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*“Whoever covers up the fault of a Muslim,  
Allah will cover up his fault on the Day of Judgment.”*

(Saying of the Holy Prophet Muhammad<sup>sa</sup>)





## Allah the Almighty Covers Faults

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V, may Allah be his Helper, said:  
“Allah the Almighty is the One Who covers faults. However, if you investigate, expose and publicize those matters which Allah the Almighty has concealed, then this is something that Allah the Almighty strongly dislikes. No person has the right to expose that which Allah the Almighty has concealed. ... Failing to conceal faults not only leads to disgracing others and exposing them before the world but also spreads disorder in society ... whereas Allah the Almighty commands that you should establish examples of love and affection among yourselves. You should exemplify [the quality of] ‘They are compassionate towards one another.’ [48:30]”

[Friday Sermon delivered on March 27, 2009;  
translated from *Khutbat-e-Masroor*, vol. 7, pp. 163–164]



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## ABBREVIATIONS OF SALUTATIONS

- sa** *Sallallahu alaihi wa Sallam* — peace and blessings of Allah be upon him  
USAGE: Salutation written after the name of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him)
- as** *Alaihis Salam / Alaihas Salam* — peace be upon him/her  
USAGE: Salutation written after names of Prophets other than the Holy Prophet Muhammad<sup>as</sup> and pious women prior to the era of the Holy Prophet Muhammad<sup>as</sup>
- ra** *Radhiyallahu anhu / anha / anhum* — may Allah be pleased with him/her/them  
USAGE: Salutation written after names of Companions of the Holy Prophet<sup>as</sup> and Companions of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup>
- rh** *Rahimahullah / Rahimahallah* — may Allah have mercy upon him/her  
USAGE: Salutation written after the names of deceased, pious Muslims who are not Companions<sup>as</sup>
- aa** *Ayyadahullahu Ta'ala bi Nasrihil Aziz* — may Allah be his Helper  
USAGE: Salutation written after the name of Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Khalifatul-Masih V



# PEARLS OF

## THE HOLY QUR'AN

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

*In the name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful.*

O ye who believe, eschew too much suspicion; for some suspicion may do much harm. Also spy not, nor backbite one another. Would any of you like to eat the flesh of his dead brother? Surely you would loathe such an imputation. Be mindful of your duty to Allah. Surely, Allah is Oft-Returning with Compassion, and is Ever Merciful. (49:13, TRANS. Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>)

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اجْتَنِبُوا كَثِيرًا مِّنَ الظَّنِّ إِنَّ بَعْضَ الظَّنِّ إِثْمٌ وَ لَا تَجَسَّسُوا وَ لَا يَغْتَبِ بَّعْضُكُم بَعْضًا أَ يَعْجَبُ أَحَدُكُمْ أَن يَأْكُلَ لَحْمَ أَخِيهِ مَيْتًا فَكَرِهْتُمُوهُ وَ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ ۚ إِنَّ اللَّهَ تَوَّابٌ رَّحِيمٌ ﴿١٣﴾

## HADITH

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَبَارِكْ وَسَلِّمْ إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَّجِيدٌ

*O Allah! Bless Muhammad<sup>sa</sup> and the people of Muhammad<sup>sa</sup>, and bestow grace and salutations, for verily You are the Praiseworthy, the Majestic.*

Hazrat Abdullah ibn Umar (may Allah be pleased with them both) narrated that the Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "A Muslim is a brother of another Muslim; he does not oppress him, nor does he hand him over [to an oppressor]. Whoever fulfills the need of his brother, Allah will fulfill his need. Whoever relieves a Muslim of a distress, Allah will relieve him of a distress from the distresses of the Day of Judgment. And whoever conceals the faults of a Muslim, Allah will conceal his faults on the Day of Judgment."

[*Sahih al-Bukhari*, Hadith no. 2442]

حَدَّثَنَا يَحْيَى بْنُ بُكَيْرٍ، حَدَّثَنَا اللَّيْثُ، عَنْ عُقَيْلٍ، عَنِ ابْنِ شِهَابٍ، أَنَّ سَالِمًا، أَخْبَرَهُ أَنَّ عَبْدَ اللَّهِ بْنَ عُمَرَ رَضِيَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُمَا أَخْبَرَهُ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ: الْمُسْلِمُ أَخُو الْمُسْلِمِ، لَا يَظْلِمُهُ وَلَا يُسْلِمُهُ، وَمَنْ كَانَ فِي حَاجَةِ أَخِيهِ كَانَ اللَّهُ فِي حَاجَتِهِ، وَمَنْ فَرَّجَ عَنْ مُسْلِمٍ كُرْبَةً فَرَّجَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ كُرْبَةً مِنْ كُرْبَاتٍ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ، وَمَنْ سَتَرَ مُسْلِمًا سَتَرَهُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ.

(صَحِيحُ الْبُخَارِيِّ، كِتَابُ الْمَطَالِمِ، بَابُ لَا

يَظْلِمُ الْمُسْلِمُ الْمُسْلِمَ وَلَا يُسْلِمُهُ)

# WISDOM

## SO SAID THE PROMISED MESSIAH

(PEACE BE UPON HIM)

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### CONCEAL THE FAULTS OF YOUR BROTHERS

“I observe that sometimes disputes arise within the Jama’at, and from minor disagreements, a person begins attacking another’s honour and fighting with his own brother. This is highly inappropriate and should not happen. What harm is there in acknowledging one’s own mistake? Some people refuse to let go of even the smallest matters unless they have completely humiliated the other person. It is essential to avoid such behaviour. ‘Sattar’ [Concealer of faults] is a name of God the Almighty; so why does one not show mercy to his brother and adopt forgiveness and conceal his faults? One should cover his brother’s shortcomings and not attack their honour and dignity...

“This disease—to seize on and publicize the fault of another—is deeply rooted in arrogance. Such actions corrupt the soul and must be avoided. In short, all these matters are part of *taqwa* [righteousness]. A person who adheres to *taqwa* in both internal and external matters is counted among the angels, for no rebelliousness remains in them. Attain *taqwa*, for it is only after *taqwa* that the blessings of Allah the Almighty descend. A *muttaqi* [righteous person] is safeguarded from the calamities of the world. Allah becomes their Concealer. There is no benefit unless this path is adopted. Such people will not gain anything from my *bai’at* [pledge of allegiance]. And how could they benefit when they still harbour an injustice within? If the same passions of arrogance, pride, vanity, hypocrisy, and a short-tempered nature remain within them—just as they do in others—then what difference is there between them and the rest?”

[Translated from *Malfuzat* (2022), vol. 6, pp. 65–66]

# GEMS OF GUIDANCE

from the Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)

NOTE: Given below are translations of extracts from the Friday Sermons of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V<sup>aa</sup>. Readers are encouraged to benefit directly from the Friday Sermons of Huzoor-e-Anwar<sup>aa</sup>, available on [alislam.org](http://alislam.org).



MAKHZAN-E-TASAWWEER

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## OUR BELOVED GOD COVERS OUR COUNTLESS MISTAKES

“Our God is that beloved God who covers our countless mistakes and errors, overlooks them, and does not immediately hold us accountable for our faults. Rather, He grants us the opportunity so that a person—a true believer—may take advantage of this divine treatment and, realizing the mistakes and shortcomings committed, strives for self-reformation, rather than becoming emboldened by repeating them. Thus, when Allah the Almighty covers the faults and mistakes of His servants, it is also incumbent upon the servant to focus on self-improvement and come under the protection of His safeguarding, where he will witness ever-new manifestations of Allah’s attribute of concealing faults.”

[Friday Sermon dated April 3, 2009; translated from *Khutbat-e-Masroor*, vol. 7, p. 168]

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### THE RESPONSIBILITY OF SPOUSES TO MAINTAIN CONFIDENTIALITY IN THEIR RELATIONSHIP

“Allah the Almighty has made both—the husband and the wife—aware of their responsibilities toward each other. He states:

هُنَّ لِبَاسٌ لَّكُمْ وَأَنْتُمْ لِبَاسٌ لَّهُنَّ

*They are a garment for you, and you are a garment for them. (2:188)*

“That is, it is the responsibility of both to maintain the confidentiality of their relationship. In the Holy Qur’an, God the Almighty has mentioned the purposes of clothing: first, it covers one’s nakedness; second, it serves as an adornment and enhances beauty; and third, it provides protection from heat and cold.

“Thus, when a man and a woman decide to unite in marriage through an agreement, they should strive to bear with each other and conceal each other’s shortcomings as much as possible. Neither men nor women should become agitated over trivial matters. Rather, the relationship between an Ahmadi couple should be such that it enhances their beauty. Every Ahmadi couple should display such beauty that they become a model for others.”

