

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 HAZÍRATU'L-QUDS

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O SON OF BEING !

Make mention of Me on My earth, that in My heaven I may remember thee, thus shall Mine eyes and thine be solaced.

(Bahá'u'lláh)

'Abdu'l-Bahá, the Perfect Exemplar

The Day of the Covenant, celebrated on November 26th, is the Feast especially devoted to 'Abdu'l-Bahá, who was appointed by Bahá'u'lláh as the Centre of His Covenant. 'Abdu'l-Bahá thus has a very lofty station in this Dispensation, though He was not a Manifestation of God as were the Báb and Bahá'u'lláh. To quote from the Guardian: "He towers, in conjunction with them, above the destinies of this infant Faith of God, from a level to which no individual or body ministering to its needs after Him, and for no less a period than a full thousand years, can ever hope to rise. Immeasurably exalted is the station conferred upon Him by the Supreme Pen....."

"He is, and should for all time be regarded, first and foremost, as the Centre and Pivot of Bahá'u'lláh's peerless and all-enfolding Covenant, His most exalted handiwork, the stainless Mirror of His Light, the perfect Exemplar of His teachings, the unerring Interpreter of His Word, the embodiment of every Bahá'í ideal, the incarnation of every Bahá'í virtue ... the Mainspring of the Oneness of Humanity, the Ensign of the Most Great Peace... In the person of 'Abdu'l-Bahá the incompatible characteristics of a human nature and superhuman knowledge and perfection have been blended and are completely harmonised."

(The Guardian)

Teaching

The beloved Guardian, in a recent letter to a believer, has repeated again what he has been telling us so often, that teaching is the most important thing for the Faith at the present stage. This is moreover the work par excellence which every individual believer can do. All of us cannot serve on committees and assemblies, all of us are not free to travel far, but there must be hardly anyone who cannot find some opportunities to tell other people of the Faith, to give small

literature, or even at times just to mention the name of the Faith with a sentence explaining what it stands for. In the task of spreading and teaching the Faith, everyone is important and everyone is needed.

(London Teaching Committee)

Commemoration Days

Birth of Bahá'u'lláh Held on Sunday, the 11th November, at 7.30 p.m.
Day of the Covenant Held on Sunday, the 25th November, at 7.30 p.m.
Ascension of 'ABDU'L-BAHÁ Wednesday, November 28th, at 1 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

(Contributions towards refreshments and flowers very welcome.)

Nineteen-Day Feasts

FEAST OF QUDRAT (Power) Sunday, November 4th, at 3.30 p.m.
Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Wade.
FEAST OF QAWL (Speech) Friday, November 23rd at 7.30 p.m.
Hostess: Miss Marjorie Parker.

Thursday Meetings at 7.45 p.m.

November 1st	"The New Society"	Vivian Isenthal
" 8th	"Faith for Freedom"	Mrs. G. Backwell
" 15th	"Religion Renewed"	David Hofman
" 22nd	"The Search for True Faith"	John Wade
" 29th	"All Things Made New"	John Ferraby

Firesides

Fridays - 7.30 p.m. In the Library of the Haziratu'l-Quds.
Saturdays - 7.30 p.m. At Mr. and Mrs. Kamming, 21 Prince's Avenue,
Muswell Hill, N.10. (TUDOR 8339)
Last Saturday of the month (in the afternoon) - At Mr. and Mrs. Wade,
14 Northumberland Road, New Barnet, Herts. (BARNET 4232)

The Name and Address of the Treasurer

Mr. Donald Millar,
67, Grasmere Avenue,
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Our Community

The Assembly was very happy to receive three new declarations, all from youth, and all on the same day, which is surely a record for London. They are: Miss Christiane Merserbruger, Mr. Julian Griffin and Mr. Svend Kamming. A most loving welcome to you all. Svend has already left our community for Scotland. We also welcome back Mr. A. Nazar, returned from Iran. We have been happy and privileged to meet several friends from abroad.