

Bahai Nest 59
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Dear friends!

For more than two hours Mr Shirazi and two other Bahais from Persia had the inestimable privilege of sitting in the Presence of Our Lord this morning. When they came out of his blessed room they were beaming with joy and their faces were wreathed with heavenly smiles. They had found the time and opportunity to present to the Beloved all their petitions and receive verbal answers. Mr Shirazi was however the happiest man, because the Master had written at his request a Tablet for Prof. Hatchedon M Gurbaxani of the Oriental Institute of Karachi who happens to be a special friend of his and a man of wide culture and personal influence. The translation of the Tablet is as follows:-

O thou wise teacher! The Breeze of Providence wafts from the direction of the rose-garden of Reality

60 bestowing joy and happiness upon the adepts. The
Sun of the divine world hath dawned from the
horizon of the temperate, spring equinox, resurrec-
ting into new life the countries of the orient and
the occident. The mountains and prairies of the
Ideal world are adorned with green and verdant
vegetation. The trees of the temples of humanity are
clothed with the garments of new Bestowals and
begemmed with new blossoms and fruits. A
most tremendous stir^{or motion} is witnessed in the world
of creation. All the phenomena are in the process
of reformation and regeneration and all the
creatures are chanting the verses of oneness with
their tongues of consciousness and reality.

Therefore we must occupy our time with extolling
and lauding the Glorious Lord for He hath illum-
ined this wonderful, New Century with the
refulgent rays and splendor of the heavenly
Sun! Upon thee be greeting and praise!
(Signed) Abdul Baha Abbas.

The Master foretold many spiritual victories to be won in the province of Sind, India and commanded Mr Shirazi to devote as much time as ^{he} could spare to the spreading of the Cause in that section of India and invite Mrs Getsinger to deliver lectures before the public.

Another Tablet was revealed for another pilgrim, by the name of Mirza Assadollah, a fine photographer who desires to go to Mazanderan and take pictures of the ruined palace of Baha-Allah and other historical localities frequented by Him. The Beloved gave a most vivid description of the palace and its architecture with its numerous halls and rooms and gardens. I was going to write it down but he stopped me. Laughingly he said: "I am afraid if I breathe Mirza Ahmad will write it down."

In the afternoon numerous Tablets were dictated to Shauqi Effandi for the old and new believers in India.

62 In the evening two Carmelite monks called on the Master to receive² permit to hold a picnic party tomorrow in the garden of Rizwan. The picnic is arranged for their little pupils, - boys and girls. The Master gave ~~the~~ permission with the utmost pleasure and wished them a very good time.

Before sunset he took a long walk followed by Shaugi Effendi, and when he returned all the pilgrims were standing in a long row to welcome^{him}. As he passed by he spoke a few words with each and distributed ^{amongst them} a bouquet of flowers which he carried in his hand.

The City of Ahade' has hundreds of believers and the following Tablet was revealed from them the other day:-

"O ye friends of God and the maid servants of God! Praise be to God that during the season of divine Spring and the time of merciful ^{re-}generation in which the Breath of Eternal Life is breathed in the radiant entities, ye are enlisted under the Flag of 'Ya Baha'li Abha'

and like unto the birds of the meadows perched⁶³
upon the branches of pines and Cyresses ye are
engaged in the glorification and praise of the Clement
Lord with the most rapturous melodies. Ye are
intoxicated with the wine of Truth and are joyous
in the garden of His Highness the One. Ye are clad
with the royal Robe of Guidance and are oversha-
dowed with the outstretching Bounty of His
Highness Baka-Allah. Ye have shut your ears
to the croaking of crows and ravens, and are
rejoiced and exhilarated with the songs of the
warbler of the rose-garden and the meadow.
Ye have heard the harmony of the Supreme
Concourse and listened to the glad songs of
the nightingale of the orchard of guidance.
Ye received a share and a portion from
the heavenly Food, and became associates^{and}
partners in the outpouring of the Kingdom
of Abha! This is the most great Favor and
Grace which has surrounded the people

64 of Baha! Consequently with infinite joy and happiness, felicity and delight engage your time in thanking the Lord for these divine Bestowals; then we may fulfill the reality of the holy verse: 'If you praise the Lord for His blessings unto you He will increase them correspondingly'.

Upon ye be Baha - El Abha!

(Signed) Abdul Baha Abbas.

The following prayer is revealed for the believers of a small village in Persia - Edriss Abad.

"O God! O God! These are the Thy servants who are attracted to Thy Kingdom of Beauty, yearning after the lights of Thy Meeting, supplicating towards Thee in the middle of days and by nights. They are advancing towards Thee with empty hearts, flowing tears, shining faces, brilliant eyes, and longing countenances towards the Realm of Thy Glory! O Lord! protect them from the hosts of aberration; immerse them in the sea of benevolence and submissiveness. Make them the fountains of guidance, the glowing lamps in the dark night, the beaming and twinkling stars and the armies defeating the battalions of ignorance and prejudice. Verily Thou art able to do whatsoever Thou willest!"

by Abdul Baha Abbas