



"Utter no falsehood, invent no lies, and cause no hurt to anyone"

**Words of Healing from the Promised Messiah**

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Hadith, Hazrat Musleh Mau'ud(ra) writes, "This Hadith proves that the Bismillah which is written at the beginning of all Surahs is based on revelation of God and a part of the Holy Quran, not outside of it" (Tafseer-e-Kabeer, vol. 1, p. 12).

Refuting the beliefs of those who do not consider Bismillah a part of the Holy Quran, he quotes the following Hadith narrated by Hazrat Abu Hurairah(ra):

قال رسول الله ﷺ إذا قرأتم الحمد لله فاقروا بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم إنها أم القرآن و أم الكتاب و السبع المثاني و بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم إحدى آياتها

"The Holy Prophet(sa) said, 'When you recite Al-hamdolillah [i.e. Surah Al-Fatiha], recite Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem first, because it [i.e. Surah Al-Fatiha] is the mother of the Quran and the mother of the Book and (it consists of) seven oft-repeated verses, with the inclusion of Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem as one of the verses".

**How to attain righteousness during Ramadan?**

"Indeed, true believers should engage in hamd and tasbeeh during Ramadan more than before and raise their standard of worship in order to attain the beneficence of the sacred month."

The Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be on him) said that fasting is a shield and it is a strong fortress against fire. However this is so when everything man does is for the sake of God and his right and day is spent in remembrance of God and he treads the path of righteousness."

(Friday Sermon July, 04, 2014)

**Friday Sermon delivered at masjid Mubarak, Islamabad, UK, April 16th,2021**

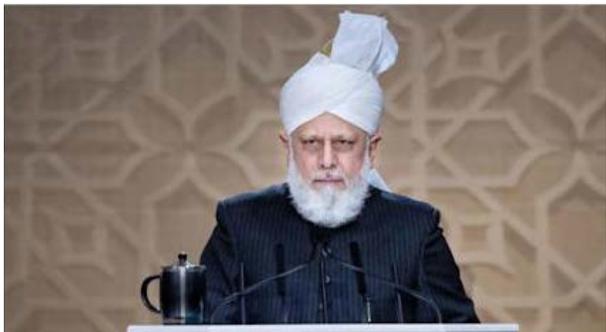
**Ramadan -Understanding the Philosophy of the Acceptance of Prayers**

**Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aba) recited the following verses of the Holy Qur'an:**

**How to Know When Prayers are Accepted**

His Holiness (aba) said that many ask how we can know that we have been forgiven and God has accepted our prayers. Here, the Promised Messiah (as) has stated that when one supplicates in the true sense and has endeavored to establish a lasting relationship with God, then one can be sure of this. His Holiness (aba) said that we should strive to achieve this especially during the month of Ramadan.

His Holiness (aba) quoted the Promised Messiah (as) who said that a true connection is established when two sides are drawn to each other. In other words, when the mercy of God draws man towards Him, and when man's truthfulness and sincerity draws God to come nearer to him, then a true connection can be established. When this connection is established and one supplicates, then God manifests the means for that prayer to be accepted and fulfilled.



**CEJ Majlis Ansarullah Activities in 2020**

Covid-19 had a big impact on Majlis Ansarullah activities in 2020, just like it did in so many other areas of life. We had no local Ijtema or National Ijtema in 2020. All meetings moved to Zoom and we had to put a pause on projects such as our monthly post-Fajr exercise activities. Opportunities for providing service to our surrounding communities presented themselves instead. CEJ Nasir (and National Qaid Taleem) Belal Khalid sahib, in conjunction with Humanity First, created a strong connection with Plainfield-based non-profit 'Angels for Action'. In the first half of 2020, Humanity First teamed up with local Ahmadi restaurant owners to deliver hot meals to Angels for Action twice a week. Majlis Ansarullah was assigned one of those weekly deliveries - Ansar volunteers helped to pack the meals at the restaurant and deliver them to Angels for Action in Plainfield. Qamar Aftab sahib, Abdur Hafeez sahib, Mansoor Tahir sahib and Abdur Rab sahib were among those who helped with packing and delivering the meals.

