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New Members of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Canada Have Honour of a Meeting With World Head of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

“Even after offering prayers you must always remember that Allah the Almighty is watching over you and that you should continue performing good deeds.” – Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad

On 2 February 2026, the *World Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, the Fifth Khalifa (Caliph)*, His Holiness, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad a meeting with recent converts to the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community living in Canada.

During the meeting, members had the opportunity to introduce themselves and share their personal backgrounds and journeys to the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, which His Holiness graciously listened to, before answering an array of questions.

One attendee shared that his family had cut off all communication with him following his conversion to the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and sought guidance from His Holiness on how to deal with the situation.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“Pray for them and continue meeting them. Show them your good character. Tell them that after accepting Islam, you are trying to demonstrate good character... Tell your parents that apart from matters of faith, as their son, you are ready to obey whatever they ask of you and to serve them. Reassure them that you will cause them no harm, even if they cause you harm.”

Another attendee mentioned to His Holiness that some people accept Ahmadiyyat primarily for the purpose of marriage but later become disconnected from the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, and when efforts are made to follow up with them, their spouses sometimes ask that they not be contacted. He asked what steps could be taken to better support, guide and safeguard new converts after they join.

Regarding contacting such converts, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“There is no need to contact them for the purpose of morally training them or preaching to them or asking them to increase their religious knowledge. Just contact them as an Ahmadi friend – in this way you can increase your bond with them, and increase your contact and friendship. And then after some time they will realise that now the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community is not only contacting me because of my religion, or to increase their number, but for my own benefit and betterment. When the bond of friendship increases they will start to listen to you. It will take some time and it is a long process. It is not easy, but rather a challenge. Keep on doing it, never leave them. We are not the people who give up.”

One attendee asked His Holiness what the best way is to convey the message of Islam and Ahmadiyyat to family members who are Catholic, without causing conflict or hurting anyone.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

“You can show and explain to them that, ‘Though, I have joined Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam, but this does not mean that I shall break my relations with you. You are still my brothers, sisters and mother.’ Being a family member, you should have a good relationship and a strong bond with each other.”

“Further, when you are sitting in a friendly environment, you can tell them why I have accepted Ahmadiyyat, the true Islam. You can tell them that Islam is being unfairly defamed everywhere. Then tell them why you have accepted Ahmadiyyat. If they ask you any further questions, you should reply to their questions, you should increase your religious knowledge, tell them about we believe about Jesus Christ, what our faith is with regard to Mary and Christianity and Judaism and all other religions... As I have said, this is a long process. But never break your relationship with them. Be patient and show kindness to them, and all will be okay.”

Building on a similar theme, another attendee asked how new converts should approach and communicate with their families when sharing that they have accepted Islam Ahmadiyya.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

“Maintain good relations with your family. Tell them that this is the teaching of your religion and that Ahmadiyyat, the True Islam, has taught you to behave this way. Your character should be humble, kind, patient, and loving toward your siblings, parents, and relatives. Strive to show these qualities at all times. When they see your behaviour consistently, not just your words, they will understand that their son, brother, or relative has not gone astray but is on the right path. This is how you can cope with the situation.”

Following this, an attendee asked His Holiness how new converts can best propagate the teachings of Islam and Ahmadiyya.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

“By displaying your good actions. If, as an Ahmadi Muslim, you do not exhibit good manners, do not fulfil the rights owed to the servants of God Almighty, and think that simply offering your prayers fulfills all that is required, there is no point in accepting it. The Promised Messiah (peace be upon him) has said that his followers must pay attention to two things: first, they must fulfil the rights of God Almighty, that is, worship Him and obey Him in everything, following His commandments and guidance as written in the Holy Qur’an. Second, they must fulfil the rights owed to mankind. The Holy Qur’an says that even with one’s enemy one should not depart from justice – so you must fulfil the rights even of your enemies. By fulfilling these rights, people will appreciate you and listen to you. In this way, you can gradually spread the message of Islam.”

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad continued:

“Theological arguments, such as that Prophet Jesus (peace be upon him) has passed away and has not ascended to the heavens, or that Islam is the true religion, or that the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) is the last prophet and this era was for the advent of the Promised Messiah (peace be upon him), are a separate matter entirely. People are largely indifferent to such arguments... Instead, when someone observes the noble character of another, they are more likely to listen to the message being shared... That is why propagation of faith should be conducted through actions rather than arguments... Ahmadiyyat should not be merely a matter of argument; it should be a practice that transforms you from within. By demonstrating this in your conduct, you attract others. It should not be only ‘word of mouth’; you should be a practicing Muslim, fulfilling the rights of Allah and His people.”

During the meeting, one attendee asked, as a new convert who is still learning about his faith, how he could guide his mother, who is open to listening to what he has to say about Islam.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

“You can tell your mother that the teaching of Islam is that we should discharge our duties that we owe to Allah the Almighty, our Creator. And we should discharge our duties that we owe to our fellow human beings. This is the gist and summary of the teaching of Islam. This is how you can start a discussion with your mother, or friends, or whoever. Above all, if they see a [positive] change in you, they will see that you have accepted a good religion. If not and they see that you display cruelty, or anger, you do not have patience, you are not kind, you are not loving to your relatives, parents, or siblings – they will ask ‘what change has this religion brought about in you? Instead of accepting you, it will be better for us to keep ourselves distant from you.’ Thus, sincere practice, action and prayer are essential. Pray to Allah the Almighty that He helps you in your own deeds and your preaching activity as well. This is how you will gain the favour of Allah the Almighty, and when Allah the Almighty favours you, you will reap good results.”

Another attendee asked what other ways, besides offering the obligatory prayer and reading the Holy Qur’an, one can grow spiritually and strengthen one’s connection with God Almighty.

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad said:

“Allah the Almighty says that you should remember Him at all times. In your every deed and action, you should remember that Allah the Almighty is watching over you and that you should not do anything that is wrong...”

Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad stated:

“Pray to Allah the Almighty, and recite ‘Subhanallah’ (Glory be to Allah), ‘Alhamdulillah’ (All praise belongs to Allah) and ‘Astaghfirullah’ (I seek repentance from Allah). I have said recently that we should offer durood’ (salutations) at least 200 times, offer ‘Istighfar’ at least a hundred times, and some other prayers as well. Reciting these prayers will always ensure that you keep in your mind that you are a true Muslim, and you cannot do anything without the help of Allah, and to gain the love of Allah you have to perform good deeds. These are the things which will help you create a better relationship with Allah the Almighty.”

The meeting concluded with a group photo, after which His Holiness graciously gifted pens to the attendees. His Holiness then conveyed his greetings, marking an end to the meeting.

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