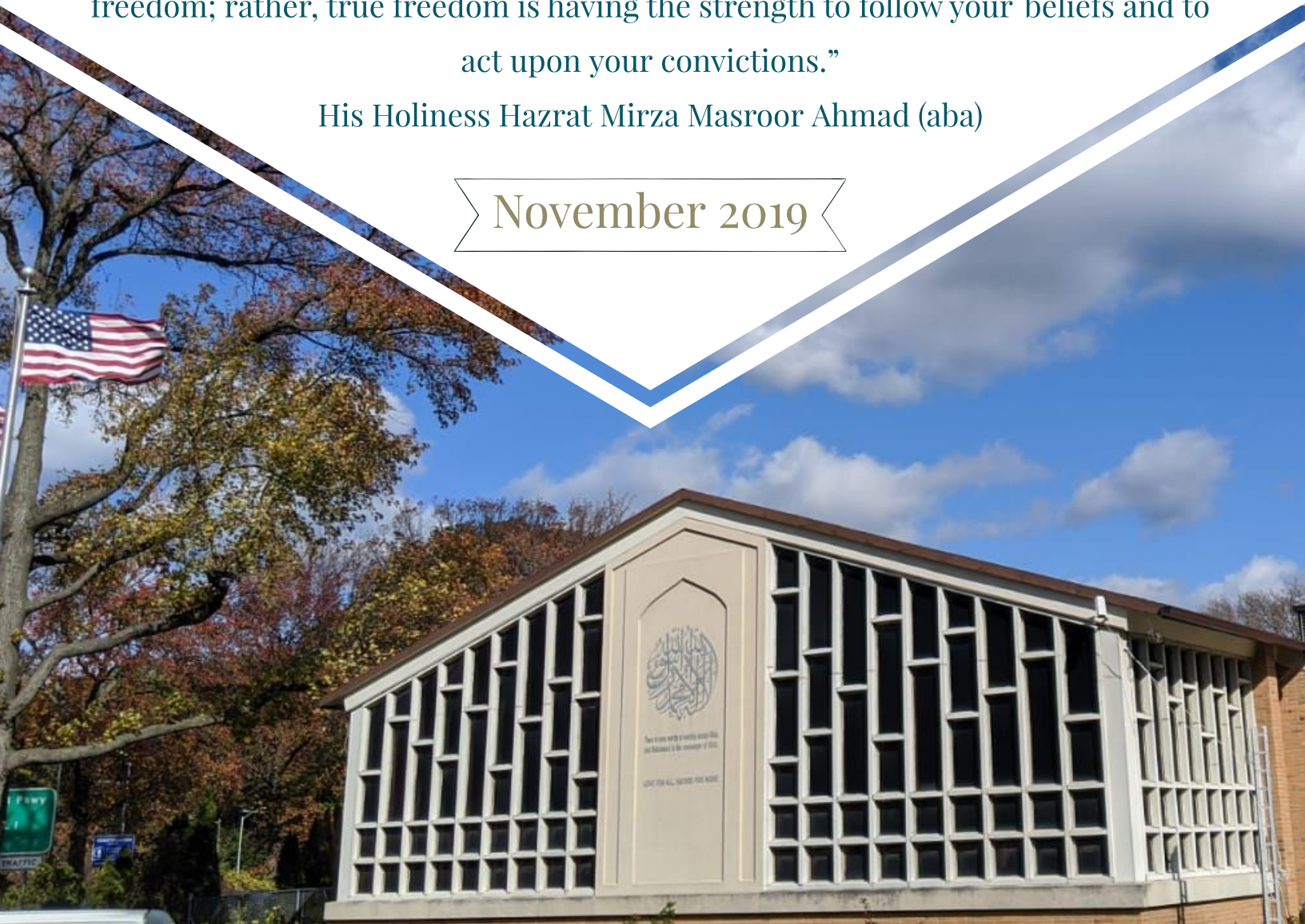
BAIT-UZ-ZAFAR ENVOY

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
AHMADIYYA MUSLIM COMMUNITY OF QUEENS, NEW YORK

“Remember, following the crowd and bowing to the influences of society is not freedom; rather, true freedom is having the strength to follow your beliefs and to act upon your convictions.”