[Friday Sermon dated April 3, 2009; translated from *Khutbat-e-Masroor*, vol. 7, pp. 170–171]

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# Rays of Light

The Enlightening Words of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper)

## STRENGTHENING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALLAH THROUGH SACRIFICE



On January 7, 2024, Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) held a virtual meeting with Majlis Ansarullah France. Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) presided over the meeting from the MTA Studios in Islamabad, Tilford, while the Ansarullah members joined the meeting virtually from Masjid Moubarak in Paris, France.

In response to a question on how to create a stronger relationship with Allah the Almighty, Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) said:

“Offer financial sacrifices in remembrance of Allah’s favours and offer two voluntary prayers daily. Allah the Almighty says that if one is grateful to Him, He will, surely, bestow more favours upon him. Thus, if you are grateful to Allah the Almighty, He will raise you in your relationship with Allah and will increase you in your wealth and blessings. To establish a relationship with Allah, it is essential you strive for it. The Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that when a person takes one step towards Allah the Almighty, Allah takes two steps towards the person. When a person draws close to Allah the Almighty by one space of the hand, Allah draws closer to him by two, and when a person walks with pace towards Allah the Almighty, Allah comes running towards him. So, man ought to first make an effort himself, and when you do

make an effort, Allah the Almighty will then further develop the relationship.

“There were companions of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) who had businesses worth millions. For instance, Hazrat Uthman (may Allah be pleased with him) once donated 300 camels at a time of war. When there was a famine, he donated many camels laden with provisions. They were tradesmen, yet they did not forget Allah, which is why they offered these sacrifices. Thus, if we also offer such sacrifices and instil the spirit of sacrifice within ourselves, Allah the Almighty will bestow blessings in our wealth and will also increase us in our nearness with Himself.”

[Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Press & Media Office,  
press release dated January 9, 2024]



## HOW TO BECOME HUMBLE IN PRAYER

In the same virtual meeting, someone sought guidance on how to offer Salat with utmost humility. Huzoor-e-Anwar (may Allah be his Helper) responded:

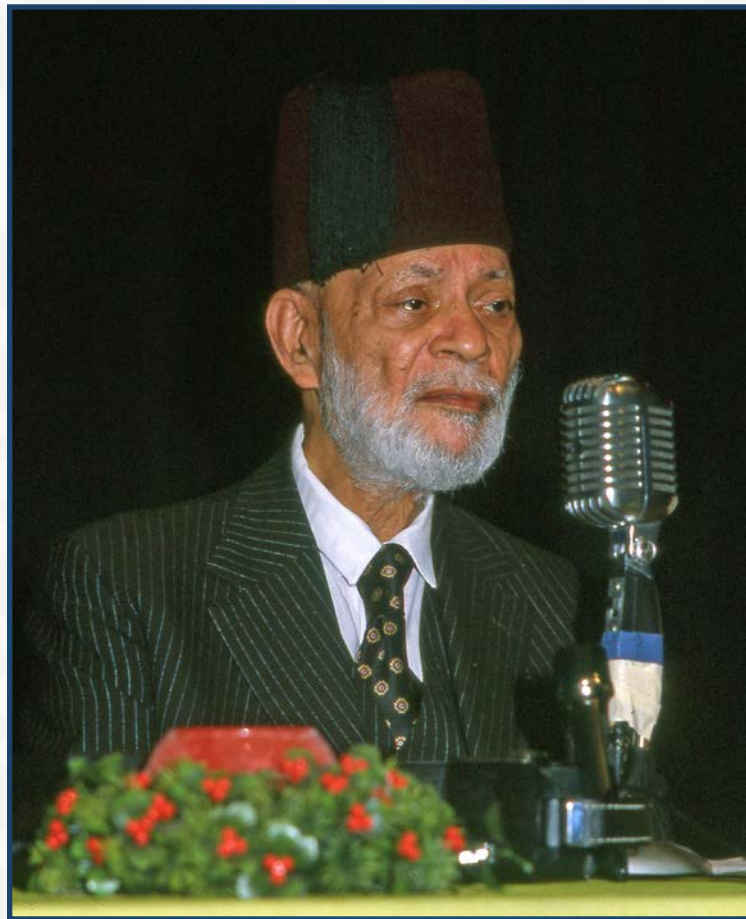
“When you stand for prayer, repeat the words of the prayer. Recite the words الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ [‘All praise belongs to Allah, Lord of all the worlds’] several times when you are offering your voluntary prayers and keep repeating the words اهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ [‘Guide us to the right path’]. The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has said that one may make a facial expression as though you are crying—because one’s outward appearance also has an impact on one’s inner state. When you display an expression of crying, and manifestly try to immerse yourself into such a state, it will leave an impact on your heart too, which will in turn bring about humility and meekness, and as a result, you will begin to cry.

“You may have experienced such a condition in prayer, but this state does not always remain, and no one’s condition can be like this at all times either. However, you should always remember that whenever you stand for prayer, you are standing before Allah the Almighty. When you stand before Allah the Almighty, you become cognizant and fearful of Allah which in turn brings about tenderness in your heart as well as humility. Slowly but surely, you will at times become emotional and increase in humility, but other times such may not be the case. Nevertheless, you should always strive to supplicate and pray that you obtain God Almighty’s Protection when standing before Him in prayer. Your heart will naturally become tender and when this happens it will slowly become a habit. Besides, constant upward and downward fluctuations [in spirituality] are normal. Sometimes you can retain more attention during prayer and so you offer prayer with more humility. But at other times this may not be the case. This is something that happens to all people. The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) said that even prophets encountered this.”

[Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Press & Media Office,  
press release dated January 9, 2024]

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ABDUL HALEEM QURESHI

## Hazrat Chaudhry Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan's<sup>ra</sup> Travels to Canada

Ghulam Misbah, Professor, Jamia Ahmadiyya Canada

While Hazrat Chaudhry Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan (may Allah be pleased with him) enjoyed travel and exploration, much of his journeys were driven by necessity. In his younger years, he travelled primarily for enjoyment, but as he advanced in his legal profession, these journeys became a requirement.

Almost immediately after beginning his law practice, he emerged as one of the leading figures in the Indian subcontinent. Although he had no desire for political power, his innate talents propelled him into significant political and judicial roles, ultimately elevating him onto the world stage and making him a prominent figure of the mid-20th century.

As a globally recognized individual, he travelled extensively across the world. Since he

was a devout Ahmadi Muslim, it added a special perspective to his journeys. In this article, we'll take a closer look at his travels to Canada.

### First Visit — 1933

His first visit to Canada was in 1933 when he participated in the Commonwealth Relations Conference in Toronto. He recalled this journey in his autobiography *Tebdis-e-Nemat*:

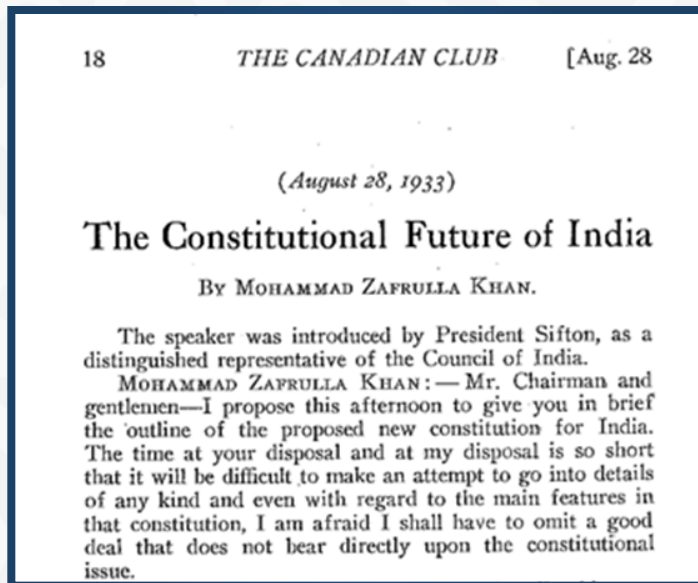
"We sailed from Liverpool for Montreal. The ship anchored for a few hours at Quebec. The view of the city from the ship was extremely fascinating. It appeared as if a piece from the 18th century France had been hived off and placed on the banks of St. Lawrence. ... It was my first visit to the new world which indeed appeared new to me in every way. Truly speaking, such was my impression about every other city and part of Canada. The conference at Toronto was held in the University's Hart



LEFT: Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> presiding over the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jalsa Salana Canada, 1978

RIGHT: A clipping of the transcript of Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan's<sup>ra</sup> speech to the Canadian Club in Toronto, 1933

FAR RIGHT: Image published in The Toronto Star on September 11, 1933, page 3, with the caption, "A distinguished Indian delegate, Mohammad Zafrulla Khan, a member of the Punjab legislative council."



