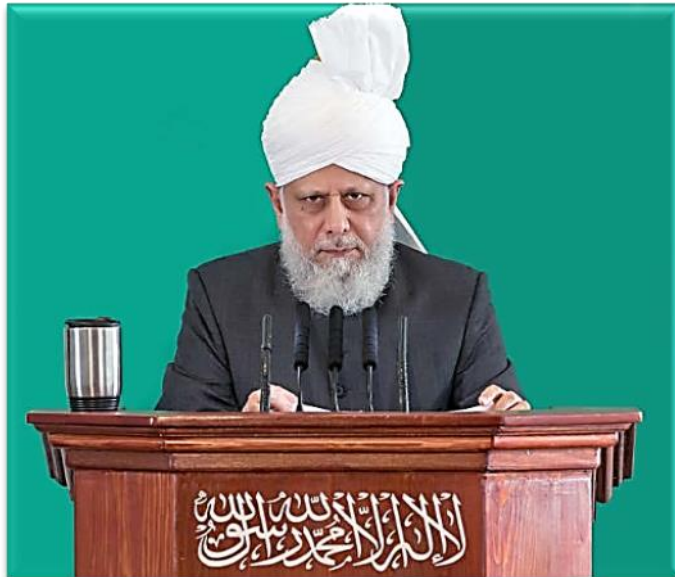
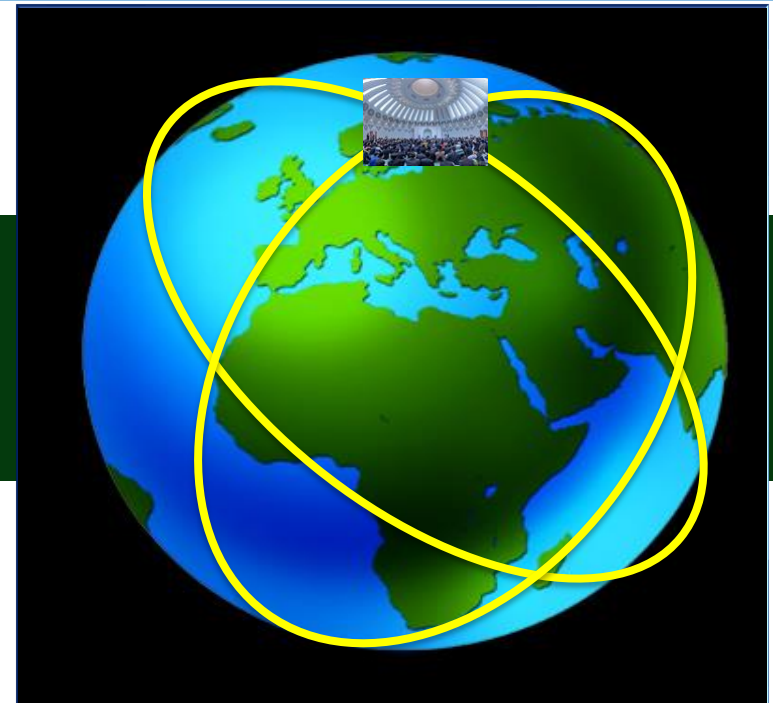


# Seeking God's Pleasure Through Financial Sacrifices & Announcement of the 65th Year of Waqf-e-Jadid



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# Summary

## Seeking God's Pleasure Through Financial Sacrifices & Announcement of the 65th Year of Waqf-e-Jadid

Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (aba) announced the 65th year of Waqf-e-Jadid.

His Holiness (aba) quoted a Quranic verse in which God Almighty mentions those believers who spend in the way of Allah, in order to attain His pleasure.

At a time when people are steeped in worldliness, people of the community of the Promised Messiah (AS) are vying with one another in financial sacrifices, only for the sake of Allah.

His Holiness (aba) presented some examples of financial sacrifices and various achievements of the community in 2021

His Holiness (aba) presented the report of positions from the top ranking countries.

