

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

The Amīr/ National President  
Jamā‘at Ahmadiyya,

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Dear Brother,

السّلام علیکم ورحمة اللّٰه وبرکاته

On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2010, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V ایده اللہ تعالیٰ delivered the Friday Sermon at Baitul Futūh Mosque, London.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: Today is the last day of 2010. This day comes every year, but this year it has a special significance for it began with a Friday and is now ending on the same blessed day. This year we witnessed the martyrdom of more than a hundred Aḥmadīs. But the families of these martyrs, instead of giving way to grief and lamentation, have placed their woes before God and their whole way of thinking has changed. They have been given such strength that they console those who come to commiserate with them. All this is a gift of God. We are not the people who turn their back to God for fear of persecution. We can never be unfaithful to our dear Lord, instead we endeavour to win His love with the words: إنا لله وانا اليه راجعون. Allāh’s special blessings upon us during this year are evident from the extraordinary manner in which the message of our Jamā‘at has spread in both developed and developing countries. It is thus that the sacrifices made by these martyrs become the means for strengthening our faith. As we remember the martyrs and speak of their virtues and their goodness, we should also look at our own selves and endeavour to become part of the success that Allāh has ordained for this Jamā‘at.

Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: We read in the Ḥadīth that there comes a moment on the day of Friday when Allāh accepts every prayer of His servant. Friday is the most blessed day of the week and the most esteemed in the eyes of God, more even than the days of ‘Īd -ul-Fiṭr and ‘Īd-ul-Aḍḥā. In order to reap the blessings of this blessed day, it is important that we spend our lives in quest of Divine pleasure.

Allāh says in the Holy Qur’ān, “As to those who believe and do good works, they will surely have a reward that will never end.” The Promised Messiah عليه السلام says, “If there is anything that reaches God, it is righteous deeds. And it is essential to perform them after one has believed.” Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: From now on let us endeavour to do excel in virtues and use them to nourish the seed of faith. But, on the other hand, we would be earning Divine displeasure if we nurtured worldly greed, harmed one another and violated other people’s rights, whether in the context of business partnerships or family and matrimonial relations. Those who have not been able to reform themselves during the past year should try to do so in the new year through righteous deeds and raising

their standards of worship. May Allāh accept our prayers and the coming year may bring blessings for all Aḥmadīs as a Jamā‘at and as individuals.

Speaking of Allāh’s blessings upon the Jamā‘at, Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: MTA has now started broadcasting programs in Russian language including the translation of the Khuṭba. A Russian language website has also been launched. Also, a new search has been added to the Al-Islām site which enables anyone to search any word or sentence from the books of the Promised Messiah علیہ السلام in Urdu. Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ greatly commended the team that had accomplished this task. Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ said: I have said it before and I say it again that there are many harmful aspects to the use of Facebook and that it should be avoided.

Please convey these guidelines given by Ḥuḍūr ایده اللہ تعالیٰ to the members of your Jamā‘at.

Jazākumullāh.

Wassalām,

(Ch. Hameedullah)

Wakīl A‘lā,

Tahrīk Jadīd Anjuman Ahmadiyyah Pakistan,

Dated: 06 Jan. 11