

Let's Talk About...

Tabligh

Presentation by: (National UK Lajna Tabligh Department)

Which of these statements fits you best at present?

The thought of tabligh scares me

I have no problem doing tabligh

I feel I don't have enough knowledge to do tabligh

Tabligh is something that you do when you are older

What is Tabligh?

- There are many aspects to 'tabligh' – they can be broadly put into two main categories:
 - Silent tabligh
 - Verbal tabligh

The most important form of tabligh is....

the silent tabligh



5 mins

By the end of today's session, you will all be saying...

**I have no problem doing
tabligh 😊**

Insha'Allah!

• ***Today we will try to:***

- find out how you feel about tabligh and how we can help feel more confident with tabligh in the future, inshallah

- talk to you about the shura proposal relating to Nasirat and the 10% campaign

- help you answer some questions that you may be asked by friends at school

- give you some useful links for tabligh!

DISCUSSION TIME!

LET US KNOW:

How do you feel about tabligh?
What can we do to help you?

I feel I don't have enough knowledge to do tabligh

It's not that hard to do tabligh and I do tabligh whenever I get the opportunity to do so

I think I will be better at tabligh when I am older

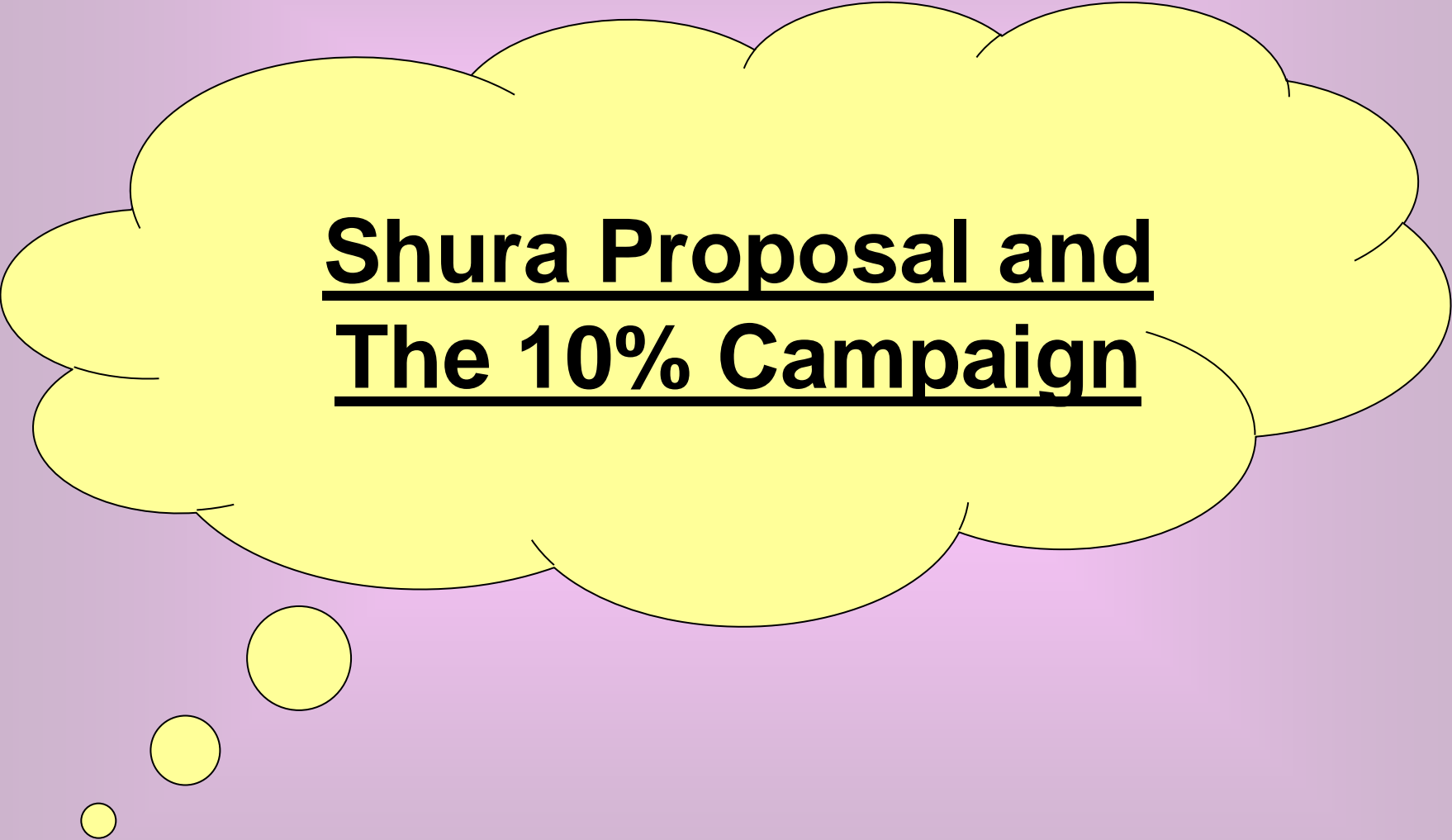
My friends are not even interested in religion

My friends say things that are really difficult to answer. I don't always know the answer and don't know where to get the right answer from

In order to help me in tabligh, it would be really helpful if Lajna would...