In the summer, Belal Khalid sahib again took the initiative to set up a food pantry at the masjid, which is now held every month, by the Grace of Allah. The food pantry is a collaboration between the Jamaat and Humanity First, with Lajna, Ansar and Khuddam all playing their parts in making it a success. People who sign up for the food pantry can come to the masjid to pick up assorted groceries as well as a hot meal. For those who cannot make it to the masjid we also arrange for deliveries. We also have an arrangement with the Plainfield Senior Center to deliver hot meals and some groceries to Plainfield senior citizens on the day of the food pantry. Central Jersey Ansarullah have taken responsibility for these deliveries and our regular delivery drivers include Tariq Sharif sahib, Mazher Ahmad sahib, Abdur Rab sahib, Muzaffar Khurram sahib and Masroor Sajid sahib.

Despite the lock down, Central Jersey Ansar were also able to participate in Waqar-e-Aml during the summer months when the weather was good. Ansar helped in cleaning up the weeds and bushes in front of the property the Jamaat purchased across the road from the masjid. Ansar also helped do a deep cleaning of the kitchen as well as general cleaning around the masjid property. Inshallah, we hope and pray that in 2021 we can continue these efforts as well as having more activities return to the masjid once the local authorities and Jamaat allow us to do so. There is unlikely to be a local Ansar Ijtema in 2021 but we are hopeful that the National Ijtema might still go ahead in September.

**Zaem Ansarullah**

**Message from the President.**

This has been an incredible past year and a few months in 2021. The Covid-19 Pandemic, a common enemy of humanity, brought everyone together to fight against it. The damage to health, wealth and mindset is of unparalleled magnitude. I almost thought it could be labeled as a 3rd World War, as predicted in the writing of Promised Messiah (AS). There are incredible signs for believers and non-believers alike. We all experienced the extremes of Pains and Tragedies as well as the Blessings (miracles) in our close social circles. Almost everyone witnessed a loved one, young and generally healthy, succumbing to this deadly virus. Or experienced a miracle where there was no hope and by all standards of medical science and doctor's very poor prognosis, a frail 90+ year person recovers.

I would like to thank Allah the Almighty for His infinite Blessings and Miracles. We all appreciate and recognize the members who, since the onset of this Pandemic, have been proactively helping members in the community during their difficult times. We had CEJ members (male and female) consistently reaching out to families who were in need of help. Our Umooer e Ama department was instrumental in planning and executing relief efforts. CEJ Lajna members have been in the forefront to render support to families with Homeopathic meds, Face Masks, Food or just emotional support. Our dedicated Physicians volunteered their time to help and give advice to our members, despite extremely stressful conditions at their respective workplaces. Our Halqa Leaders kept a close contact with families. We had the opportunity to start a Food Pantry at our mosque organized by Jama'at PA department and Lajna/Khuddam Khidmat e Khalq departments. We all experienced that this global jamaat of Promised Messiah has element of 'service to humanity' in their genes which is unparalleled in this time and age.

We are still in the thick of this Pandemic and need to remain focus and on the element of service to humanity with prayers and humility. The Holy month of Ramadhan is starting in a few days which brings the opportunity to intensify our prayers and beg for Allah's Mercy to bring an end this Pandemic. As Promised Messiah said that (paraphrasing) these calamities come by the will of God and go away by His Will also. Ramadhan will also bring opportunities to experience God. I would challenge myself to think of a serious issue or challenge in my life and "pray sincerely" to God Almighty for the resolution during Ramadhan. This includes writing to Huzoor for prayers as well asking family and friends for the same.

In closing, I humbly request members to be ready to help other Jama'at members more than ever. There are members who are still suffering either due to direct impact of the Covid or loss of their job, business or source of earning. Let's pray for each other, for humanity in general and for a quick end of this Pandemic.

