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IN THE NAME OF ALLAH THE MOST GRACIOUS THE MOST MERCIFUL

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وَلْتَكُنْ مِنْكُمْ أُمَّةٌ يَدْعُونَ إِلَى الْخَيْرِ وَيَأْمُرُونَ بِالْعَدْلِ وَيَهْتَدُونَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ
وَأُولَئِكَ هُمُ الْمُفْلِحُونَ

My Dear Brothers & Sisters in Islam
Assalaamu Aleikum Wa Rahmatullahe Wa Barakatahu.

AND FROM AMONG YOU THERE SHOULD BE A PARTY WHO INVITE TO GOOD AND ENJOIN
THE RIGHT AND FORBID THE WRONG, AND THESE ARE THEY WHO ARE SUCCESSFUL.
The Holy Qur'an Ch. 3 verse 103

AHMADIYYA CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

A very successful jalsa to celebrate the Ahmadiyya Muslim Centenary was held at Masjid Noor in Suva on Saturday 30 September. The programme commenced with Zuhr Namaaz at 1.30 pm and concluded with Maghrib Namaaz at 6.15 pm. The speakers at the jalsa included Maulana Shafqat Rasool Khan Shafeeq, the President of the Fiji Anjuman Mr Ghulam Nabi Dean and Vice-President Dr Muhammad Shamsud Dean Sahu Khan. Maulana Shafqat spoke on the subject "Hazrat Mirza Sahib & The Ahmadiyya Movement; Mr G.N. Dean's subject was "The Split In The Ahmadiyya Movement" while Dr M.S. Sahu Khan discussed "The Role of a Member in the Ahmadiyya Jamaat, The Role of the Ahmadiyya Lahore Jamaat in the Propagation of Islam". Two very moving nazams were rendered-one by Mr M. Imran Sahu Khan and the other jointly by Mr Zafrullah Sahu Khan and Master Iraz Sahu Khan. Maulana Shafqat's melodious recitation, much renowned in Lahore, of Surah Rahman at the beginning of the programme had left the crowd wanting of more of this unique recitation. The Master of Ceremony at the jalsa was the General Secretary of the Anjuman, Amin Sahu Khan. A special issue of our publication, Paigham-E-Haqq, to commemorate the Ahmadiyya Centenary is already in circulation. Should you want a copy for yourself or extra copies for your friends & relatives, please contact our librarian Mr Khalik Shah at the above address. Our daily newspaper 'The Fiji Times' also carried a six-page supplement arranged for by the Anjuman to commemorate this joyous occasion. May Allah bless the Anjuman.

BROTHER MURTAZA LOSES ALL BUT THE QURAN

In a recent fire mishap Brother Mohammed Murtaza lost everything contained in his house and his adjacent shop. The entire building that he had taken on rent was razed to the ground while he was at Masjid Noor for Zuhr prayers. All that Br. Murtaza and his family had left with them were the clothes they were wearing at the time

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of the fire and three copies of Holy Quran that were later retrieved from the debris. Even the book cupboard that contained these Holy Qurans was reduced to ashes. The copies of the Holy Quran were only slightly scorched on the sides but otherwise in perfectly good form. Hasn't Allah promised in the Holy Quran, Ch. 15; v.9 "Surely we have revealed the Reminder and surely we are its Guardian."

The Fiji Anjuman donated \$2,000 as immediate assistance to Br Murtaza while the members of the Suva Branch raised a further \$2,000. In his letter to the Anjuman Br Murtaza & family express their sincere thanks and gratitude to the Anjuman and to all those people who had helped them in one way or another at a time when the family most needed our assistance.

CHURCH WRONGED GALILEO: POPE

PISA, Italy, (Sept 24) -

Pope John Paul has said the Roman Catholic Church wronged the 16th century scientist Galileo who was condemned by the inquisition for his view of the solar system.

Addressing professors today at the university where the astronomer taught that the sun, and not the earth, was the centre of the known universe, the Pope referred to him as "the very great Galileo Galileo."

The inquisition condemned Galileo in 1633 for backing a theory of astronomer Nicolas Copernicus because it clashed with biblical verses such as "God fixed the earth upon its foundation, not to be moved forever."

On Friday night when he began his trip to Pisa, the Pope said: "Galileo Galilei's scientific work was imprudently opposed at the beginning but now it is recognised by all."

The scientist had earned himself immortal fame, the pontiff said.

Galileo was born in Pisa in 1564. The city is famous for its leaning tower from which the scientist is said to have experimented with gravity.

(From The Fiji Times - Tuesday, September 26, 1989)

INTER-FAITH MEETING

A very successful meeting of Cluster "A" of the Inter-Faith Search Organisation was held at Masjid Noor on Thursday 13 July; Cluster "A" comprises the Ahmadiyya Anjuman, the Arya Pratinidhi Sabha of Fiji, the Roman Catholic Church and the Bahai Faith. The function was well attended by the various groups and the paper titled "How Do You See The Task Of Nation Building In The Light Of Your Faith Tradition" was presented by Mr Nizam-Ud-Dean on behalf of the Anjuman. A very lively discussion followed. All those attending were served afternoon tea prior to the commencement of the official part of the programme.