The Nasirat website has a tabligh page. It would be really helpful if the following was put on it...

10 mins to discuss / 10 mins feedback



Shura Proposal and
The 10% Campaign

Nasirat Shura Proposal

10 mins

What is the Nasirat Shura Proposal?

- **Open invitation to Nasirat classes and social events to peer groups to introduce Ahmadiyyat.**
- All Nasirat should be encouraged to invite their Non-Ahmadi/Muslim friends to their classes and other social events.

Luton

Muslims for
Loyalty, Freedom & Peace

www.LoveForAllHatredForNone.org

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community UK

ARR
serving the S

Metroline

Muslims for
Loyalty, Freedom & Peace

www.LoveForAllHatredForNone.org

Ahmadiyya Muslim Community UK

Loyalty
Freedom
Equality
Respect
Peace

ISLAM: A fresh perspective

Since its inception in 1889, the **Ahmadiyya Muslim community** has been leading a global effort to revive the true, peaceful message of Islam as taught by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

This revival of the true Islamic teachings was initiated by the founder of the community, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (peace be upon him), who said:

"The reason for which I have been appointed is to remove that gross gap in the relationship between God and His creation and replace it once again with the relationship of love and sincerity, and by allowing the truth to manifest itself, cause religious wars and discord to end and thus lay the foundation for peace."

He claimed under Divine guidance to be the Promised Messiah and the Imām Mahdī, the advent of whom was being awaited in this age by all major religions.

With this desire for peace, our community has grown and is now established in more than 195 countries with a following of 140 million and in the UK we are one of the oldest Muslim organisations, established in 1913.

Our current spiritual leader (Khalīfah) remains devoted to peace and reminds us that:

"Allah teaches us to always be mindful towards God Who is our Creator and to always keep His memory fresh in our hearts and to deal with His creation with

love, affection, harmony and tolerance."

In Britain, our community continues to raise hundreds of thousands of pounds each year for British charities – this small effort is a part of our duty to serve mankind.

**Loyalty • Freedom • Equality
Respect • Peace**

As Ahmadi Muslims, we believe that we must abide by these values in our daily life as they help foster a sense of unity, cohesion, harmony and peace the world over.



The founder of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community

Some key Islamic principles

- Belief in One God**
All prophets and all religions were sent from the same source – the One God Who is the Creator of all and Who continues to communicate with mankind. In Arabic He is called Allah but whatever name is used in various religions according to Islam they all refer to the same single God.
- Belief in all prophets**
God sent His prophets to guide people to Him and to create peace amongst mankind. Islam requires Muslims to believe in all prophets without exception and to refer to them with respect and honour.
- Belief in all Divine teachings**
All Divine religions were true at their sources. However, over time their teachings were eroded and forgotten, but God continued to send prophets to guide people back to Him.
- No compulsion in religion**
Everybody is free to believe, practise, preach and follow any faith of his or her choice.
- Equal rights for all**
Men, women and people of all races stand equal in the sight of God. Only righteous deeds elevate one person above another and this opportunity to excel over others is open to all.
- Protecting the sanctity of life**
Islam emphasises the sanctity of life and unequivocally rejects violence and terrorism in any form (including suicide bombings) and for any cause. All Muslims must, every level and discord.

Our motto is:
**Love for All
Hatred for None**

We serve humanity in many ways including a wide range of activities that provide education, social, medical facilities, relief, welfare work and will help programmes across the world.

"...I must say that every Ahmadi who lives in Great Britain is an extremely loyal citizen of the country and loves it, and this is because of the teachings of our Prophet [Muhammad] (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) who instructed us that love of one's country is an integral part of one's faith." Address delivered at the House of Commons, Oct. 2008 by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad – Head of the worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim community.

"The Khalifa's emphasis on peace and tolerance stands in striking contrast to the firebrand radicals that make the news pages." The Times, June 2008

London

What is the 10% Campaign?

- ***Instructions of Khalifatul Masih V***
- In 10 years the whole of the UK population should know the basics about Ahmadi Muslims
 - 10% leaflet campaign
- **In order to do this...**
 - Each year until 2020 our jamaat will be targeting 10% of the population
- **Lajna have been told to contact:**
 - Schools
 - Libraries
 - GP surgeries
 - Hospital (chaplains)
 - Personal contacts (friends, work colleagues, neighbours)
...Lajna should **not** do door-to-door leaflet dropping

DISCUSSION TIME!

