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## ACQUIRING KNOWLEDGE IS OBLIGATORY

Assalamu Alaykum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuh, Auzu Billahi Minashaytanir Rajeem. Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem, Wassalatu Wassalamu ala Rasulina Muhammadin Sayyidul Awwalin wal Akhirin, Madad Ya Rasulallah, Madad Ya As'habi Rasulillah, Madad Ya Mashayikhina, Sheykh Abdullah Daghestani, Sheykh Nazim al-Haqqani. Dastur. Tariqatunas sohba, wal khayru fil jamiyya.

Today is the day Shaykh Baba (QS) was born. May Allah raise his station. People now use the Gregorian calendar more to calculate. The birth of our Holy Prophet (SAW) was yesterday in the Gregorian calendar. Shaykh Mawlana did not like it much. The real birth of our Holy Prophet (SAW) is 12 Rabiul-Awwal in the Arabic calendar. Mawlids are made according to it. Sacred nights and mawlids are calculated according to Arabic months. However, everything done to raise awareness or respect of our Holy Prophet (SAW) is accepted according to the intention in the sight of Allah. It would be good to even do a mawlid every day for our Master (SAW). But how can we do it nowadays? It is appropriate to do it whenever the opportunity arises. May Allah's abundance (fayd) and blessings (baraka) be upon the Nation (Umma).

People are making calculations according to the Gregorian calendar. According to the Gregorian calendar, our Shaykh Mawlana came to this world in 1922. Shaykh Mawlana would tell stories well. No one knows how but Shaykh Mawlana came out by the time the midwife arrived Mashallah. He showed a miracle (karama) even in his birth and did not cause his mother any pain. He used to say, "I did not cause my mother pain." He loved his mother and would constantly mention her. His mother was also a holy lady. Shaykh Mawlana was the fifth child. They were four male siblings, and a female sibling came after him.

He lived in Cyprus for a while. At that time, Shaykh Mawlana would feel sorry for his father's condition. At the time, those Young Turks and what not had fooled the people. Shaykh Mawlana would feel sorry that he left Cyprus and came to Turkey. Whereas our grandfather had a good job there. But this was the will of Allah. He also used to feel sorry for having studied for nothing in worldly schools, in high school and

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university. About these, Shaykh Mawlana says he studied for nothing. They were all useless things, and it would have been better to go in the path of Allah.

In this regards let us clarify: not worldly knowledges but rather hereafter knowledge is a duty (wajib) and obligation (fard) for people's education. It is obligatory to learn. It is fard from birth, from the cradle to the grave. There is Fard-e Ayn and Fard-e Kifaya. Fard-e Ayn means you need to do it. Fard-e Kifaya means if one person does it, the obligation falls from other people. The real fard is to seek knowledge. And knowledge is learned in these gatherings. We will make the intention for the sake of Allah and learn. Do not say, "I have become a scholar and do not need to learn anything else." Or do not say, "Are we to enroll in a madrasa at this age?" This gathering is the gathering of knowledge. It is also a gathering of knowledge next to teachers (hodjas). You can learn anywhere throught life. Knowledge can be gained even if you read a book with the intention of learning.

There is no compulsion in religion. It is not like: You have to go to private school, study from morning to evening, study on the weekend, and not think of anything else. Allah showed ease. You learned this much today and you will also learn tomorrow. Your intention should be to constantly acquire knowledge. This way the fard has been met.

Allah sends down mercy (rahma) when awliya are mentioned. And today is the day our Shaykh Baba was born. That is why we mentioned it a little. Just as he came, Hadrat Shaykh Mawlana passed away from the Abode of Annihilation (Darul Fana) to the Abode of Permanence (Darul Baqa) at the age of 92. Nothing has changed. People themselves cry when they arrive in this world, and those left behind cry as they leave. It happened so with Shaykh Mawlana too.

True life is after this Inshallah. Shaykh Mawlana was born, he pased away to the hereafter, and he is waiting for us in the hereafter. Inshallah we get together again and are together in paradise Inshallah. Those who believe him, follow in his way, and love him will certainly be with him. Because people will be with those they love. May Allah multiply those who love him. Paradise is large, there is place for everybody, and everybody can fit. We should not say to anybody, "You will be too much to handle, do not come to this

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way, or we will have less space in paradise." Paradise is plentiful. Let everybody come Inshallah.

Wa Minallah at-Tawfeeq.

Al-Fatiha.

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