House where the warden also arranged our stay.” [*Teb-dis-e-Nemat — Recollection of Divine Favours* by Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, translated from Urdu by Kunwar Idris p. 340, 341; 2014 ed.]

Availing this opportunity, The Canadian Club of Toronto (now Canadian Club Toronto) arranged his speech in the Royal York Hotel in downtown Toronto. He delivered his speech on the topic of “The Constitutional Future of India,” on August 28, 1933. The Club’s report stated:

“President Cody of the University of Toronto, thanked the speaker on behalf of the Club for his definite and interesting exposition of the subject, praising his mastery of the English language.”

The Toronto Star reported, “High hopes for peaceful solution of the Indian problem were held out today by Mohammad Zafrulla Khan, addressing a meeting of the Canadian club at the Royal York hotel.” [*The Toronto Star*, August 28, 1933, p. 1]

This visit to Canada also allowed him to visit the USA, specifically New York and Chicago.

### Second Visit — 1942

The Institute of Pacific Relations (IPR) organized a conference at Mont-Tremblant in Quebec in December 1942, also known as “The Mont-Tremblant Conference.” Lord Linlithgow, the Viceroy of India, wanted an Indian delegation to participate in this conference. Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>, then a Federal Court judge, was appointed as the leader of the delegation, which included, among others, Begum Shahnawaz (1896-1979), Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier of the Punjab; and Sir Arcot Ramaswamy Mudaliar (1887-1976), Minister of Trade.

Due to the war, he travelled to Cairo and then, passing

through Khartoum, Lagos, Accra, Natal (Brazil), George Town (British Guiana), Miami, and New York, eventually reached Montreal, where he stayed at the Windsor Hotel (opened in 1878 and closed in 1981). The Montreal Star also published a photo of the delegation.

After an overnight stay in Montreal, he reached Mont-Tremblant. He writes:



The Indian Delegation to a Conference Organized by The Institute of Pacific Relations, 1942

SEATED LEFT TO RIGHT: Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>, Begum Shahnawaz, Sir Arcot Ramaswamy Mudaliar (Minister of Trade).

STANDING LEFT TO RIGHT: W. Siva Raj, M. C. Khanna (former Minister of Finance in the Northwest Province), Dr. M. Panikkar (Minister of Bikanir State), S. B. Ahmad (private secretary to Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>), and A. S. B. Shah (delegation secretary)

SOURCE: *The Montreal Star*, December 2, 1942, p. 17; photo taken at The Windsor Hotel in Montreal (opened 1878, closed 1981)

“We sailed from Liverpool for Montreal. ... It was winter and the place was under a blanket of snow. A sledge took us from the station to the lodge.... We had no time for excursions as the conference and the activities connected with it occupied all of our time..... The conference was interesting and added to my knowledge but from the international viewpoint the deliberations of the conference yielded little result.” [*Tehdis-e-Nemat — Recollection of Divine Favours*, p. 472]

Following the conference, The Earl of Athlone, the governor-general of Canada, extended an invitation to him. Aware of his presence in Ottawa, Sir Lyman Poore Duff (1865–1955), chief justice of Canada, invited him to attend a Supreme Court hearing. Subsequently, he participated in a session of the Supreme Court of Ontario. In Toronto, he was also a guest of the Empire Parliamentary Association. [*Tehdis-e-Nemat*]

### Third Visit — 1949

Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan’s<sup>ra</sup> third significant visit to Canada took place in October 1949. However, before discussing its details, it’s important to note that two of his lesser-known visits are also recorded. Reuters’ diplomatic correspondent Mohsin Ali (1923 – 2015) refers to a visit to Canada in 1946 [*Star Weekly*, Toronto, May 28, 1949, p. 6], but no further details about this visit could be found. The other instance wasn’t a formal visit; rather, he had to remain on Canadian soil for 15 hours. This information is from *The Toronto Star*, which states under the heading “Pakistan Minister Stuck”:

“Gander Airport Nfld. Jan. 14 – (CP) Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, foreign minister of newly created Pakistan has been weather-bound here 15 hours on a flight to New York, where he will outline his strife-torn country’s case to the United Nations.” [*The Toronto Star*, January 14, 1948, p. 17]

Now, coming to the 1949 visit, we learn that it was his first visit as a foreign minister of Pakistan. He flew from New York to Ottawa for a couple of days to find some rest. He was welcomed at Uplands Airport by Mines and Resources Minister Colin Gibson, Pakistan High Commissioner Mohammad Ali Bogra and Howard Measures, Chief of Protocol of the Department of External Affairs. *The Ottawa Citizen* reported:

“Visiting Ottawa unofficially today, Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan is taking a recess from his duties as head of Pakistan’s delegation to the United Nations Assembly .... But he has been sadly disappointed if he expected to escape into brief retirement. As president of the In-



SOURCE: *The Ottawa Citizen*, October 14, 1949, p. 33

stitute of International Affairs in his own country, and an eloquent speaker, he drew an invitation to address the Ottawa branch of Canada’s counterpart institute. As foreign minister of Pakistan, he could hardly avoid attracting attention.... His visit here will help cement the closer relations that Pakistan established with Canada by sending Mr. Mohammed Ali as High Commissioner last May.” [*The Ottawa Citizen*, October 14, 1949 p. 44]

### Fourth Visit — 1950

After becoming the first foreign minister of Pakistan, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> had to pay frequent visits to the United States. He availed this opportunity to build good relations with Canada, a sister dominion. Finding time from his busy schedule in New York and Washington, he would travel to Canada. In 1950 he paid another official visit to Canada. *The Montreal Star* reports:

OTTAWA, Sept. 28 – (C.P.) – Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Pakistan Minister for Foreign Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, arrives in Ottawa from New York tomorrow for a three-day visit and will be honored at an official Canadian Government dinner Monday.

Sir Zafrullah will go by air to Toronto Tuesday and will leave that city the following day by car, visiting Niagara Falls and Brantford, Ont., before returning to New York. [*The Montreal Star*, September 28, 1950, p. 43; *The Ottawa Journal*, October 3, 1950, p. 17]

### Fifth Visit — 1953

Entering from the United States, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> unofficially visited Canada again in the last week of October 1953. His only daughter, Amatul-Hayee Begum (d. November 5, 2004), was also with him. *The Expositor* reported:



Sir Zafrullah Khan, distinguished Pakistan statesman and his pretty, 18-year old daughter, paid a surprise visit to Brantford Sunday when they stopped for about an hour at the home of Walter Howard, 10 William Street, while motoring to Toronto from Niagara Falls. Sir Zafrullah, who is also his country's delegate to the United Nations, is a frequent visitor to cities in the U.S. and Canada. ... He visited Brantford three years ago. [*The Expositor*, Brantford, Ontario, October 26, 1953, p. 11]

### Sixth Visit — 1954

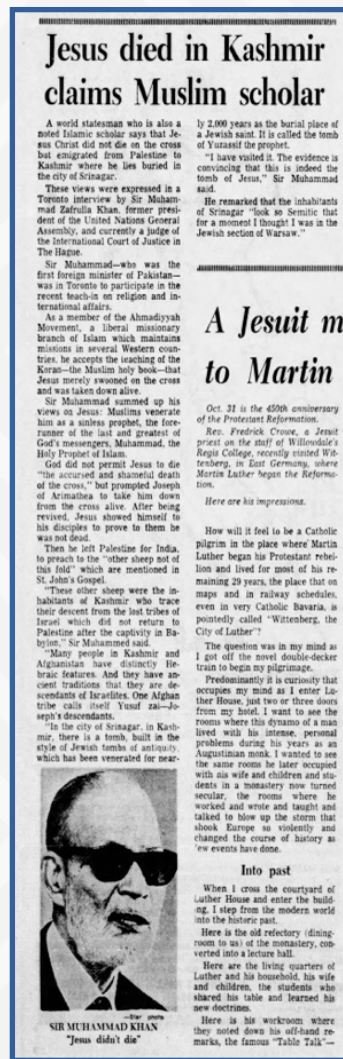
In the middle of 1954, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> was in the United States to seek a solution with India over the water resources of Punjab. He arrived in the US on June 4, 1954, and spent almost two months in this regard. During this period, he took a three-day motor trip to Niagara Falls with some Pakistani friends. After sightseeing on both the American and Canadian sides of the border, he returned to Washington again. This story comes from Selwa Roosevelt, an American journalist (later Chief of Protocol of the United States) who titled it "Pakistan's Foreign Minister Knows U.S. Roads by Heart." She further wrote, "This phenomenal memory of Sir Zafrullah is not confined merely to roads. He is the same way with telephone numbers, street names and other such details of everyday life." [*Evening Star*, Washington, DC, July 11, 1954, p. 68]