10% Campaign

How can Nasirat get involved with the 10% campaign?

10 mins

Loyalty

Freedom

Equality

Respect

Peace

ISLAM: A fresh perspective

Since its inception in 1889, the **Ahmadiyya Muslim community** has been leading a global effort to revive the true, peaceful message of Islam as taught by the Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him).

This revival of the true Islamic teachings was initiated by the founder of the community, Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (peace be upon him), who said:

"The mission for which I have been appointed is to remove that growing gap in the relationship between God and His creation and replace it once again with the relationship of love and sincerity, and by allowing the truth to manifest itself, create religious wars and discord to end and thus lay the foundation for peace."

He claimed under Divine guidance to be the Promised Messiah and the Imam Mahdi, the advent of whom was being awaited in this age by all major religions.

With this desire for peace, our community has grown and is now established in more than 195 countries with a following of 140 million, and in the UK we are one of the oldest Muslim organisations, established in 1913.

Our current spiritual leader (Khalifa) remains devoted to peace and reminds us that:

"Islam teaches us to always be kind and gentle towards God Who is our Creator and to always keep His memory fresh in our hearts and to deal with His creation with

love, affection, harmony and tolerance."

In Britain, our community continues to raise hundreds of thousands of pounds each year for British charities – this small effort is a part of our duty to serve mankind.

**Loyalty • Freedom • Equality
Respect • Peace**

As Ahmadi Muslims, we believe that we must abide by these values in our daily life as they help foster a sense of unity, cohesion, harmony and peace the world over.



The founder of the Ahmadiyya Muslim community

Some key Islamic principles

- **Belief in One God**
All prophets and all religions were sent from the same source – the One God Who is the Creator of all and Who continues to communicate with mankind. In Arabic He is called Allah but whatever name is used in various religions according to Islam they all refer to the same single God.
- **Belief in all prophets**
God sent His prophets to guide people to Him and to create peace amongst mankind. Islam requires Muslims to believe in all prophets without exception and to refer to them with respect and honour.
- **Belief in all Divine teachings**
All Divine religions were true at their sources. However, over time their teachings were eroded and forgotten, but God continued to send prophets to guide people back to Him.
- **No compulsion in religion**
Everybody is free to believe, practise, preach and follow any faith of his or her choice.
- **Equal rights for all**
Men, women and people of all races stand equal in the sight of God. Only righteous deeds elevate one person above another and this opportunity to excel over others is open to all.
- **Protecting the sanctity of life**
Islam emphasises the sanctity of life and unequivocally rejects violence and terrorism in any form (including suicide bombings) and for any reason. All Muslims must promote peace at every level and shun hatred and discord.

Our motto is:
**Love for All
Hatred for None**

We serve humanity in many ways including a wide range of activities that provide education, relief, medical facilities, energy, infrastructure and other help programmes across the world.

"...I must say that every Ahmadi who lives in Great Britain is an extremely loyal citizen of the country and loves it, and this is because of the teachings of our Prophet [Muhammad] (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) who instructed us that love of one's country is an integral part of one's faith." Address delivered at the House of Commons, Dec. 2008 by Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad – Head of the worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim community.

"The Khalifa's emphasis on peace and tolerance stands in striking contrast to the firebrand radicals that make the news pages." The Times, June 2008

- All Nasirat should read the leaflet.
- If you would like to take some to give to your friends, please do so

DISCUSSION TIME!

What would you do if you were told something by a friend that went against the jamaat?

***Who would you tell?
(if anybody?)***

5 mins

DISCUSSION TIME!

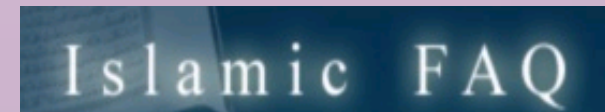
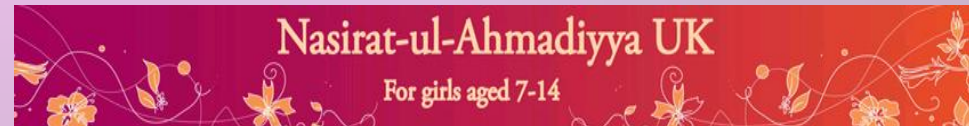
What resources are you aware
of that might help you with
tabligh?