MAULANA SHAFQAT RASOOL

Maulana Sahib has settled in very well at Masjid Noor since his arrival in Fiji on 2nd March and has already become quite conversant with the City to be able to move around without any 'guide'. He has in the last eight months improved his knowledge of English very well and is now able to read the daily newspapers with no difficulty. He has also learnt to read Hindi quite well and is now aspiring to learn Sanskrit from a Hindu friend. Maulana Sahib tours the other centres of the Anjuman in Fiji once a month and gives as many Quran Daras as possible; he also holds friendly discourses with non-members as well. Members are urged to take better advantage of his services and to learn Arabic, Urdu & Islamic knowledge.

DEVOTIONAL BROADCASTS

Our devotional broadcast programme (early morning) for the rest of the year is as follows :

October 7th & 28th
November 2nd
December 22nd

MASJID NOOR TELEPHONE

The new telephone number now operational at Masjid Noor is 313549.

VICE-PRESIDENT WAHID KHAN IN NEW ZEALAND

A Vice-President of the Fiji Anjuman, Mr A. Wahid Khan, has been in Hamilton, New Zealand for the past six months undergoing medical check-ups for heart problem. According to his son, Mr Wahid Khan is supposed to undergo an open-heart surgery within a month. Members are asked to pray for Mr Khan's good health.

NEWS FROM GUYANA

The 28th of June 1989 marked a milestone for the Ahmadiyya Jamaat in Georgetown, Guyana - the Demer'ara Ahmadiyya Youth Movement held its inaugural meeting at Masjid Darus Salaam. Around 30 youths attended the inauguration. The gathering was addressed by the Missionary of the Guyana Ahmadiyya Jamaat Imam Mohammed Rasheed, Br Saeed Lakeram & Br Rafeeq Mirza. The youth movement will meet once every month. Over \$700 was collected among those present to help purchase essential items to run the organisation.

ANNUAL PRAYER CONFERENCE AT LAHORE

The three-day Annual Prayer Conference of the Central Ahmadiyya Anjuman (Lahore) Pakistan will be held on 24th - 26th December at Darus Salaam, New Garden Town, Lahore. A special session for ladies will be held on 23rd December.

SO SAYS THE PROMISED MESSIAH

"O YOU PEOPLE! ALL OF YOU, who count yourselves amongst my Jama'at, in the heavens you will be COUNTED my Jama'at only when you truly tread the path of TAQWA (piety). Therefore, perform your five-time prayers with such fear and attention as if you are face to face with the Exalted God. Complete your fasts faithfully for the sake of God. Everyone who is liable to pay Zakat, should pay Zakat. Everyone on whom the Pilgrimage has become obligatory and there is no hindrance, should perform the Pilgrimage. Perform the good deeds gracefully. Despise evil and be rid of it. Remember for sure that no deeds which are devoid of Taqwa can ever be acceptable to Allah. TAQWA is the root of all virtue. In whichever deed this root is not destroyed, that deed will not go waste. It is but essential that like the believers of the olden days you should also be tried with various griefs and afflictions. BE MINDFUL lest you should falter. If you have a STRONG CONNECTION with the heavens, the earth can do you no harm. Whenever you harm yourselves it will be at your own hands - not at the hands of your enemies. If you lose all your worldly honour Allah will bestow upon you an everlasting honour in the heavens. Therefore, do not forsake Him. It is but necessary that you be persecuted and many of your hopes remain un-fulfilled. In such events do not lose heart because your Allah tries you, whether you are steadfast in His path or not. If you desire that even Angels sing praises for you in the heavens then bear the persecutions and be pleased with these, hear abuses and remain thankful. Face the failures but never sever your connection with Allah. You are the last Jama'at of God, therefore, perform such good deeds as shall reach the height of their perfection:"

(KASHTI-e-NOOH, page14.)

"JESUS IN HEAVEN ON EARTH"

Do you know that :

- * Prophet Solomon visited Bagh-i-Suleman (Kashmir);
- * Khwaja Khizar was in Kashmir;
- * Prophet Moses came and died in Kashmir;
- * Lady Mary is buried in Murree (Pakistan)
- * Jesus passed through Lahore;
- * Jesus Christ came to Kashmir and died there;
- * Jesus' rod is in Kashmir;
- * Judas Thomas, twin brother of Jesus, visited Taxila and Kashmir and was killed near Madras, India;
- * Holy Prophet Muhammad, peace & blessings of Allah be upon him, was foretold by name by Jesus.

"The author of this book Khwaja Nizir Ahmad has rendered service of inestimable value both to history and religion by making available to the average reader the mass of evidence which he has, after monumental labour spread over the course of several years, compiled in the closely-packed pages of this valuable book. The author attempts to unravel the mystery surrounding the last days of Jesus of Nazareth. He bases his conclusions on well-founded authentic documentation. He covers a field hitherto unexplored by scholars for various and obvious reasons. It is an extraordinary book, dealing in an extraordinary manner with an extraordinary subject."

Buy your copy of this book now. Available at Masjid Noor at \$25.00.