### Seventh Visit — 1963

In his book *Tebdis-e-Nemat*, in the sequence of 1963 events, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> mentions his four-day holiday visit to Canada, while he was in New York. He states:

"I went on a four-day holiday to Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Niagara Falls. At Ottawa I was invited to lunch by foreign minister Paul Martin at the parliament house to which prime minister Lester Pearson was also invited. A few days before that, he had undergone surgery, for the removal of a cyst from his neck. He told me that cyst was removed by a Canadian surgeon but the wound was stitched up by a Pakistani surgeon that showed, he said 'the degree of trust we repose in Pakistan.' After lunch we witnessed the proceedings of the parliament. The speaker was known to me. As he announced my presence in the gallery, the members thumped their desks and raised welcoming slogans." [*Tebdis-e-Nemat*, p. 738, 739]

*The Moncton Transcript* reports, "Sir Zafrullah, on a three-day visit to Canada.... Sir Zafrullah arrived here Saturday and conferred Monday with External Affairs Minister Martin and Prime Minister Pearson on matters affecting



LEFT: A clipping from *The Toronto Star* in 1967, in which the views of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at regarding the migration of Prophet Jesus<sup>as</sup> to Kashmir have been explained in the words of Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>.

the UN, primarily those in which Canada and Pakistan are especially interested." [*The Moncton Transcript*, Moncton, New Brunswick, July 23, 1963, p. 12]

### Eighth Visit — 1967

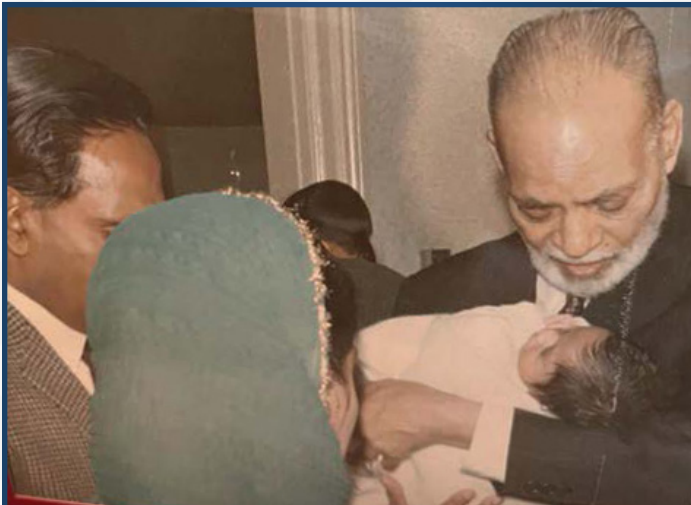
In October 1967, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> visited Canada to see the 1967 International and Universal Exposition, also known as "Expo 67", in Montreal to celebrate the centennial of Confederation.

Respected Mian Ataullah Advocate has reported this visit in the *Daily Al-Fazl Rabwah*, he states that arriving in Montreal on October 7, 1967, although the apparent purpose was to see the expo but Hazrat Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> did not spend much time there, rather he spent his days spreading the message of Islam Ahmadiyyat. Chaudhry Abdul Latif arranged his meetings with several dignitaries.

On October 9, he departed for Toronto, where the University of Toronto arranged his stay. The next day he travelled to New York, and on October 19, he returned to Toronto again with a busy schedule, delivering lectures and holding Q&A sessions.

Taking some time out of his busy programs, he also visited an Ahmadi member, Sheikh Manzoor-ul-Hasan, in Brantford, and said Adhan to his newly born child and named him Maqbool-ul-Hasan. He was also interviewed by different media members. [*Al-Fazl*, Rabwah, December 21, 1967, p. 3]

Famous Canadian journalist Allen Spraggett (1932 – 2022) interviewed him and summarized it in the *Toronto Star* under the heading “Jesus died in Kashmir claims Muslim scholar.”



Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> visited the home of Sheikh Manzoor-ul-Hasan in Brantford, Ontario and recited adhan in the ear of his newborn son. He named the child Maqbool-ul-Hasan. Here, he is seen reciting adhan in the newborn's ear.

### Ninth Visit — 1978

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada held its 2<sup>nd</sup> Jalsa Salana on July 1 – 2, 1978, and cordially invited Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>. Accepting this invitation, he travelled from London and arrived in Toronto on June 30, where he was warmly welcomed by members of Jama'at. He addressed the Jalsa audience both days, both in English and Urdu. A Pakistani radio programmer Adil Taimoori also interviewed him. On July 3, he travelled to New York with respected Khalil Ahmad Nasir. Notably, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (later Khalifatul-Masih IV), may Allah have mercy upon him, was also present in this Jalsa. [*Al-Fazl*, Rabwah, September 14 & 16, 1978]

### Tenth Visit — 1979

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada's Calgary chapter organized a public meeting to celebrate Religious Founder's Day on October 16, 1979, in MacEwan Hall, University of Calgary. Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan especially arrived for this event. The Calgary *Albertan* announcing



PRESIDING OVER 2<sup>ND</sup> JALSA SALANA CANADA, 1978  
RIGHT TO LEFT: Khalifa Abdul Aziz, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad<sup>rh</sup>, Maulana Syed Mansur Bashir (first missionary of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada)



Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> seated among the attendees of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jalsa Salana Canada held at Earl Haig Secondary School in Toronto, 1978.

the event, stated:

“Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, 87, former Judge and President of the International Court of Justice at the Hague and former Minister of External Affairs of Pakistan, will preside over the meeting and will deliver the keynote address.... He is a member of Ahmadiyya movement in Islam and an eminent scholar in the field of comparative religion ....” [*The Calgary Albertan*, October 12, 1979, p. 41]

Although he was supposed to give the keynote speech but suffering from jet-lag, he said he was too tired to speak. [*Calgary Herald*, October 20, 1979, p. 24]

Being a companion of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), a humble servant of Khilafat, and a world-renowned personality, the travels of Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan (may Allah be pleased with him) are an important chapter in the history of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at in Canada.



## Historic Images from Hazrat Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan's<sup>ra</sup> Visit to Toronto in 1978



RIGHT TO LEFT: Maulana Syed Mansur Bashir, Mostafa Sabet, and Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>



SEATED, RIGHT TO LEFT: Maulana Syed Mansur Bashir, Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>, Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad<sup>rh</sup>, Khalifa Abdul Aziz  
STANDING, R-L: Mostafa Sabet, Saleem Siddiqui, Khalil A. Chaudhry



Members of Canada Jama'at with Hazrat Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> at the airport to bid him farewell



A young boy, Fakhar Lone, is seen here reciting the adhan to Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup>



Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> is seen here leading silent prayer at the airport



Hazrat Sir Zafrulla Khan<sup>ra</sup> conversing with Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad<sup>rh</sup>



**MUHAMMAD<sup>SA</sup>**

## The Pinnacle of Human Excellence and the Key to True Success

Safi Rajput, Milton East

Being human, it's in our nature to seek love, admiration, and acceptance. We strive to present the best version of ourselves to the world, often influenced by the trends around us—how we dress, how we speak, and how we live. We are drawn to the idea of success, following the footsteps of those we admire, reading their works, and even changing our habits to emulate their achievements.

But this raises a profound question: What is success? Is it fame? Wealth? Influence? I would argue that true success is living a balanced life. It is finding peace within ourselves, understanding the purpose of our existence, and being confident that our efforts will yield meaningful results.

With this perspective, when we turn the pages of history, one figure stands out—a man whose impact on humanity is unparalleled, whose legacy is timeless, and whose example continues to guide millions. That man is none other than Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

When we examine the life of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), we see that his unparalleled success lies in his dual spiritual stations: The first station is being the person who loved his Creator the way no one had done in the past; this is his spiritual status being *Ahmad*. Once he achieved this station, he was accepted equally by his Creator, and then he became a reflection of his Creator, meaning beloved of his Creator, the one who is most admired and loved by Creator; this status is called *Muhammad*. These are not mere titles but profound spiritual realities. The combination of both makes a per-

fect human (*Insan-e-Kamil*), and for this reason, Allah says:

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ لِّمَن كَانَ يَرْجُوا اللَّهَ وَالْيَوْمَ الْآخِرَ وَ  
ذَكَرَ اللَّهَ كَثِيرًا ۖ

*Verily you have in the Prophet of Allah an excellent model, for him who fears Allah and the Last Day and who remembers Allah much. (33:22)*

The *Station of Ahmad* represents the perfection of human qualities—the epitome of devotion, humility, and purity of soul in his love for God.

