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"Number us, we implore Thee, with them who have stood fast in Thy Cause until their souls finally winged their flight unto the heaven of Thy grace and the atmosphere of Thy loving-kindness. Thou art, verily, the Ever-Forgiving, the Most Merciful."

(Bahá'u'lláh)

"Remember not your own limitations; the help of God will come to you. Forget yourself. God's help will surely come."

('Abdu'l-Bahá)

Calendar for November

- Wednesday, November 4th - 7.30 p.m. - Nineteen-Day Feast of Qudrat
Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. H. Backwell. (Power)
- Thursday, November 5th - 7.30 p.m. - Public Meeting -
Speaker: Miss Doris Skinner.
- Wednesday, November 11th - 7.30 p.m. - Feast of the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh.
(Contributions in kind are invited.)
- Thursday, November 12th - 7.30 p.m. - Public Meeting -
Speaker: Miss Doris Ballard.
- Thursday, November 19th - 7.30 p.m. - Public Meeting -
Speaker: Miss Shamsi Sedaghat.
- Monday, November 23rd - 7.30 p.m. - Nineteen-Day Feast of Qawl (Speech)
Host: Mr. Eruch Munsiff.
- Wednesday, November 25th - 7.30 p.m. - Feast of the Day of the Covenant.
(Contributions in kind are invited.)
- Thursday, November 26th - 7.30 p.m. - Public Meeting -
Speaker: Mr. H.M. Balyuzi.
- Saturday, November 28th - 1 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.
Commemoration of the Passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá.

The devotional programme is given below. Friends who cannot attend the mid-night meeting, might like to use it in their homes at the actual hour of the Passing of the Master.

Programme for the Commemoration Meeting

1. Prayer of Visitation - "Some special Bahá'í Prayers and Tablets", p. 38,
or "Bahá'í Prayers for Special Occasions", p. 37.
2. "Friends! The time is coming when I shall no longer be with you."
"The Passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá", pp. 30 - 31.
3. Prayers - "Some Bahá'í Prayers" - Nos. 65, 80, or "Bahá'í Prayers",
Nos. 75, 91.
4. Readings: "The Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá".
(a) "All Praise to Him...", p. 7, to "..... Well is it with him that
seeketh the shelter of his shade that shadoweth all mankind." p.8.

(b) "O ye that stand fast in the covenant..." p. 11, to "..... let them that are men of action follow in their footsteps." p.13.

(c) "O ye beloved of the Lord! In this sacred Dispensation....." p.17, to "..... Such are the attributes of the truthful", p.18.

5. Prayer - "Some Bahá'í Prayers", No.83, or "Bahá'í Prayers", No.100.

Nineteen-Day Feast

It is the duty and the privilege of Bahá'ís to attend the Nineteen-Day Feast. For us the Nineteen-Day Feast has the character of the Holy Communion. Only a declared Bahá'í can partake of it. For this reason we cannot invite our non-Bahá'í friends to attend the Nineteen-Day Feast.

Our Visitors

We have had the honour of a visit from a Hand of the Cause of God - Mrs. Dorothy Baker, while on her way to the fourth Inter-Continental Conference at New Delhi. The Centre was packed full on the afternoon of Saturday, October 2nd, when Mrs. Baker addressed us. The memory of that afternoon will never fade, and we are humbly grateful for that bounty.

We have also been most happy and privileged to meet Miss Otilie Rhein (pioneer to Mauritius from U.S.A.), Mr. Artemus Lamb (member of the N.S.A. of the Baha'is of Central America, on his way to the New Delhi Conference), Mr. Hiroyasu Takano of Japan, Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Naimi of Tihiran. We are very glad to learn that Mrs. Naimi will reside in London, and Mr. Naimi will come back here after a tour of the Bahá'í Communities on the Continent.

Reading

We are proud that a member of our Community, Miss Beryl de Gruchy, is the pioneer to Reading. The public meeting held there on October 12th was well supported by our members, and was successful.

Joint Centre Warden

Miss Ursula Frener is appointed Joint Centre Warden in place of Miss Beryl de Gruchy. The other warden is Mrs. Bobbie Kamming.

An Invitation

Dear Bahá'í Friends, It is nice, now and again to drop in on some special friends, spend an informal evening, relax, air one's views on this and that, and enjoy oneself generally.

You are invited to do just that - at a party for Bahá'ís, at the Centre on Wednesday evening, November 18th. Please bring with you, your pet theories, assorted views, and above all, your sense of humour!

Your company is anticipated with enthusiasm by your hostess.

Frankie Theberge.