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يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا اذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ ذِكْرًا كَثِيرًا
وَسَبِّحُوهُ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيلًا
هُوَ الَّذِي يُصَلِّيْ عَلَيْكُمْ وَمَلَائِكَتُهُ لِيُخْرِجَكُمْ مِنَ
الظُّلُمَاتِ إِلَى النُّورِ وَكَانَ بِالْمُؤْمِنِينَ رَحِيمًا

O ye who believe! remember Allah
with much remembrance;
And glorify Him morning and
evening. He it is Who sends blessings
on you, as do His angels, that He
may bring you forth from all kinds of
darkness into light. And He is
Merciful to the believers.

(Surah Al-Ahzab Verse 33-43)

Narrated By Abu Huraira:

Allah's Apostle said, '(There is) no
'Adwa (no contagious disease is
conveyed without Allah's permission).
nor is there any bad omen (from birds),
nor is there any Hamah, nor is there
any bad omen in the month of Safar,
and one should run away from the
leper as one runs away from a lion."

(Sahih Bukhari Volume 007, Book 71
Medicine, Hadith Number 608)

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HADHRAT MASIH-E-MAUD^{as}

In his delicate writing Haqiqa tul Wahi “The Philosophy of Divine Revelation” Hadhrat Masih-e-Maud^{as} said:

“O Europe, you are not safe and O Asia, neither are you secured! And O the dwellers of Islands, no artificial “God” will come to your aid.”

(Haqiqa tul Wahi, Ruhani Khazain volume 22, page 269)

The promised Messiah^{as} received a revelation in 1906 that is:

“Get up, observe prayers and witness an example of the Judgement day.”

(Tadhkirah, page 507)

Hadhrat Masih-e-Maud^{as} advised his Jama’at that:

“God Almighty has placed great powers in prayers. God Almighty repeatedly told me through revelations that whatever happens will happen through prayers.”

(Seerat Hadhrat Masih-e-Maud^{as}, written by Ali Yaqoob Ali Irfan, Page 518)

Then he says:

In Afflictions the strange properties and effects of prayers are manifested and truth is that our God is known by our prayers.”

(Adda Collections, Majmua Ishtehraat)

Then he says:

“If you people want to live well and have peace in your homes, then it is advisable to pray a lot and fill your homes with prayers, God doesn’t destroy the house in which prayer is offered.”

(Adaya tul Mahdi, page 8)

HADHRAT KHALIFATUL MASIH V ^{atba}

Hadhrat Khalifatul Masih V, may Allah be his Helper, said in his Friday Sermon of March 6th, 2020:

"I would now like to draw the attention of the Jamaat to the current outbreak of the coronavirus. We must all adhere to the precautionary measures that are set out by governments and the health departments. From the outset, after consultation with some homoeopaths, I advised about the use of certain homoeopathic remedies, as a precautionary measure as well as for treatment. May Allah the Almighty grant cure through them. Thus, we ought to use them and at the same time we must adhere to the precautionary measures that have been outlined. In relation to this, it is advised that you should avoid large gatherings. People coming to the mosque should err on the side of caution. There are certain etiquettes of the mosque, among them is that if one is suffering from something such as a contagious illness – which can affect others – they should avoid coming to the mosque. One preventative measure mentioned by the Doctors is that one's hands and mouth should always be clean. If one's hands are unclean, they should not touch their face, or ensure that they use hand sanitizers or they should wash their hands regularly. However, for a Muslim – as is in our case – who pray five times a day and also perform the ablution in the correct manner, which includes cleaning the nose with water etc, then this high standard of hygiene is such that it can compensate the shortage of sanitizers. Nonetheless, if the ablution is performed in the correct manner, this can not only help towards physical cleanliness, but one who performs the ablution would subsequently offer their prayers, which then in turn becomes a means for their spiritual cleanliness as well. Moreover, in these days we must pay particular attention towards our prayers."



Furthermore, it is being advised that one should refrain from shaking hands and this is also extremely important, as one does not know what the hands are contaminated with. Although shaking hands increases the bond with one another and instils mutual love, however, owing to the current outbreak these days, it is better to avoid this practice. Even those people who previously raised an outcry that we do not shake hands with men or women of the opposite gender, have themselves been a target of amusement. They were not willing to adhere to the commandments of Allah the Almighty, but nonetheless the spread of this outbreak has drawn their attention towards this injunction. May Allah the Almighty also enable them to draw closer to Him.

REPORT OF MARCH 2020

LAJNA IMAILLAH SWITZERLAND

The extraordinary attempt of the Lajna Imaillah Switzerland in the current month's prevailing situation of coronavirus.

Considering the deadly pandemic of Coronavirus which is spreading rapidly all over the world, all affected countries are trying to protect themselves from the effects of the epidemic by taking some precautions. In order to slow down the spread of this virus, the Swiss Federal Council has undertaken many restrictions since 16th of March. As this pandemic can be spread very quickly due to the meetings, gatherings and congregations, all events where people would meet, whether religious or otherwise, cannot take place. On the basis of these restrictions, all religious events, including community prayer as well as Jumatul Mubarik assemblies have been suspended until further orders or instructions.