On the other hand, the *Station of Muhammad* signifies the manifestation of Divine attributes within him, which were then reflected in those around him.

Being *Ahmad*, the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) became the ideal human being, achieving the pinnacle of love for his Creator. As *Muhammad*, through the reflection of divine guidance, he nurtured and transformed those who followed him, helping them ascend to unparalleled spiritual heights. This dual role—first becoming the perfect example and then using that example to elevate others—is what defines his greatness. This is what is referred to in the Holy Qur'an:

قُلْ إِن كُنْتُمْ تُحِبُّونَ اللَّهَ فَاتَّبِعُونِي يُحْبِبْكُمُ اللَّهُ وَيَغْفِرْ لَكُمْ ذُنُوبَكُمْ ۗ وَاللَّهُ  
عَفُورٌ رَّحِيمٌ ۝

*Say, 'If you love Allah, follow me: then will Allah love you and forgive you your faults. And Allah is Most Forgiving, Merciful.' (3:32)*



History bears witness to the transformative impact of this divine union. A semi-barbaric and morally degraded tribal society, described in the Qur'an as being at the lowest of the low (*Asfal Safileen*), underwent a remarkable transformation within two decades. The unlettered and seemingly powerless Prophet became the agent of change for these tribes. Through their allegiance to him, they first learned to become truly human, then moral and ethical beings, and finally, God-conscious individuals.

This transformation was no ordinary reform—it was a revolution. The spiritual teachings of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) reshaped the very fabric of society. They brought peace, equality, and justice, promoted fairness in rights and responsibilities, and created a harmonious balance in interpersonal and international relations. A once unruly and fragmented community became a model society—one that resembled paradise on earth.

In essence, the perfect teaching brought by the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) had a profound dual purpose: to purify the soul and to establish a society where such purification could flourish. As *Ahmad*, he fulfilled the first purpose by reaching unparalleled heights of love and devotion to his Creator. As *Muhammad*, he accomplished the second purpose by ushering in a transformative social revolution, elevating humanity to unprecedented moral and spiritual heights.

This sacred union of *Ahmad* and *Muhammad* is the essence of Islam—the Seal of Prophets (*Khatamun Nabiyyin*) and the Mercy for Mankind (*Rahmatul-lil-Alameen*). Indeed, this dual achievement was the culmination of humanity's spiritual and moral journey, initiated with Adam (peace be upon him) and perfected in the life of the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). It embodies the profound meaning of the divine statement:

لَوْلَاكَ لَمَّا خَلَقْتُ الْأَفْلَاقَ

(If not for you, I would not have created the heavens)

Remember when God created Adam, the angels expressed their apprehension, fearing that humanity would descend into discord, shedding blood on the earth, and failing to recognize and worship God as He truly deserved. Their concern was rooted in the potential of human free will to deviate from Divine guidance.

Yet, God, in His infinite wisdom, foresaw the grand destiny of humanity. It took the efforts of 124,000 prophets—each one sent to guide, reform, and nurture mankind

spiritually—to bring humanity closer to fulfilling the purpose for which it was created and to truly find the hidden treasure (God). This long journey of spiritual evolution reached its pinnacle when *Ahmad* attained the status of Muhammad.

It was through him that humanity finally embodied the recognition of God in its most perfect form. His life became the ultimate manifestation of Divine love and guidance, so much so that not only did God declare him as the Seal of the Prophets, but all the angels, who once expressed doubt, bore witness to the fact that this was the moment humanity had been destined for.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ ۖ

*Allah and His angels send blessings on the Prophet. (33:57)*

In the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), he demonstrated the height of human potential, fulfilling His promise that humanity would indeed be capable of reaching the highest spiritual excellence. This is why we are asked to invoke salutations upon him as he is the one who praised to the level of highest acceptance!

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ۝

*O ye who believe! you also should invoke blessings on him and salute him with the salutation of peace. (33:57)*

This is precisely why I love the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him). It is this profound understanding of his exalted status that compels me and every devotee to follow him. He is not just a beacon of light for humanity but the very essence of Divine guidance. His life and character provide the ultimate template for achieving true success.

Real success lies not in fleeting worldly gains or transient accomplishments but in aligning our lives with his teachings. His unparalleled example teaches us how to balance the spiritual and material realms, navigate challenges with grace, and live a life that pleases our Creator. Following his footsteps is the path to lasting peace, purpose, and eternal success!

صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَسَلَّمَ

*Peace and blessings of Allah be upon him and his people!*

# In Memory of My Dear Brother Muhammad Javed Iqbal Vance

Muhammad Zafar Iqbal

In the spirit of the Hadith of the Holy Prophet (may peace and blessings of Allah be upon him), “Remember your deceased ones with kind words,” [*Jami at-Tirmidhi*, Hadith no. 1019] and in accordance with the exhortations of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih IV<sup>th</sup> and V<sup>aa</sup> that Ahmadis should remember and share the virtues of their loved ones, I have written the following lines in memory of my dear younger brother, Muhammad Javed Iqbal Vance.

One cannot help but reflect on the depth of wisdom in these exhortations. By contemplating the positive attributes of a loved one, the writer not only inspires others to adopt those values—thus helping foster a positive atmosphere in society—but also earns the pleasure of Allah by acting on these noble instructions.

Muhammad Javed Iqbal Vance was born on May 15, 1950. He was the second of us five siblings. He completed his high school at Talim-ul-Islam High School, Rabwah, in 1966, and his F.Sc. from Talim-ul-Islam College, Rabwah, in 1969. Javed Vance had the honour of being a classmate of Hazrat Khalifatul Masih V (may Allah be his Helper).

Alhamdulillah, our maternal great-grandfather, Hazrat Chaudhry Sultan Ahmad (may Allah be pleased with him) of Deriwala, Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur, India, was a companion of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him).

Javed Vance was an excellent basketball player and was admitted to Engineering University, Lahore, on a sports basis in 1969. He graduated as a civil engineer in 1974 and began working with the Pakistan Water and Power Development Authority (WAPDA).

Javed Vance had a warm and likable personality. He was not only well-liked but deeply loved by his colleagues.

One of his professional associates and overseers, Mumtaz Bhatti, considered Javed Vance as a family member. During Javed’s posting in Bhalwal, Sargodha, local clerics attempted to stir up the Ahmadi issue. Mumtaz Bhatti, a non-Ahmadi himself, issued a stern warning to them, and they backed down.

Mumtaz Bhatti’s family would often share personal matters with Javed Vance, who played a constructive and supportive role in their issues.

Similarly, Javed Vance was a close friend of Naseer Ahmad “Bunda” of Rabwah, also a talented basketball player. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah have mercy upon him), out of affection, had given Naseer Ahmad the nickname “Bunda,” after the famous Pakistani hockey player Naseer Bunda. Javed and Naseer’s friendship was considered exemplary in Rabwah.

Javed Vance was especially mindful of the rights of relatives—both near and distant—especially those facing economic hardship. He would assist such families and always remembered them on festive occasions like Eid, giving Eidi to the children. Many of those children, now adults, still remember and deeply appreciate his acts of kindness. When visiting Rabwah, he would make it a point to visit all relatives in town, even briefly.

Whenever I visited Pakistan, Javed Vance would pick me up from the airport and bring me home. Over the next day or two, he would take me around to visit all our relatives. On one such visit, I developed an upset stomach. Javed Vance called Mirza Farid Ahmad Sahib, the son of Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih III (may Allah have mercy upon him) and my classmate, who graciously invited us over. We had a pleasant conversation, and Mirza Sahib treated me with homeopathic medicine.



In Canada as well, prior to his illness, he would call his siblings and cousins daily—just to check in and see how everyone was doing. When his illness progressed to the point that he could no longer speak or call, his family and cousins truly missed those regular interactions.

Javed Vance took great pride in caring for the in-laws of his siblings. He would take our parents to visit their near and distant relatives, many of whom still remember those thoughtful gestures.

He was a loving father and caring husband. He was eager to help with household chores like cleaning, cooking, and getting the children ready.

Hospitality was one of Javed Vance's strongest qualities. Whether the guests were invited or visiting unexpectedly, he would take charge of the kitchen, assisting with cooking, preparation, and serving. At times, when visiting close relatives, he would offer to help in the kitchen.

