



Welcome to Majlis Anşārullāh



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Majlis Anṣārullāh

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Members^{*1}

- Every male Aḥmadī above the age of 40 shall be a member of this Majlis.
- Every Khādim who attains the age of 40 during the year shall join Majlis Anṣārullāh on 1st January of the next year.
- The members of Majlis Anṣārullāh shall be divided into two age groups:
 - Ṣaf Awwal shall consist of members above 55 years.
 - Ṣaf Dom shall consist of members between 40 and 55 years.
- A person in *Silsila ‘Āliya* Aḥmadiyya who does not owe allegiance to Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīh (may Allāh be his support) shall not be eligible for membership.

Aims and Objectives^{*1}

The Constitution of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA defines its aims and objectives as:

- 1) To establish an organization for all Aḥmadī men over the age of forty.
- 2) To inculcate the following amongst its members:
 - a) The love of Allāh.
 - b) The spirit to promote and propagate the teachings of Islām.
 - c) The enthusiasm to call to Islām and serve mankind.
 - d) The spiritual and moral training of children and youth.
 - e) The spirit of protecting the institution of Khilāfat.
 - f) The spirit of placing collective interests above individual interests.
- 3) It shall purely be a religious organization with no political interest whatsoever.

^{*1}: Taken from the [Constitution of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA](#)

Anṣār Pledge

Say this part three times:

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ
لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ

ash hado • al-lā ilāha • il-lallāho • wahdahū •
laa sharīkalahū • wa ash hado • anna
Muhammadan • ‘abdohū • wa rasūloh

Say this part once:

I bear witness that • there is none worthy of worship • except Allāh. • He is One • (and) has no partner, • and I bear witness • that Muhammad (peace be upon him) • is His servant and His messenger. •

Say this part once:

I solemnly pledge that • I shall endeavor • throughout my life • for the propagation • and consolidation • of Aḥmadiyyat in Islām, • and shall stand guard • in defense of • the institution of Khilāfat. • I shall not hesitate • to offer any sacrifice • in this regard. • Moreover, • I shall exhort my children • to always remain dedicated • and devoted to Khilāfat. • *Inshā’allāh.*

Notes:

- *Text in (parenthesis) is not in the original Arabic text and has been added in the translation.*
- *“•” in the text indicates where person leading the pledge should pause to allow members to repeat the same portion.*

Message from Şadr

Welcome to Majlis Anşārullāh, USA! You are now officially a ‘Nāşir’—this sounds so strange especially when you are at the stage of life which is considered the golden age and Anşār are frequently viewed as just a group of old men having retirement party!

Let me assure you that you are not joining an organization of ‘old men’ but an organization that is vibrant, motivated, and moving forward at an exceptional pace with the help of Almighty Allāh. Your joining the Majlis brings with it an extra boost of energy that will propel Majlis Anşārullāh to move forward at an even faster pace, *Inshā’allāh*. Together, I am confident that we will ensure that Anşār are never viewed as ‘just a group of old men.’ We shall strive together to continue being role models for all members of the Jamā’at in every aspect of life, i.e., in our work ethic, our selfless dedication to Jamā’at and Khilāfat and in always showing the highest standard of moral and spiritual values.

Go to <http://www.ansarusa.org/maillinglist/ansarusa/mail.cgi> and subscribe to a mailing list called “Majlis Anşārullāh, USA.” Majlis Anşārullāh uses this e-mail list to send a summary of weekly Friday sermons, monthly newsletter, and any emergency notifications. Please also familiarize yourself with Majlis Anşārullāh’s web site at www.ansarusa.org. You will find a lot of useful information at this site especially list of upcoming events.

Once again, welcome to Majlis Anşārullāh, USA; I am thrilled to have you on board!

وَالسَّلَام

Yours,



Şadr Majlis Anşārullāh, USA

Administrative Structure

Şadr is in charge of all aspects of Majlis Anşārullāh throughout the country. He is elected for a two-year term starting on January 1 of even numbered year and ends on December 31 of the following year. Nā'ib Şadr Şaf Dom is also elected for the same duration. All other national office bearers are appointed for a one-year term.