His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba)

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Queens Chapter News

Lessons From Hadith

A Transcription of Dars Given by Imam Sahib

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw) said:
Do good. Even if it is very small. But do it with consistency. Such a short statement gave us the secret to success in life. This is of course the most important in our spiritual world. However, you cannot pray vigorously in a single day, and expect angels to descend on you.

There are many youngsters who will tell me I've tried faith. I've tried prayer. I've tried Ramadan. I have tried all of those things that I have never seen any success. And after just a few follow-up questions, you will come to realize they prayed for a single day with great vigor yearning and fleeing before God Almighty and yet they saw no change in themselves and they saw no results from those prayers.

The reason again being that your effort should be small. And subtle yet consistent. If it is towards goodness. Then it will eventually bring yourself to God. Almighty. Many people will push for a rigorous attempt spiritually and they will only see failure. The lesson today is therefore. Pick something small. Something you're not doing on a normal day or on a regular basis. And stick to it consistently. And then you will see results. Do not expect to see results in a week. Do not expect to see results in a day. Or in a few hours or minutes. As it takes time to establish love as it takes time to exercise it too will take time for you to establish yourself spiritually to have a connection with God. Almighty on a spiritual level.

Some of those things you can start today. Whenever you're walking down the stairs in your home, say the prayer for descending. Every time you're driving to work, why not just say the durood-Sharif, maybe even the shorter version of it, but make it a habit. How about opening the door for a co-worker or even a stranger? Or how about giving up your seat to an elderly lady or a pregnant woman

who is on the subway with you instead of pretending to be asleep. This same effort of internal spiritual progress also exists for our external spiritual progress. May Allah help us to do that. Ameen.

Every Wednesday, after the Isha prayer, Imam Mahmood Kauser Sahib gives a dars, on varying topics every week. Please make every effort to come, and to bring your family so that not only do they learn and create a stronger bond with other jamaat members, but also so that your children can create a habit of coming to the mosque.

Coffee, Cake, and True Islam

A Great Opportunity for All!

By the grace of Allah, Coffee, Cake, and True Islam (CCTI) is hosted at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque every Thursday, from 7:30 to 8:30. CCTI consistently hosts 2-3 guests. This weekly event is presented by Waheed Ahmed Sahib who explains in two categories. During the first, he explains the basics of Islamic teachings and Ahmadiyyat. The second part of this event is a religious educational class for those who are new converts. This second event has been held 4 times a week and the attendance has been ranging from 15 to 22 participants, including new guests. This event is followed by a question and answer session as well. Please make every effort to invite guests to CCTI!



Words of Wisdom From
**Hazrat Mirza Masroor
Ahmad (atba):**

**“Wherever we go, we will
endeavor to help and serve
humanity”**

**“Islam requires us
to bandage the
wounds of those in
pain, to remove the
anxieties of those
who are distressed
and to show love
and compassion
without any desire
for recognition or
worldly reward.”**

**“Instead of being
consumed by materialism
and a desire for
power, every nation,
whether rich or poor,
must prioritise the
peace and security
of the entire world
above all else.”**

**“Our goal and
objective should
be nothing less
than to establish
peace in every
village, town or
city of every nation
in the world.”**

**“The time has
come for mankind
to recognise its
Creator and to
accept that God
Almighty is indeed
the Lord of all the
Worlds, Who
sustains us, provides
for us and is our
ultimate Creator.”**

**“Always remember
that you must utilize
the skills and knowledge
you have acquired
to fulfill the needs
of humanity.”**

Thanksgiving Interfaith

Gather and Give Thanks

On Wednesday November 27th, 2019, there was a Thanksgiving interfaith dinner program in Bait-uz-Zafar NY. There were 55 guests from three different churches, with a total attendance of 120 men and women. Respected Imam Mahmood Kauser Sahib discussed the beautiful teachings of Islam.