At family weddings, Javed Vance would take charge of all arrangements, big and small, allowing the rest of the family to simply enjoy the event. Mumtaz Bhatti and Naseer Ahmad Bunda were usually part of the management team on such occasions.

During his service in Pakistan, Javed Vance lived in Rabwah with his family. He was active in Jama'at work and helped members who sought assistance, particularly in areas related to electricity meters or securing employment.

He also had the honour of escorting interested family members of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) to sporting events in the Bhalwal area.

Javed Vance took early retirement as Superintendent Engineer in 1997 and moved to Canada with his family. Like most immigrants, he faced challenging economic circumstances in the beginning.

He remained an active member of the Ahmadiyya Jama'at Canada and was a ready volunteer whenever needed. He served the Jama'at in various capacities, including as Afsar of the Jalsa Gah at Jalsa Salana Canada in 2002–2003.

In 2008, he had the blessing of performing Umrah with his entire family.

In 2015, he was diagnosed with progressive supranuclear palsy, a degenerative neurological disorder. His health steadily declined, and he passed away on Thursday, July 25, 2024, in a hospital in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. *Indeed, to Allah we belong and to Him shall we return!*

His funeral prayer was held on Saturday, July 27, at 2:00 p.m. in Baitul Hamd Mosque, Mississauga, followed by burial at 3:00 p.m. in Brampton Memorial Gardens, Brampton, Ontario. Funeral prayers in absentia were also held in various Jama'ats in the USA, including Baitur Rahman Mosque (Maryland), Houston, and Buffalo.

Alhamdulillah, Javed Vance was a Musi. He was a devoted Ahmadi with a deep love for Khilafat. He was regular in his daily prayers.

Respected Malik Lal Khan Sahib, Amir Jama'at Canada, visited Javed Vance during his illness and graciously sent a personal letter of condolence to the family after his passing.

He is survived by his wife, Sabahat Javed Vance Sahiba; three sons—Nasir Javed Vance (an accounts executive), Mohsin Javed Vance (CPA), and Annas Javed Vance (a civil engineer); and two daughters—Sairah Javed Vance (a supply-chain manager) and Mairah Javed Vance (a civil engineer). Alhamdulillah, all family members are Musian and active in service to the Jama'at.

On September 21, 2024, his funeral prayer in absentia was led by Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) at Masjid Mubarak, Islamabad, UK.

May Allah the Almighty, in His infinite mercy, grant him forgiveness and elevate his spiritual station in Paradise. Ameen!



# FROM COAST TO COAST

## Reports from Jama'ats Across Canada

### Tabligh Trip: Yellowknife to Whitehorse

*Mozaffar Ahmad, Missionary of the Territories of Canada*

In the summer of 2024, members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at had the esteemed opportunity to conduct Tabligh activities in remote regions of Canada. The journey lasted a total of thirty-five days, commencing from Calgary and traversing through the Northwest Territories, Yukon, northern Alberta, and British Columbia. The trip concluded with the Western Canada Jalsa.

The primary purpose of this trip was to disseminate the message of Islam Ahmadiyya across the Territories of Canada, promoting the peaceful teachings of Islam. This initiative aimed to establish Tabligh contacts in various regions of the country while extending invitations for Jalsa Salana Western Canada. Additionally, the trip facilitated in-person interactions with Jama'at members residing in remote locations such as Yellowknife and Whitehorse.

The entire journey was conducted by road, covering a distance of over 13,000 kilometres. During the trip, more than 600 pamphlets and over 100 books were distributed. New contacts were established, and existing Jama'at members were visited. The team successfully conveyed the true

message of Islam to hundreds of individuals in over 30 cities, towns, and Indigenous reserves.

Various programs were organized in these locations, including radio interviews, meetings with local officials (mayors and Indigenous chiefs), Coffee & Islam sessions, and community picnics. The summer season attracted numerous tourists from both Canada and the United States, providing further opportunities for engagement.

This was not the first instance of Jama'at members visiting these remote areas. Members have been traveling to these regions for over a decade, with the Calgary and Edmonton Jama'at focusing on the Northwest Territories and the Vancouver and Abbotsford Jama'at covering Yukon. Furthermore, the World Religions Conference (WRC) has been held annually in these regions, allowing Jama'at representatives to engage with attendees over the years.

The trip commenced on Friday, July 12, 2024 in Calgary, proceeding to Edmonton, Peace River, and High Level, where Tabligh activities were conducted. On July 14, ef-



forts continued in the Northwest Territories, particularly in Yellowknife and Hay River, the two largest towns in the region. The Jama'at engaged with diverse groups, including non-Ahmadi Muslims, Christians, Indigenous communities, Sikhs, and Hindus. Additionally, members participated in the Independence Day celebrations of the Indigenous community of Behchoko. As a result of these efforts, a Jama'at has been established in Yellowknife.

During the stay, Jama'at representatives met with local mayors, Indigenous chiefs, government officials, Indigenous leaders, radio hosts, journalists, and citizens from both Canada and the United States. This initiative provided an opportunity to reach more Muslims and educate them on the true teachings of Islam, particularly in areas where knowledge of Ahmadiyya Islam is limited or misunderstood.

On July 21, the journey extended from Yellowknife to Whitehorse, covering parts of the Northwest Territories, northern British Columbia, and Yukon. Key locations visited included Whitehorse, Fort Nelson, and Watson Lake. Due to its proximity to the United States, Whitehorse and its surrounding areas had a significant presence of both Canadian and American visitors. In Whitehorse, where a small but active Jama'at community exists, a Coffee & Islam event was organized with participation from radio hosts and local newspapers.

The return route followed the same path to Yellowknife to ensure that any missed reserves or towns were visited. After returning to Yellowknife, the team proceeded to the Western Canada Jalsa via an alternative route to include visits to remote locations such as Fort Smith. The journey concluded on August 10 with the team's arrival in Calgary for Jalsa.

This Tabligh initiative successfully expanded the reach of Islam Ahmadiyya in remote parts of Canada, strengthened connections with Jama'at members, and facilitated engagement with various communities and officials. The extensive travel and activities conducted highlight the commitment of Jama'at members to spreading the peaceful message of Islam, fostering interfaith dialogue, and building long-lasting relationships in these regions. May Allah bless all the volunteers. Ameen!

## Ahmadiyya Conference of Entrepreneurs (ACE) Canada 2024

*Roomi Sahi and Azmat Bhatti*



Group photo of organizers and guests of ACE

By the grace of Allah, the Ahmadiyya Conference for Entrepreneurs (ACE) was held at the beautiful Mubarak Mosque in Brampton, Ontario, on November 1–3, 2024.

Guests traveled from as far away as California, Chicago, Calgary, Montreal, Vancouver and Winnipeg to attend or speak at the conference. We had great participation from our American brothers who took time away from their busy schedules to come and present their viewpoints, and the Canadian Entrepreneurs appreciated their presentations.

MTA International Canada Studios also produced a documentary which reached over 10,000 people worldwide, Alhamdulillah!

**Day 1: Friday, November 1**

The Conference started with a dinner reception for the guests for the speakers and attendees. The total number of participants was close to 500.

**Day 2: Saturday, November 2**

The second day commenced with Tilawat from the Holy Qur'an followed by English and Urdu Translation. The opening remarks were presented by Respected Abdul Haleem Tayyab Sahib, National Secretary San'at-o-Ti-jarat. Next, a presentation was given by Dr. Tauseef Khan,

National Secretary Ta'lim and researcher at the University of Toronto, on the topic, "History in the Making — The Time is Now!" After this informative speech, the keynote address, "The Startup Journey — From an Idea to Billions" was delivered by Imran Ahmad, Senior Advisor, QED Investors (USA). This was followed by a Q & A session which was moderated by Irfan Ahmad sahib.

The conference featured a diverse lineup of insightful panels, keynote speeches, and interactive sessions.

Panel 1, titled "Modern Entrepreneurship — What It Takes and Why You Should," brought together industry leaders including Imran Ahmad (Senior Advisor, QED Investors, USA), M.A. Choudhary (Managing Partner, MAC Capital Partners, USA), Jamshaid Hashmi (CEO, ClickTecs & FranchiseSoft), and Qamar Qureshi (CEO, Argo), moderated by Naeem Farooqi (CEO, FleetZero).

Following this, Keynote 2, "Strategic Investment and Capital Structuring in Real Estate", was delivered by Luqman Ahmad (CFO, TrioVest), with a Q & A session moderated by Junaid Ahmad.