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# Seeking God's Pleasure Through Financial Sacrifices

*'And the case of those who spend their wealth to seek the pleasure of Allah and to strengthen their souls is like the case of a garden on elevated ground. Heavy rain falls on it so that it brings forth its fruit twofold. And if heavy rain does not fall on it, then light rain suffices. And Allah sees what you do.'*

[Holy Qur'an 2:266]

# Seeking God's Pleasure Through Financial Sacrifices

Financial Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that in this verse, God Almighty mentions those believers who spend in the way of Allah, in order to attain His pleasure

Examples

By doing so, they also strengthen their community and mission

Achievements

In this era, the Promised Messiah (as) was tasked with spreading the true message of Islam to the world, and the same responsibility lies with his followers.

Thus, everyone must be prepared to sacrifice their lives, wealth, and honour for the sake of this mission.

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This indeed is a true reflection of one's faith.

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# Attaining the Pleasure Of God Through Financial Sacrifices

Financial Sacrifice

True believers spend their wealth for the sake of God and spreading His mission.

Examples

They do so not to impress others, but to attain the pleasure of God, to strengthen their own faith, and to help strengthen the community.

Achievements

People who offer such sacrifices try to achieve the highest standards, as a result of which God accepts their efforts and bestows His blessings upon them

Report

God knows the condition of everyone's hearts; He does not care whether the financial sacrifice is big or small, rather he looks to one's intentions.

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# Importance of One's Intentions Whilst Making Sacrifices

## Financial Sacrifice

God has likened those who present financial sacrifices to either heavy rain, or light rain, meaning those who are wealthy are able to give large amounts, whereas those who do not possess as much wealth will give less

## Examples

However, both are beneficial in the growth of fruit, for ultimately, it is Allah who causes fruits to grow, and He sees a person's intentions, which He alone can cause to be fruitful. Thus, everything we do must be for the sake of God's pleasure.

## Achievements

At the time of the Promised Messiah (as), many of his companions were not very wealthy, yet they were at the forefront of presenting financial sacrifices.

The same passion and devotion is seen in the community today.

Such examples are found even in new converts, who have not yet attained as much knowledge of the faith as others, yet they are far advanced in their level of devotion.

Similarly, the community today is so loyal and faithful to Khilafat, that as the Promised Messiah (as) has stated, even opponents are astonished at this level of devotion.

## Report

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# Wonderful Examples of Ahmadi Muslims Making Financial Sacrifice

Financial  
Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that at a time when the people are steeped in worldliness, he would present some examples of how people express their faith through financial sacrifices, and how Allah the Almighty bestows His blessings as a result.

Examples



Achievements

In a remote area in Sierra Leone, where the local missionary made a plea for financial sacrifice. The Imam of the mosque there expressed that they would not be able to reach their target. **The local missionary led them all in silent prayer, and then left towards the mission house. Before** he reached the mission house, the local Imam called him and said that he was coming to meet him. When he arrived, he explained that after the silent prayer, one of his relatives went to him and gave him 100,000 Leones. He immediately glorified Allah and said that they had been short of their pledge for Waqf-e-Jadid, and as soon as they had prayed, this person came and offered this large amount.

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# Wonderful Examples of Ahmadi Muslims Making Financial Sacrifice

Financial Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that such examples are also found within women.

Examples

There was a woman in Chad, who had pledged 70,000 Francs for Waqf-e-Jadid, however she was not able to arrange the funds to fulfil the pledge.

Achievements

Thus, she sold a camel she had for 170,000 Francs. She used this to fulfil her pledge, but she did not keep the remaining amount for herself, rather she presented that as financial contribution as well.

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Financial  
Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that similar examples are also found amongst the youth.

Belize is a place in Central America, which is quite far, and the Khalifa has never gone there.

Examples

There, a 14 year old boy who had donated for Tehrik-e-Jadid was mentioned in the Friday Sermon.

Many people congratulated him, and someone gave him a reward of \$200.