Za'īm (local head of the Majlis) is elected for a two-Year term. All other local office bearers are appointed for the same two-Year term.

Jamā'at	Anşārullāh	Khuddāmul Aḥmadiyya	Lajnah Imā'illāh
Member	Nāşir (pl: Anşār)	Khādīm (pl: Khuddām)	Lajnah
National Offices			
Amīr	Şadr	Şadr	Şadr
Nā'ib Amīr	Nā'ib Şadr	Nā'ib Şadr	Nā'ib Şadr
General Secretary	Qā'id Umūmī	Mu'tamid	General Secretary
National Secretary	Qā'id	Muhtamim	Secretary
Local Offices			
President	Za'īm	Qā'id	Şadr/President
General Secretary	Muntażim Umūmī	Mu'tamid	General Secretary
Local Secretary	Muntażim	Nāżim	Secretary

Majlis Anşārullāh, USA is divided into 12 regions, each headed by a Nāżim. Departments in Regional 'Āmilah are headed by Nā'ib Nāżim.

Departments

National Offices	Local Offices
Şadr	Za'ım
Nā'ib Şadr Awwal	Nā'ib Za'ım
Nā'ib Şadr Şaf Dom (under 47 years of age at the time of election)	Nā'ib Za'ım Şaf Dom (under 50 years of age at the time of appointment)

Qā'id at national level and Muntaẓım at local level head departments	
'Umūmī	General
Ta'lım	Education
Tarbiyat	Moral Training
Tarbiyat Nau Mubā'ı'ın	Training for New Converts
İthār (Eesaar)	Social Service
Tablīgh	Preaching
Dhahānat wa Şihat-i- Jismānī	Intellectual and Physical Health
Māl	Finance
Waqf-i-Jadīd	Waqf-i-Jadīd
Taḥrīk-i-Jadīd	Taḥrīk-i-Jadīd
Tajnīd	Membership
Ishā'at	Publication
Ta'lımul Qur'ān	Education of Qur'ān
Auditor ^{*1}	Auditor ^{*1}

*1: Şadr/Za'ım and Qā'id/Muntaẓım Māl should not be appointed as auditor.

Finance

Financial Year of Majlis Anşārullāh begins on January 1st and ends on December 31st.

Prescribed rates of Chanda (dues) for earning members:

- Anşār Chanda: 1% of take home income
- Ijtimā' Chanda: 1/8th of the Anşār Chanda
- Publication Chanda: \$10 per year

Examples:

Take Home Pay	Anşār Chanda	Ijtimā' Chanda	Publication	Total
\$1,000 / m	\$10 /m	\$1.25 /m	\$0.84 /m	\$12.09/m
\$20,000 / y	\$200 / y	\$25.00 / y	\$10 / y	\$235.00 /y
\$30,000 / y	\$300 / y	\$37.50 / y	\$10 / y	\$347.50 /y
\$40,000 / y	\$400 / y	\$50.00 / y	\$10 / y	\$460.00 /y
\$100,000 / y	\$1,000 / y	\$125.00 / y	\$10 / y	\$1,135 /y

Prescribed rates of Chanda (dues) for non-earning members:

- Anşār Chanda: \$24/year
 - Ijtimā' Chanda: \$12/year
- 1) Chanda should be paid to Muntazim Finance (or Za'im) on a regular basis or in lump sum during first half of the year.
 - 2) Those who are unable to pay at prescribed rate can request rate-reduction from Şadr Majlis through local Za'im.
 - 3) To participate in elections, members must **not** be in arrears of
 - a) Chanda 'Ām (Aam), Wasiyyat, and Anşār for more than six months and
 - b) Chanda Jalsa Sālāna and Ijtimā' Chanda for more than one year.

Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his support) has instructed that any member who does not pay Anşār Chanda cannot hold an office in Majlis Anşārullāh. In addition, Ḥuḍūr (may Allāh be his support) advised that "*It is mandatory for*

the office bearers of the Jamā'at to pay their contribution both towards the relevant organization [Majlis Anṣārullāh or Khuddāmūl-Aḥmadiyya] and also give the obligatory Jamā'atī Chandas".

