

Title : This humble's father in Law Dr Sardar Nazir Ahmad Sahib (published in Daily Al Fazl dated 23 July , 2011)

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There was one boy of the name Mehr Singh (Sikh) who became Ahmadi Muslim at the hands of Promised Messiah (alahisalam) at his adolescent age . He was later known as Master Sardar Abdur Rahman (ex Mehr Singh).He was a great preacher of Islam and was blessed with sign of acceptance of prayers. He was given in the custody of Hazrat Maulvi Noor ud Din (rizi allah) for grooming and education. He sent him to his native town Bhera (a town in Punjab, British India) where he lived in his ancestral spacious house . Noor ud Din was a close friend of Promised Messiah Mirza Ghulam Ahmad (who, after his demise became his first successor on 27 May, 1908, (known as Khalifa tul Masih Awal)

Incidentally my grandfather of the same name (Abdur Rahman) was a friend and class mate of Mehr Singh who lived in the neighborhood of the ancestral house of Noorud Din .Both Abdur Rahmans went together to district headquarter Shahpur to take middle class examination.

While Noor ud Din was in Bhera before start of Ahmadiyya movement. He was acknowledged as a great scholar of Islam and a renowned physician of herbal medicines, called Hakeem.

Another Noor ud Din a young man came to his threshold and became his friend and student.He decided to live whole of his life with his mentor .On this Hazrat Maulvi Noorud Din arranged his marriage in the Mufti family of his wife at Bhera. Soon Hazrat Maulvi Noorud Din moved to Jammu and Kashmir where he was appointed Royal Physician. His disciple Noorud Din moved with him to Jamu and Kashmir where the ruler Maharaja Ranbeer Singh named him "Khalifa “ of Noorud Din" and later on he was known as Khalifa Noor ud Din Jamuni. He had one daughter from his wife.

When daughter of Khalifa Noor ud Din Jamuni reached the age of marriage , on the advice of his mentor Noorud Din ,he married her to Sardar Abdur Rahman ex Mehr Singh.From this wife was born Nazir Ahmad in 1906 approx in Qadian who later on became my father in law .

My nikah was solemnized with the daughter of Dr Sardar Nazir Ahmad (Maryam Siddiqua) by Hazrat Mirza Nasir Ahmad Khalifatul Masih 3 in Masjid Mubarak Rabwah on 26 August 1967 after Asr prayer.Huzoor introduced both the families and admired my wife's grandfather Mehr Singh being a great preacher of Islam and that he was given sign of acceptance of prayers .Dr Nazir Ahmad could not attend marriage of his daughter as he was away in Africa .

It is stated in *Ashab e Ahmad* volume 7, that father of Nazir Ahmad wanted his son to become medical doctor but his marks were not enough to get admission in medical college. His name was not even in waiting list.His father wrote to him not to leave the vicinity of medical college as he had been informed by Ilham (revelation) by Allah that he would get admission . The principal advised him not to waste the time as there was no chance of admission in any way . But he told

the principal that his father has been told by revelation that he would get admission. On this the Principal who was English laughed and exclaimed how could Allah now speak to His people !

Nazir Ahmad did not leave the place and his father kept on praying for his admission in medical college. There happened one miracle that a Hindu student annoyed the principal because he did not get permission going home on some Hindu festival. He argued with the principal and the principal rusticated him and admitted Nazir Ahmad as was foretold by Allah to his father.

Another miracle took place during practical exam of Nazir Ahmad. He did not fare well but he wrote his father to pray as if he didn't get required numbers , he would lose his position .His father prayed and while tabulating the result , the examiner wrote 53 marks instead of 35 actually gained by mistake and Dr Nazir maintained his position.

After completing his medical education Hazrat Khalifatul Masih 2 (raziallah) sent him to Habsha / Abesiniya to work in Red Cross and help the people of Habsha by his profession in world war ,whose ancesters helped early Meccan Muslims by giving them asylum in the hours of great distress.

Doctor Sahib went twice to Habsha and in addition to his obligatory professional duties preached at large.He had an access to to the palace and he preached king Haile Selassie and presented Holy Qur'an to his Majesty.

When he went second time to Habsha in 1945, he took his wife with him and Maryam who later on became my wife was born there in 1949.

During this period ,he toured Syria, Egypt ,Kababir

(Palestine) and preached message of Islam Ahmadiyya widely. Due to his excessive Tablighi activities , he was made to leave Habsha. Then he stayed in Yemen and later in Kenya.

During his stay in Yemen (in the port city Eden),he was employed in a ship as medical doçtor. A miracle happened there . Once he remained busy in Tablighi and could not wake up and the ship left. He was much worried but he started praying and conversed with Allah that he remained busy in His work and Allah might show a miracle that ship come back to the port. He stated that suddenly he saw ship come back due to some technical reason and he secretly boarded. During his service in ship, he availed the opportunity to perform Hajj and convey message of Promised Messiah to Arabs there . He was fluent in Arabic language and he spreaded the message of Ahmadiyya Islam in the holy cities All his jobs were product of prayers and instructions of Khalifatul Masih 2 Mirza Bashir ud Din Mahmud Ahmad.

In the era of Mirza Nasir Ahmad as Khalifa tul Masih 3, he served in Sierra Leone and Ghana under Nusrat Jahan Scheme. After that he came to UK.In 1984, he went on waqf e Aarzi to Spain and preached extensively.

When Hazrat Mirza Tahir Ahmad Khalifatul Masih 4 migrated to London. He was there and attended many question answer sessions with Huzoor.

He became seriously ill in 1987 .I was in Oman at that time and my family was in Rabwah, Pakistan. With one of my daughters, my wife proceeded to London to see his ailing father who was on death bed. She remained with her father for about two months . Luckily my project was completed in Oman and I was repatriated on 15 Sept 1987.

My wife returned back to Pakistan on 9 Nov and his father- Dr Sardar Nazir Ahmad passed away on 27 Dec 1987. Hazrat Khalifatul Masih 4 led his Janaza on Friday 01 January, 1988 and before that during Friday sermon commended his services. His younger son brought his funeral box to Pakistan and he being moosi was buried in Bahishti Maqbara Rabwah. We also attended his Janaza prayer in Rabwah.

His wife was Ghulam Fatima and she was daughter of a companion of Promised Masih - Malik Karam Din. She died on 22 Jan 1978 in London where she had gone just before 6 months . Her younger son brought her funeral box to Pakistan and being moosi was buried in Bahishti Maqbara Rabwah. From this wife Dr Sahib had nine children : Dr Hameed Ahmad , Rafiq Ahmad (died in 2006). Hanifa , Khalil Ahmad Nasir, Rasheed Ahmad - My wife Maryam (died on 02 May 2023), Naseer Ahmad , Sadiqa and Rashida.

Dr Sahib also married a German Convert Ahmadi lady who lived with him in Sierraleon, Ghana and UK. She helped doctor Sahib in first aid in Africa and after that she served in PS office on voluntary basis and was responsible for registration of Bai'ats. She also translated some books in German Language. She died in London on 12 Jan 2001 and buried there.