

"Arise to aid thy Lord at all times, and in all circumstances, and be thou one of His helpers Be patient under all conditions, and place your whole trust and confidence in God. Aid ye your Lord with the sword of wisdom and utterance. This indeed well becometh the station of man." (Bahá'u'lláh)

Beloved Friends,

Two fundamental tasks engage the immediate attention of our Community, namely ever to increase our contributions to the National Fund, and to initiate intensive teaching work. Our spiritual well-being depends on the adequate fulfilment of these tasks. Tasks these are, but even more they are inestimable privileges. We shall accept them joyously and gratefully - grateful that God has chosen us to do His work in His Day.

Now the efforts and the services of every single one of us are required. There are many ways to serve, but service to be truly effective should be concerted and united towards the ends in view. The Guardian has warned us against dissipation of resources and distraction of attention. Now is the time to prove our calibre as the followers of Bahá'u'lláh. This chance may never return.

And then as individuals we can all set ourselves goals to achieve, such as giving the message of our Faith to a number of people, distributing literature, helping at various meetings and functions. There can be a variety of individual goals. Your Spiritual Assembly will endeavour to save a part of the time of every Nineteen-Day Feast for sharing the news of individual teaching effort.

So, beloved Friends, let us apply ourselves to these sacred and urgent tasks with joy, with gratitude, with vigour.

Loving greetings,
In His Fellowship,
The London Spiritual Assembly

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19-Day Feasts

The Feast of Nur (Light) - Saturday, June 5th at 7 p.m.
Hostess: Miss A. Grimshaw

The Feast of Rahmat (Mercy) - Thursday, June 24th at 7 p.m.
Hostess: Miss Edith Kent

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ALLIANCE HALL MEETING

Monday, June 21st at 7 p.m.

Special invitation cards will be issued.

Committees:

Teaching Committee

Dorothy Ferraby
Vivian Isenthal
Leila Millar
Donald Millar
Manuchehr Sebetian

Youth Committee

Darius Khorsand
Mehrangiz Munsiff
Violette Samandari
Manuchehr Sabetian
Brian Townshend.

Other Committee appointments will be announced in the next Bulletin.

Centre Warden: Beryl de Gruchy is appointed the Centre Warden.

Our Community:

We extend a heartfelt welcome to Parvin Khamsi, another friend from Iran, who has come to study nursing.

Isobel Slade and Beryl de Gruchy are back from Edinburgh and Norwich respectively. Their pioneering at the end of last year was of great help to the progress of the Six-Year Plan.

Due to indisposition Brian Townshend has gone to stay with his family in Dublin. We pray for his speedy recovery, and hope to see him back in our midst very soon.

We also pray for Mary Basil Hall's full restoration to health.

Our Visitors:

Charles Mason Remy paid us a flying visit in May. He came to the 19-Day Feast of Azamat on May 17th. The same evening he left for Geneva.

Mr. Shakib and Mr. Ahdieh of Tehran, have come for a short stay.

Colonel Khademe Azad and Mr. Modabber, both of Tehran, who were here for medical treatment, have now returned home.

It was indeed a great pleasure and privilege to meet these dear friends.

Our Pioneers: Next month you will have another letter from one of our pioneers.

Notes and News:

1. We have heard the grievous news that Sister Grace Challis of Broadstairs, Dorset, is very seriously ill. Her shining faith and fortitude, her record of brilliant service, stand as a beacon light to all.
2. Very good and heartening news comes from Geneva where the European Bahá'í Conference was held from May 22nd to 26th. There were ninety present from eighteen countries. A report says, "Everyone is feeling on top of the world".
3. We hear that our dear friend, Rafi Mottahedeh of New York will be again with us in the first week of July. We are eagerly looking forward to meeting him.
4. A Reception Committee is appointed to welcome our beloved brothers and sisters who come from abroad for a short stay, and to keep contact with them. If you can offer hospitality in any way please inform the Secretary.
5. The Festival of the Declaration of the Báb, was a very happy occasion. Attendance was very good indeed.
6. Two large tins of tobacco have been found at the Centre. Will the owner please apply for them.

DO NOT FORGET WEDNESDAY EVENING MEETINGS - 7.30 p.m. AT THE CENTRE