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JOYFULLY ANNOUNCE COMPLETION SYNOPSIS CODIFICATION KITÁB-I-AQDAS FOR PUBLICATION RIDVAN SYNCHRONIZING CELEBRATION 100TH ANNIVERSARY REVELATION MOST HOLY BOOK FULFILLING WORLD CENTRE GOAL NINE YEAR PLAN. CONFIDENT RELEASE THIS PUBLICATION ENVISAGED BY BELOVED GUARDIAN AND WHOSE MAIN FEATURES HE OUTLINED WILL CONSTITUTE ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT STEP PATH LEADING BAHÁ'Í COMMUNITY FULL MATURITY ESTABLISHMENT WORLD ORDER BAHÁ'U'LLÁH

—THE UNIVERSAL HOUSE OF JUSTICE

Haifa, Israel
January 19, 1973

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Anna P. Beach
Mentor on the Lake, Ohio
December 9, 1972

Winston G. Evans
Sewanee, Tennessee
January 13, 1973

Mrs. Doreen Bird Hat
Lame Deer, Montana
December 14, 1972

Mr. Charles Bradenbaugh
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
December 28, 1972

Mr. Willard Brown
Florence, South Carolina
November 25, 1972

Mrs. Vera Dobler
Little Eagle, South Dakota
June 21, 1972

Mrs. Alma Fink
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
August 11, 1972

Mrs. Elizabeth Miller
Los Gatos, California
March 29, 1972

Mr. Enoch Pringle
Ridgeville, South Carolina
July 1972

Mrs. Genevieve Roberts
Los Angeles, California
January 3, 1973

Mr. Ralph Sheppard
Little Eagle, South Dakota
November 28, 1972

Mr. Bertram Solomon
West Hollywood, California
December 7, 1972

Mrs. Ellen Sumptor
Ypsilanti, Michigan
August 30, 1972

Mrs. Mildred Tallman
Burbank, California
November 6, 1972

Mr. Esmail Tohidi
South Gate, California
November 1972

Dr. Ying Sheung Toam Szeto, M.D.
Freemont, California
December 14, 1972

Mrs. Rebecca Taylor
Moncks Corner, South Carolina
November 30, 1972

Mr. Lucius L. Watkins
Henderson, North Carolina
November 5, 1972

Passing of Knight of Bahá'u'lláh Matthew W. Bullock

GRIEVED PASSING KNIGHT BAHÁ-'U'LLÁH MATTHEW BULLOCK DISTINGUISHED PROMOTER FAITH. CONVEY FAMILY ASSURANCES PRAYERS HOLY THRESHOLDS PROGRESS SOUL. ADVISE HOLD MEMORIAL GATHERING MASHRIQU'L-ADHKÁR.

This was the message sent by The Universal House of Justice to the National Spiritual Assembly of the United States and family of Mr. Matthew W. Bullock who passed away in Detroit, Michigan on December 17 in his nine-third year.

As instructed by The Universal House of Justice a special memorial service will be held for Mr. Bullock in the auditorium of the Bahá'í House of Worship Saturday, February 17 at eight o'clock in the evening to which all Bahá'ís, relatives, and friends of Mr. Bullock are invited.

Mr. Bullock lived a life of distinguished service in many areas of activities, including sports, law, and the Bahá'í Faith, which will be recounted in an In Memoriam article concerning him in a forthcoming volume of *The Bahá'í World.*

In 1949 and 1950 Mr. Bullock pioneered in Haiti and Europe. While a member of the National Spiritual Assembly of the United States, to which he was first elected in 1952, he resigned in 1953 to pioneer in Curacao and was named by the Guardian as the Knight of Bahá'u'lláh who opened the Dutch West Indies to the Faith. In 1960 he moved to Jamaica briefly and later, after a period of time at home in Roxbury, Massachusetts, he visited Curacao periodically until 1964 when he returned to his law practice in Roxbury. In 1966 he moved to Philadelphia. At the time of his passing he was living in Detroit, Michigan.

Passing of Distinguished Teacher, Winston G. Evans

Winston G. Evans, well-known among the Bahá'ís of the United States for his many years of active and successful proclamation of the Faith of Bahá'u'lláh to prominent Christian scholars and clergymen and to college students and faculties, passed away in Sewanee, Tennessee on January 13 following several months of illness. He was buried January 15 in nearby Shelbyville, Tennessee, his birthplace, following a beautiful Bahá'í service for which he had himself selected passages from the Sacred Books in anticipation of his death.

