Review of Jalsa Salana Germany and Belgium 2018

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NOTE: Al Islam Team takes full responsibility for any errors or miscommunication in this Synopsis of the Friday Sermon.
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Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

Over the previous few days, Allah the Exalted enabled us to participate in the Jalsa Salana of Germany and Belgium. Both the gatherings were very blessed by the Grace of Allah the Exalted.

Germany Jalsa is well established and has representation from many countries; recently including some African nations.

Jasla Belgium was held at this scale after a long time and they are a small community.
They praised the organisation of the Jalsa and its general atmosphere immensely. While participating in the Jalsa, guests observe every worker, officer and in fact every Ahmadi very minutely, to see as to how their conduct is.

Even if a teaching is good but the conduct of the followers of that teaching is not good then such a teaching cannot create a positive impact. Thus, all volunteers and participants take part in silent tabligh in this way.

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Our every gathering and convention has a significant impact on the local people of the area regardless of where it is taking place.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:
In the same manner, all the members of the Community who attended this event should also thank the volunteers. The volunteers should also be grateful to Allah Almighty that He granted them the opportunity to serve.

I would like to express my gratitude to the volunteers of both the Conventions in Belgium and Germany.

They served the attendees of these conventions according to their means and abilities.

They should also prepare themselves for the future and ponder over their weaknesses and shortcomings and think of ways to improve them for the upcoming years.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:
These books would provide him with more of an introduction to Ahmadiyyat, the Promised Messiah’s (as) character, his knowledge and insight, and Allah Almighty’s support for him.
There was peace everywhere and teachings of the Holy Quran and Hadith were ever present. The message of “Love for All hatred for None” left a deep impact on me. There was tranquillity everywhere.

It was during the Jalsa when I decided that I would enter the fold of Ahmadiyyat. I had many personal problems; however, when I attended the Jalsa all my problems began to resolve themselves.

Now I will further spread the message of the Jama’at.
A medical student from Latvia was in attendance. He states, “It is a great honour for me to attend the Germany Jalsa. I feel that this is a gathering of such people who are strong in faith, who are content, affectionate and peaceful.”

Then a Sri Lankan lecturer from the University of Agriculture, Latvia, who attended the Jalsa states, “This Jalsa has given me the teaching of the true Islam and has enlightened me regarding the other sects. It has cleared the difference between Ahmadis and other sects. The best thing that I have learnt is that Ahmadiyya Community is a loving community and I really commend this.”

There is a non-Ahmadi Pakistani in Latvia said that I am not an Ahmadi, I also had the same doubts that Muslims of others sects have. However, after listening to the speeches, seeing the kalima written and offering prayers, I did not see any difference. I really enjoyed the speeches of the Khalifa, especially the final day’s speech. I would like to thank them from the depths of my heart.”
The impressions of the Latvian delegation

A student named Gloria attended for the first time and it was also the first time she participated in any Muslim event. She says, “I really liked everything, the food, the drink and everything else. The people were all well-mannered and the women on duty always met us with a smile of their face.”

A woman who came with the Latvian delegation was Anastasia. She says, “I went to the men’s hall to listen to this address and the rest of the time I spent in the women’s hall. To sit among the men, I felt embarrassed and it felt strange to me to not have a head scarf covering my head.”

Hence, this should in itself should give confidence to those girls, as she is saying she felt embarrassed to not be wearing a head scarf or to take it off.

Despite being a Christian, she came and said that she felt embarrassment to be sitting amongst the men without a head scarf.
Delegations from Kosovo and Georgia

A lawyer from Kosovo expressed his sentiments saying, “To see the organisation of the Jalsa felt like everyone was going about carrying out their duties in obedience to Khilafat. All this obedience was due to the love of that person who is the Khalifa of the Ahmadiyya Community.”

There was a physics Professor in the Kosovo delegation, Mr Arbar Sahib, he says, “It was unbelievable to see everyone gathering in one place and all have their needs catered for. I also had the chance to visit the langar and I met someone there who had been working for the last twenty-two years in peeling onions using the same knife. He told me the reason that Hazrat Khalifatul Masih IV (rh) used this knife and placed his hand on it.” This left a good impression on him.

The delegation from Georgia which consisted of 38 members attended the Jalsa in Germany. Two of them were bishops, two were Muftis, leaders of Sunni and Shi’a groups and the rest were non-Ahmadi guests.

A non-Ahmadi member, who is an Imam of a mosque, Mr Janbul says “I will always remember one phrase that it is our duty to help mankind. The religion of Islam is peace and peace only. Coming here we have learnt of the true teachings of Islam.”
A priest of the Protestant Church in Hungary also attended the Jalsa. Apart from his religious duties he is very active in welfare work. He says, “I am a Christian but attending your Jalsa I felt a new lease of spirituality and I return refreshed.

Mr Awarga Sahib of Hungary, who works in the refugee camp office, says, “The Jalsa is an occasion similar to when a person witnesses something extraordinary they become awestruck and are left trembling inside.”

Mrs Wafa Sahiba, a Syrian medical doctor, attended this Jalsa. She was very enthusiastic on the second day when she listened to the address to the women in the women’s marquee. During the visit to Jamia, she said that every verse written on the building was appropriate and fitting.

Mrs Elona, a director of the financial department of refugee camps says, “The Jalsa is such an event which cleanses one from within and leaves you feeling light.”
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Then through MTA Africa, the various channels of Africa aired programmes on the Jalsa. The Review of Religions has also started a new online programme.

With the wide-spread media coverage, the message of Islam & Ahmadiyyat reached out to 62,857,000 people.

On the third day of the Jalsa, the Bai’at ceremony took place and there were 42 members who for the first time took part in the Bai’at to enter the community.

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih (ABA) said:

May God Almighty make this positive impact of the Jalsa an everlasting one.
The first funeral prayer is of Syed Hasnat Ahmad Sahib of Canada, who passed away on 27th August at the age of 92. To Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.

He was a faithful and loyal member, who had great passion for the Community. The deceased was a Moosi.

He has also written an introduction to the books of the Promised Messiah (as) and compiled it, which is a great scholarly achievement on his part.

In 1982, he presented a program on the Jamaat on Canadian TV channel called Rogers without taking a fee. Hence, for the first time in the world, on 12th December 1982, the pictures of the Promised Messiah (as) and the Khulafah of Ahmadiyyat were presented on Canadian Television.

May Allah the Almighty elevate his status and shower his mercy and forgiveness upon him.
She was a pious and saintly individual who would readily offer prayers and supplications.

She passed away on 8th September at the age of 94. To Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.

She had a strong bond with Khilafat. Along with Hafiz Sahib and the rest of the family, she had the opportunity to give all the expenditure needed in the printing of the Holy Quran by the Jamaat in Ketala Language. They also had the opportunity to pay all the expenditure towards a mosque in Indonesia.

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She was regular in offering the Tahajjud prayers and would actively offer her services for her faith.
He had an extraordinary level of loyalty and obedience to Khilafat.

The third funeral is of Chaudhry Khalid Saifullah Sahib, who was the Naib Ameer of Australia Jamaat.

He passed away on 16th September at the age of 87. To Allah we belong and to Him shall we return.

He was a learned individual and his articles would often be published in the magazines and periodicals of the Jamaat, however, he had a simple nature and would always smile and had an agreeable personality.

He had an extraordinary level of loyalty and obedience to Khilafat.

May Allah the Almighty elevate his status and grant Him forgiveness.