In view of the current situation, National Sadar of Lajna Imaillah Switzerland, Dr. Zaitoon Qazi has introduced the program of online classes after consultation with the Lajna section Markaz UK and with the permission of National Amir Jamaat Ahmadiyya Switzerland. The purpose was to reach Lajna and Nasirat through direct contact asking them about their welfare, to keep them connected to the Jamaat and to encourage Lajna members to communicate with each other. The second important purpose was to follow the annual plan of action of Lajna Imaillah Switzerland, hence was to introduce the monthly Nisab (Syllabus) to the Lajna through direct interaction and to assess their knowledge by respective secretaries of individual departments. Furthermore, the aim was to inform the Lajna about the current situation, the protective measures and to anchor this in their routine daily life.

So, keeping in view of this purpose, the program of the online classes for the Lajna Imaillah Switzerland was carried out by Webex. These classes lasted from March 24th to March 29th and were organized according to the best possibilities for the local Sadrat. Allhamdulillah, the National Sadar personally participated in all these online classes to supervise. She, from time to time guided the audience and lead the discussion and question answer on various topics and material presented in the classes. In all the Majalis, the Nisab sent by the respective secretaries of the different departments was read and discussed.

The online classes had traditionally begun with the recitation of the holy Qur'an, followed by the Hadith and the Ehad. Thereafter, National Sadar informed the Lajna about the instruction and guidance of Swiss government and WHO regarding to current situation and Coronavirus pandemic. The Lajna was also made aware of the instructions of Huzoor-e-Anwar, which included in addition to the precautions, prayer and Istaghfaar play a fundamental and more important role.

During these online classes, some articles were also read referring to the Day of the Promised Messiah^{as} and through different questions; the celebration of the Day of the Promised was explained. In these articles, the paragraph of the Promised Messiah^{as} "The purpose of the advent of Hadhrat Masihe Maud^{as}" from the book "The Philosophy of Divine Revelation" was presented and it was explained through questions why the Jamaat celebrates the Day of the Promised Messiah^{as} on March 23rd, and what is its purpose?

In addition, the National Sadar explicitly explained Lajna about the importance and blessing of the financial sacrifice and made the participants aware of the payment of the respective Chandajaat. Considering the current situation, local financial secretaries of respective Majalis demonstrated Lajna members the procedure of online payment of the Chandajaat. One of the Majlis, during this online class also conducted a Tarbiyyati Seminar through a PowerPoint on the second condition of the baiat.

According to the Syllabus of Shobah Taleem, the translation of Surah al Shura and the prayers from the Holy Quran were recited and read through.

From Tabligh Nisab of Lajna Imaillah, the chapter on "What is Zikr-i-Ilahi or Remembrance of Allah? And why is Zikr-i-Ilahi necessary" from the book "Remembrance of Allah" by the second Khalif by Hazrat Mirza Bashiruddin Mahmud Ahmad, Khalifatul Masih II^{ra} were read.

For the current year of Rishta Naata Nisab, the book "Libas" was selected. From this book, the article "According to Quran there is no distinction between men and women" was read and discussed during these classes. Concerning this article, the young girls asked many questions, which the National Sadar answered in detail with the help of some examples and events. At the same time, she emphasized how husband and wife can play the role to make the domestic atmosphere peaceful, harmonized exemplary, healthy and heavenly by their respective contribution and behavior. Alhamudillah, these online classes ended with a prayer of supplication and Istaghfaar.

In total 215 Lajna and 37 Nasirat took benefited from the online classes. The average duration of these online classes was about 1.5 hours to 2 hours. However, in some Majalis the duration of the online classes was further extended by half an hour, due to the questions asked by the young girls.

Alhamudillah, with the blessings of Allah the purpose of these online classes was achieved. Especially the passion, the interest inthusism, interactive participation and the appropriate questions of the younger Lajna were incredible. The most important and the best thing was, that these young girls did not feel any hesitation at all while asking their questions and expressing themselves.

Surely, these online classes are by no means an alternative for the monthly meetings, but it was the only possible option under current circumstances of the Covid-19 lockdown in order to unite and bring all Lajna members via an online platform. InshaAllah these series of classes will continue in the month of April and until the current situation gets better.

May Allah bless us all and safeguard the entire world from this deadly pendemic. Ameen!

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Lajna Ima'illah has been and still is actively participating in contributing towards Health and Social help for Coronavirus response. For more detailed information, please visit our website www.lajna.ch

https://lajna.ch/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Lajna-CH-Providing-Health-and-Social-Care-Summary_ZQ_COVID-19.pdf

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DATES ONLINE CLASSES RAMADAN

Region Wigoltingen

3rd MAY 2020
🕒 15:00

Region Bern

10th MAY 2020
🕒 14:15 – 15:15

Region Zürich

10th MAY 2020
🕒 15:30 – 16:30

