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"Proclaim the Cause of thy Lord unto all who are in the heavens and on the earth. Should any man respond to thy call, lay bare before him the pearls of the wisdom of the Lord, thy God, which His Spirit hath sent down upon thee, and be thou of them that truly believe. And should any one reject thy offer, turn thou away from him, and put thy trust and confidence in the Lord of all worlds. By the righteousness of God! Whoso openeth his lips in this day, and maketh mention of the name of his Lord, the hosts of Divine inspiration shall descend upon him from the heaven of my name, the All-Knowing, the All-Wise. On him shall also descend the Concourse on high, each bearing aloft a chalice of pure light. Thus hath it been fore-ordained in the realm of God's Revelation, by the behest of Him Who is the All-Glorious, the Most Powerful." (From the Writings of Bahá'u'lláh, quoted by Shoghi Effendi in "The Advent of Divine Justice")

Dear Friends,

Work in London is showing signs of greater vitality - the public meetings are better attended and many new contacts have been made. People are hearing of the Bahá'í Cause in various different ways and seeking it out for themselves. And the number of such people will grow greater as time goes on. Thus a problem arises - these people must be taught and the Bahá'ís themselves must be qualified to teach. This problem is not peculiar to London, but arises all over the country. We need more and more teachers. Every Bahá'í, on accepting the Faith, is under the inescapable obligation to teach the Cause in every way he can. The way of teaching will vary with each individual, but the need is the same, we must know more and more about the Teachings, we must seriously and carefully prepare ourselves. With this in view, the Spiritual Assembly has organised a study class to be held once a week, and it is urged that everyone who possibly can should attend this, whilst those who cannot are reminded that the Lending Library contains books which can be studied at home. Let us devote this winter to steady preparation for the work which Bahá'u'lláh in His Great Bounty offers us, so that we may not fail whatever the demands made upon us as individuals and as a community.

We welcome back to London Mr. and Mrs. Sperber, who have returned from the Isle of Man.

THE BIRTHDAY OF THE BĀB will be celebrated this year on Sunday, October 19th, at 3.30 pm. Will everyone please bring a contribution in kind to the Feast.

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING will be held on Saturday, October 4th, Tea will be served at 3 pm. and the meeting will begin at 3.30pm. sharp. Miss M. Wellby will speak on "Bahá'í Trends in Modern Thought". Please bring all your friends.

NINETEEN-DAY FEAST IN OCTOBER. The Feast of 'Ilm - Knowledge will be celebrated on Saturday, October 18th, at 3.30 pm. Host: Mr. Asgarzadeh.

TEACHING MEETING. Saturday, October 11th, at 3.30 pm. This meeting will provide an opportunity for all members of the community to consult on their teaching problems and experiences, and to help one another.

SUNDAY MEETINGS, at 3 p.m.

October 12th. "Establishing the Kingdom on Earth" Miss Baxter
 " 26th "Abdul-Bahá, the Exemplar of the Life" Miss B. Wilson

On the intervening Sundays the Centre will also open at 3 p.m. for enquiries and a more informal kind of meeting will be held. Please come and help.

STUDY CLASS. This will be taken by a different person each week, who will choose the subject to be studied. It will be held every Thursday evening at 6.30 p.m.

October 2nd	Mr. W. Wilkins
" 9th	Miss B. Wilson
" 16th	Miss H. Sperber
" 23rd	Mr. D. Millar
" 30th	Mrs. Lam

FIRESIDE MEETING. Miss Wellby holds a fireside meeting each Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m. at 162 Holland Park Avenue, W.11.

LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMITTEE reports that copies of the following books are missing from the Lending Library. Will the friends please return any they have in their homes or which they have lent to friends: All have been written for several times.

Bahá'í Scriptures	} These are especially needed as they cannot possibly be replaced.
Bahá'u'lláh and the New Era	
Chosen Highway	
Gleanings from the Writings of Bahá'u'lláh	
The Heart of the Gospel	
The Promise of All Ages	
Tahireh the Pure	
The Divine Art of Living	}
Blue Prayer Book.	

The Committee would also be grateful if friends having spare copies of books would lend them to the Library to supplement their stock. Books specially welcomed include "Portals to Freedom", "Bahá'u'lláh and the New Era", "Gleanings" and "A Traveller's Narrative". Friends are also asked to keep a look out when visiting bookshops for secondhand copies of rare Bahá'í books, such as "The Divine Art of Living" which is now out of print, "A Traveller's Narrative", etc.

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A Jewellery Fund has been opened at the Centre in order to help the Fund for publishing the new Scriptures. Any gold or silver objects will be accepted and sold for the benefit of the Fund. So please hunt out all your old jewellery, trinkets, etc. and help to swell the fund. Send or give your gifts to the Secretary or the Treasurer of the London Spiritual Assembly at the Centre.

Another way in which friends can help in the publishing effort is by giving orders in advance for the new Scriptures and paying for them. This money will go straight towards the cost of printing. The cost of each copy is 5/-.