

L O N D O N B A H Á ' Í B U L L E T I N

LONDON BAHÁ'Í CENTRE at the NATIONAL HAZIRATU'L-QUDS

27 Rutland Gate, S.W.7.

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"The time fore-ordained unto the peoples and kindreds of the earth is now come. The promises of God, as recorded in the holy Scriptures, have all been fulfilled. Out of Zion hath gone forth the Law of God, and Jerusalem, and the hills and land thereof, are filled with the glory of His Revelation... Meditate upon this O Ye Beloved of God, and let your ears be attentive unto His Word, so that ye may, by His Grace and mercy, drink your fill from the crystal waters of constancy, and become as steadfast and immovable as the mountain in His Cause."

(Bahá'u'lláh)

Our New Centre We are blessed to have our new Centre at the National Haziratu'l-Quds. Apart from the excellent position which our Centre now occupies, we are also fortunate as a Community to have near access to the amenities of the National institution.

Rutland Gate is in the Knightsbridge area, and faces Hyde Park. To reach No.27, one passes through a gateway (no actual gates existing now) and proceeds straight on into a square. Coming into the square, No.27 is situated on the left. The nearest tube station is Knightsbridge, five to seven minutes walk away. Buses 9, 52, 73, pass by Rutland Gate, and there are request stops near by in both directions. Bus 19, passing by Knightsbridge Station and buses 14, 30, 74, passing through Brompton Road, also serve the area.

With greatest regret we have heard the news of the passing of Mrs. Constance Langdon-Davies, member of the National Spiritual Assembly. A cable received from our beloved Guardian, reads: "Grieve passing staunch Consecrated promoter Faith Langdon-Davies. Her services unforgettable. Reward great Abhá Kingdom."

January Calendar There are many events during January. Please carefully note the dates.

Sunday, January 2nd.

4 p.m. Memorial meeting for Mrs. Langdon-Davies.

6 p.m. Farewell meeting for Mr. Philip Hainsworth, who is returning to Uganda the following day.

Monday, January 3rd. - 7.30 p.m.

Nineteen-Day Feast of Sharaf (Honour)

Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. S. Granfar.

Thursday, January 6th. - 7.30 p.m.

Public Meeting -

Speaker: Mrs. Mildred Mottahedeh of New York.

Sunday, January 9th. - 3.30 p.m.

Meeting to hear Mrs. Mottahedeh on her recent visit to Bahá'is of South-east Asia and the Islands of the Pacific. Mrs. Mottahedeh will show pictures of her journeys.

- Thursday, January 13th - 7.30 p.m. Public Meeting. Speaker: Mr. H.M. Balyuzi.
- Saturday, January 15th - 2.30 p.m. National Teaching Conference.
8.00 p.m. Dedication of the Haziratu'l-Quds. Hand of the Cause of God, Dr. Hermann Grossmann, will be present.
- Sunday, January 16th - 10.00 a.m. National Teaching Conference.
- Wednesday, January 19th - 7.30 p.m. Nineteen-Day Feast of Sultán (Sovereignty)
Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Rustam Sabit.
- Thursday, January 20th - 7.30 p.m. Public Meeting.
Speaker: Mr. Ian Semple.
- Thursday, January 27th - 7.30 p.m. Public Meeting.
Speaker: Mr. John Ferraby.

By-Election Result Mrs. Dorothy Ferraby is elected to the Spiritual Assembly.

Our Community We extend the most loving welcome to Miss Mabel Joseph, who has declared her faith and joined our Community.

Miss Margaret Lloyd and Mr. Shozo Kadota have left for Nigeria and Pakistan respectively.

We have been very happy to meet General H. Sohrab, member of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Persia. General Sohrab spoke at a Thursday evening meeting. We have also had the privilege of a visit from Mr. Bernard Leach, who has just returned from Japan and made pilgrimage to the Holy Land, en route. On Sunday, December 19th, Mr. Leach spoke at the Centre about his pilgrimage.

Treasurer's Report The cost of moving into the new Centre and of the incorporation (now in hand), requires extra effort.