**Abdul Nasir**

Ansār Calendar 2021		
Monthly Report from each Majlis is due by the 7th of every month (responsible: Za'im Majlis)		
Date	Day	Majlis Ansārullah Local / Regional Events
January 16	Saturday	Ansār Leadership Conference (Virtual)
March 31	Wednesday	Deadline for Tajdid Dīva I
April 1	Thursday	Start holding elections for Sadr & Nāib Sadr Saf Dom nominations and Shūrā Representatives. Submit Shūrā proposals
May 31	Monday	Talim Test I - Deadline to submit May 31st
June 5	Saturday	National Amīla meeting (in person) - Location: TBD
June 30	Wednesday	Deadline to Submit results of Sadr and Nāib Sadr Saf Dom nominations, Shūrā proposals and results of Shūrā Representatives election.
June 30	Wednesday	Deadline for first outreach calls cycle
August 1	Sunday	Deadline to submit 2022 Budget
August 21	Saturday	National Amīla meeting (in person) - Location: TBD
September 17-19	Friday - Sunday	National Shūrā and Yilmāz
October 1	Friday	Start holding Zāim election
October 31	Sunday	Tehrik-e-Jadīd - Deadline for 100% participation
November 15	Monday	Deadline to submit Talim Test II
December 5	Sunday	Deadline to submit Zāim election results
December 31	Friday	Mā' / Finance - Deadline for 100% dhanda participation
December 31	Friday	Waqf-e-Jadīd - Deadline for 100% participation
December 31	Friday	Deadline for second round of outreach calls cycle
January 14 - 16	Friday - Sunday	Ansār Leadership Conference 2022 (TBD)
Every 1st Monday of the month		National Amīla meeting conference call at 9 pm EST
Every 1st Tuesday of the month		Nazimeen Ala monthly conference call with Sadr Majlis at 9 pm EST
Every 1st Tuesday of the month		Zāima monthly conference call with Sadr Majlis at 9:30 pm EST
Other Important dates:		Ramadhān: April 14 to May 12 Eidul Fitr - Thursday, May 13 Eidul Adha: Tuesday, July 20



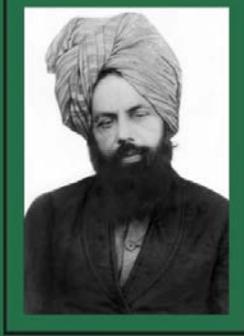
Mask donated to Edison New Jersey Police department by Mansoor Tahir & Masroor shb.

**National Tabligh Initiative**

**PROMISED MESSIAH DAY CAMPAIGN 2021**

**Street Corner**  
**Tabligh Activity**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 21**  
**11:00 AM - 12:30 PM**



To commemorate Promised Messiah (as) day, InshaAllah this year we will go to the street corners of our nation and tell everyone that "The Messiah has Come."

And who is better in speech than he who invites men to Allah and does good works and says, 'I am surely of those who submit?' [41:34]

**Company: Pfizer/BioNTech**

Efficacy: 95% at least 7 days after dose 2. Trial Participants: 43,548 people age 16 and up  
Side Effects: Most common were fatigue and headache after both doses, with both being more prominent after the second dose. These were milder for participants over 55 compared with those age 16 to 55. In this latter group, the rates of fatigue and headache were 59% and 52%, respectively, after dose 2.

Variants: No clinical data; lab studies have shown that the South African (B.1.351) variant may reduce antibody titers by two-thirds. Pfizer is studying a third "booster" dose of the original vaccine against this variant, as well as evaluating a variant-specific vaccine with a modified mRNA sequence

Company: Moderna; Efficacy: 94.1% at least 14 days after dose 2

Trial Participants: 30,420 people age 18 and up

Side Effects: Overall systemic adverse events including fever, chills, headache, and myalgia were recorded in 60% of participants after the first dose and in 80% of participants after the second dose.

Variants: No clinical data; lab studies found no significant impact on neutralizing antibodies with the U.K. variant (B.1.1.7) but a six-fold reduction in neutralizing antibodies with the South African variant (B.1.351). Moderna plans to test a variant-specific booster candidate, a multivalent booster candidate, and a third dose of the original vaccine at 50 µg.

Company: Johnson & Johnson/Janssen; Efficacy: 72% in the U.S. and 66% globally against moderate-to-severe disease; 85% effective against severe disease, 28 days after a single dose  
Trial Participants: 43,783 people age 18 and up

Side Effects: Most common systemic reactions were headache (39%), fatigue (38%), myalgia (33%), nausea (14%), and fever (9%).

Variants: 57% efficacy in South Africa; 66% efficacy in South America (Brazil was among the countries studied, but there were no sequenced cases of the P.1 variant)

Dr. Nasir Ahmad.