Atfal/Khuddam/Ansar News

Meeting Held on First Sunday of the Month

Woodhaven Salat Center

The Woodhaven Salat Center was officially opened today, with 18 people attending for Salat. Jazakallah to Tarbiyyat Secretary Sahib and his team for a successful start of this new Salat Center.



Local Interfaith

Co-existence with Other Faiths

There was an interfaith program at Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque in Queens, where there was representation from Hinduism, Christianity, Jainism, Sikhism, and Islam. During these divisive times, it is always a breath of fresh air when representative of different religions can sit together, eat together, and share each other's faiths.



Monthly Ansar Meeting

The Queens Ansar held its monthly meeting on Sunday, Nov 3rd, 2019 and there were 46 members who attended this meeting. Mashallah, it was a very successful meeting and members engaged in discussion. On November 10th, 2019, the Ansar held Zaim election for the year (2020-2021). Zaim Sahib, Mohammad Kamruz Zaman Sahib was re-elected and Sadr Majlis Ansarullah approved the election and extended Zaim Sahib's term for next 2 more years. Zaim Sahib is requesting everyone's prayers.



Announcements

Tahir Academy every Saturday at 9:30 AM. Please make every effort to bring your children in ready for class!

We are requesting everyone to take part in the blessed Waqf-e-jadid scheme!

2020 calendars are here, members are can purchase them for \$2

Atfal and Khuddam sleepover on New Year's Eve. The program starts after Maghrib in Masjid. Please make every effort to come!

The Review of Religions is an English-language comparative religious magazine published monthly in print since 1902, it is one of the longest running Islamic periodicals in English. It has been described as the main publication of the Ahmadiyya movement in the language and as a valuable source material for information on the geographical expansion of Ahmadi activity. The magazine was launched by The Promised Messiah (as) himself with the aim of conveying an accurate understanding of Islamic teachings across the English-speaking world and dispelling misconceptions held against the faith.
<https://www.reviewofreligions.org/subscription/>

In efforts to better organize USA Jamaat's Financial system, please click on the newly created link below to submit your 2020-21 Annual Chanda Budget Form.

<https://budget.amchq.us/#>

Our goal is to have 100% completion this by Ansar, Lajna & Khuddam members by the end of Dec 2019 or sooner.

Remember, Taqwa is the key to salvation and at the same time, it is the efforts and sacrifice that will be rewarded by Allah. This is not something new, but is a step for better organization of USA Jamaat's financial system which was originally started by the Promised Messiah (as). May Allah be our helpers and guide us to become righteous.. Ameen.

In case you are wondering what this is
It is required by every Ahmadi to fill out an Chanda Income form every year in December.

This is how the Jamaat budget and system is structured.
In case you've never done it before, it's cuz we failed in telling you how necessary it is.

Please take 3-5 seconds and fill it out. If you are a student, or unemployed, there is an option to select. This is for the Khuddam, Ansar, Lajna, individuals in a home.

If you don't remember your member code, please message the Finance Secretary, and we can text it to you. Jazakallah

Lajna/Nasirat News

Meeting Held on First Sunday of the Month

A Visit from old Friends

On November 7th, 2019, a little over 30 women came from Temple Tikvah to visit Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque. Our Mosque was previously the synagogue many of these women attended with their families for many years. The night began with a short video introducing what Ahmadiyyat is, followed by a tour of the entire mosque. The women were fascinated to see how the facility was being used and had many questions regarding Ahmadi Muslims, Tahir Academy, and our religious customs.

The night came to a close with Isha prayer, and light refreshments. The following night, there was a second group of women who came to visit the mosque as well. It was a great bonding moment between two communities!

Meeting with Liz Kreuger

Two Lajna went to to NYC to meet with Senator Liz Kruger, and to discuss who Ahmadi Muslims are, along with the accomplishments of the jamaat as well as hardship faced by Ahmadi Muslims around the world secondary to religious persecution. It was a successful meeting, and a second meeting was arranged to have a representative visit Bait-uz-Zafar Mosque to discuss the important of the upcoming census.

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