Mr. Evans, with the encouragement of the beloved Guardian, devoted special efforts to bring the Bahá'í Faith to the attention of many eminent clergymen and Christian leaders. He played a prominent role in this respect at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois, in August 1954, helping

to arrange and publicize a meeting in the Bahá'í House of Worship for all interested representatives and extending special invitations to the delegates to visit this Edifice during their free hours.

In October 1968, wth the encouragement of The Universal House of Justice, Mr. Evans attended gatherings of religious leaders in Switzerland and that year's session of the World Council of Churches in Uppsala, Sweden, where again he gave the Message of Bahá'u'lláh to many persons of prominence in Christian thought and theology.

Early in the Nine Year Plan Mr. Evans pioneered for the Faith in the Caribbean area, particularly in Granada, a post to which Mrs. Dorothy Baker and husband, Frank Baker, were planning to move at the time of Mrs. Baker's sudden death while enroute to the United States from India in 1953.

A more complete record of Mr. Evan's unique and memorable services to his beloved Faith will appear in a forthcoming volume of *The Bahá'í World.* The Winter 1972 issue of *World Order* will carry an article by Mr. Evans entitled "A Russian Response." Meanwhile each reading of his widely distributed pamphlet, "The Lord of the New Age," will renew the loving gratitude of the Bahá'í World Community for the particular talents bestowed upon him by God for carrying Bahá'u'lláh's Message to the leaders of Christianity.

The following messages were conveyed to Mr. Evans' family after his passing:

DEEPLY GRIEVED PASSING WINSTON EVANS DEVOTED SERVANT BLESSED BEAUTY INDEFATIGABLE TEACHER HOMEFRONT AND PIONEER CARIBBEAN AREA. HIS DEDICATED EFFORT CAUSE BAHÁ'Ú'LLÁH WITH EMINENT CHRISTIAN SCHOLARS CLERGY CONSTITUTE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION ANNALS FAITH AMERICAN COMMUNITY. EXPRESS SYMPATHY FAMILY ASSURE PRAYING SHRINES PROGRESS HIS SOUL KINGDOMS GOD.

—THE UNIVERSAL HOUSE OF JUSTICE

January 15, 1973

GRIEVED PASSING WINSTON EVANS DISTINGUISHED UNTIRING TEACHER FAITH BAHÁ'Ú'LLÁH. SALUTARY EFFECTS HIS SINGLEMINDED EFFORTS RECONCILE DIFFERENCES AMONG RELIGIONISTS WILL SHINE AS CANDLE TO HIS MEMORY. PLEASE CONVEY OUR CONDOLENCES HIS BEREAVED RELATIVES.

—NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE BAHÁ'ÍS OF THE UNITED STATES

January 14, 1973

The Obligation to Work

In *The Hidden Words* Bahá'u'lláh says: "O My Servant! Ye are the trees of My garden; ye must give forth goodly and wondrous fruits, that ye yourselves and others may profit therefrom. Thus it is incumbent on every one to engage in crafts and professions, for therein lies the secret of wealth, O men of understanding! For results depend upon means, and the grace of God shall be all-sufficient unto you. Trees that yield no fruit have been and will ever be for the fire."

"O My Servant! The basest of men are they that yield no fruit on earth. Such men are verily counted as among the dead, nay better are the dead in the sight of God than those idle and worthless souls."

"O My Servant! The best of men are they that earn a livelihood by their calling and spend upon themselves and upon their kindred for the love of God, the Lord of all Worlds." (*The Hidden Words,* Persian, numbers 80, 81, 82, pages 50 and 51).

Also He says: "Waste not your time in idleness and indolence, and occupy yourselves with that which will profit yourselves and others beside yourselves. . . . The most despised of men before God is he who sits and begs. Cling onto the rope of means, relying upon God, the causer of causes." (*Bahá'í World Faith,* page 195.)

In an early communication to the National Spiritual Assembly of the United States commenting on this subject, the beloved Guardian wrote that in the Aqdas Bahá'u'lláh makes it clear that idle people who lack the desire to work can have

no place in the new World Order. Every individual, no matter how handicapped and limited he may be, is under the obligation of engaging in some work or profession. This has not only a utilitarian purpose, but has a value in itself, because it draws us nearer to God and enables us to better grasp His purpose for us in this world. Work, especially when performed in the spirit of service is, according to Bahá'u'lláh, a form of worship.