5 mins

Some Useful Websites

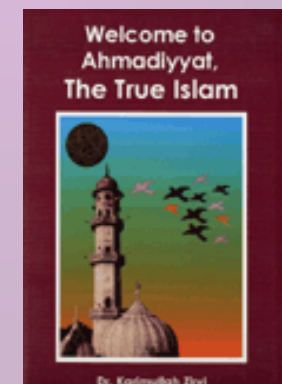
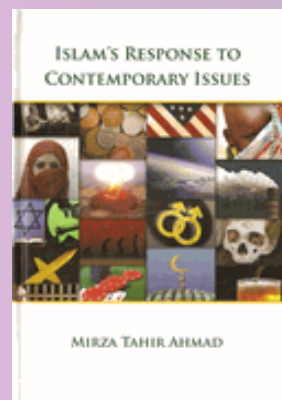
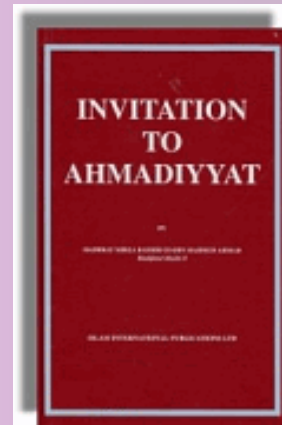
- www.alislam.org
- www.askislam.org
- www.islamicfaq.org
- www.mta.tv
- www.thepersecution.org
- www.ahmadiyya.org.uk
- www.loveforallhatredfornone.org
- www.muslimsforpeace.org
- www.reviewofreligions.org
- www.muslimsunrise.com
- www.free-islamic-course.org

- www.nasirat.org.uk
- www.lajnaillaillah.org.uk



Some Useful Books for Tabligh

- Essence of Islam Vol 1 – 5 – Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as)
- Philosophy of the Teachings of Islam - Hadhrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (as)
- Invitation to Ahmadiyyat – By Hadhrat Mirza Bashir-ud-Din Mahmood Ahmad (ra)
- Islam's Response to Contemporary Issues - By Hadhrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad (ra)
- Welcome to Ahmadiyyat, The True Islam - By Dr. Karimullah Zirvi
- ...and many many more! Have a look in the mosque bookstore or online:
 - <http://store.alislam.org/englishbooks.html>
- A lot of these books are also available to read online



Some Useful People

- Family members / relatives
- Local Nasirat Secretary
- Local Tabligh secretary
- National Nasirat Team
- National Tabligh Team
- Anyone older bajhi's / aunties that you feel comfortable talking to





Some common
questions/comments that you
may experience...

You are not real Muslims.

Why don't Ahmadi's pray behind Non-Ahamdi's?

Why don't you cover your hair fully?

Why do you wear nail polish when praying?

Why do you eat meat that is not halal?

Ahmadi's don't pay zakaat: a pillar of Islam!

Why do you eat food products that have gelatine in them?

Ahmadi's have made jalsa their hajj / Ahmadi's believe that Qadian is the equivalent to Mecca!

Why do you have pictures on the walls?

Why are men allowed 4 wives in Islam?

Ahmadi's don't celebrate the birthday of the Holy Prophet (saw); but they celebrate Masih Maud Day and Musleh Maud Day

DISCUSSION TIME!

Are there any other questions
that you get asked?

5/10 mins

You are not real Muslims.

- Has anyone said this to you?
 - If yes, how did it make you feel?
- How would you feel if someone said this to you?
- What would you do if anyone said this to you?
 - Would you shout at them?
 - Would you insult them back?
 - Would you ask them any questions?
 - Would you agree with them?
- What would you say if anyone said this to you?

We are real Muslims!

Possible way of dealing with this:

Ask them why you are not a real Muslim

They may have an answer to this, but
they may not

If they say something that you don't
know the answer to, don't panic!

Remember what they said and find out
the facts

Possible things to say in your defence (cont)...

- we never refer to Non-Ahmadi's as Non-Muslims and this is because of the concept of Islam that...
- If you are a **genuine** Muslim, rather than differ with one another you should remain united.
- ***Can you think of ways that our jamaat helps others, even when we are being persecuted in those areas?***
- Holy Prophet (saw) never addressed anyone that claimed to be a Muslim as a Non-Muslim – even when Allah told him (saw) that they were just Muslims by name – but Allah didn't authorise him (saw) to brand them Non-Muslims

ROLE PLAY

- ***In pairs:***
 - **Person 1: Ahmadi**
 - **Person 2: Pretend to be the person accusing the Ahmadi that they are not Muslim**

5 mins

What do I personally need to concentrate on?

I am confident in the following aspects of tabligh

- I feel confident talking about the differences between us and other Muslims.
- I am doing well with my outer clothing being loose fitting and respectful.

Areas I feel I need to improve on

- I should read more jamaat books to increase my knowledge. I will start with...
- I will try hard to look at myself and see how I can improve my personal 'silent tabligh'. I will start by...

10 mins

Do you all feel that you can now say ...

**I have no problem doing
tabligh 😊**

Insha'Allah!