Membership (Tajnīd)

All Anṣār are encouraged to inform Zaʿīm about any change in address, phone number, and/or e-mail address and update their Tajnīd online whenever any change takes place.

Tajnīd information can be updated at:

<http://ansarusa.org/tajnid>

<http://www.ahmadiyya.us/tajneed-membership>

Health

Changes at 40

As we get older our metabolism begins to decelerate. For a 40 year old man to maintain his weight, that is, to not gain weight, he needs to eat 100 calories less a day, and that has nothing to do with anything other than the natural course of aging.

In order to maintain good intellectual and physical health, members should adopt a healthy lifestyle and engage in regular physical exercise to stay mentally and physically alert.

Examples

- Regular walk – preferably at least 2 miles / 60 minutes for most days of the week.
- Exercise at home or at a gym
- Participation in sports such as table tennis, badminton, volleyball, tennis, etc.
- Reading of daily newspapers and keeping up with current events.
- Adopt a lifelong hobby such as gardening, fishing, hiking etc.

Members are encouraged to actively participate in sports at the local, regional, and national levels. Following sports are generally played at the regional/national Ijtimā'āt (plural of Ijtimā')

- Table Tennis
- Volleyball
- Basketball hoops
- Darts
- Tug of War

Online Resources

Anṣār Website

The website of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA is available at <http://www.ansarus.org>. This portal has a wealth of information about activities of the Majlis at both National and local levels. The main page of the website features a menu at the top that makes it easier to navigate the website and to locate pertinent information. The website also offers keyword-based search functionality that can be used to quickly search the information on the website.

Following are some of the features offered by the website.

- Upcoming Events
- Calendar of Events
- Anṣār recent publications and archives
- Videos of recent events and departmental presentations
- Online Ta'lim Test
- Holy Qur'ān learning tools
- Majālis' reports submission and repository
- Reports and photos of special projects
- Important information such as:
 - Muslim Funeral and Burial Services
 - Importance of Creating a Will
 - Anṣār Publications
 - Dictionary and Notes for translators and writers

Mailing List (E-mail distribution list)

Majlis Anşārullāh, USA maintains a mailing list that consists of e-mail addresses of Anşār members. Members of this list receive direct communication from Majlis Anşārullāh, USA that include weekly summary of Ḥuḍūr's (may Allāh be his support) Friday Sermon, monthly newsletter, and periodic announcements.

Anşār can subscribe to this mailing list by using a simple and completely self-service two-step process that is outlined below.

1. Submit your e-mail address at:
<http://www.ansarusa.org/maillinglist/ansarusa>
2. Click the URL sent to you in an e-mail to confirm subscription.

Members can unsubscribe at any time at the above-mentioned URL.

Anṣār Publications

Al-Naḥl

The *Al-Naḥl* (pronounced *annaḥl*) is a quarterly publication of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. It was started in 1992 by Fazal Ahmad, then Zaʿīm Aʿlā, Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA (one issue of *Al-Naḥl* was published before 1992.)

The name of the quarterly publication is based on chapter *Al-Naḥl* in the Holy Qurʾān. “*Naḥl*” means honey bee. The bee does not care about its age; it continues to carry out its assigned task until its last breath. The obvious thought behind this name was that Anṣār should follow the example of the honey bee, regardless of their age, that is, to keep working till their last breath.

By the Grace of Almighty Allāh, *Al-Naḥl* has been published regularly since its inception and is mailed to every member free of charge.

Religious, scientific, and literary articles and essays as well as news about Majlis’ activities are published in *Al-Naḥl*.

The following special issues of the magazine have been published:

- Centenary of the fulfillment of the prophecy of solar and lunar eclipses.
- Baitur Rahman Mosque Issue at the occasion of inauguration of the Mosque.
- Khilāfat Issue.
- Ḥaḍrat Mufti Muhammad Sadiq (may Allāh be pleased with him) issue.

- Philosophy of the teachings of Islām issue.
- Professor Sir Dr. Abdus Salam issue (320 pages).
- Special Wasiyyat issue (112 pages)

The “Year in Review” issue has been published every year since 2004.

