

NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

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A CALL TO SERVICE

Dear Friends,

The Guardian's latest message to us is this :-

"As the dangers confronting the believers in
"the British Isles increase in number and gravity,
"my admiration, as well as the admiration of the Bahá'ís
"in East and West, for the spirit that animates those who
"face them, grows deeper and acquires added intensity and
"fervour. Though their numbers be small, and their activ-
"ities restricted, and their trials and anxieties manifold
"and oppressive, yet their spiritual contribution, through
"their fortitude, valour, and self-sacrifice, to the progressive
"unfoldment of the Faith's latent potentialities in the
"Western world is both notable and constantly increasing.
"As the clouds of the war dissipate and the horrors of this
"universal carnage fade away, it will become increasingly
"evident to both friends and foes of the Faith, how solid has
"been the foundation which their indomitable spirit has laid,
"and how rich the harvest which their incessant labours have
"yielded.

"With a heart brimful with gratitude and love,
"I will, when visiting the holy shrines, recall their signal
"acts, and supplicate increasing blessings on the historic
"work which in their hour of trial they are so magnificently
"achieving, for the glory, the honour, the extension and the
"establishment of the invincible Faith of Bahá'u'lláh."

The National Spiritual Assembly, deeply moved by his recent letters, which you will read in the next issue of "Bahá'í Journal", believes that this outpouring of love from him will now draw us to the highest peak of service which we have ever attained.

Confident of your response to this call, we have embarked on the following plans for the reinforcement and development of the Teaching work.