The Lajna Keynote, "STEM, AI, and Technology", was presented by Dr. Uzma Urooj. The event concluded with closing remarks by Respected Lal Khan Malik Sahib, Amir Jama'at Canada, followed by Zuhr/Asr prayers.

Keynote 3, "The Green Economy Revolution", was delivered by Mujeeb Ijaz (Founder, Our Next Energy, USA). Panel 2, "STEM - The Importance of and What We Can Learn from the Current Leaders", featured Mujeeb Ijaz Ahmad, M.A Choudhary, and Dr. Ijaz Rauf (PhD Physics, Cambridge University), and was moderated by Naeem Farooqi and Arfan Ahmad (Technology Director, Rouch Management LLC).

Panel 3, "Executive Leadership - Managing Within Large Organizations", included industry experts such as Imran Ahmad (Group President, Masco), Imran Warraich (CTO & SVP, AIG, USA), Saleem Tahir (COO, Medeanalytics, USA), and Rehan Qureshi (VP, Maximus Canada), moderated by Maud Chaudhry (CIO, Quadreal) and Muhsin Shahid (MBA, Columbia Business School & London Business School).

The Men's Turbo Talks covered a range of topics, including Tech and Finance, Modern Commerce, Small Business, Real Estate, Modern Marketing, and STEM.



Dr. Tauseef Khan Sahib, National Secretary Ta'lim



Asif Khan Sahib, National Secretary Umur-e-Kharijia



Amir Sahib (second from left) attending the conference



Sessions featured prominent speakers such as Qamar Qureshi, Luqman Ahmad, Jamshaid Hashmi, Maood Tahir, Ahmad Ahmaduddin, Safdar Anees, Atiq Ahmad, Hamid Faran, Mohsin Mian, Waqas Mukhtar, Bilal Tanweer, Mansoor Anjum, Kabir Chughtai, Inam Rana, Zeeshan Zakaria, Jawad Mir, Safwan Choudhry, Aleem Sahib, Usman Sehti, Haroon Rashid, and Salman Ahmad. Similarly, the Lajna Turbo Talks featured engaging discussions on taxation, business agility, student services, STEM pathways, healthcare innovation, environmental law, and entrepreneurship, led by Sherena Hussain, Filza Ijaz, Munavera Ahmed, Dr. Qudsia Naeem, Rabbia Akbar, Dania Ahmed, and Mariam Farooqi. The Heritage Moment on “Networking and Trust”, presented by Imran Warraich (CTO & SVP, AIG), offered valuable insights into building professional relationships. The conference concluded with the Ahmadiyya Awards announcement, silent prayer, Azan, Namaz, followed by dinner, networking, and an open forum.

### Day 3: Sunday, November 3 — An Outing

On the third day, attendees visited the Behive location in Brampton. This area is well-considered a premier start-up incubator location, and has helped international start-ups accelerate their expansion into the North American market. Close to 80 people attended.

### Volunteers

The ACE Conference was supported by over 40 dedicated volunteers who worked tirelessly around the clock to ensure its success. They undertook a variety of responsibilities, including:

- Audio/Video Management
- MTA Documentary Production
- Registration
- Ziyafat (Guest Hospitality)
- Accommodations
- Travel Arrangements
- Pick-up and Drop-off Services
- General Hospitality
- Stage Setup
- Food Serving

Attendees at all levels of success in entrepreneurship joined alongside their seniors as well as equals; and attained motivation to work for a higher purpose; and to think big and work together in an ethical manner.

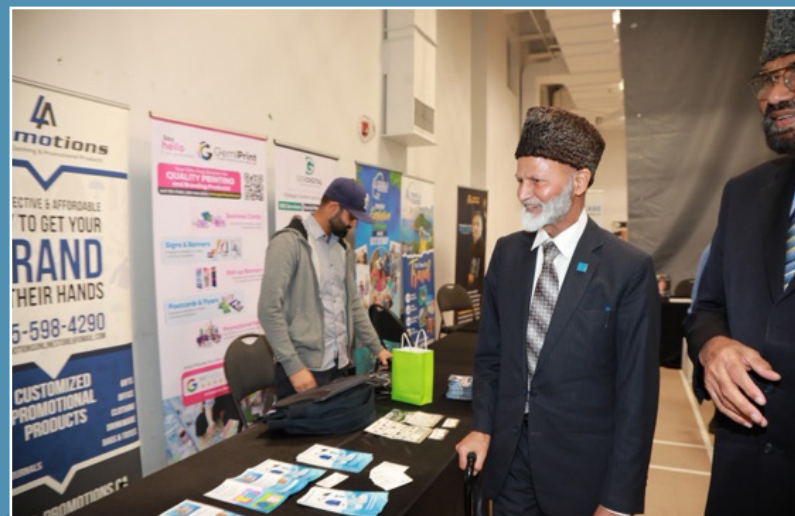
People from the Jama'at business community were brought closer to the Jama'at, and the attendees left the conference



Participants asking questions to presenters



Respected Amir Sahib and Mujeeb Ijaz Sahib, Founder & CEO of Our Next Energy (ONE)



Respected Amir Sahib viewing booths at ACE



A view of the attendees of the conference



The Ziafat team with Amir Sahib & Missionary Incharge Sahib

with a renewed spirit of facilitating brothers and strong sense of brotherhood. There was something for each level of business investor and professional so that they could continue to grow for themselves and the community.

The speakers gave motivational speeches with their examples showing what is possible and encouraged the attendees to take risks and think about why they do what they do. The speakers were all extremely accomplished entrepreneurs and professionals - from owning businesses managing a high portfolio of assets, or being senior leaders in their respective fields and managing high sum amounts in corporations.

Attendees had great feedback on the presentations, as well as the event as a whole. They truly appreciated the thought and work that went into organizing the conference.

The organizing board from San'at-o-Tijarat worked tirelessly together in their assigned departments and Allah blessed their efforts manifold, Alhamdulillah! Lastly, the American brothers are appreciated who came and helped make this conference a success.



Children volunteering at the conference



Dinner reception for the attendees of the conference



## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

### Emaan Nadeem Khan

We are pleased to announce that on February 27, 2025, Allah Almighty blessed Nadeem Ahmad Khan, Missionary, Nazim Darul Qadha Canada and his wife Samrah Nadeem with their third child, a daughter named Emaan Nadeem Khan. Hazrat Khalifatul-Masih V (may Allah be his Helper) graciously approved her name and she is part of the Waqf-e-Nau scheme.

The newborn is the paternal granddaughter of Waseem Ahmad Khan and Musarrat Shazia of Vaughan Melville Jama'at; and the maternal granddaughter of Mubashar Ahmad Shahid and Nabeela Mubashar of Peace Village South West Jama'at.

Notably, Emaan's paternal uncle, Ahsan Ahmad Khan Shaheed, and her maternal uncle, Mubarak Ahmad Tahir Shaheed, were martyred in the 2010 Lahore attacks.

The editorial staff of the Ahmadiyya Gazette Canada extends heartiest congratulations to the family on this joyous occasion. May Allah Almighty grant Emaan Nadeem Khan a long, healthy, and pious life and make her the delight of her family's eyes. Ameen!



UNSPASH

## Canadian Ahmadi Awarded the King Charles III Coronation Medal

### Mirza Naseem Baig Sahib



We are pleased to announce that Mirza Naseem Baig Sahib of Mississauga Jama'at has been awarded the King Charles III Coronation Medal. This distinguished honour recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to Canada and their local communities.

The medal was presented during a special coronation medal ceremony, held on March 21, 2025. Mirza Naseem Baig Sahib stated:

"I am truly honored to receive the King Charles III Coronation Medal from Federal Minister Rechie Valdez for recognizing my over 15 years of community service. This recognition fuels my passion and commitment to continue giving back to our community. This marks my fourth award—two from the provincial government and two from the federal level. I am grateful for the journey and the opportunity to make a difference!"

# KIDS ZONE

## WHAT IS THE MEANING OF “TAWAKKUL”?

*Tawakkul* means trusting in Allah and relying on Him, while also putting in our own effort. It's the belief that after doing everything we can, we leave the results to Allah, knowing He has the best plan for us. In Surah At-Tawba (9:51), Allah says, "Say, 'Nothing will happen to us except what Allah has decreed for us; He is our protector.'" This teaches that while we should work hard and strive for success, the ultimate outcome is in Allah's hands. *Tawakkul* also means having patience and faith in difficult times, trusting that Allah will guide us through.

For example, imagine you're studying hard for an exam. You do your best, but you trust that whatever happens, it is part of Allah's plan, and He will guide you to the right outcome. You do the work, but leave the rest to Him.