Bahá'u'lláh further states that mendicancy should not only be discouraged but entirely wiped out from the face of society, therefore it is incumbent on Bahá'ís to be self-supporting and not dependent upon their fellow Bahá'ís for their material needs. The Bahá'í Teachings make it clear that in the future it will be the duty of society to give every individual an opportunty of acquiring the necessary talent in some kind of profession, and also the means of utilizing such a talent, both for its own sake and for the sake of earning the means of his livelihood. Even he who has inherited wealth or is rich by some other manner will not be immune from daily work. "Trees that yield no fruit have been and will ever be for the fire."

BAHÁ'Í HOSPITALITY

A year ago the National Spiritual Assembly sent Local Spiritual Assemblies and State/District Teaching Committees a letter of instructions on how to deal with appeals from transient individuals for hospitality and material assistance. Since such appeals will multiply as our numbers grow and movement throughout the Bahá'í Community increases, these instructions are now being shared with all members of the Bahá'í Community for their guidance and protection in responding to calls or demands for help.

Because it is generally known that Bahá'ís are by nature, training and conviction kind, generous and sympathetic, it is not uncommon for them to receive appeals for financial and other types of emergency assistance from itinerant Bahá'ís and others, who claim to be Bahá'ís or seekers. While it is left to the discretion of those believers to respond as they see fit, it should be remembered that theirs is not a travelers' aid or social welfare agency prepared to serve the needs of itinerants other than on some selective and discriminating basis.

Although Bahá'u'lláh has told us to "be a home for the stranger . . . a treasurer to the poor . . . an answerer of the cry of the needy,"* no Bahá'í should presume that the hospitality of his fellow Bahá'ís is his due. He has stated: "No man should enter the house of his friend, save at his friend's pleasure, nor lay hands upon his treasures, nor prefer his own will to his friend's, and in no wise seek advantage over him. . . ."** Thus He makes hospitality the prerogative of the host and not of the guest. Common courtesy demands that an individual should not impose himself upon anyone without prior invitation and Bahá'ís should be far more courteous than others in this respect.

Many years ago the Guardian expressed the view that when a Local Spiritual Assembly has before it a case of urgent distress it should endeavor, first, to have it relieved by the individual's own family, and second, to exercise the right of all citizens to employ all civil instruments of help and distress. Therefore, when traveling persons call upon Assembly secretaries or individual Bahá'ís for financial assistance or food and lodging, they should in most instances be directed to the local welfare office or travelers' aid. For ready reference every Assembly should know where these offices are located, their telephone numbers and even the persons within those organizations who can deal with such emergencies. In many communities the local police department is able to provide such information.

Loving and careful support should be extended to any who have a true moral claim upon the compassion of the individual Bahá'í or the Local Spiritual Assembly, but often times loving consulta-

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BAHÁ'Í DIRECTORY CHANGES

ASSEMBLY SECRETARIES

Alabama
Notasulga: Miss Sharon Owens, pro-tem, Rt. 1, Box 503-B, 36866

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Tacoma: Miss Teresa Lecair, 1414 S. Mildred #4804, 98465

Symbols
* — New Assemblies
** — Restored Assemblies

DISTRICT TEACHING COMMITTEE SECRETARIES

Colorado
Eastern: (formerly Northern) Mr. Allan Murray, 1321 Knox Ct., Denver 80204
Western: (formerly Southern) Same secretary

Nevada
Southern: Mrs. Margy Margolis, 6180 Annie Oakley, Las Vegas 89100

Oklahoma
Western: Western Oklahoma Teaching Committee, P.O. Box 6302, Moore 73160

Rhode Island: Mrs. Pauline Gardiner, Box 35 Wickford, North Kingston 02852

Texas
Eastern #1: Mrs. Susan Rauscher, 2522 Hillside Dr., Dallas 75214

Vermont Needs Pioneers

If you cannot consider going to a foreign goal could you consider a home-front goal of the Nine Year Plan?

The Vermont goal for the Nine Year Plan is two new Assemblies, one in the capital city of the state. There are now two Bahá'ís in Montpelier, the capital; seven more are needed. Montpelier and nearby Barre have a combined population of 20,000, but only one Bahá'í lives in Barre. In Rochester, a small rural town in central Vermont, there are five adult believers.

If you are interested, write or phone: Mrs. Kathleen R. Gray, Secretary for the Vermont D.T.C.—168 Elliot St., Brattleboro, Vermont 05301. Phone (802 area) 254-8296.

Assemblies in Jeopardy

As the following communities have less than nine adult believers, their Local Spiritual Assemblies are in jeopardy of not being reformed next Riḍván. Homefront settlers are needed in these localities to maintain these nascent Local Houses of Justice.