CEJ commemorates Youme Hazrat Massih e Ma'ood (as) on Sunday March 21st coordinated by Tabligh Secretary Shb & Da'een. Volunteers gathered at masjid & went out with banners and other educational material for the distribution, demonstrating true love for the mission of Hazrat Massih e Ma'ood (as).

May Allah bless our members- Essa Fawad Ashar Sb with whole family Ibtasam Mobashar, Sayyed Fawad Mobashar, Qamar shb, Khalid Maq-sud, Dr Khalid, Sarwar Ahmad Shayan, Hisham Malik, Hamma Amjad, Hasnaat Ahmad, Mansoor Tahir Murabbi Sb Mohsin Mahmood Mur-rabbi Asjad, Amjad sb Abdul Nasir shb, Safwan Akbar Adnan Akbar, Rizwan Akbar Qaid Sb Hammad Malik & Masroor Sajid shb.



Young volunteers come for khidmat e Khalq. Danial Sb, Armaghan Sb working on painting of mosque- supervised by Qaid Sb, Ham-mad Sb, Faraz Sb, Hamza Sb, Usama khan Sb, Hisham Sb, Shayan Sb, Ibrahim Sb, Ibtasam Sb, Zaim Sb, Mazhar Ahmad Sb, Mohsin Sb, and of course Belal Khalid Sb engaged in distribution of food to over 65 families in the surrounding communities.



March 2020-despite the lock down, CEJ Ansar participated in Waqar-e-Amal helped in cleaning up the weeds and bushes from the adjacent property that our Jamaat purchased.

<p>Company: Pfizer/BioNTech</p> <p>Vaccine Name: mRNA-1273</p> <p>MOA: mRNA vaccine</p> <p>Dosing Schedule: Two doses, 21 days apart (50 µg/0.5mL)</p> <p>Efficacy: 95% at least 7 days after dose 2</p> <p>Doses Contracted by U.S.: 300 million</p>	<p>Company: Moderna</p> <p>Vaccine Name: mRNA-1273</p> <p>MOA: mRNA vaccine</p> <p>Dosing Schedule: Two doses, 28 days apart (100 µg/0.5mL)</p> <p>Efficacy: 94.1% at least 14 days after dose 2</p> <p>Doses Contracted by U.S.: 300 million</p>	<p>Company: Johnson &amp; Johnson/Janssen</p> <p>Vaccine Name: Ad26 COV2S</p> <p>MOA: Adenovirus vector vaccine</p> <p>Dosing Schedule: One dose (two-dose regimen under evaluation)</p> <p>Efficacy: 72% in the U.S. and 66% globally against moderate-to-severe disease; 85% effective against severe disease, 28 days after a single dose</p> <p>Doses Contracted by U.S.: 100 million</p>
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6th annual Telethon CEJ Humanity First Fundraiser team Congratulations Central Jersey and Dr. Khalid Sahib for obtaining Number 1 position in US.



Thanksgiving lunch made in the masjid by Edina Brown and her team. Thanks to Lal Hut for preparing the turkey.



CEJ President Abdul Nasir Shb with Mayor Henry Owen & Hasnaat Ahmad attending 9/11 memorial service at Old Bridge.

**3 Days of Prayers & Repentance**  
Friday Jan 15, 2021 – Sunday Jan 17, 2021

Let us join together for  
**Congregational Salat at home**  
Recitation of Holy Quran  
Tahajjud  
Optional Fasting  
Dars  
Sadaqa

Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
Tahajjud	5:15 AM	Tahajjud	5:15 AM	Tahajjud	5:15 AM
Suhoor Ends (for optional fast)	5:55 AM	Suhoor Ends (for optional fast)	5:55 AM	Suhoor Ends (for optional fast)	5:55 AM
Fajr prayer	6:05 AM	Fajr prayer	6:05 AM	Fajr prayer	6:05 AM
Masnoon's (MNA) Friday Sermon on MTA	8:00 AM	Zuhr prayer	12:30 PM	Zuhr prayer	12:30 PM
Friday prayer	12:30 PM	Ash prayer	3:00 PM	Ash prayer	3:00 PM
Ash prayer	3:00 PM	Iftar (for optional fast) & Maghrib prayer	4:56 PM	Iftar (for optional fast) & Maghrib prayer	4:56 PM
Iftar (for optional fast) & Maghrib prayer	4:56 PM	Isha prayer	6:30 PM	Isha prayer	6:30 PM
Isha prayer	6:30 PM	Dars	7:30 PM	Dars	7:30 PM
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The Ahmadiyya Muslim community coordinated nationwide blood drive honoring 9/11 victims on Wednesday September 9th, 2020, and this year, on April 4th, 2021. We mark the tenth anniversary of the Muslims for life: Blood Drive campaign, in partnership with American Red cross, remembering the lives lost on September 11, 2001. We continue to honor their memory by hosting these lifesaving blood drives. Please remember all members who contributed to this cause, in your prayers.



