

"O My servants! Deprive not yourselves of the unfading and resplendent Light that shineth within the Lamp of Divine glory. Let the flame of the love of God burn brightly within your radiant hearts. Feed it with the oil of Divine guidance, and protect it within the shelter of your constancy. Guard it within the globe of trust and detachment from all else but God, so that the evil whisperings of the ungodly may not extinguish its light."

(Bahá'u'lláh)

HOLY DAYS OF OUR FAITH

For most people in this country and all Western Countries, life follows a certain rhythm to which we all keep, even if we are not particularly religious and united in our religious views. This rhythm is formed by the Festivals of the Christian Church - Christmas, Easter, Whitsun, albeit they are often only an excuse for a long weekend. In the countries of the Orient, there is quite a different rhythm, occasioned by the Festivals of Islam, and of the Buddhist and Hindu Faiths, etc.

We Bahá'is may not be fully aware as yet, that we are building a new pattern for a new Age, in which there will be a common Faith uniting all men, and the whole world will beat to the rhythm of the Bahá'í Holy Days. We shall mentally divide our year by the great occasions in our Bahá'í Calendar - the Birthday of the Báb in October; the Birthday of Bahá'u'lláh, the Day of the Covenant, and the Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá in November; the Intercalary days leading to the Feast in March; the gladness of our Nawrúz Festival which opens the Bahá'í Year on the first day of the Spring; the joyous season of Ridván in April; the Declaration of the Báb (coinciding with the Birthday of the Master) and the Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh in May; and then the Martyrdom of the Báb in July. If we make it a habit to attend devotedly these celebrations and commemorations, we shall weave this pattern into the fabric of our Bahá'í lives.

(The Spiritual Assembly)

DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE

To spread the Bahá'í literature widely is one of the goals set in the recent letter of our beloved Guardian, and it is surely a task which all of us can help to carry out. We can all think of ways, within the context of our own circumstances, to give pamphlets to those who do not know of the Faith, whether it be by enclosing one in our letters to friends, or laying one in a returned library book, and so on. The new single sheet pamphlet can be used quite lavishly for a comparatively small sum of money. The Publishing Trust, teaching committees, etc., provide us with material, but it rests with us to use it and this goal of the wide dissemination of literature depends mostly on us. (London Teaching Committee)

COMMEMORATION OF THE BIRTH OF THE BÁB

Saturday, October 20th at 3.30 p.m.

(Contributions towards refreshments and floral decorations are requested.)

WEEK-END SCHOOL October 20th - 21st

The Feast of the Birth of the Báb will open the Week-End School arranged by the Southern and the London Teaching Committees. (Detailed information is issued separately.)

NINETEEN-DAY FEASTS

Feast of 'Ilm (Knowledge)

Tuesday, October 16th at 7.30 p.m.

Host: Miss Marina Nazar

Feast of Qudrat (Power)

Sunday, November 4th at 3.30 p.m.

THURSDAY MEETINGS at 8 p.m.

October 4th	Mrs. B. Reed	"The Covenant"
" 11th	Mrs. R. Wade	"The Changeless Faith of God"
" 18th	Mr. J. Long	"The Government shall be upon His Shoulder"
" 25th	Miss V. Isenthal	"The New Society"

FIRESIDES

Fridays - 7.30 p.m. In the Library Room of the Haziratu'l-Quds.

Saturdays - 8.0 p.m. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kamming in Muswell Hill
(Tudor 8339)

Last Saturday of the month At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wade, 14 Northumberland
(in the afternoon) Road, New Barnet, Herts.

" BE LIKE A FOUNTAIN ... "

1. The minimum requirement of the London Bahá'í Fund is a pound a day, £19 every 19 days.
2. This sum must be exceeded, if we are to fulfil our obligations adequately.
3. Spiritual solidarity of the Community demands contribution by everyone.
4. Here is the name and the address of the Treasurer:

Mr. Donald Millar,
67 Grasmere Avenue,
Merton Park, S.W.19.

OUR COMMUNITY Miss Lois Houchin and Mr. Philip Hainsworth were married at our Centre, on Saturday September 29th. We wish them every happiness and our love accompanies them on their journey to Uganda.

We extend the warmest welcome to Mrs. Kathleen Hyett (Manchester), Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kelly (Princes Risborough), and Mr. Julian Triffin (South Carolina), who have taken their residence in London.

Mrs. Bobbie Leedham has pioneered to Reading. We are greatly proud of all our pioneers, and our prayers are with them.

We have been very happy and privileged to meet the following friends from abroad: Mr. and Mrs. Anvar (Tehran) parents of Sirous Anvar; Mrs. Ehsani, Mrs. Mohtadi and daughter, Mr. R. Mottahedeh and daughter, all of Tehran; Mr. B. Qatan also of Tehran, who has come to stay in this country; Mr. S. Granfar and Mr. Shamsi (Germany); Miss Pash (U.S.A.).

Professor Z.N. Zeine and Mr. F. Farrokhzadi have now left the country. We shall remember them with gratitude.

LET US ASK OURSELVES

1. Do we go to the 19-Day Feast?
2. Do we teach the Faith?
3. Do we contribute to the Fund?