

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**Exhibition of Literature and Q&A Session at Graveley Hertfordshire  
on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2011**

The audience were mainly from Graveley, Weston and Stevenage a few came from Luton and Watford, who enjoyed the Exhibition of Literature and Posters depicting the theme of Peace in Society.

Proceedings commenced when Chairman Mr Waseem Ahmad National President of an auxiliary branch of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association introduced Naseem Ahmad Bajwa the Imam of Baitul Futuh Mosque in Morden Surrey, the largest in Western Europe, and invited him to speak on the topic of "Peace in Society and the Teachings of the Qur'an".

Imam Bajwa after thanking the organizers thanked the guests from the villages for giving their valuable time for coming to this event. He covered the subject very eloquently and gave several examples of the Holy Prophet of Islam Mohammed<sup>SA</sup> who suffered at the hands of the Meccans, after his declaration that he is the Messenger of God, but never once retaliated and instead prayed for them so that they can recognised the truth.

Imam Bajwa also quoted verses from the Holy Qur'an to highlight the promotion of Peace in Society. Moreover, he said that the very word Islam means Peace, the religion of its followers the Muslims. Prophet of Islam never offered or joined in the Funeral Prayers of anyone who killed himself or others by suicide, because it is forbidden in Islam. The same message of peace is promoted by the followers of the Latter Day Reformer and the Promised Messiah Mirza Ghulam Ahmad of Qadian India circa 1835 to 1908.

The current Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Mirza Masroor Ahmad is continuing with the same teachings in order to promote Peace and Harmony in the Society. Imam Bajwa quoted the recent massacre of 86 Ahmadiyya Muslims in Lahore Pakistan, who had gathered in their Mosques to offer the Friday Congregational Prayers when the attackers brutally mowed them down with their Kalashnikovs and Hand grenades. The community members, survivors and their grieving kith and kin were told, by the Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, not to retaliate in any form or shape but to pray and just pray to Lord who will surely punish the aggressors in his ways.

After his talk, audience asked the Imam and other panel members many questions on Islam and the current incidents giving Islam the bad name and the position of women in Islam. Imam Bajwa very eloquently answered each question to the satisfaction of the audience.

Refreshments were served after the Q&A session and the participant had another chance to peruse through the exhibits and posters.

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