New York Blood Center & Red Cross Bus at Bait ul Hadi Mosque Central Jersey.

During 2020, diversity and inclusion within Jama'at community was one of the main focus points of the USA Tarbiyyat department. To help the local Tarbiyyat department with this diversity and inclusion initiative, President Abdul Nasir sahib constituted a "Diversity & Inclusion Committee" led by Mazher Ahmad sahib. This committee came up with several ideas to make Central Jersey Jama'at a more welcoming community for Ahmadi Muslims of all ethnic, linguistic, geographic and cultural backgrounds. One of the recommendations of this committee was to include presentations during the monthly general meetings focusing on different geographic and cultural communities that are represented in local Central Jersey Jama'at. The first of these presentations was done by Fawad Mubashir sahib on Palestine and Palestinian Ahmadi Muslim community. This was a beautiful presentation done using the aid of maps and many photographs of important historical places such as the Al-Aqsa mosque and the grave sites of Hadhrat Ibrahim (AS) and Hadhrat Isaac (AS).

Abdul Wahab sahib did the second presentation during the December 2020 monthly Jama'at meeting on Ghana and the Ahmadiyya Muslim community there. He talked about the political history of the country, its geography, the languages spoken and how Ahmadiyya Muslim community has grown in the country. He also showed many photographs of important Jama'at buildings in Ghana, including the buildings of Jamia Ahmadiyya Ghana and MTA studios in Ghana.

Mohammed Sehhar sahib did the third presentation during the January 2021 monthly Jama'at meeting on Bangladesh and the Ahmadiyya Muslim community there. He talked about the geography, food and culture of Bangladesh as well as how the Ahmadiyya Muslim community was established in Bangladesh.

Danial Booter sahib did the fourth presentation during the February 2021 monthly Jama'at meeting on Ahmadiyya Basketball League in Belize. He went over the impact of the league on the people of Belize and how this league has become popular throughout the country. He talked about how the local Murabbi sahib in Belize started the league to help young boys stay away from drugs and then over the years the league grew in popularity and its reach. He showed photos of the organizers of Ahmadiyya Basketball League when they were invited to the popular national TV morning show. In his presentation, he highlighted the ways in which the message of Islam and Ahmadiyyat can be brought to countries and communities by young Ahmadi Muslims. Finally, he also mentioned that a documentary has been produced on Ahmadiyya Basketball League titled "Belize & Basketball" and it is available on Amazon Prime.

Insha' Allah, we wish to continue with more such presentations in the future Jama'at general meetings. If you have any ideas about topics for these diversity & inclusion presentations, then kindly get in touch with the local Tarbiyyat Secretary Hammad Malik. Jazakumullahu ahsanal jazaa.



Mayor Adrian Mapp, & First Lady, along with Public Affairs department of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community- Central Jersey, distributing food. Our partnership with Angels for Action to assist in Plainfield will expand in the coming days.



May Allah reward Sadar sb, Tayab Raza sb, Ashar Hafeez sb, Amjad Ali sb, Sayad Mobashar sb for assisting with sowing a vegetable patch.



**Central Jersey Ahmadiyya Muslim Community- Humanity First hosts Centennial Interfaith Meeting on May 9th, 2020**

During the month of Ramadan, Ahmadiyya Muslims hosted members of our community and elected officials for an interfaith dialogue. Respecting Covid guidelines, we transitioned from the usual dinner to an online forum. Event was hosted By Belal Khalid shb director Humanity First Central Jersey chapter. The program started with a welcome address by Mahmood Hanif shb, Zaem Ansarullah, & recitation of Holy Quran by Hisham Malik shb. Followed by Public official remarks by Mayor Owen Henry, Old Bridge township, Mohammad Saeed Khalid shb missionary in charge of Ahmadiyya Muslim community, and Pastor Seth Kaper-Dale of Reformed Church in Highland Park. The keynote address was given by Mazher Ahmed shb of Central Jersey with closing remark & prayers by Abdul Nasir shb, President Central Jersey Chapter.