May Allah maintain this mentality within the young boy and save him from the influences of worldliness

Achievements

boy said that he needed \$30 to have his social security card made, and that he would give the remaining \$170 as

He is from a poor household, and was urged to keep the amount for himself.

Report

However, he was firm in his decision.

This exemplifies giving precedence to the faith over the world.

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## Financial Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that such examples are found in the poorest of countries.

The missionary in Guinea-Conakry delivered a sermon regarding the importance of financial sacrifices in which he also presented various quotes of His Holiness (aba).

## Examples

At the end of the sermon, a person who was quite poor but very sincere took 218,500 Francs out of his pocket and offered it for Waqf-e-Jadid.

When the missionary asked him why he was giving such a large amount, he said that he was greatly impacted by the words that the heart cannot love two things at once; one must either love God or love wealth.

## Achievements

He said that he could not give everything in his home like Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra) did, but at least he could give whatever was in his pocket.

He also explained that ever since he started presenting financial sacrifices, he noticed that God had increased his faith and certainty.

## Report

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# Wonderful Examples of Ahmadi Muslims Making Financial Sacrifice

Financial  
Sacrifice

People in developed countries also possess the same spirit of  
sacrifice.

Examples



A missionary in Germany encouraged members to increase in their financial sacrifices.

Achievements



A German woman who had converted to Ahmadiyyat quite some time ago presented 19,000 Euros. She said that although she was saving this amount in order to buy a car, she said that she would much rather attain the pleasure of Allah the Almighty.

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# Wonderful Examples of Ahmadi Muslims Making Financial Sacrifice

Financial Sacrifice

A person from the UK had received a letter from the local council informing him that he had outstanding service charge payments.

Examples

He had also received a call regarding the payment of his pledge for Waqf-e-Jadid. He decided that he would first pay his pledge for Waqf-e-Jadid.

Achievements

The next day, he received another letter from the council, explaining that they had been mistaken, and rather than his owing them money, they realised that in fact, they owed him money.

Report

The council sent him an amount which was ten times more than the amount he had offered for Waqf-e-Jadid.

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# Various Achievements of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in 2021

Financial Sacrifice

In light of mentioning financial sacrifices for the sake of propagating the faith, he would like to mention that over the past year

Examples

God enabled the worldwide community to establish 187 mosques, aside from which 105 mosques are currently under construction in Africa.

Achievements

144 mission houses were established, many of which are in Africa, while 45 are currently under construction.

Report

Where mission houses cannot be built, buildings are acquired on rent; as such there are 731 mission houses and missionary houses which were acquired on rent in Africa.

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# Various Achievements of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in 2021

Financial Sacrifice

There are 632 mission houses on rent in other Asian countries

Examples

Most of the amount collected for Waqf-e-Jadid is distributed to African countries

Achievements

Building mosques is not easy, as our community has to face great opposition. However, because our community does these things for the sake of God Almighty, He also bestows His help.

Report

These were just some examples of the instances presented by His Holiness (aba).

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# Report of 2021 & Announcement of the 65th Year of Waqf-e-Jadid

Financial  
Sacrifice

His Holiness (aba) said that he would present the previous years' report for Waqf-e-Jadid.

Examples

By the grace of Allah the Almighty, the 64th year of Waqf-e-Jadid came to an end and the new year of Waqf-e-Jadid has started

Achievements

Over the last year, the total collection was about £11.2 million.

This is an increase of £742,000 from the year prior.

Report

In light of the world's circumstances, this is a great accomplishment.

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# Report of 2021 & Announcement of the 65th Year of Waqf-e-Jadid

Financial  
Sacrifice

In terms of overall collection, the UK  
ranked first

Examples

Then Germany, Canada, USA, India,  
Australia, Indonesia, a country from the  
Middle East, Ghana and Belgium.

Achievements

His Holiness (aba) presented the report of  
positions from the top ranking countries.

Report

May Allah the Almighty bless all those  
who presented financial sacrifices.

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