NORTHEASTERN REGION:
Norwalk, Connecticut
Town of Greenburgh, New York
Swarthmore, Pennsylvania
Hopewell, New Jersey
Morristown, New Jersey

For information on how you may assist these communities, contact:

Northeastern
Regional Teaching Committee
Mrs. Patricia Rothman, Secretary
12 Carol Drive
Rockville, Connecticut 06066
(203) 875-7088 (H)
(203) 289-7231 (W)

SOUTHERN REGION:
Knoxville, Tennessee
Tallahassee, Florida
Jay, Oklahoma
Shreveport, Louisiana
Deerfield Beach, Florida
Hallandale, Florida

For information on how you may assist these communities, contact:

Southern Regional Teaching Committee
Mr. James Taylor, Secretary
507 W. Fortification Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39203
(601) 355-0136

CENTRAL REGION:
Alton, Illinois
Decatur, Illinois
Northbrook, Illinois
Zion, Illinois
Emporia, Kansas
Alpena, Michigan
Battle Creek, Michigan
Pittsfield Township, Michigan
Superior Township, Michigan
Fargo, North Dakota
Berea, Ohio
Cleveland Heights, Ohio
Delafield, Wisconsin
Glendale, Wisconsin
Janesville, Wisconsin
Racine, Wisconsin

For information on how you may assist these communities, contact:

Central Regional Teaching Committee
Mrs. Jeanette Brayton, Secretary
415 Rice Street
Anoka, Minnesota 55303
(612) 421-2326

WESTERN REGION:
Pima County, Arizona
Prescott, Arizona
Alamosa, Colorado
Moscow, Idaho
Butte, Montana
Lyons County, Nevada
Reno Rural Area West, Nevada
Carlsbad, New Mexico
Marion County North, Oregon
Kitsap County C.C.D. No. 1, Washington
King County C.D. No. 8, Washington
Marysville, Washington

For information on how you may assist these communities, contact:

Western Regional Teaching Committee
Mrs. Eleanore Conkling, Secretary
1088 Nixon Avenue
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401
(208) 524-2817

CALIFORNIA REGION:
Alturas
Bakersfield
Carmel
Coronado
Covina
Daly City
Del Mar
Desert Hot Springs
Fremont-Livermore
Inglewood, J.C.
Lakewood
Los Gatos
Los Gatos-Saratoga-Campbell J.D.
Lynwood
Manteca
Menlo Park
Newport Beach
Orange County Central J.D.
Oroville J.D.
Pacific Grove

Pismo Beach
San Carlos
San Leandro
San Marcos
Santa Maria
South Gate
South Sonoma County J.D.
Vallejo

For information on how you may assist these communities, contact:

California Regional Teaching Committee
Mrs. Joan Bulkin, Secretary
551 S. Parish Place
Burbank, California 91506
(213) 842-8555 (213) 843-7077

Enrollment of Foreigners

Concerning the enrollment of foreigners in this country, in general any individuals visiting briefly in this country who become interested in the Faith may be taught but should not be enrolled except by their own National Spiritual Assemblies upon their return home. However, if they intend to remain in the United States for a lengthy period, they may be enrolled and can be transferred to the National Spiritual Assembly of their native land on their return. An exception to this is the enrollment of Persians and individuals from other Islamic countries. Such persons cannot be enrolled in this country, but must apply for enrollment on their return home, unless they have taken steps to become citizens of the United States. In any case, where the enrollment of anyone from another country is involved, all facts must be presented to the National Spiritual Assembly of the United States before proceeding with enrollment.

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tion may serve to remove the obstacles which, perhaps unconsciously, have been the cause of the distress. Charity must always be seen in its proper light of responsibility and those to whom appeals for assistance are made must themselves determine the extent to which, in light of the vital needs of the National Bahá'í Fund, they should utilize their personal resources in solving the material problems of needy humankind. It should be remembered that the employment and financial problems of many drifting, rootless persons can only be solved in ways other than mere charity.

—NATIONAL SPIRITUAL ASSEMBLY

**Bahá'í World Faith*, p. 136
***The Hidden Words*, Persian, No. 43

Warning

Mr. Jorge Gayozo, a registered Bahá'í of Peru, is reported to be traveling through Central America enroute to the United States, Canada, and Haifa. Although he has been instructed not to do so, he tries to take advantage of Bahá'í hospitality and is frequently without funds. The Continental Board of Counsellors of Central America has issued a warning about him.

