

# 2014 Upstate Northeast Regional Ijtema

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By the Grace of God, the Upstate Northeast Region held their Regional Ijtema in BaitulNoor Mosque, Albany NY on the theme “Meeting the Messiah”.Sadr Lajna Imai’llah,Saliha Malik Sahiba, presided over the event. There were 7Majalis represented, including Albany, Boston, Hartford, Syracuse, Binghamton, Buffalo & Fitchburg with a total of more than 90 Lajna and Nasirat present.

Our agenda included many topics and activities that studied the life, qualities, and messages of our beloved Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup>.

On Friday we had anice-breaker in which we learned some interestingthings about each other.

Our first workshop:“Keeping the Kalima& the First Condition of Bai’t”helped us to reflect on our true purpose as Ahamdis.

On Saturday, Lajna &Nasirat heldTilawat and Nazm competitions. Nasirat also had a speech competition, which was very informative.As a part of the handicraft competition, we gave 3 Elham’s of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> to choose from for a beautiful and creative banner.

Each majlis was given a topic for our compiled presentation of“Why am I an Ahmadi”, which reflected on the life,qualities, and achievements of our beloved Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup>.

The day concluded with a fun game of Jeopardy based on the life of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup>



We also held a small Meena Bazaar to raise money for the Lajna Hall. Alhomdollillah we raised \$500!

On Sunday there was a health presentation on “Emotional Health”, which was very well done and gave useful insight on how to stay strong in yourself as an Ahmadi girl /young woman in the school and college environment.



We concluded with an award ceremony for our hardworking Lajna and Nasirat.

Sadr Lajna, Saliha Malik, gave the closing speech encouraging everyone to fully recognize the immense blessings of having accepted the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> and of Khilafat. She spoke about the deeper significance of Purdah and the true purpose of Mosques being a source of Allah’s Light for all people.



The weekend was most uplifting. We benefitted greatly from the topic of the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup>, learned a lot, had fun together and prayed together. Jazak Allah to all the workers and all who came!