



OPENING SPEECH

OF THE KHALIFATULLAH
HAZRAT MUNIR A. AZIM

On the Occasion of the One-Day Jalsa Salana

MADAGASCAR

(Summary of Speech)

21 November 2013

After reciting the Tashahhud, Ta'uz, and Surah Al-Fatiha, the Khalifatullah (atba) then said:

My brothers and sisters,
Assalamualaikum Warahmatullah Wabarakaatuhu.

It is a great pleasure to be here today among you in Madagascar for your 1st Jalsa Salana 2013 under the organisation of the Jamaat Ul Sahih Al Islam.

You know, in this selfish world we live in, moral values are violated. Man is blinded by material wealth and luxury. Spiritual riches are trampled. The tidal wave of materialism surges from a country to another. Dehumanizing theories invade our hearts. Peace has become a rare commodity. Only the sweetness of Islam can save mankind. To achieve this peace which is so desperately needed today, every Muslim should at least try to raise their children in accordance with the traditions that Hazrat Muhammad (pbuh) bequeath us. Parental responsibility is great. They must preach the good word to their children. They should provide and maintain the Islamic spirit in the family and ensure that Islam progress therein.

The task is not impossible. All you need is courage, faith in Allah (swt) and perseverance. Reward is assured for every good initiative. Our children will surely have to face the world of tomorrow which shall be probably terrible. We have been guided by the light of Allah (swt) and this is a pride for us today, especially in this world in failure. And *Insha-Allah* (swt) these few guides shall be a light in the lives of our children.

1. It is absolutely necessary to teach our children the Surahs of the Holy Quran especially the short ones. E.g., Surah "*Ad-Duha*" until the last Surah.

2. Let us teach our children the life of Rasullullah (pbuh) and give them enough time to learn

the Hadiths and Sunnah – the sayings and actions of Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and the life and writings of the Promised Messiah Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as).

3. Encourage our children to help the poor, the needy, the disabled, the elderly and the sick.
4. Teach our children how to use their tongues (to speak). Speaking of good things is better than to be silent, and silence is better than saying something bad. We must tell our children to think before speaking.
5. Teach our children to live in peace with everybody, especially with neighbours. To respect the neighbours, to take care of them and taking care not to disturb them.
6. Correction is recommended in behaviour teaching and Islamic education. But we should not punish him for a banality. We must treat our children with kindness. If a child makes a mistake, let us try to give him a first chance, then a warning and then punishment.
7. Teach our children not to enter someone's place without the required permission even at a parent/relative's place.
8. Teach our children the meaning of the two Eids.
9. Let us not be stingy to the point of hurting our children and forcing them to beg.
10. Teach our children that it is prohibited to conduct/be involved in games of chance.
11. Teach our children not to imitate the bad practice of non-Muslims. Alcoholic beverage is prohibited in Islam.
12. Teach children *duas* and *Zikrullah*.
13. Explain to children how immorality and violence are poisons which Satan uses to lead us astray.

Dear brothers and sisters, think about each part of my speech and if you and your children extract benefit from these advices, then Islam shall benefit from this and a reward awaits you from Allah, *Subhaana Wa Ta'ala. Insha-Allah, Amine.*



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'Invite' and not 'being invited/guests' ... more than shades, and beyond grammatical differences, these two words from the same verb, present – and how! – the whole problem of the existence of the Muslims at the same time they measure any distance between what we should be and what we have become.

Invite ... Islam, the religion chosen by Allah for those men who profess *Tawheed* and the prophecy of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) with deep conviction, has known for centuries, a meteoric progress. This is verified, if necessary, both by official statistics of the United Nations and by the living presence of minarets in the four corners of the globe.

It is also true – and this is often forgotten, because so great is our propensity to take everything for granted, that Islam has experienced extremely difficult beginnings. In the image of its first adherents (Sahaba) who endured everything: corporal punishment, economic boycotts, and moreover the worst humiliations and other like lost of lives. How many, in fact, are they Muslims who remember in their daily lives, the sacrifices of the noble companions of the Holy Prophet (pbuh) in order to fulfil the duty (that is, to give the message of Allah to men) which failed them as soon as the Messenger of Allah (pbuh) left this world? This mission, which every Muslim is automatically invested with from birth, is what we unfortunately missed.

Guests/Being invited ... We have all become those contrary to what has been prescribed for us by Allah and demonstrated by His beloved Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). There is only to open the eyes and look around us – and even here – for become aware. Family breakdown,

not respecting the rights of neighbours, long queues of old men and women, of the poor and widows, who knock at our doors during Ramadan, joint meetings which combine men and women who reveal beauty which should be hidden, insults and slander of our youth, confused and disoriented on the benches or in the bus, the complacent attitude of seniors facing the onslaught of dehumanizing doctrines every night through the small screen in our homes, The excessive waste of consumer goods, gambling that amplifies, and mosques which are emptied until... Ramadan, while video stores grow like mushrooms ... the list, we agree, is really long.

We have become all guests of Satan. It is hard to believe that the Muslim – in name at least – could agree to become a willing victim in a way that can lead to his destruction. Unless a trigger, a start, an awareness, there is no salvation for a community of men chosen by Allah to be the role model, inspired to the right path. We are all responsible. Simply reverse the roles: Invite instead of being invited (instead of being the guests of Satan).