[Atfal Weekly Class Syllabus, Majlis Atfalul Ahmadiyya Canada, p. 62]

## TRIVIA

1. Before his prophethood, by which two titles was the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> known among the Arabs?
2. What was the name of the peace alliance the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> joined before prophethood?
3. How old was the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> when he married Hazrat Khadijah<sup>ra</sup>?
4. Who is known as the "companion of the cave"?

ANSWERS  
1. As-Sadiq (The Truthful) & Al-Ameen (The Trustworthy)  
2. Hithful Fudhul  
3. 25  
4. Hazrat Abu Bakr (may Allah be pleased with him)



## MEMORIZE THIS

The Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup> said: "Two words which are light on the tongue and heavy in the balance, and beloved to the Most Merciful God are:

سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ وَبِحَمْدِهِ سُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمِ

"Holy is Allah with his Praise, Holy is Allah the Mighty"

(Sunan Ibn Majah, Hadith no. 3806)

## WRITING ACTIVITY

What are your favourite incidents from the life of the Holy Prophet<sup>sa</sup>? Send them to us at [editor@ahmadiyyagazette.ca](mailto:editor@ahmadiyyagazette.ca)

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## سوالات کے جواب دیں

- ۱۔ بعثت سے قبل عربوں میں آنحضرت ﷺ کن دو لقبوں سے جانے جاتے تھے؟
- ۲۔ بعثت سے قبل آنحضرت صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم نے جس امن کے معاہدے میں شمولیت اختیار کی، اُس کا کیا نام تھا؟
- ۳۔ آنحضرت صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم کی عمر کتنی تھی جب آپ نے حضرت خدیجہ رضی اللہ عنہا سے نکاح فرمایا؟
- ۴۔ ”یارِ غار“ کے لقب سے کونسے صحابیؓ جانے جاتے ہیں؟

## دعا یاد کریں

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پاک ہے اللہ اپنی حمد کے ساتھ، پاک ہے اللہ جو عظمت والا ہے۔

(سنن ابن ماجہ، حدیث نمبر 3806)

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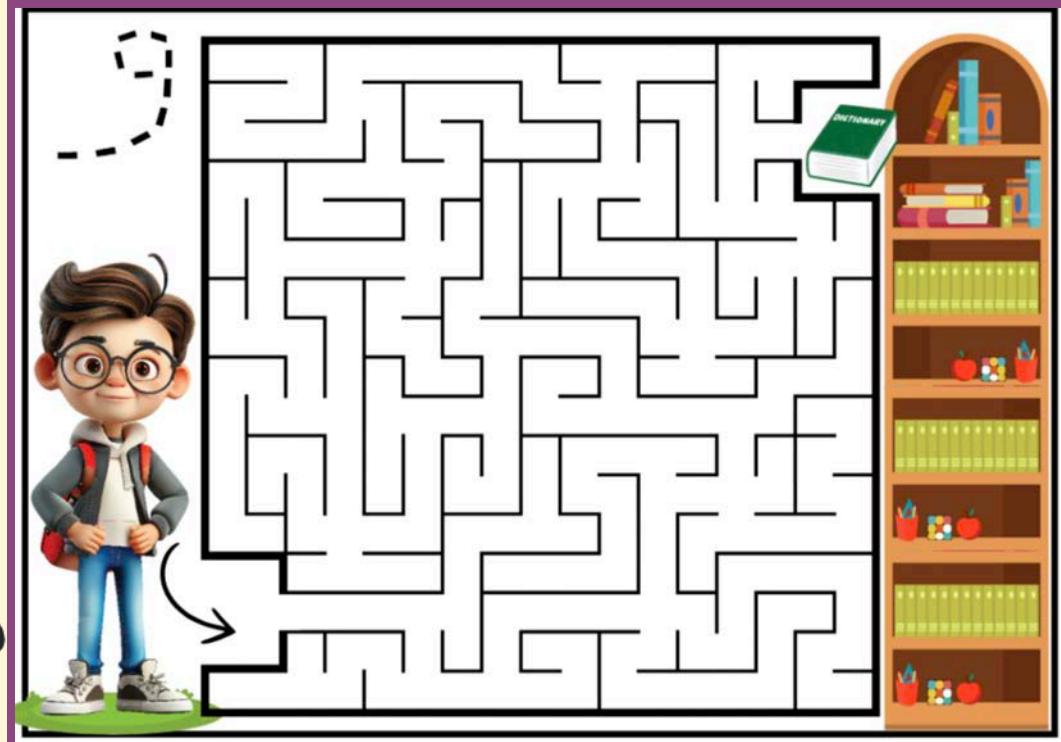
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# بچوں کا صفحہ

## توکل کا کیا مطلب ہے؟

حضرت اقدس مسیح موعود علیہ الصلوٰۃ والسلام فرماتے ہیں:

انسان کو چاہیے کہ تقویٰ کو ہاتھ سے نہ دیوے اور خدا تعالیٰ پر بھروسہ رکھے تو پھر اسے کسی قسم کی تکلیف نہیں ہو سکتی۔ خدا تعالیٰ پر بھروسہ کے یہ معنی نہیں ہیں کہ انسان تدبیر کو ہاتھ سے چھوڑ دے بلکہ یہ معنی ہیں کہ تدبیر پوری کر کے پھر انجام کو خدا تعالیٰ پر چھوڑے اس کا نام توکل ہے اور اگر وہ تدبیر نہیں کرتا اور صرف توکل کرتا ہے تو اس کا توکل پھوکا ہو گا اور اگر نری تدبیر کر کے اُس پر بھروسہ کرتا ہے۔ اور خدا تعالیٰ پر توکل نہیں ہے۔ تو وہ تدبیر بھی پھوکی۔ ایک شخص اونٹ پر سوار تھا۔ آنحضرت ﷺ کو اس نے دیکھا۔ تعظیم کے لئے نیچے اتر اور ارادہ کیا کہ توکل کرے اور تدبیر نہ کرے۔ چنانچہ اُس نے اونٹ کا گھٹنا نہ باندھا۔ جب رسول اللہ ﷺ سے مل کر آیا تو دیکھا کہ اونٹ نہیں ہے۔ واپس آ کر آنحضرت ﷺ سے شکایت کی کہ میں نے تو توکل کیا تھا لیکن میرا اونٹ جاتا رہا۔ آپ نے فرمایا کہ تو نے غلطی کی۔ پہلے اونٹ کا گھٹنا باندھتا، پھر توکل کرتا تو ٹھیک ہوتا۔

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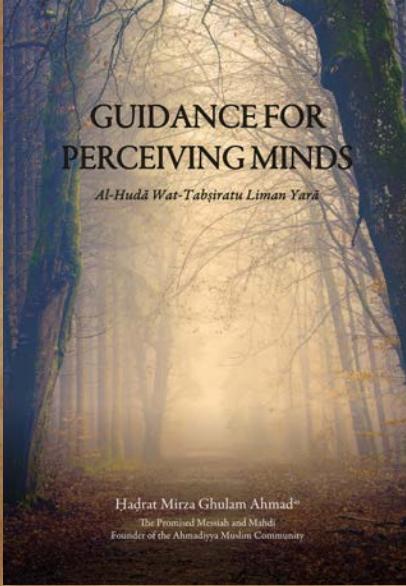
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پر بھجوائیں۔ ای میل بھجوانے کے لیے اپنے والدین کی مدد لے لیں۔

## GUIDANCE FOR PERCEIVING MINDS

by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad, the Promised Messiah and Mahdi  
(peace be upon him)



When the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) sent copies of his Arabic treatise *I'jazul-Masih* to some Egyptian scholars and editors of magazines, he also sent a copy to Sheikh Muhammad Rashid Rida, the editor of *al-Manar* [The Lighthouse] for review.

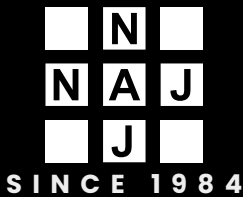
Other editors of magazines wrote complimentary reviews on *I'jazul-Masih*, praising its eloquence and quality of language; however, Rashid Rida, without presenting testimonies from Arabic grammarians, criticized the book's composition, writing that its text was filled with forced fluency, and was against Arabic idiom.

In order to reveal the truth, the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) beseeched Allah the Exalted for guidance. Subsequently, it was placed in his heart to pen this Arabic treatise *Al-Huda Wat-Tabsiratu Liman Yara* which was first published in 1902. This is the English translation of that book.

Read it online at [alislam.org](http://alislam.org) or purchase a copy from [booksonislam.org](http://booksonislam.org)

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