Respected Murabbi Sahib with Tarbiyyat Secretary Hammad Malik Sahib staying fit during the pandemic.



# Finding the silver lining- a look back at 2020

The year 2020 was certainly a very uncertain and challenging year for all of humanity. Almost all of us faced new difficulties due to the shutdowns, and it affected the livelihood of many families. For some, it brought up food insecurity, which is a difficult challenge in normal days, but it becomes even more difficult to deal with given the circumstances of a pandemic. During the pandemic, many people were left without jobs and had very limited access to proper nutrition, and other basic necessities. Understanding the crucial need, the Ansar, along with all other members of CEJ, stepped up with their spirit of community service against the odds of a world that was becoming increasingly isolated. Our Jamaat is blessed to have Abdul Nasir sb, Sadar CEJ as a guide through these unprecedented times for our community. Belal Khalid sb Qaid Ta'lim from CEJ Jamaat teamed with Humanity First, and the nonprofit organization Angels for Action, of Plainfield township to distribute face masks, nonperishable food, clothes, and cooked hot meals consisting of vegetable rice and lentil soup. Mayor of Plainfield, Adrain Mapp attended the food drive and greatly appreciated Humanity First's efforts. The contribution is being acknowledged by the township on a regular basis. By the end of 2021, our jamaat is aiming to distribute food to 300 families, in coordination with South Plainfield senior society in sha'Allah. Majlis Ansarullah was also assigned one of those weekly deliveries. Qamar sahib, Abdul Hafeez sahib, Mansoor Tahir sahib and Abdur Rab sahib from the Ansar volunteers helped to pack the meals at the restaurant and deliver them to Angels for Action. In the summer, Belal Khalid sahib again took the initiative to set up a food pantry at the masjid, which is now held every month. The food pantry is now a successful collaboration between the Jamaat and Humanity First, with Lajna, Ansar and Khuddam all playing their parts in making it a success.

At the advent of the pandemic, expectedly there was a lot of anxiety regarding Covid-19 itself, but also other health issues. Yet many people felt uneasy visiting a clinic or any other medical facility in person. Our Jamaat took initiative for immediate help & supply of homeopathic medications to its members. We also have a volunteer Doctor on Call to answer any Covid related questions. Each Amla Member was assigned the duty to call and connect with 10 families of Jamaat and ensure their wellness. Halqa Leaders were also assigned to call all halqa members weekly and offer any help needed.

Please remember all members in your prayers, especially the ones who are unwell due to Covid. May Allah grant them full and speedy recovery and ease their pain and difficulties.

Following the ongoing Al Naba's tradition of honoring our ancestors, we shall shed light on the services of Dr. Karimullah Zirvi for his immense services toward Jamaat Ahmadiyya USA.



Dr. Karimullah Zirvi

Dr. Karimullah Zirvi was born on May 20, 1940 in Lahore, Pakistan. He completed his undergraduate education in 1959 at Ta'limul Islam College in Rabwah, Pakistan. He obtained his B.Ed. in 1961 at Central Training College in Lahore. He taught at Ta'limul Islam High School in Ghatialian, Pakistan for one year. In 1963, he completed his M.Sc. degree in Chemistry from Karachi University and secured the second position in the University. In 1964, Dr. Zirvi was awarded a Fulbright - Hays Award and a Research Grant from the University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky for Post - Graduate studies. In 1968, he completed his Ph.D. in Pharmacology in the laboratory of Dr. Charles H. Jarboe. His thesis was entitled, "Synthesis and Pharmacology of Centrally Active Imides and Amides of Certain Cyclobutanecarboxylic Acids." After completing his post - doctoral work at the University of Louisville, he became a Senior Research Officer at Pakistan Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (PCSIR). Labs in Peshawar, Pakistan. In 1972, he joined Pahlavi University in Shiraz, Iran as an Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacology. During this time, he was awarded an International Cancer Research Technology Transfer (ICRETT) Award from Deutsches Krebsforschungszentrum, Heidelberg, Germany. In 1978, Dr. Zirvi and his family emigrated to the United States of America where he took up a position as a visiting scientist at the University of Louisville.

