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41st Annual National Rally

The Majlis Khuddam-ul Ahmadiyya Ghana (Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Organization, Ghana) will hold its 41st Annual National rally at Bustan-e-Ahmad (located between Agbogba and Old Ashongman), Accra. It will be held from August 25 to 27, 2022, on the theme "Ahmadiyya – A Spiritual Revival and Moral Regeneration of the Youth." The annual event had been suspended for two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The annual rally is a unique event where missionaries, intellectuals, and dignitaries deliver speeches to uplift the audience spiritually. The rally has, over the years, been attended by top government officials, the Ghanaian Christian community, and the Ahmadiyya Youth associations from other countries. Apart from the family re-bonding that members of the community experience, they also strive for the genuine significance of this meeting by exhibiting a strong sense of self-discipline throughout the rally period and beyond.

The 3-day rally will witness key presentations on topics such as "The Review of Religions; a Panacea for Moral Regeneration" by Maulvi Umar Gyasi Agyemang, National Coordinator, Review of Religions; "Salaat; the Element for Spiritual Revival" by Muallim Abdul Rahman Amoah, Tema Circuit Missionary, Nalerigu Zone; and "Waqf-e-Nau: A Blessed Scheme" by Hafiz Maulvi Mohammed Saani Abdullai, National Coordinator, Waqf-e-Nau.

Planned to coincide with the event is the 8th Annual National rally of the Majlis Atfal-ul Ahmadiyya (Ahmadiyya Muslim Male Children Organization between 7 and 15 years) shall also take place on Friday, August 26, 2022. The Atfal session will be chaired by the National Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Organization Ghana, Mr. Nasir Ahmed Bonsu, and co-chaired by a 12-year-old boy, Master Abdul Nur Sahanon Mogtari, from the Upper West region. The Naib Muhtamim Atfal, Mr. Sadique Kwame Nkrumah Adam, will read the 2021/2022 Annual Atfal report.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Organization-Ghana, in collaboration with Humanity First Ghana, will also organize the National Blood Drive 2022 during this event. This is a significant event, and forms part of the activities of the three-day spiritual gathering. Participating hospitals include Kasoa St. Gregory Hospital, Mankessim Mercy Catholic Hospital, Cape Coast Teaching Hospital,

37 Military Hospital, and the National Blood Bank (Southern Sector) Korle-Bu. In addition, the five visiting health facilities will offer free health screening for the rally attendees.

An estimated 3500 participants would be attending the rally and are expected to donate blood voluntarily.

A tall list of sporting and academic activities shall be held from the first two days of the rally, that is 25th and 26th August, 2022. Sporting activities including indoor games such as Musical Chair, Scrabble, Domino, Ludo, Oware, Draught, and Cards, will take place. The rest will be outdoor games such as Sack Race, Lime & Spoon, Volleyball, Tug of Peace, Arm Wrestling, 100m race, Football, and Table Tennis. The academic competitions will include Extempore Speeches, Holy Quran Recitation, Holy Quran Memorization, Azan Calling, Salat Performance, Al-Qaseedah Recitation, To the Nation's Youth Poem Recital, Quiz, and Message Delivery. Interestingly, preliminaries of all academic competitions for Atfal (children) and Khuddam (youth) have been held virtually across the country to select the finalists to compete at Bustan-e-Ahmad during the main event.

The rally will be climaxed on Saturday, August 27, 2022 with an opening prayer by the Ag. Ameer & Missionary-In-Charge of Ahmadiyya Muslim Mission in Ghana, Maulana Muhammad Yusuf Yawson. The National President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Organization Ghana, Mr. Nasir Ahmed Bonsu, will give the participants a welcoming address. A former president of the organization, Mr. Abdul Noor Wahab, who currently is the Naib Sadr Saf-dom, Majlis Ansarullah, Ghana (Vice president of the Ahmadiyya elderly male organization) and Zonal President of the Koforidua Zone will deliver the keynote address.

In addition to these speeches, fraternal messages will be delivered by foreign guests and well-wishers.

The General Secretary of the Association, Ing. Ibrahim Arkoh, will read the 2021/2022 Annual Report, following which awards will be presented to deserving members and office holders who excelled in the execution of their duties in the past year.

In describing our Ijtema'a, the worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (atba) said, "it is very important to recognize that the primary objective of the Ijtema'a is not merely for the Khuddam and Atfal to gather and enjoy each others' company; rather, the true and overriding objective of the Ijtema'a is the spiritual, moral, and religious development of the participants. The Ijtema'a provides a place for you to take a step away from the material world and to focus your time and energy on absorbing and experiencing those speeches, competitions, and activities that will increase your piety and standards of righteousness."