CALENDAR

Feasts
February 7 Mulk (Dominion)
March 2 'Alá' (Loftiness)
March 21 Bahá (Splendor)

Special Days
February 26 to March 1 Ayyám-i-Há (Intercalary Days)
March 2 Beginning of Fast, which continues for nineteen days

Bahá'í Holy Day
March 21 Naw-Ruz (Bahá'í New Year) A day on which work should be suspended

National Spiritual Assembly Meetings
February 16-18
March 23-25

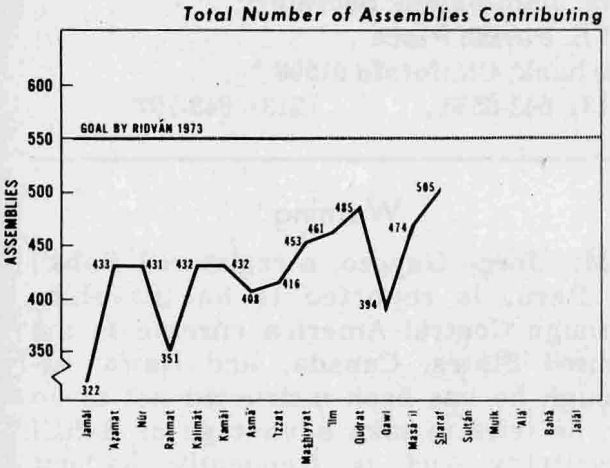
Special Events
March 21 Naw-Ruz

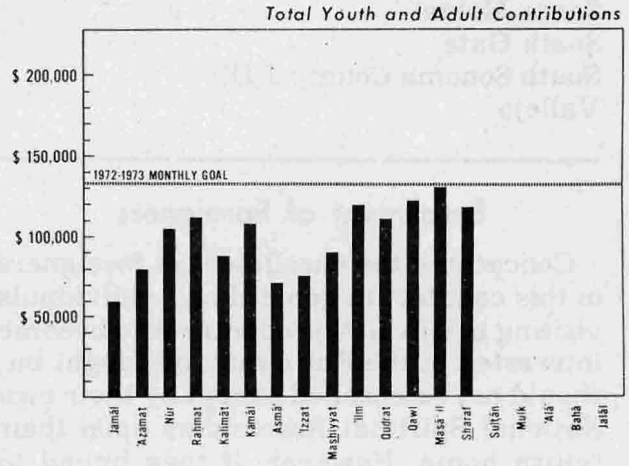
Election of The Universal House of Justice
April 29-May 1

U.S. National Convention
May 17-20

Conference
National Bahá'í Youth Conference
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
June 20-24, 1973

NATIONAL BAHÁ'Í FUND





After a disturbing drop in Local Assembly contributions to the National Bahá'í Fund for the month of Qawl (Speech) our national community has rallied mightily, inspired by the goal of 550 Assemblies contributing by this Riḍván. As our Assemblies develop the habit of contributing once each nineteen days, we will be able to raise our sights again this summer. Our ultimate goal, of course, is 100% participation.

Contributions may be addressed to:
National Bahá'í Fund
112 Linden Avenue, Wilmette, Ill. 60091

	Masa'il (Questions)	Sharaf (Honor)	Fiscal Year to Date
INCOME:			
Regular Contributions	$ 99,379.80	$ 97,618.41	$1,150,471.07
Special Contributions	15,500.00	15,911.50	105,451.96
Total Contributions	$114,879.80	$113,529.91	$1,255,923.03
Estates	15,502.40	4,493.82	123,089.63
Other Income	766.16	48.06	6,960.27
Total Income	$131,148.36	$118,071.79	$1,385,972.93
Budget	$132,000.00	$132,000.00	$1,716,000.00

To: All Local Spiritual Assemblies and Bahá'í Groups

Dear Bahá'í Friends:

It is with feelings of radiant gratitude to the Source of all bounty that we offer our congratulations to the American Bahá'í Community. As can be readily seen from a glance at the National Bahá'í Fund chart above, contributions have remained at a consistently high level during the last five Bahá'í months.

This thrilling evidence of devotion to the Cause of Bahá'u'lláh represents the highest sustained level of contributions ever achieved in this country. Only in times of great yearning to win a goal, such as building the House of Worship in Wilmette, has our national Community achieved such heights of dedication, and even then only for brief moments.

The fact that we have been able to maintain this level of sacrifice over an extended period of time reflects, of course, our increased numbers. More importantly, however, it evidences our increasing commitment to the purpose of God for this day in the Cradle of the Administrative Order. By these deeds in the field of material sacrifice we bear witness to our attainment of a great station as builders of God's Kingdom on earth. By His grace and our own conscious effort we can continue to achieve such heights as will astonish both ourselves and the world at large, in pursuit of our goal of world unity and peace.

Yours in loving service,

—National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of the United States
Dorothy W. Nelson, Treasurer