He was a research scientist at the University of California San Diego in La Jolla, California from 1979 to 1980. He then moved to Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee where he worked as a research scientist in the Department of Chemistry. In 1982, Dr. Zirvi joined the faculty at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ). There he taught and did research in oncology until he retired in 1993 as an Associate Professor. During his research career he was awarded an NIH Research Grant, VA Research Grant and a New Jersey State Cancer Research Grant. He is the author of over 65 peer - reviewed publications and holds a patent. Dr. Zirvi's biographical sketch is also published in Asia / Pacific Who's Who (Vol. VII, p. 656) and Asian / American Who's Who (Vol. V). Dr. Zirvi is an active member of the U.S.A. Jama'at. He has held many positions over the years which include Sadr Ansarullah USA from 1993 to 1999. As sadr Ansarullah, he published several special issues of Al - Nahl magazine which included a special tribute to the life of Professor Dr. Abdus Salam, Nobel Laureate of Physics. He was the National Ta'lim (Education) Secretary USA from 1998 to 2007. He has been General Secretary (1983 to 2000) and Vice President (2000) of the North New Jersey Jama'at. In addition, he has been a past President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Scientists Association as well as the General Secretary of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Medical Association (AMMA) from 1982 to 1996. In 1993, he, along with Dr. Imtiaz Chaudhary (then President of the AMMA), visited Ahmadiyya Hospitals in Sierra Leone, Liberia and the Gambia and delivered surgical instruments and medicines which were collected from Ahmadi doctors in the USA. He is also the Editor of the Ahmadiyya Gazette USA and An -Noor since May 2004, Pakistan. Dr. Zirvi has three sons (Nasir Zirvi, Dr. Monib Zirvi, Dr. Khalid Zirvi) and one daughter (Sumra Zirvi). Dr. Karimullah Zirvi now lives in Columbia Maryland with his wife Amatul Latif Zirvi, and they have 11 grandchildren, Mashallah. She is the daughter of the late Malik Saifur Rahman Sahib, former Mufti Silsilah 'Aliyyah Ahmadiyya and the late Amatul Rashid Shaukat Sahibah, former Editor of the Mişbah, Rabwah.



## 2020 at a glance:

- Central Jersey Ansarullah majlis awarded 3rd position nationwide in large Majalis. Masah'Allah
- After a long wait Central Jersey Jamaat has been allowed to re-open the mosque on Friday March 5th, 2021 for congregational and Juma prayers. As directed, up to 50 members are permitted. Anyone with symptoms of illness, or who have underlying health issues, should pray at home. Refrain from handshaking and maintain social distancing. Carpets were marked 6 ft between worshipers & vaccinated jamaat members can attend congregational prayers.
- As per the guidelines of Marzak, CEJ regularly hosted Darsul Quran, hosted by respected Murabbi Sb, Hammad Malik Sb & Anas Mirza sb educating the teachings of Holy Quran. Also, emphasis was given to the instruction from Huzur (aba) to offer congregational prayers at home with our families. Bridging the bonding with Allah swt.
- CEJ Jamaat was involved in constant coordination with the national Tarbiyat department in hosting episode of the "Living Through A pandemic" series under the guidance of Imran Hayee Sb, national Sadr Ansarullah USA as a guest speaker; addressing the topic "The Role of Father's in our children's life."
- Our mosque was one of the top performing jamaat. May Allah swt reward Murabbi sb and Secretary sb, for their consistency in holding Tarbiyyat programs.
- Alhamdulillah, despite the pandemic, Tahir Academy held regular online sessions
- Central Jersey Jama'at website has launched. Thanks to Masroor Sajid sahib and Nasir Mahmood sahib for bringing this project to fruition. Khuddam, Ansar, Lajna can post their own contents, make announcements, and post blogs. The web address is: [cej.ahmadiyya.us](http://cej.ahmadiyya.us) In this difficult time, we should unite as one Jama'at to follow the spirit of our beloved Khalifa, intensify congregational prayers, read more Quran, give alms, and fervently pray to Allah for his constant favor.

**Syed Imran Ahmed -Muntazim Ishaat CEJ**