Anṣār Newsletter

The *Anṣār* is a monthly newsletter of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA. The newsletter started in January 1995 with the name of *Anṣārullāh News*. Starting 1996 it has been published under the name of *Anṣār*. By the grace of Allāh, the newsletter has been regularly published since its inception. The Newsletter is sent to all members of Majlis Anṣārullāh free of charge, both in electronic and paper format.

Messages from Ṣadr Majlis and Qā’ideen, information about various departments’ programs, announcements, information about upcoming events, and news about various Anṣār activities held at the national, regional, and local levels are published in the newsletter.

Some of the features of the newsletter have been:

- Message from Ṣadr Majlis Anṣārullāh
- From the Desk of...
- Anṣār News

Every year, study material for Ta’līm and Ta’līmūl Qur’ān is published in book form and mailed to all Anṣār in USA. A softcopy can also be downloaded from Anṣār Website.

Special Projects

In addition to prescribed Chandas (dues), Majlis has, and continues to raise funds on a voluntary basis for special projects. These include Anşārullāh Hall in Silver Spring, Tahir Heart Institute in Rabwah, Bicycles for Burkina Faso, Africa water wells, Model village in Africa (Sierra Leone) and Mosque in South America.

Anşārullāh Hall

In 1998, Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ IV (may Allāh shower His mercy upon him) approved collection of funds for the construction of Anşārullāh Hall. This hall was built in 2008 as part of the Aḥmadiyya Khilāfat Centenary Celebrations and was made part of Baitur Rahman expansion project. Majlis Anşārullāh, USA contributed \$500,000 towards its construction. Anşārullāh hall is now used by Lajnah, Nāşirāt, Aṭfāl, Khuddām, Anşār and Jamā'at throughout the year for various local, regional, and national events.

Bicycles for Burkina Faso (Africa)

In 2008, a large number of Aḥmadī men and boys from the West African country of Burkina Faso rode over 600 miles to get a glimpse of Ḥaḍrat Khalīfatul Masīḥ V (may Allāh be his support) at the annual Jalsa of Ghana. In 2010, US Anşār donated 352 new bicycles and 20 tricycles to Jamā'at Aḥmadiyya Burkina Faso. See photos and additional details at: <http://www.ansarusa.org/content/visit-burkina-faso>

Africa Water Wells

In 2009, US Anşār contributed \$23,000 for the installation of 20 water wells in West Africa (through Humanity First).

Special Projects Planned for 2012 and beyond

1. Model Village in Africa (Sierra Leon) (\$80,000)
2. Water Well repair truck in Burkina Faso (\$80,000)
3. Mosque in Latin or South America (\$400,000)

Anṣār Tahir Scholarship (ATS)

1. This scholarship is for the secular training of Anṣār in US to improve their employability. The funds should be used for tuition or training only. Funds cannot be used for any other purpose including as seed money to start a new business.
2. The scholarship is awarded for a maximum of \$4,000 per applicant per year for up to two years (total amount cannot exceed \$8,000 per applicant).
3. Scholarships are granted on “first come, first serve” basis until funds allocated for the year are exhausted. Applications can be submitted at any time - there is no deadline for the application.
4. Applicant must:
 - a. be a bona fide member of Majlis Anṣārullāh, USA in good standing (Chanda Paying member).
 - b. be less than 60 years old.
 - c. have exhausted all avenues for employment, or wishes to get additional training/education to enhance his employability.
 - d. be ineligible or have exhausted all available state and federal funding for unemployed and/or displaced workers.
 - e. have identified a new career path.
 - f. be capable and willing to undertake successful completion of the proposed training.
 - g. not have received scholarship for a different course in previous five years from Majlis Anṣārullāh.
5. In most cases payments will be made directly to the training institution.

Application packet and further details can be obtained by sending an e-mail to Tahir.Scholarship@ansarusa.org or going to the Anṣār website at:

<http://ansarusa.org/content/ansar-tahir-scholarship>

Needs of Majlis Anşārullāh

1. Volunteers for:
 - a) Writer/author
 - b) Translator
 - c) Editor
 - d) Project management
 - e) Web developer
 - f) Audio/Video Content developer

2. How to volunteer – Send email to:
volunteers@ansarusa.org

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